Verse 51 & 52

Yathā'pi ruciram puppham vannavantam agandhakam Evam subhāsitā vācā aphalā hoti akubbato

Yathā'pi ruciram puppham vannavantam sagandhakam Evam subhāsitā vācā saphalā hoti sakubbato As a flower that is lovely and beautiful but is scentless, even so fruitless is the well-spoken words of one who does not practise it.

As a flower that is lovely, beautiful, and scent-laden, even so fruitful is the well-spoken words of one who practises it.

Meaning

yathā'pi just as

ruciram beautiful; brilliant

puppham flower

vannavantam lovely; full of beauty

agandhakam without (sweet) scent; scentless

evam even so

subhāsitā well-spoken

vācā words aphalā fruitless

hoti is

akubbato does not practise

sagandhakam full of (sweet) scent; scent-laden

saphalā fruitful sakubbato practises