

## Nanati Badhuku Natakamu

Ragam: Revathi (2nd Melakartha (Ratnangi) Janyam)

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Revati\\_\(raga\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Revati_(raga))

ARO: S R<sub>1</sub> M<sub>1</sub> P N<sub>2</sub> Š                    ||  
AVA: Š N<sub>2</sub> P M<sub>1</sub> R<sub>1</sub> S                    ||

Talam: Adi

Composer: Annamacharya

Version: M S Subbalakshmi (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2k0eZFAZR9k>)

Lyrics/Meanings Courtesy: <http://www.annamayyakeerthanalu.in/2011/09/lyrics-of-annamacharya-keerthana-nanati.html>

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

MP3 Class / Lesson: <http://www.shivkumar.org/music/nanatibaduku-class.mp3>

### **Pallavi:**

nAnATi batuku nATakamu

kAnaka kannati kaivalyamu

### **Charanam 1**

puTTuTayu nijamu pOvuTayu nijamu  
naTTa naTimi pani nATakamu  
yeTTa neduTagaladI prapaNcamu  
kaTTagaTapaTiti kaivalyamu

### **Charanam2:**

kuTicEdannamu Shoka cuTTeDidi  
NaTu mantrapu pani nATakamu  
voDigaTTu konina vubhayakarmulu  
gaTidATinapuDE kaivalyamu

### **Charanam3:**

tekadu pApamu tIradu puNyamu  
naki naki kAlamu nATakamu  
yeguvane ShRI vEnkaTEShvaru Telika  
gakhanamu mItiti kaivalyamu

**Meaning:** <http://www.annamayyakeerthanalu.in/2011/09/lyrics-of-annamacharya-keerthana-nanati.html>

*This day to day (nAnATi) life (batuku) is a drama (nATakamu)*

*What is seen yet not seen clearly (kAnaka kannadi exactly means something which is seen yet not seen; for instance an object at a far off distance) is liberation/salvation (kaivalyamu)*

*To be born (puTTuTayu) is truth (nijamu), to die (pOvuTayu literal meaning is to go; to leave) is truth. All the work (pani) in between these two (naTTanaDimi) is a drama. That which is right in front (yeTTa neduTagaladI) is the world (prapaNcamu). That which is the ultimate last (kaTTakaDapaTidi) is liberation.*

*To partake/relish (kuDicEdu) rice/food (annamu), to wrap around (cuTTeDidi) a cloth/saree (kOka), this conjured-in-the-middle (naDamantrapu) work (pani) is a drama. When one crosses beyond (gaDidATinapuDE) the above mentioned dual duties (vubhayakarmulu) only then there is liberation.*

*takadu - does not get cut*

*papamu - sin*

*tiradu - no completion of ; not enough of*

*punyamu - good deeds*

*naki naki - is something to laugh about (in tamil : 'nagai' - to be laughed at)*

*kalamu - time ; because of time; bound by time*

*natakamu - drama*

*yeguvane - the one who is a higher place; the only higher place*

*Shri vengateshvaru - Lord Sri Venkateswara*

*gaganamu - akasam; sky; the universe*

*mididi - beyond the skies and the universe*

*kaivalyamu - salvation/ liberation*

*(Our sins don't dwindle. Our good deeds don't extend. In between these, we do something and that is the much laughable drama. Beyond these there is one and only one Lord Sri Venkateshwara. Beyond the universe He is there and that is where the liberation is)*

### Pallavi

nAnATi batuku nATakamu

kAnaka kannati kaivalyamu

*Sahityam: nAnATi batuku nATakamu*

*Meaning: This day to day (nAnATi) life (batuku) is a drama (nATakamu)*

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8  
; rm , m R S , s S - r s | n P - r , r R R ; ; ; ||  
nA- - nA- Ti-ba tu ku- - - nA - Taka mu --  
  
; r mp m- m R S , s S - r rs | n P - r , r R R ; ; ; ||  
nA- - nA- Ti-ba tu ku- - - nA - Taka mu --

*Sahityam: kAnaka kannati kaivalyamu*

*Meaning: What is seen yet not seen clearly (kAnaka kannadi exactly means something which is seen yet not seen; for instance an object at a far off distance) is liberation/salvation (kaivalyamu)*

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8  
; , rm , m M ; , mp , p P | ; mp n - n N S.nS , n - pm ||  
kA- - na ka - - kan - na ti kai - valya mu - -- --  
  
1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8  
rs- r mp m- m R S , s S - r rs | n P - r , r R pmmr R ; ||  
nA- - nA- Ti-ba tu ku- - - nA - Taka mu --  
  
; , rm , m M ; , mp , p P | ; mp n - n N snnPnS , -n - pm ||  
kA- - na ka - - kan - -- na ti kai - valya mu - -- --  
  
rs- r mp m- m R S , s S - r rs | n P - r , r R pmmr R ; ||  
nA- - nA- Ti-ba tu ku- - - nA - Taka mu --  
  
; ; ; ; r , r R | ; , m R s - s ; ; ; ; ||  
nA - Taka - - - mu

### Charanam 1

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yeTTa neduTagaladI prapaNcamu

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Sahityam: puTTuTayu nijamu pOvuTayu nijamu

Meaning: To be born (puTTuTayu) is truth (nijamu), to die (pOvuTayu) literal meaning is to go; to leave) is truth.

