Thag 4.10 — Dhammika

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Verses of the Senior Monks 4.10

The Book of the Fours

Chapter One

Dhammika

“Dhamma surely protects one who practices Dhamma.

The teaching brings happiness when practiced well.

This is the benefit of practicing Dhamma:

one doesn’t go to a bad destination.

It’s not the case that Dhamma and what is not Dhamma

lead to the same results.

What is not Dhamma leads to hell,

while Dhamma takes you to a good place.

So you should rouse up enthusiasm for the teachings;

such rejoicing is owing to the Holy One, the unaffected.

The disciples of the excellent Holy One are firm in the teaching;

those attentive ones are led on, headed to the very best of refuges.”

“The boil has been burst from its root,

the net of craving is eradicated.

He has ended transmigration, he has nothing,

he’s like the full moon on a bright night.”