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The Legends of the Theras

Sakacittaniya Chapter, the Seventh

61. Sakacittaniya

Walt 1349 Seeing a grove in the forest,

very quiet and undisturbed,

a place for sages' practices

and receipt of sacrifices, Verse 1

Walt 1350 making a stupa of bamboo

which was strewn with varied flowers,

I then worshipped my creation

as though facing the Sambuddha. Verse 2

Walt 1351 I was king, lord of a country,

possessor of the seven gems.

I delighted in my karma:

that’s the fruit of stupa-pūjā. Verse 3

Walt 1352 In the ninety-one aeons since
I honored him with flowers then,
I’ve come to know no bad rebirth:
that’s the fruit of stupa-pūjā. Verse 4

Walt 1353 Eighty aeons ago I was
possessor of the seven gems,
wheel-turner Anantayasa,
the lord of the four continents. Verse 5

Walt 1354 The four analytical modes,
and these eight deliverances,
six special knowledges mastered,
I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 6

Thus indeed Venerable Sakacittaniya Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Sakacittaniya Thera is finished.

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