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वित्तं पसवो य णाइओ, तं बाले सरणं ति मण्णइ।
एण मम तेसिं वा अहं, णो ताणं सरणं ण विज्जई।।

Samaṇasuttaṃ 509

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The unwise/ignorant being (*ajñānī jīva*) considers cattle, wealth, and fellow beings (*jñātivarga* / caste fellows) as his protector or shelter/refuge. He deems that ‘they are mine and I am theirs’, but they all are neither protectors nor shelter. This statement reflects the perspective of an ignorant or spiritually undeveloped person who mistakenly attributes permanence or ultimate security to material possessions, cattle, or social status. They believe these things can protect them or provide refuge. However, the deeper truth is that none of these external entities can offer true protection or refuge because they are transient and impermanent.

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