

Legends of the Buddhist Saints

Apadānapāli

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Desapūjaka

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[164. Desapūjaka¹]

Atthadassi, the Blessed One,
the World's Best One, the Bull of Men,
having risen into the sky
was going through the air [back then]. (1) [2067]

I did *pūjā* to the place where
the Teacher had been standing when
he, the Sage so Great, rose upward,
[feeling well-] pleased by [my] own hands. (2) [2068]

In the eighteen hundred aeons
since I saw the Great Sage [back then],
I've come to know no bad rebirth:
that's the fruit of region-*pūjā*. (3) [2069]

In the eleven-hundredth aeon
I was known as Gosujāta,²
a wheel-turning king with great strength,
possessor of the seven gems. (4) [2070]

The four analytical modes,
and these eight deliverances,
six special knowledges mastered,
[I have] done what the Buddha taught! (5) [2071]

Thus indeed Venerable Desapūjaka Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Desapūjaka Thera is finished.

¹"Region-Worshipper"

²"Cow-Well-Born"