# Thag 2.3 — Thag 2:3 Valliya

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## Text

Thag 2:3 Valliya

A monkey,

coming to the little hut

with five doors,

goes from door to door, knocking

moment by moment.

Stand still, monkey,

don’t run.

It’s not yours

as it was before.

You’re bound by discernment.

You won’t get far away.

## Publisher references (not part of the sutta)

See also: SN 35:199