

pydr 'wd 'wystw'r'n gw'n 'wd ncyh'n. 'wš'n, k' 'xsyd, wdymwšt
*pidar ud awestwārān gōwān ud nizēhān. ušān, ka āxšīd, *widimušt*
bwd hynd. 'wd "wn c'wn zyr myrd, ky drxt 'yw nyw 'wd b'rwr
būd hēnd. a'ōn če'ōn zīr mird, kē draxt ēw nēw ud bārwar
twhm 'ndr zmyg 'y 'gyrd wyndyh 'wd 'm'xsyh, ... 'wš bryh 'w
tōhm andar zamīg i agīrd windēh ud āmāxshēh, ... uš barēh ō
*hwqyrd 'wd wyr'st zmyg
 hukird ud wirāst zamīg

c

The opening words of Mani's Evangel, with an exordium

'wnglywnyg 'rb ncyhyd
ewangelyōnig arab nizēhēd

- I 'stwd 'wd 'st'yhyd qnygrwšn, sr 'y wysp'n wyhyh'n. 'stwd 'wd
istūd ud istāyihēd kanigrōšn, sar i wispan wihihān. istūd ud

ud ēn xīr i narjamīg...: lit. “and this thing which by Narjamīg to me was taught, then-by-me it was begun speaking and teaching (it)”.
u-šān ka āxšīd: lit. “and when by them it was heard”.

draxt ēw nēw ud bārwar tōhm: the three adjs. qualify *draxt*, which depends on *tōhm*: “the seed of a good and fruitful tree”.

windēh ... āmaxshēh ... barēh: all three verbs are optative 3rd sg.: “were to find ... to plough ... to carry”.

c

M 17 + M 172 I: *HR.* ii 25-27, 100-01; *MSI.* 8, 19. On the order of the lines, see W.-L. i, 23. The two fragments contain the same text, supplementing each other. The title (“he teaches (the chapter) *arab* of the Evangel”) is preserved in M 17. Mani's *Evangel* was divided into 22 chapters, each beginning with a letter of the *abgad* (for the first chapter the ' of 'n at the beginning of para. 2, above, which is the opening of the work itself). The form *arab*, close to Syriac *alaf*, has the characteristic MP rhotacism of *l>r*. A Greek version of the opening lines of the Evangel has been discovered, see A. Henrichs and L. Koenen, “Ein griechischer Mani-Codex”, *ZPE* V, 1970, 192 ff.

I kanigrōšn: the first part of the exordium is missing. No doubt in the complete text other gods were named before the Maiden of Light. This divinity is sometimes identified with the gnostic goddess Sophia, and for this reason is hailed as the “chief of all wisdoms”, sometimes it is the Mother of the Living who fills this part instead; cf. text **cb** 3, below.

'st'yhyd dyn ywjahr, pd zwr 'y pydr, pd 'pryn 'y m'dr, 'wd pd istāyhēd dēn yōždahr, pad zōr i pidar, pad āfrin i mādar, ud pad wyhyd 'y pwsr. drwd 'wd 'pryn 'br przynd'n 'y drwdyy, 'wd 'br whī i pusar. drōd ud āfrin abar frazendān i drōdī, ud abar gw'g'n 'wd 'snw'g'n 'y sxwn w'bryg'n. hyb bwyd 'st'yšn 'wd gōwāgān ud išnawāgān i saxwan wābarigān. hēb bawēd istāyišn ud pdxšr 'w pydr 'wd 'w pwsr 'wd 'w w'xš ywjahr 'wd 'w m'dy'n padixšar ō pidar ud ō pusar ud ō wāxš yōždahr ud ō mādayān ywjahr. gwyšn 'y 'wnglywn zyndg 'y csm 'wd gwš wcyhyd, 'wd yōždahr. gōwišn i ewangelyōn zindag i cašm ud gōš wizēhēd, ud b'r 'y r'stuy ncyhyd :
bār i rāstī nizēhēd :

