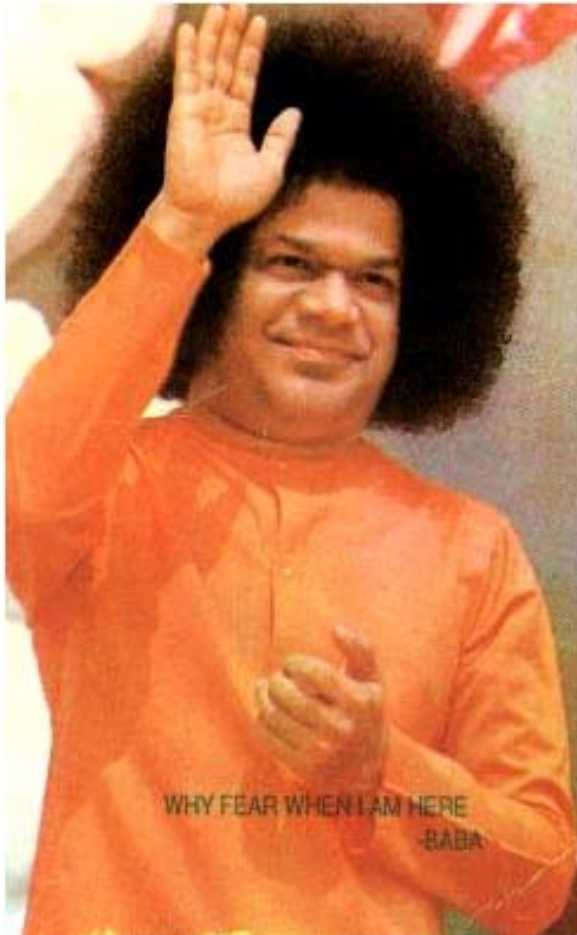


BHAGAVAN SHRI SATYA SAI BABA



Divine Discourses on Shri Satya Sai Baba
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ABOUT SWAMI

Swami or Datta Swami (Shri Jannabhatla Venugopala Krishna Murthy) composed more than one hundred books in Sanskrit by the age of sixteen years and many books are on the correlation between Sankara, Ramanuja and Madhva to prove that the philosophies of all these three are one and the same. He got His Ph. D., degree in His 19th year in Chemistry and worked as Professor. All His speeches are in twelve volumes being in the program of publication.

Some of His Sanskrit Books like Shri Datta Guru Bhagavad Gita, Shri Dattopnishat, Shri Krishna Bhagavatam, Shri Dattatreya are already published with translation. In the view of world, He is a very close devotee of Lord Dattatreya, but in the view of His closest devotees, He is the incarnation of Lord Dattatreya.

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INTRODUCTION

The Veda says that God is unimaginable and is beyond words, mind, intelligence and logic (*Yato vacho...*, *Manasasah...*, *Yobuddheh Parataha...*, *Atarkyah...*). The Veda also says that the only information about the God is that God is unimaginable but exists (*Naisha Tarkena...*, *Asteetyeva...*). The Kathopanishat says that you can know only that God is unknown so far (*Yasyaamatam...*). The Gita also says that nobody knows God (*Mamtuvedana...*). Such unimaginable God enters an item of the creation and gets identified with that item so that devoted souls can perceive it as God. The Veda says that when God enters the medium, God remains in its own unimaginable form and also becomes imaginable form through identification with the medium (*Satcha Tyatcha Abhavat...*). This means that God becomes imaginable and even perceivable through the process of identification with the medium, but remains unimaginable also. When the current, which is a stream of electrons, enters the metallic wire, which is a chain of crystals, the current identifies with the wire because the wire touched anywhere gives the shock of current. Yet, the stream of electrons remains as it is and is not transformed into chain of crystals, even though the wire is the current for all practical purposes. Therefore, the imaginable medium charged by God can be treated as the unimaginable God for all practical purposes by the devotees, who are very anxious to perceive God.

The medium can be energetic body for the sake of the souls existing in energetic bodies in the upper world. Even the souls of this world enter energetic bodies while they reach the upper worlds. Such energetic medium charged by God is the energetic incarnation called as the Father of Heaven or Lord Narayana or Lord Shiva etc. This energetic incarnation is relevant to the upper world only. The medium for this world containing human

beings is materialized human body and God charges it to make it human incarnation, which is relevant to this world. The alive human incarnation is very important since direct interaction to clarify the doubts is possible with that only. ***Hanuman and Gopikas never worshiped the irrelevant energetic incarnations and even the past human incarnations, but worshiped only their contemporary alive human incarnations called as Rama and Krishna respectively.*** Since, they conquered ego and jealousy, which cause repulsion between two common media (human bodies), they could worship the alive human incarnations. Unfortunately, so far, the messages given by past human incarnations were not vast due to the absence of developed printing technology. Thanks to God, for the developed printing technology so that all the messages in vast quantity from Bhagavan Shri Sathya Sai Baba are available to clarify any doubt of any human being. I am also His humble servant ordered by Him to propagate the spiritual knowledge and all My speeches are in about twelve volumes. I sincerely feel that Shri Baba spoke all this knowledge through Me to give name and fame to Me and this can be compared to the silent power of Shri Rama working through Shri Hanuman. All My personal devotees must be the devotees of Shri Baba indirectly as the devotees of Hanuman are the devotees of Shri Rama.

Shri Baba created a photo showing that He is the incarnation of Lord Datta. ***Datta means 'given'. It means the unimaginable God given to souls through the relevant medium.*** The three headed Datta is the energetic incarnation given to the souls in the energetic bodies in the upper world. ***The single headed Datta is the human incarnation given to the souls in the human bodies in this world.*** Datta is the unique God, who is Brahma (Creator), Vishnu (Ruler) and Shiva (Destroyer) of the creation. Brahma represents the unimaginable God. Shiva represents the subtle

invisible but imaginable energetic soul. Vishnu represents the materialized visible and imaginable gross body. The inseparable unification of these three entities is Lord Dattatreya. ***The unimaginable God is the absolute eternal ultimate entity.*** Even the energetic soul is relatively eternal entity without destruction. The form that existed in the materialized body is also reserved in the new energetic body, which can appear before an ardent devotee, if Shri Baba wishes. The materialized body is also eternal since its components are eternal, though isolated. Therefore, from every angle, Shri Baba is eternal and is with us only.

His Holiness Shri Datta Swami

Chapter 1

ANSWERS FOR THE CONTROVERSIES IN THE DEATH OF BODY OF SAI BABA

Similarity of Jesus and Baba

O Learned and Devoted Servants of God,

[April 30, 2011] There are a few controversies, which appeared recently regarding the death of the body of Baba.

1) The controversy is that Baba told that He will live up to 96 years, but the death is preponed by about ten years.

An astrologer told that Baba lived up to 96 years according to the theory of the cycle of 27 stars. So much strain is not necessary in this issue. God has full freedom to postpone or prepone the lifetime of any human being including the human incarnation. It is not like the one hour bell for a teacher in the classroom. The case of the divine preacher is different. Generally, we find the teacher spending leisurely the rest of the period if the topic is over since he cannot quit the class before time. He is bound by the rules of the institution. But, if the principal enters and speaks for sometime, there is no binding on the time. Whenever the principal finishes his speech, he can quit at anytime and the concerned teacher follows the rest of the period. The human incarnation is the head of the creation. In fact, the life period of any human being can be preponed or postponed by God. ***If the human being is found to be useful, its life is extended. If the human being is found useless, its life is shortened and is thrown into the lives of birds and animals, which live only to eat and sleep.*** The extension and shortening of life period is mentioned in the ethical scripture also. It says that if you sleep after sunrise, your life is shortened. It also says that your life is extended if you serve the elders. Therefore, the life period is not a fixed item. ***Baba might have preponed the exit since He found that the humanity will not change really and***

might have been vexed with the changeless behavior of the human beings.

2) Another issue is that why He saluted the devotees with folded hands on the last occasion.

You can find a similar situation in the case of Jesus also. Jesus washed the feet of His disciples on the last occasion of His departure. Jesus explained the reason of His act. Jesus wanted that the disciples should never become egoistic and should treat their disciples with respect always. The devotees are human beings and their devotees are also human beings. One human being should respect the other human being. The case of Baba is different. Baba is God and the devotees are human beings. ***Baba need not respect His devotees.*** But, later on, some of His disciples may have again disciples and they may imitate Baba thinking themselves also as human incarnations. All these points stand as the basis for such acts of Jesus and Baba. Baba is giving the message that you should express gratefulness to anybody irrespective of the status. Baba is also giving the message that you should remain as devotee only with folded hands before God. You should never claim that you are the human incarnation with a blessing hand always, falling in the trap of the praise of your disciples.

3) Another issue is that Baba told that He will rise after three days from death of His body.

Even in the case of Jesus, such a statement was made and this shows the similarity between Baba and Jesus. Shirdi Sai Baba also rose after three days after death. This miracle is not necessary in the case of Baba, who arose a dead person, which shows that Baba is the controller of the life. When Baba can rise other dead persons, can't He rise Himself? Both the miracles establish the same concept. The point is that whether Baba can do it or not. If it is established by one type of miracle that Baba

can do it, another type of miracle establishing the same concept need not be done again. For a wise person, one miracle, which is an unimaginable event, is sufficient to understand that the unimaginable God exists in that body. Rama has not done any miracle except one i.e., converting the stone into a woman by the touch of His foot. Is this one miracle not sufficient to establish that Rama is God? All the sages understood Rama as God because they are learned scholars. Rama performed this miracle in presence of the sage Vishwamitra and Vishwamitra propagated this miracle to other sages. Krishna performed many miracles. But there were many enemies for Krishna. Kauravas saw the top-most miracle, which was the cosmic vision, but still did not believe Krishna as God thinking that it is illusion of eye. ***For a human being, with the faculty of intelligence working, demonstration of one unimaginable event is sufficient. For human beings, burning with ego and jealousy, even if thousand miracles are demonstrated, all will be treated as magic or illusion of the eye.***

4) Some people say that Baba was harmed by some of His followers.

Is this possible? Can a human being harm God? Assuming that somebody harmed Baba, it must be the will of Baba only. Jesus was crucified by some people and it was done by the will of God only. ***If there is any sin in the followers, God will take care of it by giving punishment in the appropriate time.*** Why should you worry about it? You follow all the messages of Baba and try to practice so that God will be pleased with you and you will be protected by the grace of Baba. You are wasting your valuable time and energy in unnecessary things neglecting the essential aspects related to your future welfare. ***Jesus, while carrying on the cross told the weeping people that they should weep about themselves and their children.*** The reason is that after the momentary pain of crucifixion, Jesus will sit on the lap of God whereas the people will go to

the permanent hell after this short happy life. You try to stand on the principles preached by Baba and you neither worry about Baba nor about others. Whether others follow or not, you follow the principles preached by Baba. ***Everybody thinks that he or she need not follow these principles since others are not following.*** The entire society thinks like that only. The king asked for the donation of one tumbler of milk from each house. Everybody thought that one can pour one tumbler of water, which will be mixed in the milk poured by others. Finally, the whole drum was full of water only! Everybody should follow the principles preached by Baba, not caring for others. If you are interested in their welfare, you preach them also after personal follow-up. If there is no change, even the entire mass will be punished, which is going to be the future action of Kalki. ***Don't think that since it is an issue of the mass, there will be excuse.***

Chapter 2

NEITHER SOUL NOR GOD SUFFERS WHEN BODY SUFFERS IN INCARNATION

See Positive Side of Everything to Remain Happy

O Learned and Devoted Servants of God,

[April 20, 2011] A pseudo-scientist will present irrelevant arguments like the inability of Shri Satya Sai Baba to cure His own health, who performed several miracles and cured the illness of several devotees. By this, he wants to establish that all the miracles performed by Baba were not genuine. *He wants us to realize the truth about His miracles. Actually, he should realize the truth in the silence of Baba to cure His illness.* Baba wants us to understand that the soul is totally different from body and is not connected with the issues and bonds of the body. The soul is energy and is eternal with respect to the body. In the body of Baba, both soul and God are present. God is absolutely eternal and is also totally disconnected with soul and body. In the Gita, Krishna says that He is the third entity other than body and soul (*Yesmaat ksharamateetoham...*). *We are unable to differentiate even soul and body and not to speak of differentiating God from soul and body.* Whether you take Baba as God or soul, the points related to the body are disconnected to Him. The body is the shirt of the soul and the soul is the underneath banian for God. The shirt is disconnected from the banian and the banian is disconnected from the human being. Here, the human being is the comparison for God. A human being consists of two items only:

- 1) The external body, shirt and
- 2) The internal soul, banian

The human incarnation consists of three components:

- 1) The external shirt, the body,
- 2) The internal soul, banian and

3) Innermost God, the human being

In this comparison, the soul is inert energy. Even if you take the soul as a specific work form of energy, it is inert only. Inert means the item that is controlled and the Veda says that the soul is controlled by God (*Atmeshwaram*). Hence, the body and soul are compared to the two inert items, shirt and banian. In fact, the awareness of God alone is eternal, which is generated by His unimaginable power and hence, God is compared to the non-inert living human being here. ***The body and soul are two different phases of the same component, which are inert matter and inert energy respectively.*** By understanding that God is disconnected to matter and energy, we should understand that the energy is disconnected to matter. Hence, the soul is not touched by the problems of the body.

The Gita differentiates the soul and body in the beginning so that you will slowly differentiate God from body and soul. Even in the human incarnation, the soul is disconnected from the problems of the body as in the case of a realized human being. Since we identify the soul as body and God as the human being, which is understood as both soul and body, we misunderstand the concept. We think that the soul suffers when the body suffers. We think that God suffers when the body suffers and we assume that the soul is also suffering since our souls suffer identifying themselves with our bodies. ***Neither the soul nor God suffers while the body suffers in the case of human incarnation.*** Due to lack of this realization, we mistake Baba as His body and soul and therefore, we think that He is suffering. If the shirt is cut by a blade, the underline banian is not cut and not to speak of the innermost human being. ***If we understand this, we will realize that Jesus did not suffer on the cross and Krishna did not suffer while the bleeding continued on His foot.***

We have superimposed the body and the soul with God and talk that Baba is unable to do anything for Himself. The soldiers also mocked at Jesus that He was unable to do anything for Himself on the cross. Even the devotees feel much and their feeling is also based on the ignorance of the realization. But, ***in the case of devotees, at least their feeling has a positive side, which is their love to Baba.*** This positive side will be appreciated by God. But, the atheists are not only ignorant but also lack the positive side. Therefore, the message of Baba is that we should identify ourselves with the soul and not with the body. We must maintain this realization even at the time of the death (*sthitvasyaamantakaalepi...* Gita). The Gita says that the death is a happy occasion, in which the soul leaves the damaged dress and takes up a new dress. The damaged dress is the old body and the new dress is the energetic body, which is entered by the soul. Ignorance is the source of reverse behavior. The atheists always have half knowledge of science but pose as if they have realized the essence of science. The essence of any branch of knowledge is the philosophy. Hence, we find the word philosophy in the highest degree awarded even in science i.e., a doctor of philosophy. Philosophy is only the deep-most analysis of the subject and therefore, there is no opposition between science and philosophy.

