

## yākūbaḥ patraṃ

I īśvarasya prabho ryīśukhrīṣṭasya ca dāso  
yākūb vikīrṇībhūtān dvādaśaṃ vaṃśān prati  
namaskṛtya patraṃ likhati|

II he mama bhrātaraḥ, yūyaṃ yadā bahuvid-  
haparīkṣāṣu nipatata tadā tat pūrṇānandasya  
kāraṇaṃ manyadhvaṃ|

III yato yuṣmākaṃ viśvāsasya parīkṣitatvena  
dhairyyaṃ sampādyata iti jānītha|

IV tacca dhairyyaṃ siddhaphalaṃ bhavatu  
tena yūyaṃ siddhāḥ sampūrṇāśca bhaviṣyatha  
kasyāpi guṇasyābhāvaśca yuṣmākaṃ na  
bhaviṣyati|

V yuṣmākaṃ kasyāpi jñānābhāvo yadi bhavet  
tarhi ya īśvaraḥ saralabhāvena tiraskārañca  
vinā sarvvebhyo dadāti tataḥ sa yācatāṃ tatas-  
tasmai dāyīṣyate|

VI kintu sa niḥsandehaḥ san viśvāsena  
yācatāṃ yataḥ sandigdho mānavo vāyunā  
cālitasyotplavamānasya ca samudratarāṅgasya  
sadrśo bhavati|

VII tādrśo mānavaḥ prabhoḥ kiñcit prāpsyatīti  
na manyatāṃ|

VIII dvimanā lokaḥ sarvvagatiṣu cañcalo bha-  
vati|

IX yo bhrātā namraḥ sa nijonnatyā ślāghatāṃ|

X yaśca dhanavān sa nijanamratayā  
ślāghatāmyataḥ sa tṛṇapuṣpavat kṣayaṃ  
gamiṣyati|

XI yataḥ satāpena sūryyeṇoditya tṛṇaṃ  
śoṣyate tatpuṣpañca bhraśyati tena tasya  
rūpasya saundaryyaṃ naśyati tadvad  
dhaniloko'pi svīyamūḍhatayā mlāsyati|

XII yo janaḥ parīkṣāṃ sahate sa eva  
dhanyaḥ, yataḥ parīkṣitatvaṃ prāpya sa  
prabhunā svapremakāribhyaḥ pratijñātaṃ  
jīvanamukutaṃ lapsyate|

XIII īśvaro mām parīkṣata iti parīkṣāsamaye  
ko'pi na vadatu yataḥ pāpāyeśvarasya parīkṣā  
na bhavati sa ca kamapi na parīkṣate|

XIV kintu yaḥ kaścit svīyamanovāñchayākṛṣyate  
lobhyate ca tasyaiva parīkṣā bhavati|

XV tasmāt sā manovāñchā sagarbhā bhūtvā  
duṣkṛtiṃ prasūte duṣkṛtiśca pariṇāmaṃ gatvā  
mrtyuṃ janayati|

XVI he mama priyabhrātaraḥ, yūyaṃ na  
bhrāmyata|

XVII yat kiñcid uttamaṃ dānaṃ pūrṇo  
varaśca tat sarvvaṃ ūrddhvād arthato yasmin  
daśāntaraṃ parivarttanajātacchāyā vā nāsti  
tasmād dīptyākarāt pituravarohati|

XVIII tasya sṛṣṭavastūnām madhye vayaṃ yat  
prathamaphalasvarūpā bhavāmastadarthaṃ  
sa svecchātaḥ satyamatasya vākyenāsmān  
janayāmāsa|

XIX ataeva he mama priyabhrātaraḥ,  
yuṣmākam ekaiko janaḥ śravaṇe tvaritaḥ  
kathane dhīraḥ krodhe'pi dhīro bhavatu|

XX yato mānavasya krodha  
īśvariṃyadharmmaṃ na sādhayati|

XXI ato heto ryūyaṃ sarvvām aśucikriyām  
duṣṭatābhūlyāñca nikṣipya yuṣmanmanasām  
paritrāṇe samartham ropitaṃ vākyam nam-  
rabhāvena gṛhlita|