2 'n m'ny, prystg 'yg yyšw' 'ry'm'n, pd q'm 'y pdr, by w'bryg'n, an Māni, frēstag īg Yisō Aryāmān, pad kām i pidar, bay wābarigān, hān *ky 'n 'cyš bwd *hym ...; wisp 'st, 'wd hrw cy bwd 'wd bw'd, hān kē an aziš būd hēm ...; wisp ast, ud harw čē būd ud bawād, pd 'wy zwr 'ystyd. frwx'n 'yn myzdgt'cyh pdyrynd, zyr'n 'sn 'synd, pad awē zōr ēstēd. farroxān ēn mizdagtāzih padirēnd, zirān ašnāsēnd, thm'n pymwcynd, d'n'g'n why ...
tahmān paymōzēnd, dānāgān wahy ...

pidar ... mādar ... pusar: it is not certain which gods are meant, but probably the Father of Greatness, the Mother of the Living, and the First Man (her "son"). The next series is modelled on the Christian Trinity. It probably represents the Father of Greatness, Jesus the Splendour, and the Holy or Great Spirit.

hēb bawēd istāyišn: M 17 has instead hyb hyb 'y'šn.

gōwišn i ewangelyōn zindag ... : "he (i.e. Mani) teaches the word of the Living Evangel of Eye and Ear, and preaches the fruit of righteousness". Mani's Evangel is probably called that of Eye and Ear because it contained exhortations for guarding the senses (cf. below, h 5ff.).

d

A fragment from Mani's own account of his life
[Parthian]

1 'gd hym prw'n š'h, *'wm w'xt kw* drwd *'br tw* 'c yzd'n.
 āyad hēm parwān šāh, um wāxt ku drōd abar tō až yazdān.
 š'h w'xt kw 'c kw 'yy. mn w'xt kw bzyšk hym, 'c b'byl zmyg.
 šāh wāxt ku až ku ay. man wāxt ku bizišk hēm, až Bābel zamīg.

{*a number of lines missing*}

2 ... 'wd pd hm'g tnb'r hw qnycg drwšt bwd. pd wzrg š'dyft
 ... ud pad hamāg tanbār hō kanižag društ būd. pad wuzurg šādīf
 'w mn w'xt kw 'c kw 'yy tw, mn bg 'wd 'njywq?
 ō man wāxt ku až ku ay tū, man bay ud anjīwag?

e

From an account of Mani's conversion of the Tūrān-Šāh
[Parthian]

1 fryštg 'w 'rd'w pd 'ndrw'z w'st. w'xt, cy bwrzystr. 'rd'w w'xt,
 frēštag ō ardāw pad andarwāz wāst. wāxt, čē burzistar. ardāw wāxt,

d

M 566: *HR. ii* 87, *MSI.* 30, see further *Cat.* — There is no other source for identifying the king in this little fragment, or the girl healed by the prophet.

1 *um wāxt ku* drōd *abar tō*: the words between asterisks are restored by A.-H.
 2 pad šādīf ... ō man wāxt: the grammatical instrument is to be understood from *kanižag* in the previous sentence (as not infrequently in straightforward prose narrative): i.e. "(by her) it was said to me".

e

M 48: *HR. ii* 86, *MSI.* 13-14, see further *Cat.*, + M 1306 II, M 1307, M 5911 and M 8286, for which see W. Sundermann, "Zur frühen missionarischen Wirksamkeit Manis", *Acta Orient. Hung.* XXIV 1 and 3, 1971, 102-05, 371-76. — A badly preserved fragment of church-history, concerning Mani's mission to India (for which see above, intro., p. 1). The text establishes that the king of Tūrān was a Buddhist before he embraced Manichaeism.

1 ō ardāw pad andarwāz wāst: this is evidently to be taken literally. Elsewhere

mn *'spyr. fryštg w'xt, ms, 'c 'ym cy wzrgystr. w'xt kw zmyg, man ispēr. frēštag wāxt, mas, až im čē wuzurgistar. wāxt ku zamīg, ky hrw cyš bryd. ms w'xt kw 'c 'ymyn cy wzrgystr. 'rd'w w'xt kē harw čiš barēd. mas wāxt ku až imin čē wuzurgistar. ardāw wāxt kw *'sm'n ... *w'xt kw 'c 'ym* cy wzrgystr w'xt kw *myhr 'wd ku āsmān ... wāxt ku až im čē wuzurgistar. wāxt ku mihr ud m'h. ms cy *rwšnystr. w'xt kw ... jyryft. māh. mas čē rōšnistar. wāxt ku ... žirift.

