



# Divya Sandesh

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### Lord of Lords...

Lecture given on 31 Jan 2012

जो था ईश्वरेश्वर गोविन्द राधे ।  
भक्ति वाय दासानुदास बना दे ॥  
*Jo Tha Ishwreshwar, Govind Radhey,  
Bhakti Vai Dasanudas Bana De*

The word Ishwar means the one who rules.

ज्ञाज्ञौ द्वावजावीशनीशावजा,  
ह्यका भोक्तृ भोग्यार्थयुक्ता ।  
अनंतश्चात्मा विश्वरूपो ह्यकर्ता,  
त्रयं यदा विन्दते ब्रह्ममेतत् ॥ वेद

There are 2 sentient entities. One is all-knowing and the other is little knowing. One is the ruler and the other is the one being ruled. One is "Ish" (Almighty) and other is

"Aneesh" (helpless), means one is the master and other is the slave. One is the whole and the other is a part of that whole.

But Brahma, Vishnu, Shankar, Indra all are also called Isha. Are there many Ishas? No. There is one Supreme Lord.

परमं महेश्वरम् । He is the Lord of all these lords  
यस्मात्परं नापरमस्ति किंचन् ॥ Nothing is beyond Him.  
तमीश्वराणां परमेश्वरम्... He is the Lord of Lords. His name is Shri Krishna.

विष्णुर्महान्स इह यस्य कलाविशेषो गोविंदमादि पुरुषं तमहं भजामि ॥ भागवत.  
That Mahavishnu is a single power of that Supreme Lord. And under Mahavishnu are innumerable Vishnus. Shri Krishna has no Master and no family. He is unfortunate in that sense. But He is the supreme Lord of all. Despite being the master of innumerable powers, one of His own powers makes Him so submissive that He submits to the will of His beloved servants. As He says to Durvasa:

अहं भक्तपराधीनो ह्यस्वतंत्र इव द्विज । साधुभिर्गस्त हृदयो भक्तर्भक्तजनप्रियः ॥ भाग. ९.४.६३

I am under the control of my devotees. Even though Vedas proclaim that I am

"सर्वतंत्र स्वतंत्र" - totally free

ह्यस्वतंत्र इव द्विज - but I am telling you, I am controlled by my own devotees.

साधुभिर्गस्त हृदयो - They overcome my heart.

नाहमात्मानमाशासे मद्भक्तः साधुभिर्बिना । श्रियं चात्यन्तिकीं ब्रह्मन् येषां गतिरहं परा ॥ भाग. ९.४.६४

I love all my devotees without any discrimination, even more than my soul

Shri Krishna told Uddhav:

न तथा मे प्रियतम आत्मयोनिर्न शंकरः । न च संकर्षणो न श्रीर्नैवात्मा च यथा भवान् ॥ भा. १.१४.१५

**Millions of obeisance's to my Guru Jagadguru Shri Kripalu Ji Maharaj.**

I don't love my son Brahma, Shankar, Balram, my wife Lakshmi or even my own soul as much as I love a bhakt (devotee) like you.



And what is bhakti (devotion)? It is the name of a divine power of God. The bhakti, which we perform, is not real bhakti. It neither purifies the mind nor is capable of enslaving even a mere human being, let alone enslaving God. Bhakti (devotion) means to remember God while engaging the mind. God is all pure; hence his remembrance purifies the mind.

Attachment to any material person or thing further contaminates the mind. Just like clean water becomes dirty when kept in a dirty pot. But God is so pure that He can never be contaminated with the association of dirty things. Our mind being full of material attachments is dirty. Yet engaging our mind in the remembrance of God does not make Him impure. Instead His association with the mind makes the mind pure. Like the river Ganges oozes out from a small opening called Gomukh. As it travels through the Indo-Gangetic plains multiple small and big rivers and dirty drains keep merging in it. By the time Ganges reaches Haridwar it takes a gigantic form. Yet because Ganga is pure, it does not lose its own identity and purity. Rather all other merging drains, streams and rivers become pure as Ganga. Precisely in the same manner constant remembrance of God and God realized saints makes our mind pure. रवि पावक सुरसरि की नाई ॥

So by performing bhakti, we can cleanse our mind. But the bhakti that subjugates God is divine. That is not the material bhakti of our mind. That Divine bhakti, is the inner most power of God. He does not grant it to anyone easily. But when the mind is cleansed of all material attachments then the spiritual master makes it divine and grants that divine bhakti immediately as a gift.