XXII aparañca yūyam kevalam  
ātmavañcayitāro vākyasya śrotāro na bhavata  
kintu vākyasya karmmakāriṇo bhavata|

XXIII yato yaḥ kaścid vākyasya karmmakārī na  
bhūtvā kevalam tasya śrotā bhavati sa darpaṇe  
svīyaśārīrikavadanaṃ nirikṣamaṇasya manu-  
jasya sadṛśaḥ|

XXIV ātmākāre dṛṣṭe sa prasthāya kīdṛśa āsīt  
tat tatkṣaṇād vismarati|

XXV kintu yaḥ kaścit natvā mukteḥ siddhām  
vyavasthām ālokya tiṣṭhati sa vismṛtiyuktaḥ  
śrotā na bhūtvā karmmakarttaiva san svakārye  
dhanyo bhaviṣyati|

XXVI anāyattarasaṇaḥ san yaḥ kaścit svamano  
vañcayitvā svaṃ bhaktam manyate tasya bhakti  
rmudhā bhavati|

XXVII kleśakāle pitṛhīnānām vidhavānāñca  
yad avekṣaṇam saṃsārācca niṣkalaṅkena yad  
ātmarakṣaṇam tadeva piturīśvarasya sāksāt  
śuci nirmalā ca bhaktiḥ|

## II

I he mama bhrātaraḥ, yūyam asmākaṃ te-  
jasvinaḥ prabho ryīśukhrīṣṭasya dharmmam  
mukhāpekṣayā na dhārayata|

II yato yuṣmākaṃ sabhāyām  
svaṇṅgurīyakayukte bhrājiṣṇuparicchade  
puruṣe praviṣṭe malinavastre kasmirīścid  
daridre'pi praviṣṭe

III yūyaṁ yadi taṁ bhrājiṣṇuparicchadavasānaṁ  
janaṁ nirīkṣya vadeta bhavān atrottamasthāna  
upaviśatviti kiñca taṁ daridraṁ yadi vadeta  
tvam amusmin sthāne tiṣṭha yadvātra mama  
pādapīṭha upaviśeti,

IV tarhi manaḥsu viśeṣya yūyaṁ kiṁ kutarkaiḥ  
kuvicāraḥ na bhavatha?

V he mama priyabhrātaraḥ, śṛṇuta,  
saṁsāre ye daridrāstān īśvaro viśvāsena  
dhaninaḥ svapremakāribhyaśca pratiśrutasya  
rājyasyādhikāriṇaḥ karttuṁ kiṁ na varītavān?  
kintu daridro yuṣmābhiravajñāyate|

VI dhanavanta eva kiṁ yuṣmān nopadravanti  
balācca vicārāsanānāṁ samīpaṁ na nayanti?

VII yuṣmadupari parikīrttitaṁ paramaṁ nāma  
kiṁ taireva na nindyate?

VIII kiñca tvaṁ svasamīpavāsini svātmavat  
prīyasva, etacchāstrīyavacanānusārato yadi  
yūyaṁ rājakīyavyavasthāṁ pālayatha tarhi  
bhadrāṁ kurutha|

IX yadi ca mukhāpekṣāṁ kurutha tarhi  
pāpam ācaratha vyavasthayā cājñālaṅghina  
iva dūṣyadhve|

X yato yaḥ kaścit kṛtsnāṁ vyavasthāṁ  
pālayati sa yadyekasmin vidhau skhalati tarhi  
sarvveṣāṁ aparādhī bhavati|

XI yato hetostvaṁ paradārān mā gaccheti yaḥ  
kathitavān sa eva narahatyāṁ mā kuryyā ityapi  
kathitavān tasmāt tvaṁ paradārān na gatvā  
yadi narahatyāṁ karoṣi tarhi vyavasthālaṅghī  
bhavasi|

**XII** mukte rvyavasthāto yeṣāṃ vicāreṇa bhavitavyaṃ tādṛśā lokā iva yūyaṃ kathāṃ kathayata karmma kuruta ca |

**XIII** yo dayāṃ nācarati tasya vicāro nirddayena kāriṣyate, kintu dayā vicāram abhibhaviṣyati |

**XIV** he mama bhrātaraḥ, mama pratyayo'stīti yaḥ kathayati tasya karmmaṇi yadi na vidyanta tarhi tena kiṃ phalaṃ? tena pratyayena kiṃ tasya paritrāṇaṃ bhavituṃ śaknoti?