- 2 'dy'n twr'n š'h w'xt kw 'c 'ymyn hrwyn tw wzrgystr 'wd rwšnystr adyān Tūrān Šāh wāxt ku až imin harwīn tū wuzurgistar ud rōšnistar 'yy, čy pd *rštyft tw wxd bwt 'yy. pš hw dyn'br 'w *twr'n š'h ay, čē pad rāstift tū wxad but ay. paš hō dēnāšar o Tūrān Šāh w'xt kw* 'w'gwn qr'h *cw'gwn ... wāxt ku awāyōn karāh čawāyōn ...

[a number of lines missing]

- 3 ... šhr'n 'gd, qyrbkr 'wd bzqr, 'wd qyrdg'n cy 'rd'w ... šahrān āyad, kirbakkar ud bazakkar, ud kirdagān čē ardāw 'wd *ngwš'g. ud niyōšāg.
- 4 pš, kd twr'n *š'h 'wd 'z'd'n 'ym sxwn 'šnwd, š'd bwd 'hynd. paš, kad Tūrān Šāh ud āzādān im saxwan išnūd, šād būd ahēnd. w'wryft pdgryft, 'wd 'w fryštg 'wd dyn šyrg'mg bwd 'hynd. wāwarift padiyrift, ud o frēštag ud dēn šīrgāmag būd ahēnd.

it is said that Mani had the power of levitation, and here he is represented as raising a just man with him. Their conversation takes place above the ground — a miracle which seems to have strengthened the faith of the newly-converted Tūrān-Šāh. [Otherwise Sundermann, loc. cit., p. 374f., who understood the *ardāw* to be a soul from Paradise.]

man *isper: the second word was restored by Müller from ms. 'spf.Jr. There are two words written 'spyr (see glossary), but the use of the personal pronoun shows that this must be the one meaning "army", not "sphere". [Sundermann, loc. cit., p. 375, interpreting *ardāw* as a soul, understood it, however, to speak of heaven as "my sphere". But earth would hardly then be greater.]

[*a number of lines missing*]

- 5 'dy'n br'dr'n prw'n qyrbkr ng'd bwd. 'wt frystg 'w twr'n š'h
 adyān brādarān parwān kirbakkar niyād burd. ud frēstag ō Tūrān Šāh
 'zynd w'xt. mrd 'yw 'h'z, 'wd hft pwhr bwd. kd *mrn jm'n
 āzend wāxt. mard ēw ahāz, ud haft puhr būd. kad maran žamān
 'gd, pwhr'n xrwst ...
 āyad, puhrān xrōšt ...

[*a gap of unknown length*]

- 6 ... 'rg'w kr'h. 'wd kd twr'n š'h dyd kw qyrbkr 'br 'x'st,
 ... argāw karāh. ud kad Tūrān Šāh did ku kirbakkar abar āxāst,
 'dy'n wxd 'c dwr pt z'nwg 'wyš't. 'wd pdwhyd 'wd 'w qyrbkr
 adyān wxad až dūr pad zānūg awištād. ud padwahēd ud ō kirbakkar
 *w'cyd 'wd nm'yd kw 'wr prw'n mn m' 'syd. 'dy'n qyrbkr
 wāžēd ud nimāyēd ku awar parwān man mā āsēd. adyān kirbakkar
 'wwd gd. 'wyš't 'wd wxd fr'c šwd. 'wš 'mbwy'd. 'dy'n 'w qyrbkr
 ōδ gad. awištād ud wxad frāž šud. uš ambōyād. adyān ō kirbakkar
 w'cyd kw tw bwł 'yy, 'wd 'm'h mrdwhm 'st'rgr hym'd. ny ny'bg
 wāžēd ku tū but ay, ud amāh mardōhm āstārgar hēmād. nē niyābag
 kw tw pdyc 'm'h 's ... cwnd p'd *'m'h prw'n tw *'sym, 'wynd
 ku tū padīž amāh āsā ... čwand pāð amāh parwān tō āsēm, awend
 pwn 'wd* ...
 pun ud ...

