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The Conduct Leading to Buddhahood

The Chapter With Akitti

The Perfection of Giving (6th)

King Nimi’s Conduct

“Then again when I was

in the capital city of Mithilā

I was the great king named Nimi,

astute and seeking the good.

Then having had constructed

four halls with four openings,

I provided gifts there

for beasts, birds, men, and so forth.

Clothing and beds,

food and drink to enjoy:

I provided them without let,

performing a great offering.

Suppose a servant is looking

to get a raise from their boss,

they’d seek to fulfill their needs

by body, speech, and mind.

In that way in every life

I shall seek the wisdom born of awakening.

Having pleased beings with gifts,

I wish for the supreme awakening.”