

Capricorn

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The Sun makes Northern journeys starting from 22nd December. On 22nd December we have the longest night and the shortest day. From 22nd of December the night decreases and the day increases. By 22nd of March night and day become equal, and around 22nd of June the day will be the longest and the night will be the shortest. On 22nd of September we have again equal day and equal night, and on 22nd of December we have the longest night and the shortest day.

This is how the day and the night play with each other. They are considered as the two wives of the one Lord: the queen of the night and the queen of the day. In the Veda the queen of the day is called Aditi, and the queen of the night is called Diti. Both are equally important. Without one the other has no existence. This is the cyclical movement of the year, where the Lord lives one part of the year more with the queen of the night and another part more with the queen of the day. That is why in the ancient Indian scriptures it is said that the Lord has two wives. We find the same analogy in Greek mythology, and we also come across in the legends of old stories about the two wives of the one king. One is depicted as light, the other is depicted as night or evil. This 22nd of December marks the beginning of the Lord's staying more with the queen of the day. If you take the total cycle of the year, he lives equal times with both the queens. See, how well he manages with his queens.

Capricorn represents the dawn of the day, Cancer – the opposite sign – represents the dusk that leads to the night. It is getting into darkness and getting into light. It is an aspect of time that makes people slip into ignorance and also raise once again into light and knowledge. It is a cyclic happening. It is also true with us. There are times when we are wise, and there are times when we are unwise. This is the aspect of the two queens functioning in us. To be Lord of the two queens means to be able to get out of the cycle of light and darkness, to be able to transcend the pairs of opposite.

There is the cycle in which the beings are conditioned sometimes by light and sometimes by darkness, and the wise men are those who are able to live beyond the cycle. They are able to stand out of the pairs called the light and darkness. This happens through identification with the Light Absolute. By identifying ourselves with the source of light and darkness, it becomes easier to clearly see the activity of the two. That is the only sure way of transcending. If we identify ourselves totally with the one consciousness that exists, then it becomes easy for us to see the functioning of light and darkness. If we identify only with one aspect of the two, then we get conditioned by that which we don't accept. See, in life we would like to accept that which is pleasing and comfortable. But are we able to avoid that which is not pleasing and uncomfortable? By our choice we only suffer. Though we like only pleasing and comfortable things, we are also given unpleasant and uncomfortable things. They also keep coming. Can we say that we can avoid them?

We all have seen in our lives that pleasure and pain alternately come to us. Comfort and discomfort also come to us alternately. People are ignorant to avoid that which is coming to them and about which they have no choice. One grand Master told a king initiate: "Look at this world. Every fellow seeks that which is pleasure, that which is profit, that which is comfort, that which is successful. Every such fellow is also meeting with discomfort, loss and decay." The king said: "Yes, it is so even to the righteous." The king initiate was very righteous, and in spite of his righteousness, he was in difficulties. He learned from the elders that if you are righteous, you are happy. But by being righteous he was given more difficulties in life situations. He was thrown out of his kingdom by his own cousins who had no scruples. They insulted his brothers and his wife. The more and more he was practicing righteousness, he was meeting with unpleasant situations. So, by providence, he met a grand master, and he asked that master: "Why is it like this? I have been righteous right from childhood, and I am always given pain. I am always given things which are very unpleasant. I am always given things which are very painful. While I deserve so much comfort as king, all comforts are denied to me. There seems to be something wrong with the scriptures."

Then the grand master smiled. He told the king: "It is the story of every initiate. What is initiation? Initiation is not getting more pleasure, more comfort and more profit. Many people think of getting initiated to get greater pleasures. But it is a process of drilling, a process of screwing, a process of hammering, and a process of crucifixion. Unless one is able to accept it, one is not a complete person." The grand master told the king initiate: "All seek profit, comfort and pleasure. Just by your seeking, you are not only not getting them, but you are also getting the opposite. Understand that time brings you what is due alternately. Don't make a small face, when you get unpleasant things. And don't also learn to make a big face, when you get pleasant things. If you do so, you are a conditioned being. You chose the

path of righteousness. No one wanted that you take it up. Who wanted you to join a spiritual training? No one compels us to get into righteousness. Something in us makes us to get into it. It is that something that compels you to get into it more and more. That is the decision of the soul, because the soul has seen enough nonsense of the personality for hundreds and thousands of lives. Like a vagabond the personality went into its own aimless wanderings."