You must always differentiate the context of God (Nivrutti) from the context of human beings (Pravrutti). Krishna punished Kauravas for trying to unclothe Draupadi. But, the same Krishna did not return the saris of Gopikas. This appears as a contradiction. The first scene is between two human beings. One human being is trying to see the naked body of the wife of the other human being. In the second scene, God is trying to see the naked body of the human being. ***In the second scene, the message of God is that He is already aware of every atom of the creation and***

is testing Gopikas whether they realize this in practice. Theory is different from practice. Only a few Gopikas, who had the realization, lifted their folded hands.

The atheist has no patience to analyze the concept. He concludes with half analysis only and tries to project his version as the conclusion. ***He always quotes false human incarnations and false devotees only.*** In that way, he is doing the divine service since you should be aware of such false projections also. He should not reject the genuine concepts by showing the false concepts. Somewhere, copying in the examination may take place and sometimes even mass copying may go on. By showing this, you should not reject the sincere attempt of a genuine student in the examination also and reject the very examination system itself. The student, who passed the examination through copying, will certainly fail in the interview for a job, which is a sharper examination. Similarly, you should reject the false devotees and false incarnations by sharp analysis and catch the genuine devotees and genuine incarnation to get the benefit. The atheist alarms you about the side of exploitation, which is more in these days of Kali Yuga. Therefore, the atheist is also maintained in this world by God. But, the atheist is unaware of his divine service and is really scolding God and therefore, is not benefitted after death like Ravana or Shishupala. ***God uses the negative approach of atheists in the spiritual path, which is like the concept of wealth from waste.*** We should take the positive side of their negative behavior and should not scold them in return. All this clear analysis is given only since the question came from the atheist. Therefore, we should be grateful to him taking the positive side. ***One will always be benefitted and feel happy throughout the life if he or she takes only the positive side of everything.***

Chapter 3

SAME UNIMAGINABLE GOD EXISTS IN EVERY INCARNATION

Programs of Incarnations may be Different

O Learned and Devoted Servants of God,

[April 28, 2011] Baba has several similarities with Shri Shirdi Sai Baba. Baba is said to be the re-incarnation of Shirdi Sai Baba. When there are other human incarnations like Rama, Krishna, etc., why Baba is said to be the re-incarnation of Shirdi Sai Baba only? Does it mean that Baba is not the re-incarnation of Rama, Krishna, etc? The answer for this is that *the same unimaginable God exists in every human incarnation and thus, all human incarnations are one and the same basically*. But, the programs taken up by the human incarnations may be different superficially. *The basis of every program is also the same transformation of humanity or punishment of a few devils to establish balance in the world*. For example, if you take the four incarnations i.e., Varaha, Narasimha, Rama and Krishna, all these four incarnations are related to a single program, which is the punishment of the two cursed gate keepers born as demons. Similarly, Shirdi Sai Baba was involved in the program of unification of the two religions, Hinduism and Islam. He looked like an Islamic saint (Fakir). In continuation of the same program, Baba is involved in the unification of Hinduism and Christianity. Baba looks like a Christian father. Thus, it is continuation of the same program and hence, Baba is said to be the re-incarnation of Shirdi Sai Baba. The future incarnation is Prema Sai Baba, who will complete the unification of Hinduism with all other religions and complete the program.

In fact, one day Baba appeared before Me and told Me to do the propagation of spiritual knowledge. I told Him that I do not deserve to take

up such divine program. Then, Baba told Me that who else can be deserving other than Me to propagate this spiritual knowledge? I feared that Baba is testing Me regarding My resistance to ego. Generally, Datta tests like this by misleading the devotee. This itself is a clear proof that Baba is the incarnation of Datta. I simply obeyed His orders without further debate. In course of time, I found that the spiritual knowledge radiating from Me is unique and unimaginable. Then I realized that Baba Himself is speaking this knowledge through Me. ***In fact, some concepts were tremendous and were not covered by Baba in His discourses.*** The reason is that Baba wanted to give fame to Me, His servant, and hence, reserved those concepts. If I do not reveal this truth, it means that I am subjected to ego. Again, this is another test of Datta. The test of Datta is very very subtle and you will be easily caught by the clutches of ego and jealousy. Even angels failed in the tests of Datta. Even Hanuman was tested by Rama on several occasions and the test was so subtle that so far nobody could detect them unless God revealed them through Me.

I feel always that I am the most undeserving devotee of God. But, the fun is that even some most deserving devotees became My disciples! Most of them call Me as the human incarnation of God due to this excellent spiritual knowledge. It is true that God is identified by the excellent spiritual knowledge only (*Prajnaanam Brahma...*) since the miracles are also demonstrated by devils. I have to accept this new status of human incarnation based on the Vedic authority. But, at the same time, the soul component in Me should be very careful to resist ego. The praise of devotees is only the trial of Datta to subject Me to ego. When the soul component in Parashurama became egoistic, He was punished. But, Hanuman, another human incarnation, was never subjected to ego in any test. Rama and Hanuman were master and servant. But, both were human incarnations. With respect to the soul components, Rama is the master

and Hanuman is the servant. But, with respect to the component of unimaginable God present in both, both are one and same. ***There is a verse which states that Hanuman told Rama like this, “I am your servant from the point of materialistic medium. I am your part from the point of energetic medium. I and Your are one and the same from the point of the unimaginable God existing in both of us”.*** Matter and energy constitute the medium, which is the creation. The unimaginable God is the creator.

Devils perform miracles but cannot preach the spiritual knowledge. The miracles performed by them will be used by them for their selfish ends only. The human incarnation also performs miracles according to need only for the sake of welfare of devotees or for the sake of establishment of the concepts of spiritual knowledge. Apart from the miracles, the incarnations preach mainly the spiritual knowledge. The miracles performed by Baba were always for the sake of the devotees and sometimes, during His speeches, the miracles were performed to establish the concepts. Baba always told that everybody is God and this statement always neutralized the ego and jealousy in the hearts of devotees. On one occasion, a devotee asked Baba, “How can You say that You are the God?” Baba replied, “You did not hear Me properly. I say that both of us are God. The difference is that I know this and you do not know this.” The devotee kept silent. ***In the case of some devotees, the ego and jealousy are suppressed because they are in need of the help of Baba for their materialistic welfare. In the case of some few devotees, the ego and jealousy are unconsciously hidden, which will come out on proper occasion.*** There is no human being without ego and jealousy just like there is no building without building materials.

Incarnation is Two Component System

The human incarnation is composed of two components, which are God and soul embedded in the materialised human body. The statements of God component should not be mixed with the statements of the soul component. The soul component in Shirdi Sai Baba always told that God alone is the master (Allah Malik). The God component in Him told on few occasions that He is the creator. The soul component in Krishna always spoke in humble way throughout His life except the occasion of preaching the Gita in which the God component emphatically declared that He is God. In the case of Rama, the God component always kept silent since the program was to behave like an ideal human being. In the case of Jesus, the soul component stated, “Oh God! Why did you leave Me?” etc. The God component told that He is the truth and light. In the case of Mohammad, the God component kept silent since just before Him, the crucifixion of Jesus took place due to superimposition of the statements of God on soul.

In the case of Buddha, the God component kept silent to indicate that the absolute God is unimaginable. In the case of Shankara, the God component always spoke that He is God and occasionally the human component spoke itself as a devoted soul, while composing the prayers to be recited by the human beings. *In the case of Hanuman, the God component always kept silent since the program was to exhibit the service of an ideal devotee to the contemporary human incarnation without selfishness, ego and jealousy.* In the case of Parashurama, the soul component misunderstood that it is God and became proud for which he was insulted and punished before the public itself. Therefore, the soul component in the human incarnation should be very careful in not superimposing God on itself. The soul component may speak as soul or not, based on the divine program. But, it should be always internally careful

to resist the ego. ***The ego-serpent moves in curved modes and somehow tries to enter the soul.*** Baba never showed ego except the self-confidence in His speeches. In the case of a human being, the soul should be separated from body. But, ***in the case of human incarnation, the soul should be separated not only from the body but also from the God.***

Showing thorny path in bits by bringing forward the goal

Nobody should be decided as God based on mere miracles. Even though miracles establish the existence of God, ***God can do miracles through anybody.*** But, mere miracles do not establish the existence of God in anybody, even though any miracle is done by God only. While preaching knowledge, God enters the medium and hence, knowledge is the only identification mark of God. This aspect is stated by the Veda. But, the Veda says that the knowledge should be excellent to the unimaginable level (*Prajnaanam...*). The Veda also says that the knowledge should be true (*Satyam Jnaanam...*). Generally, truth is associated with harshness. ***Truth alone helps the human being to reach the correct goal.*** The path to reach God is full of thorns and the path to reach hell is full of flowers. If truth is hidden and the flowery path is shown, the aspirant along with the preacher will go to hell and not to God. ***Everybody likes to reach God, but, everybody likes to travel in the flowery path only.*** In such case, you may show the thorny path partially and encourage the aspirant by bringing the goal forward even though the goal is fixed in its actual place only. Due to the short distance, the aspirant will be encouraged and moves forward. You can repeat the trick again and again till the aspirant reaches the goal. For example, Benaras was a holy centre of knowledge in India filled with several scholars. If you go to Benaras and attain the knowledge from the scholars, you will get realization. Such realization will prevent you doing sins again and by this, your past sins are also excused. In this

way, all your sins are destroyed. To encourage the aspirant to go to Benaras in the initial stage, it is said that if you take bath in Ganges at Benaras, all your sins are destroyed. Here, the goal is brought forward. When the aspirant reaches Benaras and takes bath in Ganges, you should say that if one visits the temple of Vishweshwara, all the sins are burnt. By this, he is encouraged to visit the temple, where he meets the scholars and slowly gets their association to receive the spiritual knowledge. Then it is said that if one stays in Benaras forever, he is liberated from all the sins. The permanent stay in association with scholars will certainly transform him and really the goal is achieved. ***This is showing the thorny path in bits by bringing forward the goal each time, which is not the truth.*** However, in this method, hiding the truth is not wrong, since you are leading the aspirant in the correct path only. If you show the flowery path and say that it leads to God, it is wrong. But, some preachers adopt this wrong method because the aspirant is very much encouraged by the flowery path and may donate the preacher heavily in excitation. Such preachers are many in the present time.

Baba Sets Pravrutti itself as the Goal

When the programs are different, the nature and behavior of the human incarnation also differs as per the requirement of the specific program. The program of Rama was to preach the human behavior in the society and hence, acted like an ideal human being following the rules of justice, established by Himself i.e., God. Rama preached Pravrutti through practice only. Krishna came to show Nivrutti and exhibited the potencies of God. He violated the rules of justice to show that He is the rule maker and that the rule maker alone can violate rules. By this, Krishna also tested the faith of His devotees in Nivrutti. The programs were so different that even Hanuman failed to identify Krishna as Rama. ***In the case of Shirdi***

Sai Baba and Satya Sai Baba, the program is one and the same except slight difference in the dress. It is a big surprise to see some devotees of Shirdi Sai Baba do not have faith in Satya Sai Baba. God comes down in different situations and hence, His behavior also differs slightly or more as per the need of the time and followers. The taste and the mental set-ups differ from one human being to the other. Even though the chemical composition is one and the same, somebody likes one vegetable and does not like the other. Liking towards a specific vegetable is not wrong, but, disliking the other vegetable to the extent of criticizing and scolding hurts others. Similarly, you may like one human form of God and it is not wrong. But, if you dislike other human form of God and criticize it, the religious disputes start, which will disturb the balance of the society (Pravrutti). For God, both Pravrutti and Nivrutti are important, which are like the stage and the drama enacted on it respectively. Where is the drama if the stage is broken? Pravrutti is the basis of Nivrutti. You have to follow Rama to please Krishna. Rama is the path and Krishna is the goal.

Therefore, God comes down mainly to establish Pravrutti only and Nivrutti is an associated activity. ***Pravrutti is related to the main lot of the humanity. Nivrutti relates only to a few top-most devotees.*** If you observe the efforts of Baba, most of them are concentrated on Pravrutti only. He always tried to establish justice and hence, is called as 'Sai Ram'. I did not hear anybody speaking 'Sai Shyam'. ***Through the demonstration of miracles, He always attacked the negative effects of science,*** which are the fundamentals of atheism and became tremendously strong these days. Through speeches, Baba tried to establish the human values and morals, which are the pillars of Pravrutti. To establish Pravrutti, He went to the extent of saying that Pravrutti itself is Nivrutti. ***As far as Nivrutti is concerned, Baba gave the directions individually to some devotees.***

In fact, every human incarnation comes for the establishment of Pravrutti only, which is purely concerned with humanity only. Nivrutti is related to both God and humanity.

