

Kizh Vanam
(Thiruppavai Paasuram #08)

Ragam: Dhanyasi {8th melakartha (Thodi) janyam }

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dhanyasi>

ARO: S G2 M1 P N2 S ||
AVA: S N2 D1 P M1 G2 R1 S ||

Talam: Adi (2 kalai)

Composer: Andal / Godai / Nachiyar (Thiruppavai: [Thiruppavai Wikipedia Page](#))

Version: Akkarai Sisters & Kunnakudi Balamuralikrishna

(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ccx0QF32ffs>)

Lyrics / Meaning Courtesy: <https://ramanuja.org/sv/alvars/andal/tiruppavai/verse8.html>

Youtube Class: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mCGJ0OqtIAs>

Audio MP3 Class: <http://www.shivkumar.org/music/Thiruppavai08-class.mp3>

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{ Additional sites: <http://www.asayana.com/religion/18-2/> and <http://www.ibiblio.org/sripedia/ebooks/tpv/> }

Context: Andal's thirty songs contain the cardinal principles of Vaishnava dharma during the month of Marghazhi. Vaishnavas sing these songs to bring peace, prosperity and Divine Grace. Andal assumes the guise of a cowherd girl in these 30 verses. Andal appears intent upon performing a particular religious vow to marry the Lord, thereby obtain His everlasting company, and inviting all her girl-friends to join her. Towards the end we learn that she did not actually perform a religious rite; but is simply praying to be granted the service of the Lord for eternity. She yearns for everlasting happiness and service of the Lord.

The second section of Sri Andal's Thiruppavai consists of 10 verses beginning with the above 6th verse and sets out to wake up 10 girls to join Andal for the Margazhi worship. Each verse is an attempt to awaken one of the girls and adopts a different reasoning and pleading. The common theme however is citing the reason for waking up ie to worship the Lord, and the Lord who is to be worshipped is referenced citing his many splendid qualities and pertinent deeds that He performed during his incarnations in this earth.

Pointing out the signs of dawn ; the slow brightening of the lower skies, the buffaloes out to graze the tender dew laden grass, Sri Andal says to the next girl whom she is calling upon, – many of the girls are going out to worship, but leaving them aside, we are at your doorstep, please wake up and let's get to the Lord ; the Lord who vanquished the demon kesi in the form of a horse, the Lord who defeated the wrestler demons, the Lord who is the king of all kings and devas. When we sing and pray and get to Him, He is going to be so pleased that we sought him out instead of Him coming to us, that He will joyfully bless us and remove all our deficiencies.

(Courtesy:Dr. V.K.S.N. Raghavan): Oh beautiful girl full of uthsAham (kuthUhalam) for the Lord ! Day break is approaching as seen by the whitening of the Eastern sky from the earlier red hue linked with AruNOdhayam . Awaken ! The hungry buffalos have been led to the pastures close to home (siRu Veedu mEyvAN) for their "breakfast " of dewy grass .We have detained the other Gopis , who were ready to go to the place of vratham so that you can join with us all .We have assembled in front of your house to awaken you and take you with us . Please get up. If we sing about our Lord's glory together , He will give us the vrathOpakaranams (Drum and other saamagriyas to observe our vratham).When we approach our Lord--who destroyed the asuran Kesi by tearing his mouth apart, and killed the wrestlers of KamsA's court--and prostrate before Him in all humility, that Lord (KrishNa), the Lord of all gods(Devaathi Devan) will be moved and have DayA for us and will inquire about our yOga KshEmam with great interest (aava yenRu=haa haa yenRu))

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