

Legends of the Buddhist Saints

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Annasaṅsāvaka

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[326. Annasaṅsāvaka¹]

Causing the Sambuddha to stay² —
the Golden-Colored Sambuddha,
like something costly made of gold,
Bearing the Thirty-two Great Marks,
Siddhattha, Goal of All Success,
the Lustless One, Unconquered One,
who was going through the bazaar —
I fed [that Sambuddha], Great Sage. (1-2) [2858-2859]

The Sage, Kind [to creatures] in the world,
blazed forth [his bright light] on me then.
Pleasing my heart in the Buddha,
I joyed an aeon in heaven. (3) [2860]

In the ninety-four aeons since
I gave [him] that alms food back then,
I've come to know no bad rebirth:
that's the fruit of giving alms food. (4) [2861]

The four analytical modes,
and these eight deliverances,
six special knowledges mastered,
[I have] done what the Buddha taught! (5) [2862]

Thus indeed Venerable Annasaṅsāvaka Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Annasaṅsāvaka Thera is finished.

¹“Food-Streamer”

²lit., “to pass time,” to “be bent towards [me]”