Ja 249 — The Story about the Brother-in-Law

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Text

Verse 1 — Pali source

1. Ekaputtako bhavissasi,

Tvañ-ca no hessasi issaro kule,

Oroha dumasmā Sālaka,

Ehi dāni gharakaṁ vajemase ti.

Verse 1 — English

You’ll be my only child, you will be master in our family, descend from the tree, Sālaka, come now we should go to our home.

Verse 2 — Pali source

2. Nanu maṁ suhadayo ti maññasi,

Yañ-ca maṁ hanasi veḷuyaṭṭhiyā,

Pakkambavane ramāmase,

Gaccha tvaṁ gharakaṁ yathāsukhan-ti.

Verse 2 — English

My heart is surely good, you think, but you beat me with bamboo sticks, we enjoy this ripe mango wood, you go to your home as you like.