The love between human beings is Pravrutti. The love of human being to God is Nivrutti. God never encourages Nivrutti because nobody encourages others to love him or her. It is an aspect related to others only. In fact, God discourages Nivrutti and sometimes even opposes to know the strength of your love to Him. Nivrutti is always taught by Him on your request only. His expectation is Pravrutti only and if you follow Pravrutti, even some gifts like heavenly pleasures are given by Him. If you follow Nivrutti, He creates several problems to discourage you so that your force in Nivrutti is evaluated. Nivrutti is certainly higher and in fact, it is the highest of all. But, when people fail in Pravrutti itself, how Nivrutti can be thought of? ***When you are looting the public without any consideration for the poor, can we expect you to sacrifice for the sake of God?*** Even if you sacrifice, it is only to trap God and loot Him for higher profit. If you have some attitude of some sacrifice towards your co-human beings, certainly you will have at least the same extent of sacrifice to a specific co-human being in which God exists. Therefore, Pravrutti is the basis of Nivrutti. You do not sacrifice anything for the deserving co-human being because you may not get anything in return. Such a fellow you are and can we imagine yourself to sacrifice to God without expecting anything in return? Therefore, Baba introduced the concept of service to humanity without expecting anything in return. Unless you are trained in Pravrutti to do service without expecting anything in return, you cannot succeed in Nivrutti to have the same attitude. ***Baba did such great service to humanity, which shall be an eye-opener to the rulers of government.*** They should examine themselves about the goal of their service, which

has whether selfishness or sacrifice for the humanity. They can cheat the public but not the omniscient God and certainly will receive the punishment for looting and the subsequent cheating. If this single point is learnt from Baba by the present rulers and officials of government, God need not incarnate for Pravrutti. ***You are saving crores and crores in Swiss bank, while the beggars are dying with hunger and you cannot dream Nivrutti.*** When you fail in the examination with zero marks, how can you expect the gold medal? ***The expectations of the preaching of Baba are mainly towards the rulers and officials of the government,*** who should observe the way of service of Baba to humanity. Baba stressed on every human being to change the attitudes and the best title for Baba would be 'The King of Kings'.

Chapter 4

**PROOF GIVEN BY BABA FOR COMPLETE
UNIMAGINABILITY OF GOD**

God exists in Incarnation only in Humanity

O Learned and Devoted Servants of God,

[April 23, 2011] Buddha kept silent about God indicating that God is unimaginable. When somebody asked Buddha to give explanation about God, Buddha said that He is silent on the explanation since God is unimaginable. In course of time, His statement lost its parts and final residue is that Buddha is silent on God. Further, the interpretation of the silence was taken as the atheism. Buddha Himself was the incarnation of God. How can He deny Himself? Due to fear of such misinterpretation, Baba clearly stated that God is unimaginable since Baba said that nobody can understand Him.

Baba caught one hair of His head with His hand and asked His critics to cut it. The critics failed in cutting the hair even with the help of big cutting instruments. Then Baba told them that even His hair cannot be understood and not to speak of His nature. The unimaginable power of God entered into the hair and made it unimaginable. By this statement, you should not differentiate God and His power. Such statements are made for the sake of convenience of understanding only because we are well versed in the logic of imaginable items in which there is a distinction between the source and the power. Similarly, *when we say that God granted the miraculous powers to demons, it does not mean that the power and God are different.* The unimaginable power and unimaginable God are not two different items since there cannot be two unimaginable items. Again, this does not mean that God, who is the unimaginable power

Himself, exists in every demon performing the miracle. Even the unimaginable power or God need not enter the demon and still can make the demon perform the miracle in unimaginable way. This contradiction can be solved by the proposal that *God Himself is doing the miracles while staying outside the demon since God is beyond space. Hence, God exists in human incarnation only in this world of humanity.* Coming back to the point, Baba demonstrated by this miracle that God is unimaginable. It means that you have to be silent regarding the nature and form of God. Thus, Baba removed the misunderstanding on Buddha since Baba and Buddha are one and the same.

Like Jesus, the statements of Baba are very sharp and straight. The similarity in both is in the quality of knowledge and excellent similes to clarify the point. Several miracles also have similarity. Jesus materialized the bread on one occasion. Baba materialized several food items on several occasions. The number of miracles performed by Baba was more because of the development of science. Like Jesus, Baba raised a dead body. Like in the case of Jesus, Baba is also mocked by a few people that why He could not save Himself in the present dangerous situation of His serious illness.

Similarities among incarnations in Preaching Divine Knowledge and Performing Miracles

Like Krishna, Baba also performed several miracles in the childhood itself. Krishna was served by Yashoda with motherly affection in the childhood. Similarly, a devotee called Subbamma served Baba in the childhood. Krishna preached the spiritual knowledge, which is called as the Gita. Baba also preached spiritual knowledge extensively every day. In the preaching of both Krishna and Baba, pravrutti and nivrutti are extensively covered. Krishna showed the miracle of cosmic vision during

preaching. Similarly, Baba also performed miracles during preaching to explain the point more emphatically. Shishupala scolded Krishna but Krishna kept silent. Similarly, a few people scolded Baba and Baba kept silent. Krishna showed really some negative side to test the faith of devotees, who were sages, born as Gopikas. Baba never showed such negative side since such sages are not present. But, due to jealousy and ego, some people attributed the negative side on the character of Baba. Both Krishna and Baba kept silent about the criticisms of these negative sides. In the case of Baba, even though such negative side is absent, yet, the attributed negative side served as a testing tool for the faith of the devotees. Like Rama, Krishna also killed the devils through personal fights and also through the great war of Mahabharata. The reason was that some were totally good and some were totally bad. ***In the present time, everyone is partially good and partially bad. Therefore, removal of bad people to protect the good people is not possible.*** If killing is to be done, all humanity will be erased and this is going to be done in the end of this Kali Yuga. Before that, God is making efforts to transform all the humanity through preaching of spiritual knowledge. ***Baba did this extensively to such extent that He lost His voice in the old age.***

Like Mohammed, Krishna adopted the war to protect justice as told already. ***Baba adopted the preaching since every human being is partially bad.*** The serious problem in the time of Mohammed was multiplicity of God by which the humanity was split to the extent of fights and killings. Mohammed tried to preach the unity of God. But, the people did not listen since they were adopted to fights only. ***The dog will understand anything in its own language only.*** Hence, Mohammed resorted to wars to bring the unification of religions by the concept of single God and He succeeded in His effort. ***Such fight of Mohammad was justified and was called as Jihad in that time, which is not required***

in the present time since it is misinterpreted and misused by the terrorism. He preached that God has no form since God in different forms was the cause for the religious split. God only takes a form and this does not mean that God is the form. If you take a pencil in your hand, you are not the pencil. You have the pencil. Similarly, ***when God takes the form, God is not the form and you should say that God has the form.*** God is unimaginable and cannot be any imaginable item. Every item having form is imaginable and even formless item like space, air etc., is also imaginable. ***When God takes form, you should not say that God has become the form. Therefore, when the unimaginable God, who is beyond formful and formless items, takes an imaginable item as His medium, you should not say that God is transformed into imaginable item.*** If God is really transformed into imaginable item, there will be multiplicity of God leading to fights. By taking pencil, if you have become really the pencil, and after sometime, you take a pen by which you have become the pen. The war starts between the two persons since somebody says that you are the pencil and the other person says that you are the pen. Krishna clearly stated this in the Gita.

The Gita says that ignorant people misunderstand God that the unimaginable God is really transformed into imaginable form since they do not know that God is actually unimaginable (*Avyaktam Vyaktimaapannam...*). In the case of God, the word 'formless' indicates that He is unimaginable. Actually, the imaginable items of creation are formful and formless. Space is formless and Earth is formful. In the first step, you have to climb from formful to formless and in the second step, you have to climb from formless to unimaginable. ***For the people who think that God is formful, if you say that God is unimaginable, it will be a double jump, which will be very difficult.*** Both formless and unimaginable are unseen. When people think that God is seen like light,

etc., you can say that God is the unseen, formless basic cosmic energy of the light that pervades all over the cosmos. By this, you have established God at least as unseen. In the second step, you can say that God is not even the cosmic energy since it is imaginable and say that God is unimaginable. In fact, cosmic energy also has form, which is in the form of waves or quanta and can be seen through powerful microscope. Since the microscope was not discovered in that time, God was said to be cosmic energy, which was unseen and formless. In fact, there is nothing, which is formless, if you deeply analyze. Similarly, there is nothing like nothing since the vacuum is also very subtle energy, called as space bending along the boundaries of the object. Nothing can bend since something only bends. Cosmic energy also has form of waves or quanta. It is a simile that was used when the microscope was absent. Hence, God was said to be all pervading formless entity. But today, science has developed so much that you cannot define God as unseen and formless pervading all over the cosmos because such entity is a part of imaginable creation only. All these similes have to be dropped because ***every simile is detected by science and God is left over, who is beyond detection.***

Therefore, the time has come to say that God is un-detectable. Krishna clearly stated that nobody knows God, which means God is unimaginable (*Maamturveda na kashchana...*). The words used by the human incarnations have their significance in the context of those times. Therefore, if Mohammed said that God was formless and all pervading, you should understand that His intention was only to divert from the concept that God is some visible form and limited. Baba also tried His level best to unify all the religions of the world and was never confined to any specific religion. Baba treated all the religions of the world with equality and He has the devotees in all the religions.

Coming to Mahavir, who is also another human incarnation, He stressed on the need of non-violence to the extent of not harming even an ant. The goal set up by Him was extreme. If the goal set up is very high, people can practice to some extent. If you say that the pass mark is 100, students will get at least 40. If you set up the goal at 40, students will get 5 or 10 only. Based on this psychology, Mahavir has set up the goal of non-violence at the extreme end. Baba always preached non-violence and opposed beating the bulls of the carts even in His childhood. Baba opposed even the killing of the tiger. ***Baba asked the hunter to think about the motherless children of the tiger.*** Mahavir opposed even the killing of harmful insects. In this aspect, you will find a tremendous similarity between Mahavir and Baba.

Chapter 5

PEOPLE ENJOY KNOWLEDGE INSTANTANEOUSLY AND FORGET TO FOLLOW

Logic of Imaginable Items Never Applies in Unimaginable God O Learned and Devoted Servants of God,

[April 21, 2011] There is similarity and difference between Shri Rama and Shri Satya Sai Baba in their programs. The similarity is that both came down to establish the correct behavior of human beings in the world (Pravrutti). The difference is that in the time of Shri Rama, there were very few souls, who were to be punished with death since the transformation was not possible. Vali and Ravana were such special cases. In the present time, every human being is like Vali or Ravana to some extent and there is a possibility of cure by preaching like a patient by medicine. If death punishment is to be given, all the humanity will disappear. The preaching succeeds in bringing the total transformation in few cases only. ***The preaching is always forgotten since the knowledge is not frequently memorized.*** Therefore, constant reading and constant thinking of the knowledge is essential to bring transformation in practice. ***People enjoy the knowledge instantaneously and forget to follow. Due to this, people will again reach the original status.*** God will incarnate again and again trying for transformation through preaching again and again and each time, a few are definitely transformed. In the end of Kali Yuga, the filtered residue, which is a great lot of humanity, will be punished with death and this will be accomplished by the incarnation of God called Kalki. ***All these souls, after the killing by Kalki, reach the hell in the energetic bodies and will be severely treated so that the behavior will change to a great***

extent. These will be born again as good souls in the beginning of Kruta Yuga. The cycle repeats again and again.

Exhibition of miracles is necessary because the establishment of unimaginable item is possible only through miracles. ***Everybody is learning science for the sake of better living.*** Science keeps silent about the unimaginable item because science analyses and speaks always about the imaginable items of the creation. ***Since the entire creation is made of imaginable items, the creation is not unimaginable God. Science is always involved in the analysis of imaginable items only.*** Therefore, science deals with creation only and keeps silent about the unimaginable creator. There cannot be multiplicity in the creator or the tools of creation. You are applying the logic of imaginable items to the unimaginable God and speak God, His power, the materials and tools for creation, etc. ***The logic of imaginable items can never apply in the unimaginable God. All the unimaginable items form only one unimaginable item since you cannot differentiate the boundaries of any two unimaginable items.*** It is always reasonable and meaningful to conclude God, His power, tools and materials as one entity only and call the single resulting unimaginable entity as God only. Even the process of creation is unimaginable and cannot be separated from God. The only imaginable item is this universe, which is the product of the process of unimaginable creation.

The silence of science about the unimaginable God is misunderstood as the negation. Similarly, the silence of Buddha about the unimaginable God was mistaken as negation of God. By this, both Buddha and science were treated as the sources of atheism. Silence does not mean negation of unimaginable entity. Even the authority of theism, the Veda, says that the best expression of God is silence. Even Shankara clearly stated that the absolute God (Parabrahman) is always expressed by silence. Shankara

debated with the followers of Buddha only on this point and proved that silence is not the indication of negation of God. Silence is only the acceptance of existence of unimaginable God. You must say that the unimaginable God exists. You are authorized only up to this single point. The Veda says that only the existence of God is acceptable and explicable (*Astityeva...*). Regarding the further information of God, silence is to be adopted. The acceptance of existence of unimaginable God is based on the exhibition of unimaginable events called as miracles. The multiplicity in the unimaginable events is not the multiplicity in the unimaginable item. There is only one unimaginable item called as God. He is establishing the existence of the unimaginable item through miracles on several occasions using several imaginable materials. ***Therefore, the multiplicity is only in the occasions and in the imaginable materials and it is not in the final conclusion, which is the existence of single unimaginable item.*** Already, we have established that there cannot be multiplicity in the unimaginable item.

Miracles have Serious Negative Angle

Therefore, exhibition of miracles is essential for the establishment of unimaginable God. All the human incarnations exhibit these miracles in massive scale or according to requirement of the approaching devotees. The doctor performs his treatment in two ways. The first way is to treat the patients approaching him. The second way is to treat the patients by approaching them through a medical camp. Similarly, in general, the human incarnations adopt the first way by performing miracles in the case of approaching devotees according to the need. Some of the miracles of Shri Satya Sai Baba belong to the second type to be exhibited to everyone in large scale on a stage. ***Generally, there is a severe control on the performance of miracles because these miracles have a serious***

negative angle. That is, these miracles encourage the selfishness of the people. They always try to apply these miracles to the solutions of their personal problems. The problems come according to the fruits of sins. If the miracles start solving the problems, the very basic system of deeds and fruits established by God Himself gets disturbed. Moreover, the miracles increase the selfishness and in fact, people accept the existence of God through miracles not for the sake of negating atheism but the acceptance is adopted so that the unimaginable God will solve their problems through His unimaginable power. ***The devotees may not accept this remark, but, this is true and the devotees are unaware of the underlying unconscious hidden truth.*** But, at the same time, if the miracles are not exhibited at all, the very basic concept of unimaginable entity is not established. The miracles are like the chocolates for a boy to go to school. Initially some chocolates are given for some days. The chocolates may be given till the boy gets interest in the education. But, the problem is that the boy goes to the school and exhibits lot of interest in the education as long as chocolates are given to him. The moment you stop the chocolates, the boy stops going to the school! Hence, the conclusion is that the boy is never interested in the education except the chocolates. Therefore, the miracles are always performed by God in human form in balanced way. ***If God thinks that the miracle will not have any negative effect on the devotee, God never minds to perform it because by performing the miracles, there will not be loss of any trace of His endless power.***

The miracles performed by Baba were of two types. The first type of miracles relates to the exhibition of miracles on the stage. Such miracles are impersonal and therefore, have no negative effect. But, such miracles are criticized as magic with a hidden pre-arrangement. Therefore, the

second type of miracles was also performed, which is personal in the case of the deserving devotees. By such miracles, the devotees become stronger and stronger in their devotion. But, in the case of many devotees, the unfortunate angle is that the devotion become stronger and stronger so that they will become more and more close to Baba to get more and more solutions in their problems!

