Ja 126 — The Story about the Sword Fortune-Teller

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Text

Verse 1 — Pali source

1. Tathevekassa kalyāṇaṁ, tathevekassa pāpakaṁ,

Tasmā sabbaṁ na kalyāṇaṁ, sabbaṁ cāpi na pāpakan-ti.

Verse 1 — English

In the same way that which is good for one, is bad for another, so nothing is completely good, and nothing is completely bad.