साधनौघैरनासंगैरलभ्या सुचिरादपि । हरिणा चाश्वदेयेति ि  
द्वधा सा स्यात्सुदुर्लभा ॥ भ.र.सिं.

That power of God (devotion aka bhakti) is so inaccessible that despite intensive selfless worship for eons, one cannot achieve it. Even God does not bestow it easily.

Devotion to Shri Krishna is an eternal divine power. It is not a fruit of severe practice. Devotion is achievable only by divine grace after the purification of mind. So, the aim of practice of devotion is purification of mind only. Once the mind is purified, God bestows his grace upon the fortunate soul becomes the slave of His own servants.

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## Our Real Mother

### Lecture given by Shri Maharaj Ji on 9th Apr 2012

There are 2 types of mothers – 1. The mother who gave birth to this body – You know this type of mother. All living beings are born from their mother in one of four ways;

1. From egg (अंडज), 2. From sweat (स्वेदज), 3. From earth (उद्भिज), and 4. From womb (जरायुज)

In every birth, the soul assumes one of the 8.4 million life-forms. And in those innumerable life forms, their offspring also take the same form. Hence each soul has had mothers of all forms.

Arjun was not present when his son Abhimanyu was slain. When he learnt of his son's death, he was devastated and requested Shri Krishna to show him Abhimanyu just once. Shri Krishna reasoned with him and said, "You have been seeing your son for 16 years, what great difference will it make, if you see him once more?" Overcome with grief and love for his departed son, Arjun insisted to see Abhimanyu just once. Shri Krishna finally conceded to his request and called the soul of Abhimanyu. With the power of Yogmaya, He bestowed on him a body identical to the one he had prior to his death. On seeing his son, Arjun ran towards him with open arms and said, "Son!" Abhimanyu commanded him, saying "Stop right there. Who are you calling 'son'? The one who was your son was killed on the battle field and his body is still lying there. I am not your son. You have become my son, father and mother etc. infinite times and vice - versa. Don't call me your son."

It is a philosophical truth; that during the last moments of one's life, one remembers that person with whom he is extremely attached and in his next lifetime takes birth close to the same loved one. If you love God, you will go to His divine abode, if you love celestial Gods, you will attain heaven, if you are attached to any of your family member, friend etc. you will take birth in their close association.

Jadabharat, a great Paramhansa is an eminent example for this. Once, Jadabharat was sitting on the bank of the river Ganges. A pregnant doe was roaming around next to the river. Just then a lion roared out loud. Scared by the lion's roar, the doe jumped to go across the river. As she jumped hard, her baby fell into



the river and started sinking. Jadabharat was overcome with pity and he rescued the baby deer and brought him to his hermitage and started tending to it. As time passed, Jadabharat became increasingly fond of the baby deer. As he was about to die, Jadabharat called his disciples and instructed them to take good care of the baby deer. Due to his attachment to the deer, he was born as a deer in his next lifetime. Everyone is given a birth based on the attachment of their mind in the present life.



So, we get a different mother in every life-time. But the mother who gives birth to the body is not “Our” mother. We are the soul. God made the body inside the mother’s womb and the soul comes from outside into the mother’s womb and enters the body. Soul was not made inside the mother’s womb. Soul is eternal. The soul keeps getting different forms of bodies in each

lifetime. Just like you keep changing clothes the soul keeps changing bodies. But the soul itself remains unchanged.

Before birth, according to our karmas, God decides what form of life does the individual soul take and who will be the parents of the soul. Some children are born in households where the father, mother are alcoholics, drug addicts and the child becomes like that. Robbers too have children and they teach the child to rob and kill. Some souls, who have performed a lot of devotion in the past lives, are given birth in a family where the parents chant “Radhey Radhey”, day and night. Those children start babbling “laade laade” from a very early age.