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8  
; ns , p N S S S ; | ; n- r , r r r rmpm mr R ||  
puTTu Tayu ni ja mu - - pO vuTayu ni-ja- mu- -  
; ns , p N S rs nsrm | ,R -nr , r r r rmpm mr R ||  
puTTu Tayu ni ja mu - - pO vuTayu ni-ja- mu- -

Sahityam: naTTa naTimi pani nATakamu

Meaning: All the work (pani) in between these two (naTTanaDimi) is a drama (nATakamu).

; r m , m M m P , , pn npM | ; , m p - n N ns ; n pm rs ||  
naTTa naTi mi - - - pa-ni- - - nA - Taka mu - - - -  
sn- ns , p N S rs nsrm | ,R -nr , r r r rmpm mr R ||  
puTTu Tayu ni ja mu - - pO vuTayu ni-ja- mu- -  
; r m , m M m P , , pn npM | ; , m p - n N N-snN n snnp ||  
naTTa naTi mi - - - pa-ni- - - nA - Taka mu - - - -

Sahityam: yeTTa neduTagaladI prapaNcamu

Meaning: That which is right in front (yeTTa neduTagaladI) is the world (prapaNcamu).

; n s , p N S , r S- rs | N- N S ; ; nsrm ; R ||  
yeTTa nedu Ta-ga la dI- - pra paN- - - - - ca  
S- n s , p N S , r S- rs | N- N S ; rs- nsrm ; R ||  
mu-yeTTa nedu Ta-ga la dI- - pra paN- - - - - ca

Sahityam: kaTTagaTapaTiti kaivalyamu

Meaning: That which is the ultimate last (kaTTakaDapaTidi) is liberation (kaivalyamu).

S - s r , n S np , N pm , P | ; mp ns rs sn n p pm m r ||  
mu kaTTa - gaTa pa - Ti ti - - kai- val-- ya- - mu- - -  
rs - s r , n S np , N pm , P | ; mp ns rs sn n p pm m r ||  
- kaTTa - gaTa pa - Ti ti - - kai- val-- ya- - mu- - -

Sahityam: nAnATi batuku nATakamu

Meaning: This day to day (nAnATi) life (batuku) is a drama (nATakamu)

rs- r mp m- m R S , s S - r rs | n P - r , r R pmmr R ; ||  
nA- - nA- Ti-ba tu ku- - - nA - Taka mu - -

Sahityam: kAnaka kannati kaivalyamu

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kA- - na ka - - kan - -- na ti kai - valya mu - - - -  
rs- r mp m- m R S , s S - r rs | n P - r , r R pmmr R ; ||  
nA- - nA- Ti-ba tu ku- - - nA - Taka mu - -  
; ; ; ; , r , r R | ; , m R s - s ; ; ; ; ||  
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### Charanam3:

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Sahityam:tekadu pApamu tIradu puNyamu

Meaning: **takadu - does not get cut ; papamu - sin ;**  
**tiradu - no completion of / not enough of ; punyamu - good deeds**

; ns np , ns ; S S ; | ; n- r , r R rmpm mr R ||  
 Teka du pA - pa mu- -- tI - radu puN- - ya-mu

rs- ns np , ns ; rs nsrm | R n- r , r R rmpm mrR R ||  
 Teka du pA - pa mu- - - tl - - radu puN- - ya-- mu

Sahityam:naki naki kAlamu nATakamu

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**kalamu - time ; because of time; bound by time**  
**natakamu - drama**

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 Naki na ki kA - - - la-mu- - - nA - Taka mu - - - - -

rs- ns np , ns ; rs nsrm | R n- r , r R rmpm mrR R ||  
 Teka du pA - pa mu- - - tl - - radu puN- - ya-- mu

; r m , m M m P , , pn npM | ; , m p - n N NsnN n snnp ||  
 Naki na ki kA - - - la-mu- - - nA - Taka mu - - - - -

Sahityam:yeguvane ShRI vEnkaTEShvaru Telika

Meaning: **yeguvane - the one who is a higher place; the only higher place**  
**Shri venkateshwara - Lord Sri Venkateswara**

; n s , p N S ; , S s | r s N- , s S rs- nsrm , - r S ||  
 Yegu vane ShRI - vEnka TE- - - Shvaru Te - - - li ka

Sahityam:gakhanamu mItiti kaivalyamu

Meaning: **gaganamu - akasam; sky; the universe**  
**mididi - beyond the skies and the universe**  
**kaivalyamu - salvation/ liberation**

S - s r , n S pnsn pm , P | ; mp ns rs sn n p pm m r ||  
 Gakha namu mI - - ti - ti kai- val - - ya- - - mu- -

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kA- - na ka - - kan - -- na ti kai - valya mu - - - -

1 2 3 4  
rs- rmpn sR- rrsn pmR; s S - r rs | n P - r , r R pmmr R ; ||  
nA- - - nA- Ti - ba tu ku- - - nA - Taka mu - -

; , r , r R mr S ; ; | ; , r , r R mr S ; ; ||  
nA - Taka - - mu - - - - nA - Taka - - mu - -