[*a number of lines missing*]

- 7 ... bwxtgyft 'w 'm'h bwyd. 'wd cwnd p'd cy tw pdyc 'w 'm'h
 ... bōxtagift ō amāh bawēd. ud čwand pāð čē tū padīž ō amāh
 's'h, 'wynd 'pwn 'wd 'st'r 'w 'm'h bwyd. 'dy'nyš qyrbkr 'frywn
 āsāh, awend apun ud āstār ō amāh bawēd. adyāniš kirbakkar āfrīwan
 qyrd. 'wš w'cyd kw 'fryd bw'h, kw cw'gwn 'w's 'hdr šhr mdy'n
 kird. uš wāžēd ku āfrīd bawāh, ku čawāyōn awās andar šahr mađyān
 mrdwhm'n frwx 'wd pdyfr'wynd 'yy, 'w'gwnyc pd 'rw'n 'stym rwc
 mardōhmān farrox ud padīšfarāwend ay, awāyōniž pad arwān istem rōž

yzd'� cšm frwx 'wd 'rg'w bw'ḥ. 'wd mdy'� yzd'� 'wd 'rd'w'�
yazdān čašm farrox ud argāw bawāh. ud mađyān yazdān ud ardāwān
*kyrbkr'n y'wyd'n *'nwsg bw'ḥ. pš ... dst gryft ...*
kirbakkarān yāwēdan anōšag bawāh. paš ... dast graft ...

f

Mani's conversion of the ruler of Mesene

[Parthian]

myšwn xwd'y myhrš'ḥ
Mēšūn xwadāy Mihršāh

- 1 byd š'bwhr š'h'n š'ḥ br'd bwd myšwn xwd'y, 'wd myhrš'ḥ n'm
bid Šābuhr šāhān šāh brād būd Mēšūn xwadāy, ud Mihršāh nām
 'h'z. 'wd 'w fryštg ... 'skyft dwšmyn bwd. 'wš bwdyst'n wyr'št
ahāz. ud ḍ frēštag ... iškift dušmen būd. uš bōdistān wirāšt
 'yw, ky nyw 'rg'w 'wd 'skyft gwš'd, *ky kyc h'ws'r ny 'st. 'dy'n
ēw, kē nēw argāw ud iškift gušād, kē kēž hāwsār nē ast. ađyān
 fryštg *z'n'd kw bwg jm'n nzd gd. 'dy'n 'x'št 'wd prw'n myhrš'ḥ
frēštag zānād ku bōy žamān nazd gad. ađyān āxāšt ud parwān Mihršāh
 šwd, ky pd bwdyst'n pd bzr 'h'z pd wzrg š'dyft.
šud, kē pad bōdistān pad bazm ahāz pad wuzurg šādīft.
- 2 ... 'dy'n 'w fryštg w'xt kw 'ndr whyšt ky tw n'm bryḥ 'w'gwn
 ... ađyān ḍ frēštag wāxt ku andar wahišt kē tū nām barēh awāyōn

f

M 47 I: *HR. ii* 82-3, *MSI.* 12-13, see further *Cat.* — The fragment contains an account of Mani's conversion of Mihršāh, brother of Šābuhr I, and ruler of Mesene (Mēšūn/Mēšān), a little kingdom at the mouth of the Tigris. This event must have taken place before A.C. 262, because at that date one of Šābuhr's sons was ruling Mesene.

1 *bōdistān ... ēw, kē nēw argāw ud iškift gušād ... :* lit. "a garden, very fine and wonderfully spacious, the like (*hāwsār*) of which (*kē*) there is not to any one", i.e. whose like no other man possesses. The first *kē* is a rel. particle, with the function of *iđāfat*.

2 *andar wahišt kē tū nām barēh :* "in the Paradise of which you speak".