So God is our original Mother. She always remains with us, protects us, helps us, just like the physical mom takes care for her child, protects the baby, looks after all the needs of the baby, cleans the baby, feeds the baby etc. The physical mom may turn away her child if he becomes abusive or starts misbehaving, but our Divine Mother always helps us. Kans, Shishupal all these demons were given the same land to live on, were given the same water to drink and were given the same air to breathe as a saint does. God does not turn water into poison for Ravana. God says you too are my child. And if you have gone astray then I will punish you for your misdeeds.

When we get worldly sufferings we tend to blame God, or fate, or time.

कालहिं कर्महिं ईश्वरहिं मिथ्या दोष लगाय ।

The fact is that it is nobody’s fault except yours.



Our mother Radha Rani is such a mother, who never changes, her love never reduces and she never leaves us alone. But we are so attached to the material mom that we forget the Divine Mother. We call bodily relatives OUR relatives. These relatives are related to your body, not to YOU. You have only one relative. Laxman Ji said to Bhagwan Ram

गुरुपितु मातु न जानउँ काऊ ॥ मोरे सबड़ि एक तुम र  
वामी ....।



We recite the verse in temples

त्वमेव माता च पिता त्वमेव.....सर्वं मम देव देव ॥

You are everything to me. We say it but we don't believe it. Means we try to fool God. You can fool the world by words such as, "I can't live without you", "I'll die without you", "without you I'll end my life etc". And the listener tends to believe these words. But God cannot be fooled because He notes your innermost thoughts. He lives inside the machine that generates the ideas, He keeps reading them. So you can't fool Him.

Now by the grace of God-realized rasik saints, we have attained the knowledge that only Shri Radha Rani is my real mom. There are 2 forms of that knowledge. 1. We say I know, and the next moment we forget. Means the knowledge is not firmly established. 2. The other form is after knowing, the knowledge firmly settles in your mind. Just like without any proof, you consider your mother as your mother.

But we don't accept God to be our real father/mother. He is sitting inside, still we don't accept Him. We say in words, "yes I know he is sitting inside". Think! if you know there is poison in this food, do you continue to keep eating? If you have not had food for 4 days and as you were about to eat food, your wife tells you that there is poison in it. You will leave the food alone and walk away. Does your wife tell a lie? Yes she does. So maybe this time she was lying. Well what if she was not? I don't want to eat poison and die. You make a firm resolution based on a single statement of your wife. Ved Vyas says, Saints say that God is sitting inside and notes your thoughts. Yet you don't believe that. And you think, "Nobody knows what I am thinking". You receive guests in your house with a smile, with full confidence that nobody knows you do not like having guests at this time. You forgot that your father is noting down every thought of yours.

You can't hide anything from Him. But you forget this, hence commit sins. In this world all sins are committed only because we have forgotten that God is sitting in our heart and notes down every action. And later we will have to face the fruits of our action. If everyone were to remember this 1 point all the time, "He is sitting inside me and noting all my thoughts", then you would try not to think anything bad. If not all then at least 50% of the crimes will disappear. But nobody believes that. They might be ministers, maulvi, priests, sages, seers, ascetic or an ordinary human. Until you attain God this problem will not disappear.

So we have to decide firmly that He alone is my father/mother. We have to decide, means we will have to repeat it to ourselves a million times "He alone is my father and mother". By repeatedly thinking so, the idea will take firm root. Yes, He is sitting inside me. Then naturally you will have the feeling oh no-one can hurt me for He is with me. When you have a bank balance of a 1 million, 1 billion, you always have this feeling I am rich and most lose their humility. If somebody insults them, they plan of taking revenge and go to the extent of getting the other person killed. Some others advice them, hey you will get a capital punishment for manslaughter. O don't worry, I will give him a million and get the case dismissed. I'll bribe the magistrate, give him 5 million. This is the intoxication of worldly power. If you always felt His presence, you will never commit a sin. Many crimes are avoided for the fear police, army etc. If you were to fear God then you won't sin. For in God's court there is neither any need of witnesses, nor can one bribe. God notes your ideas and not the physical deeds.

