

*pāthe samagre 'sompūrne tato 'rdham pātham ācaret ।  
tadā godānaṣam puṇyam labhate nā 'tra saṁsayah ॥*

If the whole of it cannot be recited, half of it may be recited; through that act the aspirant acquires merit on a par with the gift of a cow. There is no doubt about it. 11

The merit in the gift of a cow consists in giving it to a spiritual man intent solely on Self-culture. Cherishing a spiritual man in this manner is equivalent to cherishing spirituality.

त्रिभागं पठमानस्तु गङ्गास्नानफलं लभेत् ।

षडंशं जपमानस्तु सोमयागफलं लभेत् ॥ १२

*tribhāgam pathamānas tu gangāsnāna phalam labhet ।  
ṣadamśam japamānas tu somayāgaphalam labhet ॥*

He who recites a third part acquires the merit obtained by bathing in the Ganges. He who recites a sixth part gets the fruit of the Soma-sacrifice 12

एकाध्यायं तु यो नित्यं पठते भक्तिसंयुतः ।

रुद्रलोकमवाप्नोति गणो भूत्वा वसेच्चिरम् ॥ १३

*ekā 'dhyāyam tu yo nityam pathate bhakti samyutaḥ ।  
rudra lokam avāpnoti gano bhūtvā vases cīram ॥*

He who reads even a chapter a day with devotion gains the Rudraloka and lives there long having become an attendant on Siva. 13

अध्यायं श्लोकपादं वा नित्यं यः पठते नरः ।

स याति नरतां यावन्मन्वन्तरं वसुन्धरे ॥ १४

*adhyāyam ślokapādam vā nityam yaḥ pathate naraḥ ।  
sa yāti naratām yāvan manvantaram vasundhare ॥*