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Discourse 2

Hearty fraternal greetings to the Brotherhood.

The name "Mysore" was derived from the name "Mahe-sura" and "Mahesha-asura". It was at place where the Sura "Mahesurudu" used to live. At every place here are Suras and Asuras (angels & demons). Suras participate in the creation activity following the path of righteousness. The Asuras also participate in creational activity but do not follow dharma (righteousness). Both Suras and Asuras are present in us.

For the Suras to be actively functioning in us, we should follow the dharma. The foremost dharma is doing everything for the welfare of others. In the present world, we do have a system which teaches that dharma to the beings right from their childhood. There is no education in the present world which teaches us that we should work for the welfare of others. That is why the present day human beings are completely desire oriented without thinking of others.

We always think of getting new clothes, earning more money, staying for ourselves, expecting the society to do everything for us. We even teach our children only to study well, get a good job, earn a lot of money, etc. In this process we get desires of possessing others articles. Clever persons rob foolish persons. Clever persons are not good persons.

The so called "Developed nations" try to rob the low profile nations. Even within a nation a lot of robbing is taking place. In our nation, a lot of robbing is taking place with the strong dominating the rich. Due to this, many people are living in unknown fear in the present day world. Due this fear there is a lot of unrest and peace.

This is all because every person is looking to satisfy his own desires but is not looking for the welfare of others. Our elders call this situation as "Desire domination the dharma (righteousness)." When such a situation prevails, the live of human beings become like lives of animals.

Grand Masters train some human beings who work for the welfare of others at all times. There used to be many such persons in the past in our country. Many such stories of persons who lived for the welfare of others are given to us.

If we observe in Ramayana, Lakshmana, Bharata, Sita, Hanuman followed Rama at all times. They never lived for themselves. Why did so many persons live for the welfare of one person? It is because Rama lived only for dharma. He never lived for himself. He lived only to keep up the dharma (righteousness) at all times. That is why there were so many following him and he was always happy.

Ravana lived in fear from the time he kidnapped Sita. So whenever one steals something, such a one lives in fear from that time onwards. Even in present world, there are many who live in unknown fear .Why? It may be that they have stolen a lot in their past lives or may be in the present lives.

In this way, there are many who live in fear due to their activity of robbing. They can rob money and many other valuables but they cannot get one thing. That is satisfaction and happiness.

Even though we are so learned, we fail to realize that we are happy only when we work for the welfare of others. As one keeps on working for the welfare of others, all valuables things gather around him.

This is what Lord Krishna tells to Arjuna. The one who lives for himself is stuck in the world. The one who lives for others is happy and is never bounded.

If we observe, in Krishna's lives there are very few who lived for Krishna whereas in Rama's live there are many who lived for Rama. Even we are in such a state. We feel "Master is for us" and not "We live for the Master". This difference is due the time. Rama lived in Treta Yuga and Krishna lived in Dwapara Yuga. Now we are in Kali Yuga where every person feels that everyone around him should live for him.

No one can be said to be in the path of Spirituality, when he is self centered. If one feels that he is in the path of devotion for himself, he is in total ignorance. If one questions "Who I am?" and sits without doing anything, he does not end anywhere.

Even for Lord Brahma at the beginning of creation, when he thought "Who am I" he could not get an answer but when he thought that "What should I do?" he got an answer that he should create.

So Grand Masters tell us that "Do not live for yourself but live for the welfare of others." This is to be taught in Kindergarten. It is one of the preliminary lessons in life.

Every aspirant should see how he can help others. If you just take care of yourself and your family, you are no good aspirant. So there are two sides, one side with people who live for the sake of others and other side with people who live for themselves. The Lord takes the side of those who live for others.

Lord Krishna tells to Arjuna "Mahabharata war is not for you or for your brothers. It is for the establishment of dharma." The one who follows and establishes the dharma is the winner. It may be not that the one who follows dharma may win. The one who follows dharma is the real winner.

Master EK used to implement these in Homeo dispensaries. Whenever someone used to come to Master EK saying "I am suffering from a disease for a long time". He used to say "serve in the dispensary for sometime".

So the foremost dharma is "Live for the welfare of others." All disciples who lived for their Master later became great Masters.

The same should be followed in your professions. A job is given to you so that you do some work for others. But we think that the job is for our sake. If we think so, such a profession will bind us.

Any profession that we do should be for the sake of others. In that way, your job becomes very simple for you. You also grow in your profession simultaneously.

I used to travel with Master EK on many tours even at the beginning of my CA career. My profession only grew in that way. There was no hindrance to my profession.

So Master should be your first priority and profession should be second. Living for the Master means living for the sake of others. Master cleans away all our sins if we lead such a life.

One who thinks "me, myself and my people", for such a one nothing happens. The one who thinks "I live for the Lord or Master", for him all his personal activities happen without any hindrance.

With the grace of Master, "What all is in your astrological chart changes" Master graces you only when live for others. There are many such instances in the lives of the members of our brotherhood.

So shift you concentration from centre to circumference. There are many Yagnas that you can do for the welfare of others, mentioned in our scriptures. In that way, you grow in knowledge. You also grow in consciousness. If you grow in matter, it conditions you. There is statement given to us "Matter conditions Spirit."

Matter is of Tamasic (inertia) nature. Just by the time of our getting up from sleep, we know the status of matter and consciousness. The one who is able to get up early before sunrise is the one in consciousness. The others are more in matter. The latter ones try to avoid their duties. They also develop a reason of not doing a work. So Master prayer and the goodwill work given by the Master; those who do this everyday grow in light inside. So today we recollected one of the primary teachings of Master. So remember "I am for others". Without that, if one feels that "I am a devotee, I am an aspirant", it is all ignorance. To know your status in path of Master Yoga, just observe how much of welfare activity is happening through you.

For every being, there is a balance sheet that is updated daily. It is not only in banks. Once we depart from the body, our final balance sheet of that life will be ready. "How many assets do you have and how many debts so you have" is checked. Based on that, the next life is decided whether it should be a better life or lower life. There will be no wrong entries in that balance sheet.

Everyone who is born has to die. It is not actually birth and death. It is arrival and departure. At the time of departure, our assets and liabilities are checked. It is only the welfare activities that we do come under the assets category. Even though you earn money righteously, there is no entry made in the assets. Only that which you donate out of what you have earned is entered as an asset. That which you earn and spend for yourself does not come under either asset or liability.

So we should participate in more of welfare activity. It is easy when it is taught and practiced from childhood itself. If it is practiced sincerely for 12 years, a drastic change takes place in us. All grand Masters taught us the same thing and even showed it to us in their lives. This should be a regular practice for us. All the devas (cosmic intelligences) and grand Masters support us when you practice this regularly.

If your life should be fruitful, working for the welfare of others is the only way. Grand Masters are teaching this a lot all over the world at present. A change in the present scenario of the world is possible when this is practiced by everyone.

So remember this and work more and more for the welfare of others. This can be done even in your profession or business. In anything that you do remember that it is for the welfare of others. Such a one need not fear in his life at anytime.

-Swasthi