That is why he is saying, "O Radha Rani, you are my real mother. These worldly relatives are good to you as long as you fulfill their motive".

Ram once invited everyone in his kingdom to a discourse. All came and sat down to listen

एक बार रघुनाथ बोलाए ।

This body keeps changing and all physical relatives too keep changing. Only I am your eternal relative.

त्यागहिं कर्म शुभाशुभदायक...

When people heard the lecture they said

तुमबिनु अस सिख देइ कि कोउ ।  
मातु पिता स्वारथ रत सोउ ।

Nobody can give us this precious knowledge except you! Father and mother expect us to serve them, hence they teach accordingly. When children don't do according to the parent's wishes then parents write the will in favor of others rather than



What do you want? Money? Why? I will buy all luxurious things. Why? Then I will get the happiness. Why? Has anybody gotten such happiness after which they desired for nothing else? In our world there are several billionaires viz; Bill Gates, Mukesh Ambani etc. you can ask them, have you gotten that happiness. If they were to answer honestly then they will have to say you are better off than me. I can't go shopping freely; my kids can't go to any public place freely. People will kill us. We too have all the physical ailments, in addition there are myriad of mental problems as well. Even our life is not secure. When we go somewhere then there are body guards all around us and I am armed too. Is this what you call a happy life? See we can go to the market freely.

## The Right age to start your devotional practise...

Having attained the human form, we do not realize how precious it is. We indulge ourselves in material pleasures for sensual gratification. We devote our full attention to our family and their needs. When somebody asks a little boy/girl to do devotion, he/she replies – this is not the age to start devotion. There is still time and we can do that when we are old. When you ask a young person to do devotion, he/she flatly refuses and says that it is for old people and life is for enjoying. When you ask a middle age person to do devotion, he/she replies that there is still time for it after retirement. Now is the time to earn money, enjoy life and look after the welfare of the family. By the time retirement comes, many ailments plague the body and there is very little strength left in the body, thereby making it difficult to perform devotion.

Life is very uncertain. Do not think that you will live in this human form forever. Whatever your age, start doing devotion!!!



Now getting the association of a Mahapurush in your lifetime and surrendering to Him is even more difficult.

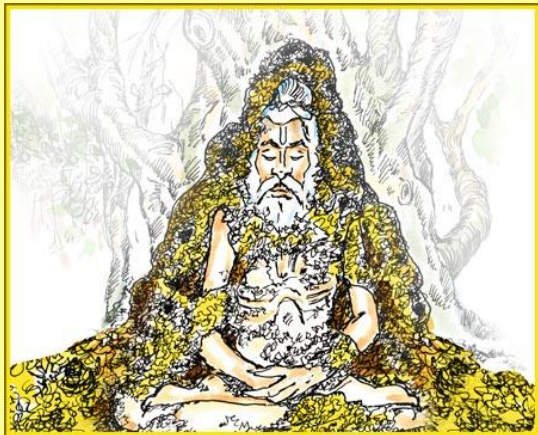
Now that you know that human life is rare, transient and the only way to attain God, don't be callous. Start your devotion today with absolute resolve to see Him today. Increase your longing to meet Him. If he does not appear in front of you today then perform devotion the next day with reinforced rigor. When your devotion increases in this manner one day He will have to come.

## Sunahu Sadhak Pyare - 14

गुरु वेदान्त वाक्येषु दृढ विश्वास श्रद्धा । Chaitanya Dev

I have already explained it through the story of Maharishi Valmiki, who could not even pronounce the word “Rama”. Of the 6 billion human beings currently on this earth, you will not be able to find one person who can speak; can say “Ra” and “Ma” but cannot say “Rama”. Valmiki was such a big sinner that his sins prevented him from pronouncing the Holy name of Lord Rama. But he had firm faith in the words of his Guru. His Guru said keep repeating “Mara” “Mara” until I return. Valmiki accepted his Guru’s instructions. He did not ask any questions

such as “when will you return”, “how long should I keep repeating these words” etc. He kept repeating the words, sitting in the same position for years. He did not move from his place at all. His body was eaten by termites, yet he did not move. It was only by virtue of his firm faith in the words of his Guru that he attained God realization in the same life.