bwdyst'n 'h'd cw'gwn 'ym mn bwdyšt'n. 'dy'n fryštg z'n'd hw bōdistān ahād čawāyōn im man bōdistān. adyān frēštag zānād hō 'w'wryg prm'ng. 'dy'n pd wrc nm'd whyšt rwšn, 'd hrwyn bg'n awāwarig parmānag. adyān pad warž nimād wahīšt rōšn, ad harwin bayān yzd'n 'wd w'd 'nwšg cy jywhr, 'wd bwdyst'n wysp zng, 'wd 'nyc yazdān ud wād anōšag čē žiwahr, ud bōdistān wisp zanag, ud anīž gw'nyg dydn cy 'wwd. hmpd 'by 'wš kft yd 'w hry jm'n. 'wd cy gawānīg dīdan čē ōð. hampad abē uš kaft yad ō hrē žamān. ud čē dyd, pd zyrd 'by'dg'r dyrd. 'dy'n fryštg dst pd sr 'wyst'd. 'w 'wš dīd, pad zird aþyādgār dīrd. adyān frēštag dast pad sar awistād. ō uš 'gd. kd 'br *x'št, pd fryštg p'd kft, dšn pdgryft. 'wd fryštg āyad. kað abar āxāšt, pad frēštag pāð kaft, dašn padíyrift. ud frēštag w'xt ...
wāxt ...

g

An incident in Mani's travels

[Parthian]

- 1 ... 'w xyybr' "wsyg w'xt kw *z'n'h kw d'r'w pwchr bwg wynd'd 'h'd, cym ... nys'n nxšg dyd.
 2 'wd pd hwyn rwc'n qyrbqr 'wwd 'gd. 'wš'n rw'ng'n prw'n hw qyrd. 'wd 'h'r jm'n, kd qyrbqr pd 'frywn wsn'd hw sr'wg pdwh'd, 'dy'nyš wxd hry y'wr nm'c bwrđ. 'wd z'dg'n pwrs'd kwm'n 'bdys' kwt cy wsn'd nm'c bwrđ. 'wš wxd w'xt kwm 'w yyšw' wxybyh pydr 'wd xwd'y nm'c bwrđ, kwm "g'dg cym 'c hw wx'št, 'wd pdwhn cy

wād anōšag čē jiwahr : "the immortal Air of life", i.e. the uncreated Air of Paradise.
 anēž gawānīg dīdan čē ōð : "other desirable sights there".

g

M 177 V: *HR. ii* 89-90, *MSt.* 22, see further *Cat.* — In an MP fragment, M 45 (text **dm**, below), a woman *Xēbrā is mentioned, a Hearer who had lost her only son, presumably the Dārāpuhr of the present passage. There are awkwardnesses in syntax and construction in this passage which suggest a clumsy translation.

1 zānāh: 2nd sg. subj. (in Pth. this form is often preferred to the imp. sg.). *windād ahād* has the same meaning as the simple *windād*. Lit. "Know that by Dārāpuhr salvation has been found, for by me an auspicious sign has been seen." The speaker is unidentified.

‘šm’h pdwh’d, hwyc pdgryfst. ’wd wnwh, d’r’w gy’n fryyšt’g’n ”w’st
’wd prw’n mn *’wyyst’n’d, kd wyr’st̄ ’styd pd šhrd’r’n brhm ’bdyyn.

- 3 ’wd kd ’bwrs’m ’wd xybr’ ”wsyg ’snwd, šwd ’wd pd qyrbqr p’d
qft ’hynd ’wd w’cnyd kw hmwd’m pd tw, xwd’y.

h

Concerning two missions sent out by Mani

’mdyšn ‘yg prystg pd šhr’n

- 1 šwd hynd ’w hrwm. dyd ws hmwg phyk’r ’b’g dyn’n. prhyd
wcydg’n ’wd nywš’g’n wcyd. ptig yk s’r ’nwh bwd. ’b’c ’md pyš
prystg. ps xwd’wn shh dbyr, ’wnglywn, ’ny dw nbyg, ’w ’d’ prystyđ.
prm’d kw ’wrwn m’ ’wr, ’n’y ’nwh pt’y, nys’n ’y w’c’rg’n ky gnz
hrwbyd.

2 abdēsā: also 2nd sg. subj., with final *h* omitted, as often (see above, intro. p. 18).
“Teach us why you bowed”.

ku-m āgādag ... : “that (i.e. because) my wish, which-by-me (*čē-m*) was asked of
him, and the prayer which by you was prayed, by-him-indeed (*haw-ič*) was accepted”.

dārāw gyān ... : “the soul of Dārāw(puhr?) was brought by angels and set before me,
when it was arrayed in the customary dress of kings”. The syntax is unusual, with
the grammatical subject, *gyān*, preceding the agent. *wirāšt ištēd* has the same meaning as
the simple *wirāšt*.