**XV** keṣucid bhrātrṣu bhaginīṣu vā vasanaḥīneṣu prātyahikāhārahīneṣu ca satsu yuṣmākaṃ ko'pi tebhyaḥ śarīrārthaṃ prayojanīyāni dravyāṇi na datvā yadi tān vadet,

**XVI** yūyaṃ sakuśalaṃ gatvoṣṇagātrā bhavata tṛpyata ceti tarhyetena kiṃ phalaṃ?

**XVII** tadvat pratyayo yadi karmmaḥmi ryukto na bhavet tarhyekakitvāt mṛta evāste |

**XVIII** kiñca kaścid idam vadiṣyati tava pratyayo vidyate mama ca karmmaṇi vidyante, tvaṃ karmmahīnaṃ svapratyayaṃ māṃ darśaya tarhyahamapi matkarmmaḥmyaḥ svapratyayaṃ tvāṃ darśayiṣyāmi |

**XIX** eka īśvaro 'stīti tvaṃ pratyeṣi | bhadraṃ karoṣi | bhūtā api tat pratiyanti kampante ca |

**XX** kintu he nirbbodhamānava, karmmahīnaḥ pratyayo mṛta evāstyetaḥ avagantuṃ kim icchasi?

**XXI** asmākaṃ pūrvvapuruṣo ya ibrahīm svaputraṃ ishākaṃ yajñavedyāṃ utsṛṣṭavān sa kiṃ karmmaḥmyo na sapuṇyīkṛtaḥ?

**XXII** pratyaye tasya karmmaṇāṃ saha kāriṇi jāte karmmaḥmiḥ pratyayaḥ siddho 'bhavat tat kiṃ paśyasi?

XXIII itthañcedaṃ śāstrīyavacanāṃ saphalam  
abhavat, ibrahīm parameśvare viśvasitavān  
tacca tasya puṇyāyāgaṇyata sa ceśvarasya mi-  
tra iti nāma labdhavān|

XXIV paśyata mānavaḥ karmmabhyaḥ sa-  
puṇyīkriyate na caikākinā pratyayena |

XXV tadvad yā rāhabnāmikā vārāṅganā cārān  
anugrhyāpareṇa mārgeṇa visasarja sāpi kiṃ  
karmmabhyo na sapuṇyīkṛtā?

XXVI ataevātmahīno deho yathā mṛto'sti  
tathaiva karmmahīnaḥ pratyayo'pi mṛto'sti|

### III

I he mama bhrātaraḥ, śikṣakairasmābhi rgu-  
rutaradaṇḍo lapsyata iti jñātvā yūyam aneke  
śikṣakā mā bhavata |

II yataḥ sarvve vyaṃ bahuviṣayeṣu  
skhalāmaḥ, yaḥ kaścid vākye na skhalati  
sa siddhapuruṣaḥ kṛtsnaṃ vaśīkarttuṃ  
samarthaścāsti|

III paśyata vyaṃ aśvān vaśīkarttuṃ teṣāṃ  
vaktreṣu khalīnān nidhāya teṣāṃ kṛtsnaṃ  
śarīram anuvarttayāmaḥ|

IV paśyata ye potā atīva bṛhadākārāḥ  
pracaṇḍavātaiśca cālitāste'pi karṇadhārasya  
mano'bhimatād atikṣudreṇa karṇena  
vāñchitaṃ sthānaṃ pratyānuvarttante |

