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Text

Thag 1:88 Ajjuna

Able was I

to raise myself from water

to dry land.1

Swept along by the great flood,

I penetrated

the truths.2

Notes

1. A standard image for the practice is that of making one's way across a river from its dangerous near shore to the safety of the further shore. For other uses of this image, see SN 35:197, AN 4:5, AN 7:15, and Sn 5.

2. The four noble truths.