

Saraṇagamaniya

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[298. Saraṇagamaniya¹]

On a Himalayan mountain,
I was a hunter at that time.
I saw the Buddha, Vipassi,
the World's Best, the Bull of Men. (1) [2706]

Attending on the Sambuddha
I did what's proper for elders,
and [then] I went to the Biped Lord,
the Neutral [Buddha,] for refuge. (2) [2707]

In the ninety-one aeons since
I went for refuge [at that time],
I've come to know no bad rebirth:
the fruit of going for refuge. (3) [2708]

The four analytical modes,
and these eight deliverances,
six special knowledges mastered,
[I have] done what the Buddha taught! (4) [2709]

Thus indeed Venerable Saraṇagamaniya Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Saraṇagamaniya Thera is finished.

¹“Refuge-Goer,” cf. #23, #113, #356{359}.