Development of Science Resulted in Development of Atheism and Ego

Generally, God is reluctant to perform the miracles due to their negative effect. Still, God performed several miracles through Baba. The reason is that the science developed so much and the misunderstood side of science resulted in the development of atheism and ego. This is due to the half knowledge of science. People should understand that science keeps silent about God like the spiritual scriptures. Even the spiritual scriptures say that God is unimaginable and hence, silence is the best expression of explanation of the nature and form of God. Science also never negates the existence of God. A true scientist, who has gone to the level of philosophy in science, clearly realizes this. But, silence does not mean the acceptance of existence of God. Silence can also mean the non-existence of God. Therefore, you should accept the existence of God and then keep silent about the explanation of the nature or form of God. Silence is not on the total aspect of God. Silence is only limited to the partial aspect of explanation of the nature of God. If somebody asks you, "Is there God?", you should strongly say, "Yes. God exists". If there is a further question asking for the explanation of form of nature of God, you should say, "I do not know because God is unimaginable". Your second answer indicates that you are silent about the explanation of existing God. Therefore, silence should be indicated through your reply and this does not mean that you should keep

silent about the enquiry. Every enquiry should be answered. Silence should be indicated through your answer and you should never keep silent for any enquiry. Therefore, the misunderstood half knowledge of science made the people to become egoistic and deny even the existence of God. Hence, the need of the hour is extensive exhibition of miracles, which alone can establish the existence of unimaginable God because they are unimaginable. This is only the relevant response of God to the situation and not egoistic projection of the miraculous power as done by the devils.

In fact, God never wants to project Himself in the world. He always wants to hide Himself since the real enjoyment of good and bad can be achieved only if He is hidden. If God is identified, everybody will respect Him and thus, the enjoyment of respect only is achieved. If He is hidden, at least some egoistic people will insult Him and the entertainment in insulting can be enjoyed. If He is recognized, the ego of the devotee does not come out and later on, when the same devotee identifies God, God has no chance of pointing out his ego. When the ego is pointed out, there will be chance for preaching. For this purpose only, God misleads the devotees even if He is identified. In spite of all this truth, Baba performed the miracles extensively as the emergent need of the hour. As a result of the exhibited miracles, the human incarnation is easily identified as God based on the general standard of the public. ***Generally, public detects God through miracles only.*** The miracles establish the existence of God but do not mean that the performer of miracles is always God since even devils perform miracles. However, even the miracles performed by devils also establish the existence of God. Based on this positive side of the miracles, God gives miraculous powers even to devils. However, based on the general standard of the public, the performer of the miracles is identified as God. If the performer is a demon, he will say that he alone is God, which is not truth. But, in the case of human incarnation whether He says or not, it is

truth. Whether it is truth or not, people will not like this declaration that a particular human being is God. People get interested in anything, only if they can achieve it. People never like that somebody alone is God and that they should serve Him like bonded slaves forever. They do not mind to become bonded slaves if they have a ray of hope that some way or other, they will become God. In fact, everybody has the golden opportunity to become God but strict condition is that they should not have even an iota of hope that they will become God on some day or other. Hanuman never had even an iota of such hope to become God. Even though He is informed that He will become God, He always aspired to be a slave to God only. Therefore, He became God. Due to this complication only, nobody is becoming God. But, there are a few exceptional cases, who become God.

Generally, when people identify somebody as God, they serve Him like slaves to solve their problems and to get some fruits. After sometime, when most of their problems are solved, the jealousy, which was already hidden in them due to needs, starts budding up. Even an iota of jealousy or selfishness based on ego will spoil the spiritual effort. Therefore, till the maturity is reached, it is better to retain hope of becoming God. Such trick is Advaita philosophy, which says that you are already God and that you will really become God provided you attain the perfect knowledge. This will encourage the people to acquire the spiritual knowledge, which is the first step. Without knowledge, practice is impossible. This step will attract even the most egoistic atheists. This trick was developed by Shankara for the first time. Baba followed the same trick like most of the human incarnations. The trick was disclosed by Shankara on one occasion when He swallowed the molten lead and declared that He alone was the Lord. Similarly, Baba disclosed this trick in one of His speeches like this: ***“Don’t think that you are God and behave as you like”***. Such disclosure is necessary when the negative side becomes extensive.

Chapter 6

TWISTED NIVRUTTI FOR PERFECTION IN PRAVRUTTI

Solution of Present Day Problems

O Learned and Devoted Servants of God,

[April 30, 2011] Most of the human incarnations concentrated on Pravrutti only because if Pravrutti is perfect, Nivrutti can be easily achieved. Even Shankara constituted all the Nivrutti for the sake of rectification of Pravrutti only. Baba mainly admired Shankara because the philosophy of Shankara appears to be pure Nivrutti but its result is rectification of Pravrutti only. According to Him, you are God, who is the absolute truth and this world is only your imagination. This statement makes you to stop all your spiritual efforts to become God since already you are God and the only effort is that you have to just remember that you are God. ***Since this world is only a relative reality with respect to yourself, the God, you need not strain much to achieve more than the minimum requirement in this world.*** If you earn the minimum required livelihood, it is sufficient. You need not loot the public because this entire world is only imaginary. You need not spend much time in over-earning by doing sins for the sake of worldly pleasures because this world is just a dream. You have to constantly think that you are God so that you will become God since it is matter of only recognizing yourself of what you are already. By such constant thinking, you will certainly achieve the divine qualities in your practical life. Everybody knows that ***God has divine qualities like selflessness and very liberal attitude.*** If your selfishness disappears, the society is safe. If you are liberal, the society will be happy. By this, balance of society is maintained, which is Pravrutti.

When the world is unreal, your family is unreal and therefore, your bonds with family will disappear. By that, your selfishness disappears. Your ambition for worldly pleasures also disappears. All the society will be happy and will live in peace. This is a tremendous intellectual plot of Shankara to achieve the perfection in Pravrutti through the twisted Nivrutti. After achieving perfection in Pravrutti, the twist in the Nivrutti can be slowly relaxed and you will be very much eligible to get success in Nivrutti also very easily. If you become selfless due to the concept of unreal world and if you become sacrificial due to the concept that you are God, you will easily succeed in Nivrutti. ***Unless the selfishness disappears, the sacrifice cannot appear.*** Light will not appear unless darkness vanishes. ***In Nivrutti also, you have to sacrifice for the sake of God and devotees reducing your selfishness.*** You have already achieved both these by thinking that this world is unreal and that you are God.

In fact, neither you are God nor the world is unreal because you are a part of this world. World is unreal for God only. The plot is twisted in the beginning, but in the end, the twist is removed and the plot becomes true. By the twist in the plot, which is that you are God and the world is unreal, you achieve the perfection in Pravrutti. If you are perfect in Pravrutti, you will succeed in Nivrutti easily and now the twist disappears and the plot becomes true. When you succeed in Nivrutti, you have the real possibility to become God. When you become God, the world becomes unreal for you. Therefore, you are not cheated at all. You are not going to school. But, you are very much attracted to the post of collector. We say that you will become collector if you just pass the school. Then you will complete the school. Now, we will say that you will become collector after completing the degree and pass the IAS examination. Now, you will complete the degree and pass the IAS examination easily and become collector.

Therefore, My initial twist did not cheat you and My initial trick was essential for your welfare.

This plot of Shankara was adopted by Baba straightly because He aspired for the perfection of Pravrutti in every human being. Baba adopted the policy of Shankara everytime and told that every soul is God and the world is unreal. ***His main ambition was always to establish the four pillars i.e., Truth, Justice, Peace and Love, which are the fundamentals of Pravrutti.*** He propagated that service to human beings is service to God. Generally, nobody serves humanity because there will not be any return and certainly everybody is discouraged. People get interested even to serve God without expecting anything in return because they know that God will be extremely pleased by such service and subsequently they have the possibility of becoming God! But, if a human being is served in that way, you will become the human being only. But, you are already the human being and hence, there is no use. Now, people start serving the humanity so that God will be pleased and they can become God. Therefore, there cannot be spark without fire and there cannot be human being without personal ambition. Therefore, it is very difficult to achieve the result of Nivrutti and Nivrutti lies idle. Instead of keeping the Nivrutti idle, it can be twisted and can be used to achieve the perfection in Pravrutti. You may not become collector, but at least you will pass the school examination and there is every possibility to become collector in the future. Similarly, you may not become God in this birth itself, but if you achieve perfection in Pravrutti, you have every possibility to become God in some birth.

When Shankara came, all were atheists and especially the Purva Mimaamsakaas were after heavenly pleasures. Today also, the situation is almost the same. The Purva Mimaamsakaas openly declared that there is no God. But, they believed in hell and heaven. They were attracted to

the heavenly pleasures and killed the animals in sacrifice, which was thought to be the path for heaven. Today, people believe in the existence of God and the devotion to God is only to please Him by which their problems can be solved. They doubt in hell and heaven in the depth of their hearts but believe in the worldly pleasures. ***They do not mind to do anything to earn money for the sake of worldly pleasures and family bonds.*** Killing of animals in sacrifice was stopped by Buddha. Atheism was condemned and theism was established by Shankara. Today, there are two problems.

- 1) The first is the negative side of the development of science. This established the atheism and people do not believe in the unimaginable God unless the unimaginable events demonstrated before their eyes establish Him.
- 2) The second problem is the extensive selfishness due to which, several sins are committed.

These two problems were before Baba. He demonstrated the unimaginable events, called as miracles, to neutralize the negative development of science. The second problem is solved by using the philosophy of Shankara, which is already developed for a similar situation. Both the ego developed by science and jealousy towards a specific human being to be called as God are neutralized since everybody is God. The concept of the unreal world and the concept of liberal divine qualities of God can bring down the selfishness to a great extent.

Chapter 7

SIMULTANEOUS INCARNATIONS POSSIBLE BECAUSE GOD IS BEYOJND SPACE

Incarnation's actions denote messages

O Learned and Devoted Servants of God,

[May 01, 2011 Mr. Anil asked two questions, 1) You told that Shirdi Sai Baba did lot of penance in the early stage. Is it necessary for human incarnation? 2) Can there be more than one human incarnation at a time?]

Swami replied: The very purpose of the human incarnation is to preach the humanity. For this purpose, God takes the human form and behaves like a human being. The behavior itself gives the practical direction to humanity. If God appears in energetic form and gives the message, people will not follow it because there is no practical demonstration by a human being. They will think that the message is practically impossible for human beings. *Of course, they will hear the message with lot of reverence to the energetic form with extensive excitation.* This extensive excitation may also cause disturbance in receiving the message and understanding it. Jesus also performed penance on a hill for forty days. Both Sai Baba and Jesus preached that a human being should do penance and realize God practically before preaching about God. *The penance means the maintenance of faith on God irrespective of severe practical difficulties.* Jesus had no food during penance, which was for a short period. Sai Baba took only Margosa leaves for several years during penance. Even Baba did penance in the childhood, which is nothing but the undisturbed faith that He is Sai Baba. There was lot of torture on Baba to divert Him and Baba never changed. You find Lord Shiva always in the posture of meditation closing His eyes. Lord Shiva is God Himself existing in the energetic human form. In such case, what is the goal of His

meditation? *He is giving the message to the souls in the energetic bodies to meditate upon God in that way. He Himself is the goal of His meditation.*

God can exist in different human forms simultaneously as per the various programs meant for the welfare of humanity in different aspects. The intensity of the program also varies as per the different standards of the receiving people. You have Parashurama and Shri Rama as simultaneous human incarnations. Parashurama was very furious to warn the kings from further atrocities. Shri Rama was very peaceful because His goal is to be an example for human beings. Both these are simultaneous programs. Even a human being does two types of activities at a time. In such case, why not the omnipotent God does many activities at a time? Shirdi Sai Baba was very rough and tough since He preached the villagers. Shri Ramakrishna Paramahansa was very soft since He preached the educated public of city. Both are simultaneous human incarnations. It is impossible for a human being having spatial dimensions to exist in different houses, which have large spatial dimensions. But, ***God has no spatial dimensions and hence, can exist in different human forms, which have spatial dimensions.*** Here, to some extent, you can take the simile of current existing in different wires performing different activities. Simultaneously, the current generates sound in T.V., light in a bulb and mechanical motion in a fan. You can take this simile to a great extent because many good aspects of comparison are covered. But, there are limitations even to this simile. Current is a chain of electrons, which may be treated as particles or waves. But, God is not a chain of particles or waves. Both particles and waves have spatial dimensions and hence, current also has spatial dimensions. Therefore, current is quantitatively

divided in different instruments but ***God has no spatial dimensions and such quantitative division is not possible in the case of God.***

God Appears Divided with respect to Media

The Gita says that with respect to the media, which have spatial dimensions, God appears to be divided. But, the unimaginable God is not divided since God is beyond space (*Avibhaktam Vibhakteshu*). Even the entry of God into human form is unimaginable due to the single reason that God is beyond space. We always see the process of entry of one imaginable item having spatial dimensions into another imaginable item, which has spatial dimensions. We do not have another unimaginable item in the world to compare to God. The only imaginable aspect here is the existence of unimaginable God in the imaginable medium. We can only say that God exists in this medium and God does not exist in that medium. Neither the entry, nor the nature and nor the actions of God are imaginable. By simultaneous existence of God in different media, God is neither qualitatively divided nor quantitatively. But, in the case of current, it is not qualitatively divided but, it is divided quantitatively in various instruments. You may say that if the current exists in equal number of watts, it may not be quantitative division because the quantities are equal. This argument is wrong because the division is there even in equal quantities because the current is discontinuous. There is no current at all in the space existing between the instruments. ***This discontinuity means the division of current.*** You may say that the space between two human incarnations also does not contain God and the same quantity of God exists in both the human incarnations. By this, you cannot say that current and God are one and the same and hence, current is God or God is current. The above situation can stand as a good comparison for God and current. The same current flowing in two different wires with the same potency can stand as a good example for

the existence of the same omnipotent God in two different human forms. The absence of current between two wires can be a good example for the non-existence of God in the creation other than in the human incarnations. ***God having no spatial dimensions is not present in the creation having spatial dimensions by way of general logic.*** But, God and current are totally different items because God is unimaginable without spatial dimensions and current is imaginable since it consists of electrons having spatial dimensions. ***Therefore, a simile to God can help to understand the knowable concept regarding God.*** By this, you should not mistake that the compared item and God are one and the same. The compared item can be also called as God and such statement is a metaphor, which is one of the figures of speech. Metaphor is another form of simile. ***People having no knowledge of figures of speech mistake that God is actually the compared item.***