3 wāzēnd: note the dramatic change to the present tense.

h

M 2 I: *Mir. Man. ii* 301-6, see further *Cat.* — The text concerns early Manichaeian
missions to east and west. In para. 4 there is an awkward transition from the 3rd to
the 1st person, and from here onwards the narrative appears to have been adapted
to suggest that the sect of Dēnāwars (see above, intro. p. 3) was founded as early
as the 3rd century A.C. How much genuine old material there is in this second
part of the text is therefore doubtful. It contains some late linguistic features.

1 ūd hēnd ū hrōm: “they went to Rome” i.e. the Eastern Roman Empire. “They”
evidently refers to the missionaries Addā and Pattēg, and their companions, see p. 2.

was hammōg pahikār ... : “much strife of doctrines between religions”.

wizidagān ... **wizid**: the agent is not expressed. With *wizid* the auxiliary *hēnd*
might be expected (“Elect ... were chosen”), but the 3rd pl. past is often, like the
3rd sg., expressed by the past participle alone.

pēš frēstag: in a Pth. version it is recorded that when Mani sent Addā and
his companions to Rome, he himself was in Wēh-Ardaxšīr, a part of Al-Madaīn
on the western shore of the river Tigris. — Note that MP *pēš* does not take the
iḍāfat.

- 2 'd' pd 'wyn šhr'n ws rnz bwrđ. nš'st ws m'nyst'n'n, wcyd prhyd wcydg'n 'wd nywš'g'n. kyrd nbyg'n 'wd whyy hs'xt zyn. pdyrg qyš'n rpt, 'b'g 'wyš'n pd hrwtys bwxt. sr'xšynyd 'wd 'ndrxт 'w qyš'n. d' 'w 'lxsyndrgyrd md. npš' 'w dyn wcyd. prhyd wdymwštyh 'wd wrc pd 'wyn šhr'n qyrd. wpr'yhyst dyn 'y prystg pd hrwm.
- 3 dwdy, k' prystgrwšn 'ndr hlwn šhryst'n bwd, xwnd 'w mry 'mw hmwc'g, ky phlw'nyg dbyrry 'wd *'zw'n d'nyst*.... 'w 'bršhr pryst'd, 'b'g 'rdβ'n wyspuhr 'wd br'dr'n dbyr'n, nbyg'n-ng'r 'b'g. gwpt kw 'pryd 'yn dyn, 'nwḥ pd *wzrgyḥ wypr'yh'd, pd ... hmwc'g'n, nywš'g'n 'wd rw'ng'n. 'wt...n'm bw'd dyl... whmn 'y wzrg * d'r'd dyb 'wd drwdg... pyšyng'n.
- 4 'wd k' md hynd 'w phrg 'y kwš'n, 'yg pyd'g bwd w'xš 'y hwr's n wymnd, pd dys 'y qnycg. 'wš pwrsyd 'w mn 'mw, kw cy-k'rg hy. 'c kw 'md hy. mn gwpt kw dynwr hym, hš'gyrd 'y m'ny prystg. h'n w'xš gwpt kwt 'n ny pdyrym. 'b'c wrd, kw 'md hy. 'wd nhwpt 'c pyš mn.

2 **kird nibēgān**: "writings were made (by him)". On Addā's literary activity see P. Alfarcic, *Les écritures manichéennes II* (Paris 1918), 96 ff.

wihī hassāxt zēn: "(by him) wisdom was made a weapon (?)" In the Pth. version Addā appears to be compared with a man who takes "a mighty weapon" (*zēn henzāwar*; see *Mir. Man. ii*, 302 n. 3).

3 **holwān**: a city lying on the great highway from al-Madaīn to Hamadān, and the capital of the ancient province of the same name. See G. Lestrange, *The Lands of the Eastern Caliphate* (Cambridge 1930), 191.

Mar Ammō: Ammō was another of Mani's chief apostles. His main missionary-work was in the north-east of the Sasanian Empire, in the old homelands of the Parthians. He was therefore the founder of the Eastern Manichaean church by which all the surviving Iranian material has been transmitted.