So “Shraddha” means having 100% faith on the statement of Ved/Shashtra and the Guru.

Chaitanya Mahaprabhu said

श्रद्धा शब्दे कहे विश्वास तो दृढ़ निश्चय ।

The limit of faith differs from person to person. Some people have 20% faith, some have 90% faith. To some extent you use your logic and also listen to your guru to some extent. The day your faith reaches 100%, you will not have to do anything further. You don’t need to practice anymore. By merely surrendering you will achieve everything. But without practice, your mind will not get cleansed off the material attachments and without cleansing the mind your faith won’t be 100%. That is why practise and faith both are needed.

See how you will attain knowledge. Tulidas Ji gave the answer

गुरु बिनु होइ कि ज्ञान..

but

यदि गुरु मिलहिं विरंचि सम...

on one hand, He says Guru can give you the necessary wisdom, and on the other hand, He says even a most competent Guru, equivalent a Brahma, cannot give you wisdom.

ज्ञान कि होइ विराग बिनु...

Guru can give you wisdom only if you have renounced the world to some extent. If you renounce the world then you will have faith in God. There have been some politicians in India who used to say, don’t tell me anything about God. Hearing about him will spoil my political career. So, without renunciation you won’t have faith and without faith what can a

Guru do. Thus to attain knowledge, both renunciation and the guidance of a Guru are a MUST.

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## Upcoming events

For the benefit of all devotees who aspire to progress on the path of spirituality, Didi Ji will be leading several spiritual retreats and other programs in the coming months. Please visit Shri Kripalu Kunj Ashram website for more details.

<http://shrikripalukunj.org/events.htm>

Sadhana Shivar	Sat, Jun 29 - Sat, Jul 13	Radha Madhav Dham, Austin TX
Summer Getaway Retreat	Fri Aug 16 – Sun Aug 18	Scenic Banff, Alberta, Canada

## The Summer Bhakti Retreat in Ontario

This year too, like it has been for the past 20 years, Didi Ji held a retreat in Canada during the Canadian Independence Day. This year it was in Welland, Ontario, minutes away from Niagara Falls. Several attendees traveled long distances to attend it.

Some devotees reached the retreat site ahead of time and decorated a beautiful altar. The retreat commenced on Sat 29th Jul. Didi ji started with a small lecture highlighting the importance of attending such events and how to make the most of it. For two and a half days, pure bliss that showered can only be felt.

Throughout the retreat several seva projects were available like cooking, cleaning, welcoming guests, organizing picnics etc. While adults were enjoying the spiritual time, their children were being taught to recite shlokas, keertan, perform leela, given fun art projects, competitions and numerous other activities. Keertans led by children were really heart-warming.

Highlight of the retreat was the picnic in the great outdoors. The weather was pleasant and enjoying it in spiritual manner made it even better. Didi ji answered several questions in an informal setting, thus clarifying the doubts.

The cultural night was really charged. Leela play, dances, poetry which was endowed with selfless love, singing, dancing continued past the stipulated time. The devotees performed a humorous childhood pastime of Shri Radha Krishna. All devotees thoroughly enjoyed the innocent Radha and naughty pranks of Shri Krishna.



We offer millions of obeisance to Shri Maharaj Ji for sending Didi Ji to us, so we can learn and practice the practical form of devotion through these retreats.