The holy scriptures are always the poetic compositions of God. The Veda says that God is a poet and a scholar (*Kavirmaneeshi*). Hence, the Veda says that God is space, life, etc. All these are metaphors only. God is subtle like space. God is important like life. In the Christian scripture, it is said that the lamb will come in red robe. God is as pure as the innocent lamb. When people cut it for eating, it is full of blood, which looks like the red robe. The scripture says that you should not cut any animal for eating and killing an animal is like killing God. The scripture says to kill the animal offering to God. This does not mean that the scripture encourages killing the animals. Anyway, people kill the animals and do not stop on the advice. To introduce at least the concept of God, the scripture says to offer it to God. By this, the fear to God may be developed in due course of time and people may follow the advice of God not to kill the animals. Baba took this statement to compare Himself to the lamb. The red robe indicates the red

dress of Baba. In fact, the dress means the body in which the mind is a part. ***The red robe stands for the matured mind with ripened knowledge.*** The fruit becomes red on ripening. This avoids again the misinterpretation that Krishna, Jesus, etc. are not human incarnations because they were not in red dress. Baba told that the lamb cries with the sound babababa etc. Hence, the lamb stands for Baba. Again, this does not mean that the human incarnation with the name Baba alone is God. The scripture gave several metaphors and this is not the only metaphor. Moreover, Baba means father. God is the Father, who is the creator of all the souls. The Gita says this (*Aham Beejapradah Pita...*). In this way, you can apply this simile alone to every human incarnation.

Every human incarnation is one and the same since it is the imaginable human form in which the unimaginable God exists. ***The basic qualities are also one and the same except that there is a difference in some of the qualities.*** The difference in some of the qualities is due to the difference in the programs and due to the difference in the standards and qualities of human beings, with whom God has to deal. To deal with a cruel demon like Hiranyakashipu, God is associated with anger as Narasimha. To deal with the cruel human beings, who kill the animals, God is associated with peace in preaching as Buddha. ***The basic aim of every human incarnation is one and the same, which is the establishment of peace and harmony in the society and to guide the few deserving devotees in the Nivrutti.*** Another basic aim is to pacify the desire of the devotees to see and directly talk with God for the clarification of their doubts.

Chapter 8

THE THREE ANGLES EXIST IN INCARNATION ONLY**Do not arise in Ordinary Human Being****O Learned and Devoted Servants of God,**

[May 04, 2011] *The human incarnation remains unimaginable with respect to God in It and remains imaginable and even visible with respect to the medium.* The medium and God become one only, like the current and wire, which are inseparable during the flow of current. This is monism of Shankara. Since both are separable in one time or other, both are separate but become one and the same as long as God exists in the human form. Both monism and difference exist according to Ramanuja. According to Madhva, there cannot be monism between the unimaginable God and imaginable human form. Therefore, according to Madhva, always the difference is maintained. *You must understand that the debate of all these three divine preachers is only confined to God and soul in the human incarnation only and this debate does not apply to God and the ordinary soul in the world.* Context is always important. If you miss the context, you will be misled. In a function, the chief guest was president of the country. In that specific function, since the chief guest happened to be the president of the country, the chief guest was associated with lot of security. An ignorant person concluded that the chief guest in every function will be always accompanied by lot of security. In another function, the chief guest was the president of a village. The ignorant fellow thinks that the chief guest in that function also will be accompanied by lot of security. But, not even a single person of security was found. *All this*

misunderstanding happened due to the missing of context and generalization of the concept of a specific context.

Shankara said that soul and God are one and the same. Ramanuja said that the soul is inseparable from God and hence, the monism is practically true and the difference is theoretically true. Madhva said that the soul is always different from God at anytime. ***All these three angles are about the soul and God existing in human incarnation only.*** In a human incarnation, the soul is charged by God like the wire by current and hence, both are one and the same for all practical purposes. The electrified wire gives the shock of current wherever it is touched. If both are not one and the same, the shock of the current cannot be exhibited by the electrified wire as its property. This is the view of Shankara. According to Ramanuja, in the case of human incarnation also, both soul and God are different because soul is created imaginable item, whereas, God is the unimaginable creator. Even in the case of electrified wire, the wire is a chain of metallic crystals, whereas, the electricity is the stream of electrons. Both are in different forms. In spite of this difference, they are inseparable during the time of existence of human incarnation or existence of current in the wire. During such specific period, the monism should be accepted. The creation is the quality (Visheshana) and the creator is the substratum of the quality (Visheshya). It is like fruit and its taste, which are inseparable. Ramanuja maintained both the inseparable monism and the actual difference. He stands as a bridge between Shankara and Madhva. Madhva says that even during the period of the flow of current in the wire, electricity and wire are two different forms only. In that period also, electricity is electrons and wire is crystals. Hence, the actual truth is only difference and not the monism. Madhva takes Hanuman as the best example. The behavior of Hanuman was always with respect to the soul component only. Even though God existed in the soul of Hanuman, the soul always felt itself different

from God and exhibited always the obedience to Lord Rama. Parashurama was an example of contrast. The soul component in him felt that it is God and was punished. All the three views are simultaneously correct from the point of the angle of the observer.

A devotee, who worships the human incarnation as God, should always stick to the angle of monism. Even Hanuman worshipped Rama as God and never looked at the soul component. From the point of devotee, the monism is correct. But, from the point of the angle of human incarnation, the difference must be always recognized by the soul. Rama never declared or posed as God. Even in the case of Krishna, the declaration of Krishna as God during the Gita is by the God-component directly and not at all by the soul-component. Except the context of the Gita, Krishna never declared that He is God. Shankara always declared that He is God. This statement was always from His God-component only. But still, the observer always misunderstands that the soul-component is making such a statement. Shankara also supported the misunderstanding by saying that every soul is God. The situation pressed such false declaration. Such declaration was essential to convert the atheists into theists. Based on this false generalization, even if you think that the soul-component is making such false statement, it is also not wrong. It is only subsequent consequence of the essential false generalization. In the case of Shankara, He is not wrong in both ways. If the God-component made such a statement, it is not wrong at all since it is absolutely true. If the soul-component makes such a statement, it is also not wrong because a false generalization that every soul is God is already made by Shankara for the sake of conversion of atheists. For the sake of initial rectification, a twist in the higher concept is not wrong. The higher concept is irrelevant at the initial moment. The twist can be removed and even the reason for the twist can be explained at a later stage in an appropriate time. Unless the immediate initial problem

is solved, further development is also not possible. Even if the people do not develop further, at least the initial progress is better than the ground. One is better than zero, even if hundred is not achieved. ***It is better to be a theist accepting the existence of God, even though he thinks that he himself is God, than to remain as an atheist.***

Baba as Shankara

The case of Baba was similar to that of Shankara. The situations and the requirements of the programs were also similar. In the time of Shankara, there were many atheists. In the time of Baba also, the development of science taken in the negative sense is too much and practically atheism only existed even though theism existed theoretically. If the people believe in the unimaginable God, they will have fear for the hell and the sins shall be minimized. ***Today, sins in all angles are in climax.*** The immediate answer for the practical proof of the existence of God is the establishment of an unimaginable event called as miracle. Shankara and Baba performed miracles even from the childhood. Shankara as a child created the pour down of some golden fruits in the house of a poor person. A few other recorded miracles performed by Shankara were:

- 1) Going to the house of Mandana Mishra by the path of sky,
- 2) Passing through the bolted doors of the house of Mandana Mishra,
- 3) Entering the dead body of a king for some days,
- 4) Giving speech to a dumb fellow, etc.

The ego and jealousy of an atheist are always in the climax and the atheist will never accept the contemporary human incarnation. To pacify this attitude, Shankara created a twist in the concept of human incarnation that every living being having awareness is God. By this, Shankara tried to achieve the goal of Buddha also to restrict the people from killing the animals, birds, etc. since every living being is God. ***The present situation***

is also not different from that of Shankara. In the time of Shankara, atheism existed in the name of atheism only. But today, the same atheism exists in the name of theism. It is the same old wine in a new bottle. Baba also performed several miracles to give proof of unimaginable God. Baba also adopted the same philosophical trick of Shankara to pacify the ego and jealousy of the human beings. Even in His speeches, Baba admired Shankara many a times.

Baba as Ramanuja and Madhva

Baba resembles Ramanuja in the development of devotion by singing sweet devotional songs with sweet voice. Baba encouraged the worship of idols like Ramanuja since the idols stand as representative models for God in the case of general mass. Baba resembled Madhva in stressing the concept of service. *Unless you are trained in the service of humanity, you cannot serve God in human form.* You have to eradicate your ego, selfishness and jealousy towards a co-human form through the service to humanity. Then only, you will be eligible to serve God in the human form present before your eyes. Madhva always worshipped Hanuman because Hanuman worshipped and served His contemporary human incarnation. If you have reached the stage of realization and maturity to recognize the alive human form of God, idol worship is not necessary. The idols in human form also indicate the human incarnation only. Baba told in one speech, “Idol is the finger indicating an object. With the help of the finger, you have to see the object. Once you see the object, finger is not necessary”. What a beautiful example is given to explain the concept! In preaching the knowledge, Baba resembles Shankara and Jesus. Had Baba not arrived in the present situation, the roots of atheism would have cracked the building of spiritual knowledge leading to its complete collapse. Due to the development of science, every miracle was thought to be a tale of

entertainment created for the sake of children. Even the concept of God was thought to be a creation for giving confidence in the human beings who lack it. Several human incarnations of Lord Dattatreya like Shripada Vallabha, Narahsimha Saraswati, Manikya Prabhu, Akalkota Maharaj, etc. have come performing miracles along with preaching. Even in the time of Shirdi Sai Baba, the science did not develop so much and hence, lesser number of miracles were performed. ***But today, the development of science is very fast and hence, Baba performed the miracles on an open stage.*** You will find the preaching of spiritual knowledge with every human incarnation because it is the essential program and the main goal of God. Miracle may be or may not be performed as per the requirement. But preaching the spiritual knowledge is inevitable and hence, the Veda says that the spiritual knowledge is the only identifying sign of God in human form.

Master Necessary for Every Human Being

I have been ordered by Baba to propagate this spiritual knowledge and even I am surprised about the quality of the knowledge that radiated from Me. Seeing the excellent quality of the knowledge, I realized that I am not the author of this knowledge and Baba only spoke through Me. Baba spoke through Me some concepts not covered by Him in His speeches. By this, Baba wanted to see that whether I will be tempted to own this knowledge. ***The test of Datta is always very subtle.*** There is also another reason for this. ***Baba spoke the new concepts through Me since Datta is famous to give fame to His devotees.*** The credit for the acts of Datta is given to the devotee in this way. This second angle of the test of Datta is also to see whether the devotee becomes egoistic by the fame. Thus, this point is a double-edged knife on which the devotee has to walk very carefully. In this analysis, the word 'Baba' stands for the

unimaginable God-component present in Him and the word 'I' stands for the imaginable soul-component. Since God is unimaginable and cannot be directly indicated, you have to take some imaginable medium for the indication of such God. Unless this sharp analysis is taken up, there will be lot of confusion in the concept. If you represent Baba or Rama and Myself or Hanuman by the soul-components only, the concept of master and servant cannot arise. If you represent Baba or Rama and Me or Hanuman by the God-component only, then also, the concept of master and servant cannot arise. You may doubt that why Baba should be represented by God-component and Me by the soul-component only and not the vice-versa. The situation contradicts such possibility. Baba told Me that He has selected Me for the propagation of knowledge. This situation clearly establishes that He is the master and I am His servant. Therefore, the God-component in Me and the soul-component in Baba should not be touched. Two boys or two girls are acting as Rama and Sita in a drama. As per the drama, you have to take Rama as male and Sita as female. You should not go deep into the internal basis and say that both are males or females. The male stands for the God-component and the female stands for the soul-component. If you take the soul-component in Rama and Hanuman, both are females. If you take God-component in both, both are males. But, as per the convention of drama, Rama is taken as male and Sita is taken as female.

Shirdi Sai Baba declared that Venkusa was His master. Shankara declared that Govinda Bhagvat Paadaa was His guide. You should not be confused by the names. The God-component always does anything worthy like miracle or radiates the excellent knowledge. The credit is given to soul component since the soul is His devotee. You may say that Baba never mentioned any master for Him. Since Baba declared that He is Shirdi Sai

Baba, it naturally means that Venkusa was His master. Rama is the Master of Hanuman. The guides for Rama were sage Vashishta and Vishwamitra. ***The concept of master and servant is always projected by the soul component of the human incarnation because it is a message to the humanity.*** If this aspect is not projected and demonstrated, the devotees will be attacked by the cancerous disease called ego. When the human incarnation projects the concept of its master, you have to take the point to be related to its soul-component only and not to the inner God-component. Then only, the human beings will search for the master thinking that when the human incarnation Itself has master, not to speak of a human being. I complete this discourse by saluting My master, Bhagvan Shri Satya Sai Baba.

