Thag 6.2 — Tekicchakāri

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Verses of the Senior Monks 6.2

The Book of the Sixes

Chapter One

Tekicchakāri

“The rice has been harvested

and gathered on the threshing-floor—

but I don’t get any almsfood!

How will I get by?”

“In faith, recollect the immeasurable Buddha!

Your body soaked with rapture, you’ll always be full of joy.

In faith, recollect the immeasurable teaching!

Your body soaked with rapture, you’ll always be full of joy.

In faith, recollect the immeasurable Saṅgha!

Your body soaked with rapture, you’ll always be full of joy.”

“You stay in the open,

though these winter nights are cold.

Don’t perish, overcome with cold;

enter your dwelling, with door shut fast.”

“I’ll realize the four immeasurable states,

and meditate happily in them.

I won’t perish, overcome with cold;

I’ll dwell unperturbed.”