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"Srimad Bhagavatam"

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Canto 4:

We have been discussing the most sacred story of Prudhu. We need to remember that he is the incarnation of Lord Vishnu. Bhagavatam gave twenty special qualities of Prudhu. Then we discussed how Prudhu prepared the earth to be resourceful, through the poetic expression of milking the cow using calves. The earth is described as a cow and the intelligences as the calves. We can visualize this as a triangle between the earth, Prudhu and the intelligences. We have been discussing this for the past three or four classes. There are many intelligences whose energies have been brought to this planet. Since it is not possible to describe all these intelligences, only the effect of key sixteen intelligences is described here. Based on this information, we should develop a general understanding that all the resources that are available on this planet is due to the communion established between earth and many intelligences.

If we observe the sky around the earth, we notice the planets first. We need to understand that the intelligences of the seven chief planets were arranged on earth. Along with the seven chief planets, intelligences of the two nodes were also arranged on earth. So, a total of nine planetary intelligences were arranged on earth. They are present in us too and it is good to know about their presence in us. Then we develop a better relation with each of those planetary intelligences. Firstly, the sun is present as ourselves. We beings are all descendants of the sun as we have descended through the rays of the sun. Then after that the Soma intelligence, or the moon intelligence which enables us experience the world. Then there is the intelligence of Mars which presides over the flow of blood in us. And this blood is affected based on our behavior. If we have too many desires, lot of anger, etc., then the blood gets polluted resulting in some diseases. Blood tests can tell a lot about our health condition. That is why, worship of Mars or Kumara is given who can purify the blood and prevent further pollution. Kumara can grant us with lot of will power to achieve wonderful things. It is the lack of will power that makes us stray away from things that we have to do. The surroundings keep polluting our thoughts and dilutes our will power which is why we need to recollect Kumara to strengthen our will. "Saravanabhavayanamah" is the mantra that is given to us.

Then Mercury gives us the discrimination. We need to know what is right and not in a given situation which required discriminative will or Buddhi. Then there is Jupiter who is the teacher. If we need the grace of Jupiter, then we need to have the inquisitiveness to know about the Lord. If we know about ourselves, then we can know about the Lord. If we know Lord, then we can learn about ourselves. So, it is mutual knowledge. Narada is Cosmic Mercury. If one has inquisitiveness about local issues, it generally leads to quarrels. That is it is said in the lower

planes, Narada likes quarrels. However, in the higher planes he is a yogi and Grand Master. It is said that Narada is the penultimate teacher before the Lord. Nara means that which is immortal or eternal. There is an eternal principle based on which the creation happens and runs. Narada means the one who leads us to THAT eternal principle. So one is lucky to be graced by Narada.

People typically do not have lot of interest to know about the Lord. It comes by the grace of Narada. When you have an intense interest and aspiration to know about the Lord, then the Lord sends Narada to give the initiation. It is said that Lord sent Narada to initiate Prahlada. The same was the case with Dhruva and many other devotees. So, it all depends on your aspiration. If your interest is more towards worldly matter, then you cannot expect Narada to grace you. A great yogi by name Ashtavakra tells King Janaka that the one who is too much interested in the worldly matters, then it is equivalent to taking poison. That is the first stanza in his teaching to Janaka. It does not matter how many healthy foods we eat if we are taking the poison of having interest in worldly matters and the affairs of other people.

So coming back to Jupiter; you get comfort when you have knowledge. You need know what is important and what is not important. You need to know what is permanent and what is temporary. Your need to know association with what keeps you constantly happy. Ravana had everything he wanted from all planes of creation. He brought all the beautiful ladies to Lanka. However, he was never in comfort until he left the body. The Lord had to come to him to give him the comfort. Comfort depends on us possessing the right knowledge. I will never forget something said by Master EK. Few followers wanted to build a home for him. Then Master EK said, "Why would I need a home? My father did not have a home." I will never forget this. We need to know that such a great person lived among us. We think we will get some comfort next year, or five years from now, or after retirement, etc. We need to learn to be in comfort now.

