# Ja 180 — The Story about the Difficulty of (Giving) Gifts

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## Text

Verse 1

It’s hard to give offerings, it’s hard for one doing a good deed, the bad cannot imitate the good Dhamma which is hard to know.

Verse 2

Therefore the good and bad go from here to different destinies, the bad will surely go to hell, the good cross over to heaven.