Ja 258 — The Story about (the Ancient King) Mandhātu

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Text

Verse 1

As far as moon and sun revolve in the directions, shining, radiant, all are servants of Mandhātu, those whose breath depends upon earth.

Source note 1.1 (English)

This pādayuga is also found at Ja 6 Devadhammajātaka, where it seems to be quoted from MN 49, Brahmanimantanikasutta.

Verse 2

Not through a rain of coins is satisfaction found in sense desires, the wise one knowing sense pleasures have little joy, much suffering.

Verse 3

But he does not find delight in divine pleasures, the disciple of the Perfect Sambuddha finds delight in craving’s destruction.