If we have some people making noise here, we reach a point until which we can bear it. What is disturbance to me may not be disturbance to you. It is the level of tolerance that makes people accept. They accept even the most nonsensical things. In that fashion the soul accepted for thousands of lives the nonsense of the personality, and then the soul says: "Stop it!" But the personality becomes very ferocious, because it cannot stop it. It has learned to get irritated, it is habituated to run after pleasures, it is habituated for comforts. Now the soul makes a proposal: "See the other side also! It is enough that you have lived with one lady. You also try to live with the other." Imagine a man with two wives who is always with one and avoids the other. How long the other wife waits? Not so long. But the queen of the night waits quite long, because she knows that a day will come, when this fellow will understand her.

That is how the practice of spiritualism starts. We cannot avoid things. This is a very important aspect one has to learn. It is our own childishness that makes us feel that we can avoid. This is what the grand master told the kind initiate: "Though you have been practicing righteousness, you are still a child and you are still very childish. You have in your mind resistance for things. Understand even the king emperor of the planet and even the planet itself cannot avoid the second side of existence. It is very impractical to live with one energy while the whole creation is fundamentally based upon two varieties of energies. It is like denying the new moon and only accepting full moon. There cannot be a second full moon without a new moon in between. Likewise, it is denying the night and seeking the day. A second day without night in between is not possible.

See, how much is done invisibly during the night for us. Just as the night makes readjustments in your energies, so also that which we call difficulties, that which we call discomfort, that which we call disagreeables, that which we call disappointments, that which we call delay, that which we call discouragement, that which we call pain – they all bring certain adjustments to us. There is a saying that through pain one grows.

Master Djwhal Khul gave an invocation: "Let pain bring due reward of light and love. So, we become more complete, when pleasure and pain visit us regularly. There is no need or there is no possibility to avoid. Don't be childish to avoid that which is unpleasant. But it does not mean that you need to invite them. There are people who invite pain, people who invite discomfort, people who invite unpleasant things thinking it is most spiritual. This is a perversion of the understanding relating to acceptance of the second aspect. Accept things as they come, and yet work for the harmony at all times.

So, the king initiate was told, while every being seeks the positive side of things, negative sides of things also keep coming. Both are interlaced, and they are brought to us according to the cycles of time. Time brings fruits and also rotten fruits according to the seeds that you have sown. So, accept them accordingly. By acceptance the resistance is gone. At the same time there is no need to invite them. This is what happens to a person who takes to spirituality. The first major step that one has to gain in spirituality is to be able to accept that which we try to avoid. Please also make note that you need not invite it, but it confronts you and you have no escape. The best thing is to accept it and absorb it. That is why the lives of initiates are more difficult than the lives of ordinary beings, because they have chosen to accept it. In so far as you still do not chose to accept, you are allowed up to a point. That is a point, where you have to start accepting. When we as souls reach that point of evolution, then the game starts.

That is why spiritualism is not a path where you meet with a bed of roses. You do not meet with a golden crown. You know the life of Jesus as an example, and it is only one of the thousands of examples this planet has given. So, it is also true with us. When we have taken to this understanding of life, then the Devas around us are pleased to give us a better training. They give us in small doses certain things which we are not inclined to accept, and they see, if we can accept them.

Through acceptance we grow, through non-acceptance we stagnate. That is the first and fundamental training in spirituality. That is why it is said that Saturn is the planet that takes care of a soul who is inclined for spiritual practice, because the vibrations of Saturn are limiting factors. Saturn conditions us, and the limitations in us are also an aspect of Saturn. He is the grand Master who takes charge of us and slowly and slowly he gives us the ability to accept. Suppose we do not accept the second side of things, that is the painful side of life, once in 30 years he dumps the whole lot of it on us. And he also periodically dumps in small doses every seven years. A larger dumping is done once in 30 years, and in smaller doses it is done every 7 years. So, when he dumps very large, it means that Saturn is transcending the birth moon of a person. He cannot escape. Saturn will corner us and lock us inside the room and keep giving training. In that situation we inevitably learn.