Chapter 9

REAL TRIBUTE TO SHRI SATYA SAI BABA**Association with Human Beings only destroyed in Death****O Learned and Devoted Servants of God,**

[May 05, 2011] There is no death for Baba or even for any human being. Baba is made of two components. The first component is the unimaginable God. Birth and death are only for imaginable items. Hence, the unimaginable component, God, has neither birth nor death. God is the absolute eternal truth. The second component is soul, which is any human being. *Soul is energy. It is eternal in the sense that it is the first created relative truth. It will end only by the will of God, which we do not know.* Therefore, energy is also treated as almost eternal item. The body of the soul is another form of energy, which consists of matter. Matter is also almost eternal since it will end only when the energy ends. Therefore, *the soul-component means both energy and matter, which is any ordinary human being.* Therefore, neither the God-component nor the soul-component has birth and death. During the so-called death, the soul leaves the body and takes the energetic body, which goes to the upper world. *In the case of an ordinary human being, the upper world may be heaven or hell. But, in the case of a blessed devotee, the upper world will be the abode of God in energetic body, who is called as Father of heaven.* The energetic body taken by the soul will have the same form of this materialized body. Therefore, in death, neither energy, nor matter, nor even the form of the materialized body is destroyed. Therefore, nothing is destroyed in death. *Only your association with the human beings in this world is destroyed.*

God takes up the soul-component consisting of energy and body for the sake of His expression as said in the Gita. The expression is to pacify

the desire of devotees and also to guide them through the true spiritual knowledge. ***Since the form of materialized body is also not lost, you can find Baba in the energetic form, if Baba wishes.*** Even the departed soul can appear in the energetic body by the will of God. God selects a soul-component from His close devotees and comes down before us. This is called as the process of human incarnation. Therefore, nobody should think that death is the destruction of anything. It is only the destruction of our perceptible association in this world.

Baba came down to change the present behavior of the human beings (Pravrutti). You should change yourself without worrying about others. If every individual thinks like this and changes, the entire society is transformed and Baba will be happy. Hereafter, you will not have any direct message from Baba. But, Baba said more than enough. ***Be truthful. Follow the justice. Maintain the peace of the world. Love every living being.*** These four points constitute the essence of the preaching of Baba. Once Baba told, “You need not come to this place to see Me. Remain in your house and try to practically implement at least one point of My message. Then only I will be happy with you”. Let us follow His message. ***The corruption and violence are the two present dangerous diseases of the society, which are more dangerous than cancer and AIDS.*** By cancer and AIDS, the individual is destroyed. But, by corruption and violence, the society will be destroyed. The system of deeds and fruits takes care of an individual. But, if the society is destroyed, God enters and tries to save it. ***If the society does not change, it will be totally destroyed by vexed God Himself in the form of Kalki.*** But, a few individual souls, who are transformed, will be protected by God in that time of total destruction of the society. You try to become one of such few blessed individuals. Your trial will please Baba, who will help you to succeed in the effort. If the

effort is absent, God will not interfere because He will be charged with partiality.

***Baba Baba, the God covered in red sheath,
The soul of souls, lies in You only underneath
Your real tribute to Him will be, henceforth,
To avoid corruption and violence to go to north.***

(The Gita says that the soul after death has two paths. One path will be to south, which is to the hell to be punished for the sins and the other path will be to north to live with happiness in association with angels).

Chapter 10

ANSWERS FOR CONTROVERSIES AT PRASHANTI NILAYAM

Carving Goddess Lakshmi on Padukas of Baba

O Learned and Devoted Servants of God,

[June 23, 2011] Recently there is a criticism that the photo of Goddesses Lakshmi was carved on the wooden chappals (Padukas) of Shri Baba and this hurts the feelings of Hindus. Sometime back, some foreigners have also done the same in some foreign country and Hindus were hurt. The first question in this issue is whether Baba Himself ordered for such padukas or some devotees presented those padukas with such a decoration. If there is any proof that Baba Himself ordered for the preparation of such padukas, we can easily say that Baba is not the human incarnation of God. Only demons with very high ego do such things. Since Baba is the human incarnation of God, I am sure that some devotees, who have immense faith in Baba as Lord Narayana, must have presented those padukas. *The human incarnation always reacts in the same line as the devotee approaches with full faith.* This is said in the Gita (*Yee Yathaa maam...*).

The human incarnation behaves exactly in such a way so as the faith of the devotee is fully protected. Such a behavior of the human incarnation should be taken with reference to the corresponding devotees only. Others should not touch that. Shri Baba was born as soon as the special worship to Lord Satyanarayana was over. Hence, Baba was named after the same. When the mother of Baba was pregnant standing near the well, a beam of blue radiations entered her womb and she became unconscious. All these show that Baba was the incarnation of Lord

Narayana. Goddesses Lakshmi always sits at the feet of Lord Narayana. Hence, the action of the devotees, who believed this very well, is in the same line. This should not be generalized. Baba never declared in His speeches that He was Lord Narayana. We cannot compare Baba with the ordinary human beings in a foreign country. Their behavior is objectionable to everybody.

In fact, the human incarnation is a two component system. The first component is God and the second component is the human soul. God identified with a human being is called as human incarnation, just like an electrified wire in which the electricity is identified with the wire. Since the wire gives the electric shock anywhere, we do not differentiate the wire and electricity. Similarly, the human being and God are not differentiated in the human incarnation. For the ordinary looks, the electrified wire looks like an ordinary wire only. But, if the looks are impregnated with analytical knowledge, the same wire is just the electricity. Similarly, Baba is a human being for ordinary public. For devotees, He is just Lord Narayana. You cannot bring both the angles to one place in one time since both contradict each other.

Money Found in Baba's Room

There were thousands of covers with cash presented to Baba by devotees. Baba did not hide this cash in the walls of the room or in the Swiss bank. The room is open in the campus, which was simply locked. The room is not hidden in the underground even though the doors are simply locked. That room could have been raided at anytime by the Tax officials even during the life time of Baba. In the place of Baba, if any human being is present, he would have hidden the cash somewhere. There may be lapses in the case of some human beings, who were involved in

the financial administration. Generally, the money of God is not touched by many people for the fear of punishment, unless they are atheists. ***People are crying on such unnecessary issues. The public should worry about the huge public funds, which evaporate by hot summer like corruption.***

The pity is that the members of public themselves do corruption. The major lot of the public itself is to be blamed because most of the voters have become corrupt, who votes the corrupt people by taking money for the vote. The transformation should come in the heart of every human being by the messages given by Shri Satya Sai Baba.

Chapter 11

FILTER SELFISHNESS FROM DEVOTION**Dharma and Dharma Sukshma****O Learned and Devoted Servants of God,**

[June 08, 2011] Shri Satya Sai Baba established the four pillars which are truth, Justice, peace and love in the context of Pravrutti. The truth and justice result in eradication of corruption. Peace and love result in non-violence. Therefore, anti-corruption and non-violence are the two concluding words for the four pillars. If truth and justice are perfectly established, peace and love are the natural consequences. The government officials and the political heads swallow almost all the funds. There are no funds to help the poor and the needy. This is the case with any political party frankly. There may be very little percentage of officials and political heads sincerely involved in the cause, but, such little percentage has no effect on the huge majority. A spoon of sugar cannot sweeten the salty ocean. Apart from this, the officials often go on strikes to increase their salaries. They say that the prices have gone up and it is very difficult to meet the requirements. Can they put this question in the light of poor and downtrodden, who die with hunger without even one meal per day? The officials argue that if they save the funds without fighting for increasing their salaries, the funds are swallowed by the ministers and other members of the government. They say that the funds will not reach the poor even if they do not fight since the funds are swallowed by the heads of the government only. Therefore, they justify their fight. Such arguments are half way and apparently justified. ***It will be fully and really justified only if they donate the excess to the poor and needy.***

Baba emphasized the concept of sacrifice and service to every human being to help the poor and needy. ***By this way, the sin in corruption is not only nullified but also this is the right path in the existing circumstances.*** The mode of justice gets modified as per the circumstances of the time and the basic justice is always protected. ***If justice is called as dharma, the modified justice according to the requirement of time is called as dharma sukshma.*** The ultimate goal of dharma sukshma is only to protect the basic dharma in the new circumstances. The farmers work very hard but are unable to earn even their livelihood. There are several other categories of the society, who are in that line. All these hungry poor people revolt with terrorism and there by the peace and love disappear. Therefore, deviation from truth and justice due to corruption result in violence. In the ancient times, there was no terrorism at all since every human being was based on truth and justice only. Therefore, Baba emphasized the importance of truth and justice from His childhood in order to establish peace and love in the society. If the society is disturbed, there is no place for Nivrutti also. If the stage is broken, where is the drama?

We must not worry for the exit of the soul and body of Baba. The body is visible and imaginable component. The soul is invisible but imaginable component. Both these components constitute the creation and can be treated as one component only. Soul is energy and body is the matter. Matter and energy are two phases of the same component called creation. The creator is the absolute God, who is invisible and unimaginable. The human incarnation is thus, a three component system of God, soul and body. It can be treated as a two component system also if the soul and body are treated as the two phases of the same component. The body decomposes into the original five elements. The soul is eternal with reference to the body. God is the absolute eternal entity. Neither God nor the soul and nor the body is lost. ***Only the shape of the body is lost in this world, which is also preserved in the energetic form in the upper world.*** Therefore, nothing is lost. Baba can appear in the same

form through energetic body to the ardent devotees. We must follow the four principles preached by Baba. At least, if we follow truth and justice, peace and love are the natural consequences.

The basis of violence is corruption. The basis of corruption is selfishness. *Unless the selfishness is filtered from your devotion to God, the love in God towards you will not start.* You think yourself as the top most devotee due to the quantity of your devotion. *Even the mountain of devotion is waste in the eyes of God if selfishness is present.* God always sees the quality of devotion.

SPIRITUAL KNOWLEDGE ALONE CHANGES SOCIETY

Best Eternal Fruit is Grace of God

O Learned and Devoted Servants of God,

[April 12, 2011 Shri Rama Navami] Festivals have become the occasional days of enjoying special food items. Holidays are given on these festivals so that you will allot the time to think about the significance of these festivals and change yourself to some extent at least. If this aspect is not served, there is no use of the holiday. Today is Shri Rama Navami, on which Lord Rama was born and who was the human incarnation of God. The next human incarnation was Krishna, which was meant for spiritual path (Nivrutti). Before Lord Krishna's birth, Rama was born to preach the behavior in the world (Pravrutti). Today, the main problem in the society is the ambition for money, which results in corruption. Due to this, the wealth does not reach the poor people. Rich is becoming richer and poor is becoming poorer. Even the members of any political party governing the country become corrupt. They are not doing their duties for which they are elected by the people. Their ambition is only for money, power and fame. The

sincere generations have gone and you can count on fingers the sincere people in this time. Rama also became the king. Today, we criticize the monarchy and praise the democracy. ***If the system is perfect, either monarchy or democracy is good.*** Rama was in the system of monarchy but never was ambitious of wealth or name and fame. Such monarchy is better than the present democracy.

Rama sacrificed His pregnant wife for the sake of the criticism given by a single human being in the public. Pregnant lady means wife and children. Rama sacrificed His wife and children for the sake of public. But today, the rulers in the democracy are looting the public for the sake of comforts for their wives and children. ***Even if hundred persons criticize, they do not mind and give false replies.*** Unless the mind is changed, the system will not help in any way. Even the government-officials are highly corrupt for the sake of comforts of their families. ***Even the ordinary person, who is expected to vote for a good person, has become corrupt and votes by taking money.*** Therefore, both the government and the public are now corrupt and there is no use of any system. ***Only the spiritual knowledge can change the present situation.*** Anybody does some action based on the strong concept present in his mind. The strong concept in corruption is that nobody will punish him or her here if the sin is done in undetected way. Regarding the punishment in hell also, there is no fear because people think that hell is only imagination. When the kings became highly corrupt and dictators, Parashurama, the previous human incarnation, punished them here itself to show that the sin will be punished here itself. All this earth was donated to sages by Parashurama and since then, the rulers started ruling the public under the guidance of sages. The council of ministers consisted of sages. But today, the council of ministers consists of people with unimaginable corruption. The sages were very simple and did

not enjoy any luxury. But today, the ministers are representatives of luxury. Even if you don't believe in hell, you have to undergo punishment in the next birth. This message was given by Rama. He killed Vali hiding behind a tree and the punishment of such action was met in the next birth. This means that the punishment is inevitable, whoever so, he or she maybe, since even the Lord obeyed the rule. You may say that the hell is only imagination since the rocket has gone up to moon. But, the space is infinite and you have not seen the limiting boundary of the space to say that hell does not exist anywhere in the space. ***Moreover, the departed souls exist in invisible energetic bodies and therefore, the upper worlds are invisible to your materialistic eye or any instrument due to very low frequency of the energy of their bodies that is never embraced by the existing energy spectrum of science.***

Rama sacrificed the kingdom to protect the word of His father. But, you find Aurangzeb killing his father for the sake of kingdom. But, you should appreciate him, who led a very simple life as king. You should always take good from others leaving the bad. Rama gave this message and asked Lakshmana to go to Ravana and learn the public administration from him. ***We always see bad in others and mock them.*** We never appreciate anybody. ***We find some defect even in Rama and try to criticize Him also. Today is an important day for the rulers and officials.*** If they stop corruption and serve the poor people, they will be blessed by Lord Rama. Even the common public should vote for good people rejecting the corrupt favors and get the blessings from Lord Rama. Otherwise, there is no meaning in this festival and the holiday is unnecessary. ***Mahatma Gandhi always remembered the name of Rama expecting the future rulers and officials to take the ideals of Rama.*** Pravrutti is the basic foundation of Nivrutti. The present human incarnation, Shri Satya Sai Baba, called as Sai Ram, is totally concentrating on Pravrutti, which is the human

value of the society, like Rama. ***Corruption is destruction of Pravrutti and the corrupt people are cold blooded demons, who will be punished by God severely here and there.*** You should not violate the rules of pravrutti. You should not imitate Lord Krishna and violate the rules. He violated the rule to show that He is the rule maker and He alone has the power to violate the rules. By this, He also tested the faith of the devotees in Him. Rama always behaved like a human being to preach the behavior of the human being and never even said that He is God. Even though sages praised Him as God, He refused it by saying that He is an ordinary human being as the son of Dasharatha. ***This is a message to all the human beings not to think themselves as God in spite of such praise from others.*** This will avoid the false human incarnations. ***Rama never preached anything and simply practiced the rules of God.*** Krishna declared Himself as God and therefore, cannot behave like a human being. Even the preaching of Krishna about Nivrutti is also based on practice or karma yoga only. Practice alone gives the fruit and the best eternal fruit is the grace of God.

