Ja 157 — The Story about Virtue

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Text

Verse 1 — Pali source

1. Yena kāmaṁ paṇāmeti dhammo balavataṁ, migī.

Unnadantī vijānāhi: jātaṁ saraṇato bhayan-ti.

Verse 1 — English

The nature of one strong is he dismisses whatever he likes, beast. Unnadantī, know you this: fear has arisen from our refuge.

Verse 2 — Pali source

2. Api ce pi dubbalo mitto, mittadhammesu tiṭṭhati,

So ñātako ca bandhu ca, so mitto so ca me sakhā,

Dāṭhini mātimaññittho, siṅgālo mama pāṇado ti!

Verse 2 — English

Although he is a weak friend, he is established in friendliness, he is my relative and kin, that friend is a comrade to me, O sharp-fanged one, do not despise him, that jackal preserved my life!