Then there is Saturn that gives us the tolerance. Saturn is the base for our being. He is in the muladhara. He asks three things of us. He asks us "Can you tolerate anything?" We cannot tolerate even small disturbances. Tolerance gives us strength. We need to have patience. "Patience, tolerance, forbearance" is the saying. The earth tolerates all of us and we need to learn from it. Yudhishtira is another example for tolerance. Other examples are Harischandra, Nala and Rama. They have such stable foundation that they don't move even if the worlds try them move. Yudhishtira did not lie even when everyone, including Krishna, asked him to lie during the Kurukshetra war. Yudhishtira says if it is a war of truth, then truth will win and I do not have to lie to win. No one could hurt him in the entire war of 18 days. Such was the strength of his truth, dharma, patience and tolerance. If you see the entire Mahabharata, only Yudhishtira could walk to the higher planes with full awareness. Yudhishtira is an embodiment of Saturn. When Saturn certifies, then every other planetary intelligence gives the certificates. So, you need to have patience, tolerance, and forbearance. Rama had such patience that even during the final moments of the war, he asks Ravana if Ravana wants a peace treaty. They had such patience. Saturn gives patience and he is present in our Muladhara. If someone has an injury to the Muladhara, then that being is bedridden for in that life. Such a person cannot even sit or stand.

In this manner, the 7 planetary intelligences are present in the 7 centres of our body. Each one presides over a significant aspect in us and by relating to them, these aspects are enhanced in us.

The twelve zodiacal signs are in our body. You can also visualize the twenty-seven nakshatras (lunar mansions) in our body. As moon transits each nakshatra, he brings the associated influence to us. If you have the interest, you can study in detail about each of them. When you recollect them on a daily basis, then more and more related knowledge is revealed to us because they all are conscious beings in the subtle worlds. They are very happy to reveal the knowledge when you are interested. You need to have the interest in this knowledge. Otherwise, just listening to the teaching or receiving a message on Whatsapp will not help you. You need to ignite the fire so it grows in you. And you need to keep blowing it so that it keeps flaming. Blowing up happens through recollection. The more you recollect the better you comprehend.

So far, I have told you about the nine planetary intelligences, twelve zodiacal intelligences, and the twenty-seven nakshatras (lunar mansions) intelligences. Then, there are Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto which are higher planetary intelligences. We have discussed existence of all these intelligences in our body. If we remember, we can recollect. The more we recollect, the knowledge gets stabilized and the intelligences become active in us. Also, we become more alert in using the senses and organs when we remember that there are intelligences present in them and helping in their functioning. We have many of these intelligences mentioned as part of our daily prayer and rituals. When we recollect them consciously, then they light up our body and our body becomes a temple. They have such compassion for us that they become so happy whenever we recollect them. They don't think "this person has not recollected me for so many years, so I will not respond to him". We on the other hand might not respond if someone has ignored us for a long time.

One can even take dedicated practice (deeksha) for the related time to get the grace of that planet. For example, you can take a deeksha for 40 days to get the grace of Mars or Kuamra. Each planet has residence in us. Similarly, each planet has its residences on various places on this planet. In different ashrams of the globe, there is significant presence of certain planetary principle. For example, in the ashram of Master Morya in Kalapa caves, the presence of Martian energy is significant.

I am speaking of all this because this episode will be complete today. We need to visualize and recollect the intelligences in us. If we say we will remember during prayer, but will not care during other times, then the flame will not grow in us. Master EK is telling us that the descent and establishment of intelligences on earth and within us, is explained in a symbolic manner in Bhagavatam.

There are certain time scales given here and most of these we discussed in other discourses. If we remember these things, then we will get lifted up from the mundane things. If we just remain idle, then the mind only brings the problems to us. We are localized in our thoughts. If we come out of our localization, then there are many to help us. Master EK used to say if you block yourselves from me, then I cannot help you. I can only help you if you allow me to help you. Madam Blavatsky used to say "faith is different from belief". You need to have faith in the Master that he can take care of you. You need to be able to leave the local issues to your Master or to the Lord. That is the true faith; all others are beliefs only. It needs maturity of mind to have this faith and not superstition. Miracles are possible when you have true faith. We need to

establish a hobby to recollect these divine topics. If you are just sitting without any work, then you can recollect how these intelligences are in us.

I am saying all this because we will have some break for the next few weeks. I will go to Vijayawada next week. After that, I will go to American continent and Europe. There is a break for us for the next six weeks. We need to recollect the intelligences in us meanwhile.

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