***pahlawānīg dibēri**: The Parthians had a traditional script which differed from that of the Persians, although both systems originated in Achaemenian chancellery writing.

abaršahr: "the upper lands" i.e. the northern provinces of the Persian Empire; in Pth. *sahr* ... *čē abar* (see q 4, below, and H., *Mitteliranisch* 95).

ardābān wispuhr: evidently a member of the fallen house of the Arsacids, and as such a kinsman of Mani's, and a man who spoke Parthian.

nām bawād dil ... : The broken sentences are probably to be translated more or less as follows: "And may your name be Heart..., may the Great Nous preserve fortune and health for you [more than for] the ancients".

4 **pahrag ī kušān**: The western part of the lands of the Kushans was at this time (c. A.C. 265-270) a dependency of the Sasanian state (see H. H. Schaeder, *Iranica* 75, H., *J. Greater India Society* XI 2, 1944, 88).

- 5 ps 'n 'mw pd dw rwcg pd 'pryn 'yst'd hym pyš xwrxšyd. ps prystg pyd'g bwd. gwpt kw wddyl m' b's. ny'n 'y zyndg'n, hrwbyšn 'y dr'n, pyšy phypwrs.
- 6 ps dwdyg rwc h'n w'xš pyd'g bwd. 'w mn gwpt, *cy r'y ny šwd hy 'w *xwyš šhr. mn gwpt, 'c dwr gy'g 'md hym, dyn r'y. h'n w'xš gwpt, cy 'st dyn 'y *wryy. mn gwpt, pyt 'wd *my ny xwr'm, 'c *zn dwr phryzym. *h'n gwpt kw pd p'dyxš'yy 'y mn *myrd c'wn tw ws 'st. ps mn ny'n 'y zyndg'n, hrwbyšn 'y dr'n, pyšy phypwrsyd. 'yg nm'c bwrd, gwpt kw tw hy 'rd'w 'y p'k. 'c nwn prwn xwyš gryw dynd'r m' xw'n, b' dyn'wr 'y r'st, kyt h'wynd ny 'st. ps mn pwrsyd, cy-n'm hy. gwpt kw bγ'rd n'm hwm, wymndb'n 'y hwr's'n. k' 'ny tw pdyr'm, 'yg dr 'y h'm'g hwr's'n pyšyy tw wšhyd.
- 7 ps bγ'rd w'xš hrwbyšn 'y pnz'n dr'n pd "zynd 'w mn wcyst: m'n'g dr 'y csm'n, ky pd dydyšn 'yg twhyg wypsyd, c'wn myrd, ky pd dšt wymys

5 **pēš xwarxšēd**: the Manichaeans turned by day in prayer towards the sun, as do the Zoroastrians.

niyān i zindagān ...: the title of one of Mani's works. *Harrōbišn i darān* is presumably one of its chapters. "Recite aloud (the chapter) 'the Collecting of the Gates' from 'the Treasure of the Living'" (see H., *Asia Major n.s.* III ii, 1952, 205 n. 4). The "gates" are the senses, and to "collect" them is evidently to close them against temptation.

6 **dēnāwar i rāst**: the point of the adapted story lies in this sentence, with its "historical" explanation of the name of the Dēnāwars.

bagārd-nām hum: *hum* is a late form for *hēm*. On the name *Bagārd/Bugard* see H. W. Bailey, *Zoroastrian Problems in the ninth-century books* (Oxford, 1943), 67 ff., H., *Greater India Society* XI 2, 87 n. 14.

pēše tō: the adv. *pēše* is here evidently used in error for the preposition *pēš*, which probably at this late date was beginning to be construed with the *iḏāfat*, as in New Persian.

ka any tō padīrām: the use of *any* "other" for *an* "I" shows the influence of a late stage of the language, when *any* had come to be pronounced *an*; cf. the confusion in Pahlavi between 'XRN (*any*) and ZK (*hān*); and see H., "Mitteliranisch", 90 n. 2.

dar i hāmāg hwarāsān ... wišihēd: Evidently *Hwarāsān* is used here in its general meaning of "east" rather than as a particular territorial designation.

7 **harrōbišn i panzān darān**: the parables which follow are told in condensed form, like notes for preaching.

mānāg dar i čašmān kē ...: "like (is) the gate of the eyes, which is deceived by empty appearances, as (*čē'ōn*) a man who ...".