This is what happened to the king initiate. The grand master told the king initiate: "Now it is time where things are dumped on you, and it is time for you to accept it or reject it. If you reject and seek alternative situations, then you would lose a cycle of 30 years, and Saturn will come to dump again. If you accept now, you grow beyond a limitation, and you enter a greater light, so that when he visits next time after 30

years, he will dump some more to put you into still greater light."

These are the rings of Saturn that are around every being. Each time we meet with an unpleasant situation, a painful situation, an uncomfortable situation and when we do not lose harmony, the ring of Saturn disappears. This is how we have to overcome the ring of Saturn. The more and more we are able to live in harmony in difficult situations, the more and more the limitations are transcended. That is why it is said that the Lord of Capricorn is Saturn. If you see astrology, they say, Saturn is the Lord of Capricorn. Fortunately we have Saturn in Capricorn now. For those who are willing to accept and make their mind free of limitations, the time offers good opportunities.

It is the same Master C.V.V. said: "Those of you who invoke the seed sounds of CVV, I will first entrust you to Saturn. And only when you have grown beyond the limitations, I shall entrust you to Venus" We want straight away Venus, we don't want to go through Saturn. Venus stands for love and splendour. It stands for the beauty of the nature. Only those who have transcended the mental limitations are entitled to experience the beauty of the creation. Not all people can really see the beauty of the creation. Not all people can experience the splendour of the creation. Splendour and beauty are to those who have no limitations in the mind. When we have limitations, then we have limited experience. It is a conditioned experience.

That is how Saturn trains us. That is how Master CVV trains us. That is how every initiate is trained. If Jesus was able to accept all that has happened to him, it is because he has transcended that mental limitation. He was able to accept all those who were working against him. He was able to accept a person like Judas and all those who wanted to crucify him. We have such a direct example in him, and that is why he is born in the month of Capricorn. The saviour is born in the month of Capricorn. One becomes a saviour only when he saves all. If he condemns some and saves a few, he is not a saviour in its true sense. That is the state of love he carried for all. That is the state of compassion he carried for all. There can be no better wisdom than learning the life events of initiates.

So, the king initiate was very happy that the opportunity has been offered to him to grow, and he said: "I thank you, Master, for having revealed a secret to me. I was complaining about the difficulties before. Now I will not complain any more. I will accept them, and I will do what I need to do in these situations. I now know this scheme of things. In this scheme of things I have to learn both, and I also know that I have to live beyond the both."

Difficult periods make us learn silence, make us learn to be stable, make our wills strong.

In 12 years the king initiate was completely trained. Then he was once again given the responsibility to rule the planet. When he was crowned the second time, he understood that to be a king is to be responsible. Before that he was feeling that to be a king is to be great. Because of that feeling of personal kingdomship, he was an arrogant king. And now when he was crowned for the second time, he was, though in the same body, a different person: no more arrogant, but totally humble. Now he knew that he was the trustee of the kingdom and not the owner of it. Thereafter he conducted the kingdom for 30 more years, and then he understood the aspect of time and returned into higher worlds.

He told his brothers and wife: "Now that our grandson is capable of ruling the kingdom, it is better that we leave the kingdom to him and ascend into higher kingdoms." And he also told: "It is a limitation to hold on to this kingdom. When there is a good substitute, you should be able to hand it over to him and proceed to higher responsibilities."

If you have a good assistance whom you have trained and in whom you find satisfaction, you can safely hand over your present responsibilities to him and take up certain higher responsibilities. When your assistance has grown enough and you don't allow him to function, then you are an obstacle to him. You have to hand over the responsibilities to him and proceed further, just like a flower gives way for the fruit. When the fruit is coming up, the flower cannot say: "No, no I will also remain." It is against the nature of things. When your son comes up, you can entrust some responsibilities and take up other responsibilities. Also in the vocation, when your assistance comes up, you can entrust him the responsibilities and take up higher responsibilities.

It is true in every aspect of life. So, the king initiate told his brothers: "We have a grandson who is more enlightened than we are. He always lives in master consciousness. In fact he is a better substitute. In the sense he is better than the original. So, it is superfluous to us to stay here. Five of us are ruling this kingdom, and the citizens are somewhat happy. But this grandson of ours is so complete. He will keep the citizens happier."

