Ja 277 — The Story about the Feathered One

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Text

Verse 1 — Pali source

1. Vassāni paññāsa samādhikāni,

Vasimha selassa guhāya, romaka,

Asaṅkamānā abhinibbutattā,

Hatthattam-āyanti mamaṇḍajā pure.

Verse 1 — English

In excess of fifty years I lived in a cave on the mountain rock, feathered one, being without doubt, completely serene, formerly the birds would come to my hand.

Verse 2 — Pali source

2. Tedāni vakkaṅga kim-attham-ussukā

Bhajanti aññaṁ girikandaraṁ dijā?

Na nūna maññanti mamaṁ yathā pure,

Cirappavutthā atha vā na te ime ti?

Verse 2 — English

Now, bird, agitated, why did those birds resort to another mountain grotto? Not considering me as before, or, are these not those who lived here a long time?

Verse 3 — Pali source

3. Jānāma taṁ na mayaṁ sampamūḷhā,

So yeva tvaṁ te mayam-asma nāññe,

Cittañ-ca te asmiṁ jane paduṭṭhaṁ,

Ājīvikā tena tam-uttasāmā ti.

Verse 3 — English

We do know you, we are not deluded, we know he’s not you, and we are not them, your mind is corrupted against our folk, that’s why we are afraid, Ājīvika.

Source note 3.1 (English)

The Ājīvakas were an ascetic sect who preceded the Jainas and emphasised right livelihood (ājīvika).