V tadvad rasanāpi kṣudratarāṅgaṃ  
santī darpavākyāni bhāṣate| paśya  
kīdr̥ṇmahāraṇyaṃ dahyate 'lpena vahninā|

VI rasanāpi bhaved vahniradharm-  
marūpapiṣṭape| asmadaṅgeṣu rasanā tādr̥ṣāṃ  
santiṣṭhati sā kṛtsnaṃ dehaṃ kalaṅkayati

sr̥ṣṭirathasya cakram prajvalayati narakānalena  
jvalati ca |

VII paśupakṣyurogajalacarāṇām  
sarvveṣām svabhāvo damayituṃ śakyate  
mānuṣikasvabhāvena damayañcakre ca |

VIII kintu mānavānām kenāpi jihvā damay-  
ituṃ na śakyate sā na nivāryyam aniṣṭam  
halāhalaviṣeṇa pūrṇa ca |

IX tayā vyaṃ pitaram īśvaram dhanyaṃ  
vadāmaḥ, tayā ceśvarasya sādṛṣye sr̥ṣṭān  
mānavān śapāmaḥ |

X ekasmād vadanād dhanyavādaśāpau nir-  
gacchataḥ | he mama bhrātaraḥ, etādṛṣam na  
karttavyaṃ |

XI prasravaṇaḥ kim ekasmāt chidrāt miṣṭam  
tikañca toyaṃ nirgamayati?

XII he mama bhrātaraḥ, uḍumbarataruḥ kim  
jitaphalāni drākṣālatā vā kim uḍumbaraphalāni  
phalituṃ śaknoti? tadvad ekaḥ prasravaṇo  
lavaṇamiṣṭe toyē nirgamayituṃ na śaknoti |

XIII yuṣmākaṃ madhye jñānī sub-  
odhaśca ka āste? tasya karmmāṇi  
jñānamūlakamṛdutāyuktānīti sadācārāt sa  
pramāṇayatu |

XIV kintu yuṣmadantaḥkaraṇamadhye yadi  
tikterṣyā vivādecchā ca vidyate tarhi satyamata-  
sya viruddham na ślāghadhvaṃ nacānṛtaṃ  
kathayata |

XV tādr̥ṣam jñānam ūrddhvād āgataṃ nahi  
kintu pārthivaṃ śarīri bhautikañca |

XVI yato hetorīrṣyā vivādecchā ca yatra vedyete tatraiva kalahaḥ sarvvaṃ duṣkṛtañca vidyate |

XVII kintūrddhvād āgataṃ yat jñānaṃ tat prathamam śuci tataḥ param śāntam kṣāntam āśusandheyam dayādisatphalaiḥ paripūrṇam asandigdham niṣkapaṭaṃca bhavati |

XVIII śāntyācāribhiḥ śāntyā dharmmaphalam ropyate |

## IV

I yuṣmākaṃ madhye samarā raṇaśca kuta utpadyante? yuṣmadaṅgaśibirāśritābhyaḥ sukhecchābhyaḥ kiṃ notpadyante?

II yūyam vāñchatha kintu nāpnutha, yūyam narahatyām īrṣyāñca kurutha kintu kṛtārthā bhavitum na śaknutha, yūyam yudhyatha raṇam kurutha ca kintvaprāptāstīṣṭhatha, yato hetoḥ prārthanām na kurutha |

III yūyam prārthayadhve kintu na labhadhve yato hetoḥ svasukhabhogeṣu vyayārtham ku prārthayadhve |

IV he vyabhicāriṇo vyabhicāriṇyaśca, saṃsārasya yat maītryam tad īśvarasya śātravamiti yūyam kiṃ na jānītha? ata eva yaḥ kaścit saṃsārasya mitraṃ bhavitum abhilaṣati sa eveśvarasya śatru rbhavati |

V yūyam kiṃ manyadhve? śāstrasya vākyaṃ kiṃ phalahīnam bhavet? asmadantarvāsī ya ātmā sa vā kim īrṣyārtham prema karoti?

