

Legends of the Buddhist Saints

Apadānapāli

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Ekāsanadāyaka

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[252. Ekāsanadāyaka¹]

Sloughing off² my godly color,³
I came to this place with my wife,
desiring to do service to
the Best Buddha's dispensation.⁴ (1) [2503]

Padumuttara's follower
was known by the name Devala.⁵
With a mind that was very clear,
I provided alms-food to him. (2) [2504]

In the hundred thousand aeons
since I did that [good] karma then,
I've come to know no bad rebirth:
that's the fruit of giving begged alms.⁶ (3) [2505]

The four analytical modes
and these eight deliverances,
six special knowledges mastered:
[I have] done what the Buddha taught! (4) [2506]

Thus indeed Venerable Ekāsanadāyaka Thera spoke these verses.
The legend of Ekāsanadāyaka Thera is finished.

¹"One-Seat-Donor"

²or "abandoning," "giving up"

³*devavaṇṇaṇ*. Or "royal caste"?

⁴*Buddhaseṭṭhassa sāsane*

⁵cf. above, #55, v. 2 [1291]

⁶*piṇḍapāta*