Thig 6.5 — Anopamā

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Text

Verses of the Senior Nuns 6.5

The Book of the Sixes

Anopamā

I was born into an eminent family,

affluent and wealthy,

endowed with a beautiful complexion and figure;

Majjha's true-born daughter.

I was sought by princes,

coveted by sons of the wealthy.

One sent a messenger to my father:

"Give me Anopamā!

However much your daughter

Anopamā weighs,

I'll give you eight times that

in gold coin and gems."

When I saw the Awakened One,

the world's Elder, unsurpassed,

I paid homage at his feet,

and withdrew to one side.

Out of compassion,

Gotama taught me the Dhamma.

While sitting in that seat,

I realized the third fruit.

Then, having shaved off my hair,

I went forth to homelessness.

This is the seventh day

since my craving dried up.