Ja 202 — The Story about Mocking

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Text

Verse 1

There are geese, herons, and peacocks, elephants and the spotted deer, all fear the lion, although they are not equal in their bodies.

Verse 2

Even so amongst men a boy is respected if he be wise, but though he is big, a fool’s body is never respected.