VI tannahi kintu sa pratulaṃ varam vitarati tasmād uktamāste yathā, ātmābhimānalokānām vipakṣo bhavatiśvaraḥ |



kintu tenaiva namrebhyaḥ prasādād dīyate  
varah||

**VII** ataeva yūyam īśvarasya vaśyā bhavata  
śayatānaṁ samrundha tena sa yuṣmattaḥ  
palāyiṣyate|

**VIII** īśvarasya samīpavarttino bhavata tena  
sa yuṣmākaṁ samīpavarttī bhaviṣyati| he  
pāpinaḥ, yūyaṁ svakarān pariṣkurudhvaṁ|  
he dvimanolokāḥ, yūyaṁ svāntaḥkaraṇāni  
śucīni kurudhvaṁ|

**IX** yūyam udvijadhvaṁ śocata vilapata  
ca, yuṣmākaṁ hāsaḥ śokāya, ānandaśca  
kātaratāyai parivarttetām|

**X** prabhoḥ samakṣaṁ namrā bhavata tasmāt  
sa yuṣmān uccikariṣyati|

**XI** he bhrātaraḥ, yūyaṁ parasparaṁ mā  
dūṣayata| yaḥ kaścid bhrātaraṁ dūṣayati  
bhrātu rvicāraṅca karoti sa vyavasthām  
dūṣayati vyavasthāyāśca vicāraṁ karoti|  
tvaṁ yadi vyavasthāyā vicāraṁ karoṣi tarhi  
vyavasthāpālayitā na bhavasi kintu vicārayitā  
bhavasi|

**XII** advitiyo vyavasthāpako vicārayitā ca sa  
evāste yo rakṣituṁ nāśayituṅca pārayati| kintu  
kastvaṁ yat parasya vicāraṁ karoṣi?

**XIII** adya śvo vā vayam amukanagaraṁ  
gatvā tatra varṣamekaṁ yāpayanto vāṅijyaṁ  
kariṣyāmaḥ lābhaṁ prāpsyāmaśceti kathām  
bhāṣamāṇā yūyam idānīm śṛṇuta|

**XIV** śvaḥ kiṁ ghaṭiṣyate tad yūyaṁ na  
jānītha yato jīvanaṁ vo bhavet kīḍṛk tatttu

bāṣpasvarūpakaṁ, kṣaṇamātraṁ bhaved  
dṛśyaṁ lupyate ca tataḥ paraṁ|

<sup>XV</sup> tadanuktvā yuṣmākaṁ idaṁ kathanīyaṁ  
prabhoricchāto vayaṁ yadi jīvāmasterhyetat  
karma tat karma vā kariṣyāma iti|

<sup>XVI</sup> kintvidānīm yūyaṁ garvvavākyaiḥ  
ślāghanaṁ kurudhve tādṛśaṁ sarvvaṁ  
ślāghanaṁ kutsitameva|

<sup>XVII</sup> ato yaḥ kaścit satkarma karttaṁ viditvā  
tanna karoti tasya pāpaṁ jāyate|

## V

<sup>I</sup> he dhanavantaḥ, yūyaṁ idānīm śṛṇuta  
yuṣmābhirāgamiṣyatkleśahetoḥ krandyatām  
vilapyatāñca|

<sup>II</sup> yuṣmākaṁ draviṇaṁ jirṇaṁ kīṭabhuktāḥ  
sucelakāḥ|

<sup>III</sup> kanakaṁ rajatañcāpi vikṛtiṁ  
pragamiṣyati, tatkalaṅkaśca yuṣmākaṁ pāpaṁ  
pramāṇayiṣyati, hutāśavacca yuṣmākaṁ  
piśitaṁ khādayiṣyati| ittham antimaghasreṣu  
yuṣmābhiḥ sañcitarṁ dhanam|

<sup>IV</sup> paśyata yaiḥ kṛṣṭivalai ryuṣmākaṁ śasyāni  
chinnāni tebhyo yuṣmābhi ryad vetanaṁ  
chinnaṁ tad uccai rdhvaniṁ karoti teṣāṁ  
śasyacchedakānām ārttarāvaḥ senāpateḥ  
parameśvarasya karṇakuharaṁ praviṣṭaḥ|