Chapter 12

TRUTH ABOUT SHRI SATYA SAI**Devotees' Enquiry****O Learned and Devoted Servants of God,**

[August 10, 2006 Padanamaskaram Swamiji, We have a question about Shri Satya Sai Baba. We are aware that You have said that He is a complete incarnation of Lord Datta and we completely believe that. However our question is based on the perceptions of the majority of ignorant people. We beg Your forgiveness due to the impudent nature of the question given below. How can the reports of the scandalous actions of Shri Satya Sai Baba be explained?

At Your Divine Feet

Nikhil and Devi]

Lord Datta (His Holiness Shri Datta Swami) Answers

To answer this question, Lord Datta Himself has to come forward. I prayed to Lord Datta to answer it through My mouth and now Lord Datta is speaking through My mouth:

I enter the human body to establish both dharma in Pravrutti as well as the path to please Me through Nivrutti. By following the Pravrutti Dharma, the souls will not displease Me, because the foundation of the society which is the stage for My divine play is to be protected. I enter several human bodies at a time for various programs from time to time according to the requirement. This type is called as Purnaavatara. I am always associated with the liberated souls through whom My power carries on the program designed by Me. Such liberated souls possessing the knowledge given by Me and super powers granted by Me are called as Kala and Amsha avatars. There is no difference between My direct incarnation and these indirect incarnations. Whether I speak directly or

My speech is delivered indirectly through cassettes is one and the same. All the spiritual preachers propagating My knowledge are the liberated souls, who serve Me in divine mission. These preachers represent Me and should be respected as equal to Me. There is no difference between Me and these divine souls, who serve Me in My mission. If any question is raised against the cassettes played by them, I have to answer because their knowledge is from Me only. Each preacher has a specified cassette, which is meant to a particular level of the devotees. The devotees of a particular level cannot concentrate in one place, since they are scattered all over the earth. Therefore, these preachers tour all over the world and attract the devotees of a specified level for whom only they are sent. As the level goes down, the attracted souls increase in number because the majority of souls are at the bottom level only. Schools are many. Colleges are few. Universities are rare. Generally, the Purnaavatara comes for Nivrutti and the liberated souls come for Pravrutti. But, this is not a rule. When the Purnaavatara comes, it may concentrate on Nivrutti only like Shankara or may concentrate on Pravrutti only like Rama or may concentrate on both like Krishna. The liberated souls also may preach to certain specified levels in Nivrutti. Vyasa is a Kala Avatara. Kapila is Amsha Avatara. However, I do not like to make any distinction between Me and the liberated souls, who are My top most devotees, serving Me in the mission. Service is the real proof for devotion.

Shri Satya Sai is a Complete Incarnation

Shri Satya Sai Baba is the reincarnation of Shri Shirdi Sai Baba, who was a Purnaavatara. This means that there is no need to tell that Shri Satya Sai Baba is a purnaavatara. He has started with strengthening the foundation to protect the faith of God, which is the basic stage. For this purpose, the majority of the society is in the underground level requiring the level of foundation only. If the foundation is not there, today nobody will

hear the knowledge delivered through this Datta Swami. For such foundation, which is the faith in the existence of God, the demonstration of a variety of miracles is needed involving the super power, especially in the present atmosphere of scientific achievements. Shri Ganapathi Sachchidananda Swami erected walls on this foundation, which involve the representative worship for the higher level. Once the existence of God is accepted, people like to worship God. In this stage, the concept of human incarnation cannot be introduced because the level of jealousy and ego is not at all subsided in this level. People accept God but cannot accept the human incarnation. Therefore, the human forms represented by statues have to be worshipped so that training is given to develop the psychology to worship the alive human form of the God. In course of time, during this training, the jealousy and ego are expected to come down. Swamiji has introduced the word Datta in this level. He told that every form represented by the statue is Datta only. ***Rama, Krishna etc., are God given (Datta) to human beings. Shiva, Vishnu etc., are God given (Datta) to souls in energetic bodies existing in the upper world.*** These energetic forms are also in human structure only. Since, these forms are not human forms on the earth; the jealousy is satisfied in the beginning. But, the human form through statues is already introduced. Slowly the human forms on this earth are introduced, when the jealousy comes down to the lowest level. But still since these human forms on the earth do not exist at present, the jealousy gets pacified on this point.

I have laid the foundation through Shri Satya Sai and erected the walls through Swamiji. Now, the roof on the walls is left over, which is being done through this Datta Swami. At this level, the real meaning of the word Datta is revealed, which is that Datta is God given to the human beings on this earth through the present human form only. Please do not misunderstand that the roof is at the highest level. The roof cannot exist

without walls and walls cannot exist without the foundation. Thus, the roof completely depends on the walls and foundation only. Thus, the strength of this Datta Swami is only these two human forms of God. Therefore, ego cannot enter the mind of Datta Swami due to this logical analysis. Without these two, there is no need or existence of this roof.

Baseless Allegations

Shri Satya Sai has strengthened the human values, which are the stones of the foundation. How can He break the very human values? He is building up the spiritual foundation, which is Dharma in Pravrutti. How can He Himself violate His own program? It is equal to saying that Rama married several girls after losing Sita. I assuredly say that all this is built up against Him by atheists, who are the embodiments of jealousy and ego. How many false witnesses are not created in the cases existing in courts? How many tricks of photographs are not fabricated? Even in Nivrutti, Lord Krishna danced with Gopikas in view of a special back ground only. Gopikas were sages, who requested the Lord to cut their bonds by His powerful attraction since they themselves were unable to cut their bonds. Therefore, Krishna attracted them by His beauty and flute and forcibly cut their bonds with their families. He stole the butter (Money) so that their bonds with money were forcibly cut. He has done so on their prayers only. For Krishna, even the dancers of heaven will come down with immense pleasure if He gives permission by just moving His eyebrow. Do you think that He was attracted by Gopikas, who were not actually beautiful? The Lord was attracted by their beauty of devotion. Shri Satya Sai was pained to see even the bulls carrying the heavy loads on the carts and advised people not to do so when He was a boy. Can you imagine that He has abused children and committed murders? It is equal to saying that the fire is ice cold. If He wishes, even the dancers from heaven will stand in line just to embrace Him for one second. Such person has homosexuality! One

should be ashamed even to utter such words. The hell with liquid fire is meant for such people only, where they have to stay forever. The human beings, who are rubbing this homosexual nature on Me, must have the same very nature. Most of the human beings have the sages as their ancestors. The sages became homosexual on seeing Rama in forest (*Pumsam Mohana Rupaya...*). The gene-characteristics naturally come down according to the present accepted concept of science. Therefore, these human beings have got that feeling from their ancestors. For a fellow, who has red spectacles on his eyes, sees the whole world as red only. Therefore, ***those who have the homosexual feeling find the Lord also as homosexual.***

The program of Shri Satya Sai was to install the faith in God and this involves majority of the society. Therefore, the fame is inevitable. I am not fond of fame because I was bored in the upper world with continuous praises from angels and divine sages. I come down to the earth bored with the fame in the upper worlds. In such program, the fame is inevitable. I never try for fame. This unlimited fame naturally grows the jealousy to climax. Therefore, such reactions come out. I keep silent to such abuses because My children, who are suffering with jealousy-fever, should get some relief. Such abuses pacify their jealousy and they gain normal health. Therefore, I am happy that My children have been relieved from the stress of jealousy. A dancer came to attract Me in Shirdi. She failed in the very first step. A saint came from Himalayas and scolded Me for My involvement in the function arranged to honor Me. He fell on My feet on seeing Me inside the body. Even the sage Udanka tried to curse Me on the charge that I have got killed so many people in the war of Kurukshetra. Gandhari cursed Me that I have killed her sons by cheating. Vali cursed Me for killing him hiding Myself. The demon Hiranyakashipu was furious on Me

for killing his brother. Tulasi, the wife of Jalandhara cursed Me for spoiling her in disguise and she forgot that she craved for Me in the previous birth. Therefore, all these are not new to Me since the history always repeats.

Causes of Criticism

If you realize that all the incidents in this world are designed by Me only for My full entertainment, which always needs a variety, you will not be perturbed over these incidents. A picture contains villain also. A meal contains chilies also. Both summer and winter, praise and abuse, worship and insult are for the full entertainment only. In fact, I come down to this earth in quest of chilies only because I am bored with the sweets in the upper world. Once, I asked all My devotees in the upper world to scold Me once so that I can have at least one hot dish because I was bored with the continuous praise-sweets. No devotee came forward with fear. But, the watchman standing before My gate came forward to please Me with the required service. I told him that he should give one hundred hot dishes continuously, since I cannot get those again. The watchman was born as Shishupala and scolded Me hundred times as desired by Me. Immediately, after doing this exceptional service, I was so much pleased to unite him in Me. Even during scolding, people have observed Me smiling, which indicated My happiness on enjoying the hot dish. I have created Satan, who is also remunerated like the villain booked in the cinema. If you understand My divine play, you can never get any disturbance.

Such insults are planed with several background uses also. Even the best devotee develops some jealousy hidden in the subconscious state of mind. Especially, when such immense fame is observed, this is inevitable. Even though the devotee is pained, the jealousy in his subconscious state gets satisfied and thus, I protect My devotees in this way also. Such incidents also test the firmness in the faith of My devotees. Thus, any

incident in My creation is multi-dimensional. Such incidents of Rajas and Tamas are fabricated and superimposed on Me due to My will only. Then, My personality looks like a multiple choice question, which contains one correct answer and three wrong answers. Your digested knowledge about Me is tested by this. Do not forget that the wrong answers are also prepared by the same setter of question paper, who examines you after teaching the subject. Therefore, you should not misunderstand those people, who fabricated all these wrong answers to confuse your faith, which has to be tested. I know the extent of your faith and for Me there is no need of this examination. The examination is only for your sake because you think that you have perfectly understood the subject. The examination reveals the extent of your understanding to yourself only. This helps you so that you will rectify the deficiency and progress further. Thus, this examination system (Datta Pariksha) is not for My entertainment based on sadism. It is only meant for your spiritual progress. Often, you think too much about yourself and feel that you have perfect faith on Me. Due to this, ego also enters into yourself. This leads to your fall. Only to save you, is the test conducted so that you will realize the real position of yourself and put further efforts to rectify your deficiency. Thus, you have to understand My tests in the right direction, which are totally aimed at your spiritual welfare only.

The cases in the courts, police station and jails are not new to Me. I was born in jail when I incarnated as Krishna. A case was filed on Me in court and I was enquired when I was in Shirdi. In fact, such insults give Me immense pleasure because such things are impossible in the upper world. You can find Me with a radiating smile in such situations, which indicates My full enjoyment. The souls, acting as My enemies, were also appointed by Me and they are given good remuneration for performing the

duties of their roles in My service. Therefore, you can never find hatred in Me. This is the secret of My constant bliss. The Lord does some special actions in some special cases based on the requests only in their previous births. They forget the previous births and therefore, they are worried. All the Gopikas were sages, who requested Me to give the salvation. But, when I tried in that line, some were attracted but some quarreled with Me. All these have forgotten the previous births. In such ignorance only, the real nature of the soul comes out. Otherwise, all will behave in the same way and they cannot be differentiated according to their spiritual levels.

When I killed Vali, it was justified even in Pravrutti Dharma. It was not because a devotee came and soaped Me for doing favour to him. In that race when a brother dies, his wife becomes the wife of the other brother (Devara Nyaya). When Sugriva came, he thought that Vali was killed and therefore, the wife of Vali (Tara) became his wife. But when Vali returned, he drove away his brother and made forcibly Sugriva's wife (Ruma) to become his wife. This is against the rule because Vali forced the wife of his brother while the brother was alive. Vali did not even listen to what Sugriva was telling. I explained all this to Vali at the end and he was completely convinced before his death. His son Angada was My devotee but was pained often about the incident. To remove the negative feeling from My devotee, I gave him a chance to kill Me in Krishna Avatara. When the action of Rama was correct, how can He be punished? ***Even in Nivrutti, the Lord will never do anything against the Pravrutti Dharma.*** People misunderstand the Lord without knowing the background of the previous birth. The Lord remembers all the previous births but the souls (*Bahuni me... Gita*) do not remember any previous birth. ***Since the devotees do not know the background, there is every chance for them to misunderstand the Lord.*** Again, this point is used to test the firmness

of their faith. Another secret dimension also exists. The Lord transfers the sins of His closest devotees on to Him. Suppose some closest devotee has to be insulted for His sin. The Lord attracts that to Him and allows the insult to take place on Him and thus, protects the devotee. Therefore, every action, every word and every plan of the God has innumerable dimensions. ***One should not criticize the Lord seeing Him through a limited angle and unnecessarily accumulate the greatest sin.***

Phenomenon of Incarnation

When I enter the human body, there are two ways. I may enter a created human body in the womb of My mother. Such human body also is a composite of gross, subtle and causal bodies. The qualities in such subtle body are not accumulated from the previous births because such a created body has no previous birth. Yet, such human body contains all the three qualities to be mixed in various proportions, required for My play and it differs from an ordinary human being. In ordinary human being, these three qualities exist in certain already mixed proportions, which are the Vasanas from previous births. Sometimes I enter a human body of a liberated soul, which also is a composite of those three bodies containing all the three qualities to be mixed in various proportions as and when My play requires. The liberated souls have the three qualities and their mixtures do not exist due to already burnt Vasanas. Thus, there is no difference whether God enters a created human body or the human body of a liberated soul. Rama was the example for first case and Balarama was example of the second case. Lord Narayana entered in to the body of Adishesha and therefore, Balarama is in equal status with Rama in the ten incarnations. Sometimes, I enter the body of even an ordinary human being, who is My devotee. Parashurama was a sage and has the vasana of ego already. When I came out from his body after My work, his vasana was expressed in the natural way. When I killed the egoistic people through the body of

Parashurama, I have used his ego which was required for My work and which already existed as a prepared mixture. All these three are respected as equal incarnations because I existed in all those human bodies. You respect Me through the human body and therefore, you should not worry about the qualities of the human body. When I enter the human body, the qualities of the human body or Upadhi do not change. When the current enters the wire, no property of the wire like length, thinness etc. is disturbed. The current flows through the wire and does its work by revolving the fan without any disturbance to the nature of the medium. Therefore, the devotees observe the medium with its own properties without any variations even if I am present in it. I am experienced through the medium and only the medium is perceived. The devotee must perceive the medium and experience Me through that medium. When you sip the coffee from a cup, you do not taste the cup but you taste the coffee from it. Ignorant people observe the medium and experience its properties only. By the influence of such observation of the properties of the medium, some do not experience Me and some neglect My experience. Therefore, such a situation is the test for the knowledge of the devotee. The devotee expects the medium to be totally different and expects that the medium should exhibit new properties or at least should not exhibit its properties. The devotee expects the human incarnation to live by taking the energy directly, which is a new property of the medium. At least, He expects that the human incarnation should not eat the ordinary food. A lady-devotee broke a coconut on the feet of a human incarnation (Shri Satya Sai Baba)! The body of human incarnation suffered a lot for ten days with the swollen feet!

