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The Legends of the Theras

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Walt 4710 When Padumuttara Buddha,

the World’s Best One, the Neutral One,

was wandering about for alms,

maintaining superlative fame, Verse 1

Walt 4711 taking the best rose-apple fruit,

with a mind that was very clear,

I gave it to the Teacher, the

Hero, the One Deserving Gifts. Verse 2

Walt 4712 O Biped-Lord, O World’s Best One,

Bull of Men, due to that karma,

I’ve attained the unshaking place

beyond all conquest and defeat. Verse 3

Walt 4713 In the hundred thousand aeons
since I gave that donation then,
I've come to know no bad rebirth:
that's the fruit of giving the best. Verse 4

Walt 4714 My defilements are now burnt up;
all new existence is destroyed.
Like elephants with broken chains,
I am living without constraint. Verse 5

Walt 4715 Being in Best Buddha's presence
was a very good thing for me.
The three knowledges are attained;
I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 6

Walt 4716 The four analytical modes,
and these eight deliverances,
six special knowledges mastered,
I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 7

Thus indeed Venerable Jambuphaliya Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Jambuphaliya Thera is finished.

The Summary:

Ekavihārī Thera and
Saṅkhika, Pāṭihīraka,
Thavika and Ucchukaṇḍī
Kalamb', Ambāṭakapadā,
Harīṭak', and Ambapiṇḍī,
Jambuda goes as the tenth poem.
There are eighty-six verses here,
which are counted by those who know.

The Ekavihāriya Chapter, the Forty-Fourth

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