<sup>V</sup> yūyaṁ pṛthivyām sukhabhogam  
kāmuakatāñcāritavantaḥ, mahābhogasya dina  
iva nijāntaḥkaraṇāni paritarpitavantaśca|

<sup>VI</sup> aparañca yuṣmābhi rdhārmmikasya  
daṇḍājñā hatyā cākāri tathāpi sa yuṣmān na  
pratiruddhavān|

VII he bhrātarah, yūyaṁ prabhorāgamaṇaṁ  
yāvad dhairyyamālabadhvaṁ| paśyata  
kṛṣivalo bhūme rbahumūlyaṁ phalaṁ  
pratikṣamaṇo yāvat prathamam antimaṅca  
vṛṣṭijalaṁ na prāpnoti tāvad dhairyyam  
ālabate|

VIII yūyamapi dhairyyamālambya  
svāntaḥkaraṇāni sthīrikuruta, yataḥ  
prabhorupasthiḥ samīpavarttinyabhavat|

IX he bhrātarah, yūyaṁ yad daṇḍyā na  
bhaveta tadarthaṁ parasparaṁ na glāyata,  
paśyata vicārayitā dvārasamīpe tiṣṭhati|

X he mama bhrātarah, ye bhaviṣyadvādinaḥ  
prabho rñāmnā bhāṣitavantastān yūyaṁ  
duḥkhasahanasya dhairyyasya ca dṛṣṭāntān  
jānīta|

XI paśyata dhairyyaśīlā asmābhi rdhanyā  
ucyante| āyūbo dhairyyaṁ yuṣmābhiraśrāvi  
prabhoḥ pariṇāmaścādarśi yataḥ prabhu  
rbahukṛpaḥ sakaruṇaścāsti|

XII he bhrātarah viśeṣata idaṁ vadāmi svar-  
gasya vā pṛthivyā vānyavastuno nāma grhītvā  
yuṣmābhiḥ ko'pi śapatho na kriyatām, kintu  
yathā daṇḍyā na bhavata tadarthaṁ yuṣmākaṁ  
tathaiva tannahi cetivākyam yatheṣṭam bha-  
vatu|

XIII yuṣmākaṁ kaścīd duḥkhī bhavati? sa  
prārthanām karotu| kaścīd vānandito bhavati?  
sa gītaṁ gāyatu|

XIV yuṣmākaṁ kaścīd piḍito 'sti? sa samiteḥ  
prācīnān āhvātu te ca pabho rñāmnā taṁ  
tailenābhiṣicya tasya kṛte prārthanām kurv-  
vantu|

XV tasmād viśvāsajātaprārthanayā sa rogī rakṣām yāsyati prabhuśca tam utthāpayiṣyati yadi ca kṛtapāpo bhavet tarhi sa tam kṣamiṣyate|

XVI yūyam parasparam aparādhān aṅgīkurudhvam ārogyaprāptyarthañcaikajano 'nyasya kṛte prārthanām karotu dhārmikasya sayatnā prārthanā bahuśaktiviśiṣṭā bhavati|

XVII ya eliyō vayamiva sukhaduḥkhabhogī marttya āsīt sa prārthanayānāvṛṣṭim yācitavān tena deśe sārddhavatsaratrayam yāvad vṛṣṭi rna babhūva|

XVIII paścāt tena punaḥ prārthanāyām kṛtāyām ākāśastoyānyavarṣīt pṛthivī ca svaphalāni prārohayat|

XIX he bhrātarah, yuṣmākaṁ kasmiṁścit satyamātād bhraṣṭe yadi kaścit tam parāvarttayati

XX tarhi yo janaḥ pāpinaṁ vipathabhramaṇāt parāvarttayati sa tasyātmānaṁ mṛtyuta ud-dhariṣyati bahupāpānyāvariṣyati ceti jānātu|

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