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Text

Verse 1

He is certainly a friend with seven steps, but with twelve he is a companion true, with a month or a fortnight he is like kin, more than that he is just the same as my self, how would I, the cause of my own happiness, abandon my long time friend Kāḷakaṇṇi?