

Help

वृषसारसंग्रहः

[द्वादशमोऽध्यायः]

[आतिथ्यधर्मः]

देव्युवाच ।

अहिंसा परमो धर्मः सततं परिकीर्त्यते ।
आतिथ्यकानां धर्मं च कथयस्व यदुत्तमम् ॥ १२:१

महेश्वर उवाच ।

अहिंसातिथ्यकानां च शृणु धर्मं यदुत्तमम् ।
त्रैलोक्यमखिलं देवि रत्नपूर्णं सुलोचने ॥ १२:२

चतुर्वेदविदे दानं न तत्तुल्यमहिंसकः ।
शृणु धर्ममतिथ्यानां कीर्तयिष्यामि सुन्दरि ॥ १२:३

[विपुलोपाख्यानम्]

आसीद्वृत्तं पुराख्यानं नगरे कुसुमाह्वये ।
कपिलस्य सुतो विद्वान्विपुलो नाम विश्रुतः ॥ १२:४

धर्मनित्यो जितक्रोधः सत्यवादी जितेन्द्रियः ।
ब्रह्मण्यश्च कृतज्ञश्च मद्भक्तः कृतनिश्चयः ॥ १२:५

धनाढ्योऽतिथिपूज्यश्च दाता दान्तो दयालुकः ।
न्यायार्जितधनो नित्यमन्यायपरिवर्जितः ॥ १२:६

भार्या च रूपिणी तस्य चन्द्रबिम्बशुभानना ।
पीनोत्तुङ्गस्तनी कान्ता सकलानन्दकारिणी ।
पतिव्रता पतिरता पतिशुश्रूषणे रता ॥ १२:७

अथ केनापि कालेन सूर्यरागमभूततः ।
ग्रस्तभागत्रयस्त्वासीत्कृष्णमाधवमासिके ॥ १२:८

स्नातुकामावतीर्यन्ते सर्वे पौरनृपादयः ।
देवाश्च पितरश्चैव तर्प्यन्ते विधिवत्तथा ॥ १२:९

केचिज्जुहति तत्राग्निं केचिद्विप्रांश्च तर्पयेत् ।
केचिद्दानोपतिष्ठन्ति केचित्स्तुन्वन्ति देवताम् ॥ १२:१०

ध्यानयोगरताः केचित्केचित्पञ्चतपे रताः ।
एवं प्रवर्तमानेषु राजनादिषु सर्वशः ॥ १२:११

विपुलोऽपि हि तत्रैव गङ्गागण्डकिसंगमे ।
भार्यया सह तत्रैव स्नात्वा क्षोमविभूषणः ॥ १२:१२

देवतागुरुविप्राणामन्येषां तर्पणे रतः ।
तत्रावसरसम्प्राप्तो ब्राह्मणोऽतिथिरागतः ॥ १२:१३

भार्या तस्यातिरूपेण मोहिता ब्रह्मणस्तदा ।
ब्राह्मणोऽपि तथैवेह रूपेणाप्रतिमो भवेत् ॥ १२:१४

अन्योन्यदृष्टिसंस्तौ जातौ तौ तु परस्परम् ।
विपुलेनाञ्जलिं कृत्वा ब्राह्मणं संशितव्रत ॥ १२:१५

आज्ञापय द्विजश्रेष्ठ अद्य मेऽनुग्रहं कुरु ।
भार्याभृत्यपशुग्राम रत्नानि विविधानि च ॥ १२:१६

विपुलेनैवमुक्तस्तु गृहीतो ब्राह्मणोऽब्रवीत् ।
यदि सत्यं प्रदातासि सुप्रसन्नं मनस्तव ॥ १२:१७

Translation

[The rules of hospitality]

The Goddess spoke:

[12.1] Harmlessness is always praised as the highest Dharma. Also, teach me the ultimate Dharma of those who practise hospitality.

Maheśvara spoke:

[12.2] Hear the ultimate Dharma of the harmless ones and that of the ones who practise hospitality. O beautiful-eyed goddess, [if] all the three worlds, full of wealth,

[12.3] [were handed over as] a gift to [a Brahmin who] knows the four Vedas, [that gift] cannot be compared to somebody who avoids doing harm. Hear the Dharma of the hospitable ones. I'll teach it [to you], O beautiful one.

[The Story of Vipula]

[12.4] This is an old story of what happened once in a city called Kusuma [i.e. Pāṭaliputra]. There was a famous and wise man called Vipula, Kapila's son.

[12.5] He always followed his Dharma, he conquered anger, he spoke only the truth and he conquered his senses. He was friendly to Brahmins. He was grateful and he was my determined devotee.

[12.6] He was rich and he worshipped[?] his guests. He was generous, restrained, and merciful. His wealth always came through just means. He always stayed away from illegal actions.

[12.7] He had a beautiful wife whose face was as pure as the disk of the moon. Her breasts were round and elevated, she was lovely, a source of all pleasure. She was faithful, devoted to her husband and his needs.

[12.8] Now, once there was an eclipse of the sun. Three quarters [of the sun] were eclipsed, and it was in the dark half of the month of Mādhava.

[12.9] Eager to take a ritual bath, the king and all citizens went down [to the river]. They were worshipping the gods and the deceased ancestors according to rule.

[12.10] Some sacrificed in the fire, some fed the Brahmins, some gave donations, others praised the deity.

[12.11] Some people practised yoga meditation, others were engrossed in five-fire penance. While all the royals and other people were doing this all around the place,

[12.12] Vipula too, there at the confluence of the Gaṅgā and the Gaṇḍakī, together with his wife, performed a bath, and, attired in linen clothes,

[12.13] was satiating the deities, the gurus, the Brahmins and others. Then, jumping on the possibility, a Brahmin came up [to them] as a guest.

[12.14] The wife got infatuated with that Brahmin's extreme beauty. The Brahmin [felt] the same. His beauty was unparalleled.[?]

[12.15] Their gaze got fixed on each other mutually. Vipula joined his hands [and said:] "O virtuous Brahmin,