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Sharing our prospect

"We sincerely have faith in Krishna consciousness and relish it to the utmost. We also find that our future prospect is here. Because we feel it is very tasteful, useful, and wholesome, we have come to distribute it to you, our friends. We should guide our lives according to the principles of Krishna consciousness as taught by the Spiritual Master. Take this advice, and you will be successful in fulfilling the goal of your life." — (Srila Bhakti Raksak Sridhar Dev-Goswami Maharaj)

So, please prayerfully chant this Mahamantra, the great mantra for deliverance, and be happy:

Hare Krishna Hare Krishna Krishna Krishna Hare Hare Hare Rama Hare Rama Rama Rama Hare Hare

Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu, Himself, declared:

"I have told you this Mahamantra, so everyone now chant it in proper measure. By doing this, you will attain all perfection. There is no other rule but to chant it at every moment."

(Sri Chaitanya-Bhagavat, Madhya 23.77-78)



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Dive Deep Into Reality

To find the key, the clue to the proper world where life is worth living, you will have to dive deep, not into the plane of body and mind, but into the plane of soul. You will have to dive deep into the reality that is within you. It is not a foreign thing, but the soul is within everyone, even the insects and the trees. So, we have to rise to the plane of soul. Eliminate both your physical and mental encasements and find out your own self.

"Come Home Dear Friend"

Where are you? Who are you? What is the real nature of this world? In the Koran, the Bible, the Vedas and in every other Scripture, a hope and a hint has been given about the life of reality. There is another world which is eternal and we are requested to enter there. We are children of that soil. It is only our bodies and minds that are children of this soil which comes and goes, which is created and then dies. We are in such an area. What is to be done? You must try to get out. The saints inform us, "Come home dear friend, let us go home. Why are you suffering so much trouble unnecessarily in a foreign land? The spiritual world is real; this material world is unreal: springing up and vanishing, coming and going, it is a farce! From the world of farce we must come to reality."

Awake! Arise!

There is a Zone of nectar, and we are actually children of that nectar that does not die. It is for this reason that the ancient Scriptures, the Vedas, come into this world and implore us, *Srnvantu visve amrtasya putrah*: "O you sons of nectar, sons of the nectarine ocean sea: please listen to me. You were born in nectar; you were born to taste nectar, and you must not allow yourself to be satisfied by anything but nectar. So, however misguided you may be for the time being, awake! Arise! Search for that nectar, that satisfaction." The Vedas tell us, "Om!" Om means a big "Yes!" "What you are searching for—that is! Don't be disappointed." The common search of all your hearts is existing, and your thirst will be quenched. By your constitution you are meant for that and you deserve that, so don't be afraid; don't be cowed down. It is already given in your being, and you can never be satisfied with anything else. So prepare yourself, to receive that long missing nectar in its full form and quality. Awake! Arise! Search for your fortune and you cannot but have that. It is your birthright. It is the wealth of your own soul. So you have no other business, no other engagement but the search for Sri Krishna: Reality the Beautiful.

The Lord's Promise

(And it is that Sri Krishna, God Himself, who came and urged His dear friend Arjuna:)

man-mana bhava mad-bhakto mad-yaji mam namaskuru mam evaisyasi satyam te pratijane priyo 'si me (Srimad Bhagavad-gita 18.65)

"Think of Me always, and become My devotee. Worship Me and bow down before Me. In this way you will certainly come to Me. My dear friend, I promise you on oath, I am speaking the truth. I am everything. Try to come to Me. I am the goal, the fulfillment of life not only for you, but for everyone. From the absolute consideration My position is such. I won't deceive you. You can believe Me. I promise that I am so."

How shamelessly Krishna is expressing Himself here. He has come to plead for Himself so much, for our benefit, and a record is kept in the Bhagavad-gita for our guidance.

Bhagavad-Gita: "Cure Thyself"

Many years ago, a German scholar expressed his opinion that the Bhagavad-gita is the highest spiritual literature because it clearly advises us not to try to correct our environment. The key to the advice of the Bhagavadgita is: "Cure thyself."

The cause of our disease is not outside us, but within us. A saint of the highest platform sees that everything is alright. He finds nothing to complain about. When one can see that everything is good and sweet to the furthest extreme, he comes to live in the plane of divinity.

Actually, everything is divine. It is all the grace of the Lord but we can't see it; rather, we see the opposite. The dirt is in our eyes. We are diseased, and if the disease is cured, we shall find that we are in the midst of a gracious world. Only the coverings of desire deceive us from having a real estimation of the world. We have to think that God's will is everywhere. Even a blade of grass cannot move without His sanction. Every detail is detected and controlled by Him. The pessimism is within us.

Our tendency at present is to cure what we see on the outside. We think, "I want everything to follow my control, my sweet will. When everything obeys me, then I will be happy." But we must take the opposite attitude. Lord Chaitanya* has advised us that we should create no resistance against the environment. Still, if some undesirable things come towards us, we should tolerate those things with our utmost patience. We must practise forbearance to the extreme. We shall honour everyone; we will seek no honour.

(The above excerpts are from 'Search for Sri Krishna, Reality the Beautiful' by His Divine Grace Swami B.R. Sridhar)

^{*}Footnote: Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu: Lord Krishna Himself who appeared as a perfect devotee in Sri Nabadwip Dham, West Bengal, in 1486.