## JKP News Last Quarter

### Jagadguru Kripalu Ji Maharaj donates One Crore for Uttarakhand Tragedy

Deeply grieved by the flash floods in Uttarakhand that have left several thousand traumatized, Jagadguru Kripalu Parishat, with the divine inspiration of Jagadguru Shri Kripalu Ji Maharaj, has donated Rupees One Crore (\$166,550) to the Chief Minister's Relief Fund for relief and rehabilitation work in the devastated state of Uttarakhand. Ram Puri, representative of Jagadguru Kripaluji Maharaj met the Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh Shri Akhilesh Yadav at his official residence at 5 Kalidas Marg, Lucknow on Wednesday and handed over a demand draft of Rs. One Crore. Ram Puri also conveyed the deep condolences of Jagadguru Kripaluji Maharaj on this massive destruction of human life in the State of Uttarakhand. A message from Jagadguru Kripaluji Maharaj urging the victims to have courage and unshakeable faith in God and praising the Army Jawans for their valiant efforts in rescuing people was also handed over to



the Chief Minister Akhilesh Yadav. Jagadguru Kripaluji Maharaj has also expressed hope that those who are still caught somewhere are rescued and brought back safely and quickly.

Towns washed out during heavy rains



1 million rendered homeless



The Chief Minister thanked Jagadguru Kripalu Parishat and Jagadguru Shri Kripalu Ji Maharaj for the contribution and said that Uttarakhand has suffered a major loss of human lives and property due to the rain tragedy and it needed help from all quarters. He said that the amount donated by Jagadguru Kripalu Parishat would give succor to a lot of people who have seen the worst.

**Approximately 346 villages were wiped out and 140,000 people rendered homeless due to this natural disaster. Shri Kripalu Kunj Ashram is raising funds for relief of these victims. We aim to raise \$20,000 by mid-July. 100% of these funds will be sent to India to aide relief and rehabilitation of the affected people. We encourage you to join hands in this time of need and help us meet our goal. Please send an email to [brajbanchary@aol.com](mailto:brajbanchary@aol.com) to make your commitment today.**

**Education trust conferred with prestigious Nari Award**



Their effort for the uplift of the girl child, especially in the India's rural quarters, has won the Jagadguru Kripalu Parishat Education the prestigious Nari Award instituted by a prominent media house.

The institution, managed by the followers of Jagadguru Kripalu



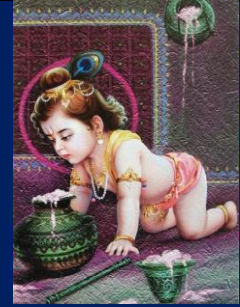
ji Maharaj, was especially recognized for its effort on education in the remote village of Mangarh in Uttar Pradesh that is now an inspiration for many similar endeavors nationally, a statement said.

In this village, some 5,000 girls from all religions are receiving quality education from the primary to doctorate levels, without any doles from the state government-an effort that has been recognized by media Group.

## **Festivals this quarter**

22-Jul-13	Guru Poornima
11-Aug-13	Nag Panchami
20-Aug-13	Raksha Bandhan
28-Aug-13	Janmashtami
13-Sep-13	Radha Ashtami
14-Sep-13	Anant Chaudas
13-Oct-13	Vijay Dashmi (Dussehra)
18-Oct-13	Sharat purnima

# Kidz Corner



## Divine Grace in disguise

Bhakta Purandaradasa, the “Karnataka Sangeeta Pitaamaha” (crest of the music –world of Karnataka), lived in the 17th century. The story of how he became a devotee of the Supreme Lord (bhakta) is very unusual and inspiring.

Srinivas Nayak was very opulent yet a great miser. He was a great devotee in his previous life but his ancestral affluence made him so money minded that he became an eminent miser having no indication of his intrinsic devotion. His wife Saraswati was a great devotee of Shri Krishna and generous as well. She used to give alms secretly without revealing it to her husband, since he was fed up of her generosity.

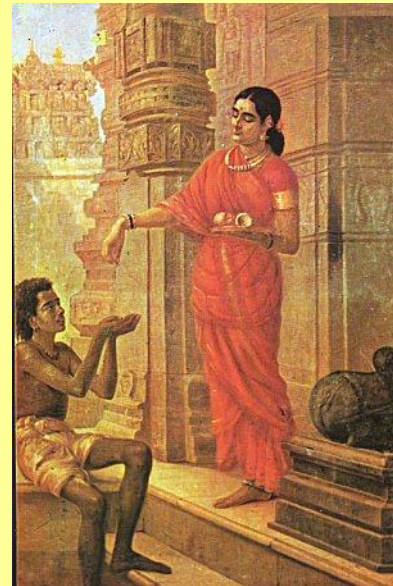
Eventually due to devotion of Srinivas in his previous lives, and amiable nature of his wife, he was very dear to Lord Krishna, Hence Shri Krishna, the embodiment of mercy, thought of delivering him from material attachment and awakend dormant devotion of his heart.

