

Exploring the Ancient Path in the Buddha's Own Words

Lesson 2.1.14

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<i>Yo ca vassasataṃ jīve, dussīlo asamāhito; Ekāhaṃ jīvitaṃ seyyo, sīlavantassa jhāyino.</i>	<i>And for one who would live a hundred years, Immoral and unrestrained, Much better a life of only one day If one keeps his sīla upright and meditates.</i>
<i>Yo ca vassasataṃ jīve, duppañño asamāhito; Ekāhaṃ jīvitaṃ seyyo, paññavantassa jhāyino.</i>	<i>And for one who would live a hundred years, Lacking wisdom and unrestrained, Much better a life of only one day If one develops his wisdom and meditates.</i>
<i>Yo ca vassasataṃ jīve, apassaṃ dhammamuttamaṃ; Ekāhaṃ jīvitaṃ seyyo, passato dhammamuttamaṃ.</i>	<i>And for one who would live a hundred years, Not realizing the true Dhamma, Much better a life of only one day If one realizes the true Dhamma.</i>