I told in the Gita '*Manusheem Tanum Ashritam...*', which means that I have entered the human body. I have not become the human body. I have become one with the human body without changing its properties. You have to experience the current, which is flowing in the wire, without

changing the nature of the wire. When you touch the electric wire, you can experience the current by shock. But, if you are insulated with the cover of ego and jealousy, you cannot experience Me and then the human incarnation is as good as any human being. The difference lies between God and soul existing in the human bodies. The two human bodies are one and the same. The difference is only in the inner God and soul. The king and beggar are different but their shirts may be one and the same. If you cannot recognize Me and experience Me without neglecting the natural properties of the medium, there is no other way for you to experience God because one cannot experience God directly. When a political leader does some good work to the country, the people appreciate neglecting his personal life, because he belongs to their category of souls. ***All the souls constitute the opposition party, since God is the ruling party.*** A party neglects the defects of their own party members but magnifies even a trace of defect, which is not even real if there is a chance to criticize the ruling party.

Avoid Criticizing God

If you understand the God in the cosmic form (Vishwarupam), you can realize that all the three qualities (Good Satvam and Bad Rajas and Tamas) are created by Him only (*Ye Chaiva... Gita*) and exist in His body only. The Veda says that the creation is like His body (*Prithivi...Shariram*). Everyone recites ‘Vishvam Vishnuh’, which means that the universe is Lord. When all the qualities are seen existing in the universe, does it not mean that these are existing in God? The basis for the bad qualities also is God. Where can they exist leaving the basis? The human incarnation is a micro form and it is simultaneously the macro cosmic form. Krishna appeared in micro form as a human being but showed His simultaneous macro cosmic form (Vishwarupam). Does it not clearly mean that all the good and bad qualities exist on the basis i.e., God only? In such case,

where is the feeling of hatred? Unless you go beyond the difference between Dharma and Adharma, you cannot digest the concept of God (*Sarvadharmaan... Gita*). ***That which pleases God is good and that which displeases God is bad.*** The hunter, Kannapa, killed the innocent animal and offered the flesh to Lord Shiva. He was given the final abode due to the love which is the basis. Dharma Raja did not tell a lie even though Lord ordered. He went to the temporary heaven only. After all, the aim of following Dharma is only to please God. How can you keep Dharma above its aim? In the case of the souls, you have to follow Dharma and maintain the balance of the society. If you disturb the balance, you will be punished. Demons were killed for the same reason. But, when you enter the Nivrutti, you have to keep God above Dharma. ***None and nothing should be greater than Him (Na tat samah... Veda).*** If you cannot cross Dharma for the sake of God, you must remain in Pravrutti. Did God force you to come to Nivrutti? You yourself have recognized the value of Nivrutti and entered into it. It is told that Pravrutti is expected nature of human beings, where as Nivrutti is highest unimaginable fruit (*Pravruttiresha...*). Now, you should not talk about Pravrutti. If you cannot stand in Nivrutti, go back to Pravrutti. God will not stop you.

If you remain in Pravrutti, God is neutral to you since everything happens according to the constitution and Pravrutti is only the expected behavior for which there cannot be a big reward. If you do your job, you need not be specially rewarded. He will not punish you for not entering into Nivrutti. You can question the Lord in Pravrutti and the Lord will answer your argument standing in the upper court. You can also point out the Lord even in Nivrutti. He will show the background and will submit His argument. Thus, both Pravrutti and Nivrutti come under the rule of justice only. In one birth, you request for something from God and when

He gives it in the other birth, you are scolding Him. When the Gopika (Tulasi) desired for Lord, the Lord refused for which the Gopika became angry and scolded the Lord. In that birth also, she was a married lady. Why did she neglect dharma? In the next birth, she scolded the Lord for fulfilling her previous desire criticizing that the Lord violated the same Dharma. If she is a real devotee, she should not criticize the Lord in any birth whether the desired fruit is given or not given or given in undesired way. This shows that her devotion is mixed with ignorance and ego. The situation is also to be viewed in another angle. Her own husband went to Kailasa to fight with Lord Shiva, since he wanted to marry Goddess Parvati. The war went on and Lord Shiva was unable to kill him due to the power of Tulasi. Thus, she supported the same injustice for which she scolded the Lord. Unless that is done, Lord Shiva cannot kill him. Therefore, the action of the Lord is perfectly justified from all the angles. The action of Tulasi is perfect injustice from all the angles if analyzed properly.

The Lord is the protector of justice. The justice has surrendered to Him in the form of a cow. It is ridiculous if you criticize Him for injustice and try to protect the justice. Please do not take My criticism also in the real sense because you should not forget that all this fight is within this world, which is for Me, a cinema only. Therefore, you can find only the arguments from Me but not any trace of anger on My face. Even though an evil soul abuses Me, I am not disturbed because the entire world including the primary energy (Mula Maya) is unreal from the view point of Me. Here, the soul acts according to its accumulated anti-divine vaasanas. When he suffers in the hell, then also I smile at him since the hell is also unreal in My view. But, the soul suffers in the hell since the world is real for it because it can never cross the level of Mula Maya. But, sometimes, I Myself book My own devotee to play this role! In such case, I enjoy the

entire scene because I am the producer, director and story-writer of such divine play arranged within the limits of this world-cinema. In such divine play, those who criticized Me were also directed by Me in the rehearsals behind the screen. Therefore, My anger on such critics is not true with respect to the background. Therefore, I enjoy My criticism also in the same manner as I enjoy the praise. The devotee and the demon act in their roles and utter the dialogues written by Me only. I will be really angry if they show any deficiency in enacting their roles in such divine play. Thus, I am pleased in such divine plays, if My critics have played their roles well with a lot of sincerity.

From My point of view, this entire universe is relatively true like an imagination. Therefore, anybody scolding Me does not disturb Me because both the scolding person as well as the scolding are unreal in My view of My absolute reality. Whether the person abusing Me is a liberated soul like Shishupala or not, there is no difference for Me, because both the divine play arranged by Me and the world-cinema are unreal to Me. The sense of scolding by Shishupala is My drama within this drama of Universe, which is also My drama in the final absolute sense. Shishupala has reached Me after the role, but the followers of Shishupala reach the liquid fire in the hell. The liquid fire is also unreal in My view of the final absolute reality. Therefore, the followers of Shishupala do not reach Me. Of course, from My view, both Shishupala and his followers are unreal and hence, I enjoy equally. But, Shishupala played the role on My desire. The followers play their roles on their own desire. Do not scold even a pseudo-human incarnation because I am there to take care of such fellows. Krishna punished Poundraka Vasudeva, who was a false incarnation. The follower of Shishupala should take the divine play up to killing the Shishupala so that he should know that he will be punished. The spectator should take the

drama enacted on the stage only but should not see behind the screen. By not scolding the pseudo-human incarnation, one does not go to hell. But, by chance if it happens to be real human incarnation, then the hell is inevitable. Therefore, if you doubt anybody, leave him silently. If you have faith, worship Him. But do not abuse anybody, in which high risk is involved. ***To analyze and decide the human incarnation, lot of care is needed because you may miss the real human incarnation by just a hair margin.*** Either worship if you have faith or leave the human incarnation if you have doubt, but ***never criticize Him due to the high risk involved in it.***

Chapter 13

UNITY AMONG RELIGIONS IN THE UNIVERSE**Conversation between Swami and Christian Father****O Learned and Devoted Servants of God,**

[April 30, 2011 Following is the divine experience of Shri Phani Kumar, a devotee of Swami, as narrated by him. Recently, I had the fortune to accompany Swami in a train journey from Narasaraopet to Vijayawada. A Christian father was our co-passenger. The conversation between Swami and the Christian father took place as given below.]

Father: Those, who do not have faith in Jesus Christ, are destined to be consigned to the flames of liquid fire in Hell. This is the declaration of our faith.

Swami: Does it mean that there is no salvation to all the devotees on this earth prior to the incarnation of Jesus Christ? If so, all those devotees were subjects of prejudice of God, as they were deprived of that revelation their successors had?

Father: God is impartial in that subject. He gave Jehovah to mankind for their salvation before the incarnation of Jesus.

Swami: Fine! If that be so, devotees of this land have no knowledge of either Jehovah or Jesus Christ prior to the arrival of Vasco da Gama. Vasco da Gama discovered India and only later on, the Christian literature that speaks of Jehovah or Jesus came to India. All those innocents, who lived before the arrival of Vasco da Gama, deprived of the revelations of either Jehovah or Jesus Christ, were consigned to the flames of the 'liquid fire' for no fault of theirs. They were not to regenerate by taking human births again and re-claim the salvation since the doctrine of the faith you follow has no place for the rebirth of the soul.

Does this mean that God intended to provide the revelation only to a handful in a small country and deny the opportunity to all those living in rest of the world? Why did God reveal Himself at a particular point of time, in a particular land and to a particular section alone? Does that not inflict the God with prejudice?

Father: No faith is free from such blame. Does not the faith You belong to, charge the non-believers of Your faith to the same danger of hell? All mortals in other land, not aware of the virtues of the faith You follow, are subjects of the same punishment in hell! Does this also not inflict God with Prejudice?

Swami: There are enthusiasts, who are fans, in every faith. Christian enthusiasts maintain that non-believers in Jehovah or Jesus Christ shall be subjects for the flames of the liquid fire. Hindu enthusiasts maintain that non-believers of Lord Vishnu or Lord Shiva shall be subjects for affliction in hell. They further introduce and adopt sectarian salvation, which limits itself to certain sections only. Followers of different sects castigate each other by such warnings.

All these partisans fail to appreciate the unity in thought of all the world religions. All these approaches to God afflict Him with prejudice. ***The only way to keep God unblemished is to perceive His generosity correctly.***

The same single God revealed Himself distinctly in different places, in different times and to different people in different forms. He granted the same enlightenment to all in different tongues [languages]. All those faithful, attain salvation upon receiving the enlightenment. Those, who fail to receive, are subjected to the liquid fire in hell. This approach towards God makes Him unblemished. ***The God of all religions is one and the same.*** He may appear to be different due to

differences in His approach to different people, in different times, in different forms and in different tongues [languages]. He nurtures all with same compassion.

The sea receives all the rivers in the same way, whether they are straight or curved. The devotion is important and not the religion or path. If the straight river becomes proud and mocks at the curved river, God will see that the straight river will never reach Him. By His will, people will build a dam on that river to divert all the water!

Everyone needs to follow the path assigned in his faith to attain salvation. Every religion has different levels of spiritual enlightenment. One should move up to the higher level for comprehension of the total enlightenment. Such enlightenment alone is the means of salvation.

These levels of enlightenment in each religion are similar to the levels of education. ***Different religions are similar to different language mediums.*** The content of the curriculum is same in all the language mediums. A pupil of a certain language should strive to reach higher levels of knowledge in the same medium of his choice. He is a pilgrim in pursuit of divinity. His medium is his opportunity. It is neither superior nor inferior to any other medium. He need not move on to another language-medium to uplift himself. All the language-mediums are different religions having different levels of knowledge. A school student studying science in a particular medium (language) need not change his medium because even if he changes, the syllabus will not change. He should strive to change his syllabus by raising his standard of knowledge and reach to college level in the same medium. The school and college levels exist in every medium. A school student does not become a college student just by changing the medium of his class. He becomes a college student only, when the level of his knowledge rises up. Similarly, a devotee

of any religion should try to reach the higher spiritual level in his own religion. His spiritual level is not raised by changing his religion. Every religion has the lower and higher levels of spiritualism, meant for devotees of corresponding stages. ***Religion is the medium and spiritualism is the curriculum or syllabus with different levels*** (school level, college level etc.,) present in the same religion.

One shall strive to reach the higher levels of knowledge that are carved out in his own faith. ***No one needs to move on to another faith for higher level of knowledge for the will of final salvation.*** All faiths lead to the same destination. In any path, you will have to proceed vertically to reach the goal. At any point of your path, if you travel horizontally, you will reach the same point of level in another path, which is a waste. The realization of this truth alone ensures harmony among different faiths of the world. Failure to perceive the truth will not make anyone enlightened.

When Swami concluded like this, the Christian Father stood and touched his heart in the model of a cross and said, "We believe that Jesus will be born again. Yes. Jesus is again born now. Nobody else can explain like this. I am fully convinced".

When we came to our house, Swami told me, "See, the Christian father did not rigidly limit his mind with conservatism. Every religion contains good and broad-minded devotees. My effort of propagation of knowledge is for such devotees, who are present in every religion in this world".

Chapter 14

DO HELL AND HEAVEN EXIST?**O Learned and Devoted Servants of God,**

[April 30, 2011] This universe is infinite. I am unable to show the existence of these super worlds to you. I accept My incapacity. But, you are also incapable of directly proving the non-existence of these super worlds. Have you searched all over the universe and said 'Here ends the universe. Beyond this point, there is no universe. This is the compound-wall of space. Your super worlds do not exist anywhere'? Therefore, there is an equal chance for the existence and non-existence of the super worlds according to the theory of probability.

Now, let us analyze both of our cases. Both of us are eating to live. The basic needs are satisfied in both our cases. You have spent your extra time in earning more money, which may give you some problems of health like diabetes and blood pressure, due to over-enjoyment. I have not earned more money and I am healthy due to normal food. None of us will carry the money with us after death. The money given to the children may also be lost in several ways. Therefore, I do not find much difference between us, once the basic needs are satisfied. I am poor because I have spent My extra time in the service of God. Suppose after My death, you are correct and there are no super worlds. In such a case, what have I lost? There is no loss for Me. ***But, after your death, suppose I am correct and there are super worlds. You have lost everything and God will not save you.***

Thus, even if we assume equal probability of existence and non-existence of heaven and hell, it is better to serve the Lord by sacrificing your extra time and energy for the Lord, after meeting your basic needs. You must read the theory of probability, which is perfectly a scientific theory.



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