So, Shri Krishna took the form of a poor Brahmin and approached Srinivasa Nayak for money in order to perform the thread ceremony of his son. Even though days rolled by, Nayaka did not give anything, but the Brahmin too did not relent. He visited Srinivasa Nayaka's shop again and again. Finally, after six months Nayaka decided that he had to do something to get rid of the Brahmin. He had a collection of worn-out coins that were more or less worthless. He poured this in front of the Brahmin and asked him to take one and never come back. The Brahmin went away, seemingly crestfallen.

Saraswathi, Nayaka's wife, was a kind hearted soul who in her own way, tried to make amends for her husband's miserliness. The Brahmin, who knew this, went directly from Nayaka's shop to his residence. He narrated his story and how her husband had sent him away with nothing.

Saraswati was appalled by her husband's behavior. She wanted to help the poor Brahmin, but felt helpless since she could not give anything without her husband's permission. When she explained her helplessness, the Brahmin asked if she had something given by her parents (which, presumably, she could

give without asking for her husband's permission). She agreed and gave him the diamond nose-stud that her parents had given her.



The Brahmin took the ornament straight to Srinivasa Nayaka's shop. When Nayaka became angry with the Brahmin for coming back, despite his instructions to the contrary, the Brahmin clarified that he was there not to beg, but to pledge an ornament and take a loan. Nayaka was skeptical and asked the Brahmin to show him the ornament. When he saw the ornament, he was perplexed because he immediately recognized it as the one belonging to his wife. When questioned about the ornament's antecedents, the Brahmin told him that it was a gift from a benefactor.

Asking the Brahmin to come back the next day, Nayaka safely locked away the ornament in a box and went home. When he saw his wife without her ornament he questioned her about it. She tried to stall him with non-committal answers, but he insisted on seeing it immediately. He was angry because he thought she had given away a valuable ornament to a beggarly Brahmin.

Saraswati felt the ground giving way under her feet. She knew that her husband would punish her if she told him the truth. Unable to think of an alternative, first she prayed Shri Krishna



to save her, then after having no answer from Him, she decided to commit suicide. She poured poison into a cup and lifted it to her lips. Just as she was about to drink the poison, she heard a metallic sound. Lo behold, wonder of wonders, the ornament was right there in the cup. She could not believe her eyes. Her heart filled with gratitude, she prostrated before the idol of Krishna and took the ornament to her husband. Nayaka was astounded as it was the very same ornament that he had safely locked away in his shop. He quickly excused himself and ran back to the shop to check. The box in which he had safely locked away the ornament was empty! He was now completely and totally dumbfounded.

He went back to his house, and pressed his wife to tell him the truth. She told him everything that had transpired. This put his mind into turmoil.

After deep thought and God's inspiration, he came to the conclusion that the Brahmin was none other than God Himself. He recalled all the incidents that had transpired in the previous six months. He was disgusted with himself, and his miserliness. He felt that his wife had conducted herself far more decently and generously than himself. Since it was his love of money that had made him ill-treat the Lord, he gave away all of his wealth with the Lord's name on his lips, and became a Haridasa, a devotee and Lord Hari and started singing the glories of Lord Hari. He wrote and composed music for over 400,000 spiritual songs and became famous as "Karnataka Sangeeta Pitaamaha Bhakt Purandardas."

Moral:

1. Bhakti is immortal. Even a small part of devotion performed in any previous life, transforms into good fortune.

2. God is such a good friend of His devotees that he may make any effort to rectify the life of His devotees, despite of his negligence.
3. He is also a friend of humble and pure hearted ones.
4. Greed ruins the life.



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