

Verse 239

*Anupubbena medhāvī
thokathokam khane khane
Kammāro rajatass'eva
niddhame malam-attano*

The wise gradually purifies himself,
little by little and from time to time,
just as the silversmith removes
(the dross) of silver.

Meaning

<i>anupubbena</i>	gradually and progressively
<i>medhāvī</i>	the wise
<i>thoka</i>	little
<i>thokathokam</i>	little by little, bit by bit
<i>khane</i>	moment; time
<i>khane khane</i>	time to time, moment to moment (unceasingly)
<i>kammāro</i>	a silversmith
<i>rajata</i>	silver
<i>eva</i>	just like
<i>niddhame</i>	cleanses, purifies
<i>malam</i>	stain, impurity
<i>attano</i>	oneself