And in fact the citizens of the kingdom were waiting for this young man to become the king. So the king initiate said: "Before the citizens throw us away, is it not better for us to leave?" The brothers said: "It seems so. So let us leave."

Then they all proceeded to Himalayas, and on the way the youngest of them fell. Before reaching the destination, the youngest brother fell. And before the youngest fell, the wife of the king initiate fell first. The five brothers were unhappy. The brothers asked the eldest brother who is the king initiate: "Brother, why did she fall? She is as righteous as all of us." And the brother answered: "She is very righteous, but she is also proud of her righteousness."

As they were walking further, a dog also accompanied them. Then the youngest brother fell. The other

brothers asked the king initiate: "Brother, why did he fall? He is such an enlightened being." The king said: "He is very enlightened. He was holding the time key with him. He knew the future. So he was feeling proud of his knowledge of the future. The Lord cannot accept a person along with his pride. He has to come alone. He should not come with his feelings. No doubt, this brother of ours is very enlightened, but he was proud about his knowledge of the future. Poor fellow, he knew the future of everyone. He did not know his own future. He did not know by this kind of pride that he would fall."

So, they walked further. Then number four fell and the brothers two and three asked him: "Why this fellow? What is the reason for the fall?" Then the king said: "He was the most skilful of us. In fact, he saved us in many situations through his skill. And he felt that he was skilful. And he was also beautiful. He was the most beautiful and the most skilful of the five. But he was glamorous of his own skill."

The other three proceeded. Then number three fell. You know, number three is Arjuna, the disciple of Krishna. Number two asked the king initiate: "Why he also fell? He was such a great disciple." The king initiate answered: "Your question contains the answer." But the second brother did not understand. He asked: "He is the disciple of Krishna. How is it that he falls?" The king initiate said: "Your question has the answer in itself." But the second brother could not understand. He said: "Don't speak symbolically! Speak straight!" Then the king initiate said: "This third brother of ours felt that he was the disciple of Krishna. There are many disciples of Krishna. But they don't claim that they are the disciples of Krishna. Because Krishna was with him physically for a longer time and in important situations, he developed a glamour that he is the dearest one to Krishna. It is only his glamour, but there are more dear disciples to Krishna. Physical nearness of a master does not decide about the depth of a disciple. Just because Krishna has been the chariot driver of Arjuna, it does not mean Krishna chose Arjuna, because Arjuna is great, but because Krishna has that kind of compassion."

See, one fellow fell, because he knew astrology. It is the danger of knowing some special science. Suppose we know some healing and then, if we start feeling that we are healers, healing stops. Suppose, we know astrology, and if we feel that we know everything that is happening, that feeling arrests us from further growth. Suppose, we are very skilful in our actions and are considered to be excellent Yogis. If we start feeling about it, it stops our progress. So also is the case with a disciple. The moment he feels that he is an accepted disciple, he becomes unacceptable. There is a moment till we don't feel that we are disciples, but the moment we feel, the door is closed. All feelings are glamour. There are many disciples who don't feel that they are disciples, because they have no time to feel. They have only time to work. Only those who don't work have that feeling.

That is why Master Djwhal Khul says: "All feelings are glamour. The feeling that we are disciples is the greatest of the glammers."

This is what the king explained to his immediate second brother. Then the second brother said: "This is too difficult."

So the two brothers proceeded further. And then the second one also fell. There was no one else to ask. So he himself asked: "Why am I falling?" Then the brother said: "You are the Aquarian boy. You were born on the Aquarian symbol, capable of enlarging and contracting your body, capable of taming thousand elephants at a time. But you felt about your strength. You are the direct disciple of the cosmic first ray Shiva. You came with a purpose and accomplished the purpose, but you felt at all times about your power. The second brother accepted: "Yes I had this feeling."

Then the king initiate walked further to the mountain ranges of Himalaya. There was no one with him except the dog. Suddenly a chariot came from the etheric plane. The chariot driver came down and offered salutations to the king initiate. "Now that you are alone, the king celestial wants you to come to him. The chariot could not come, when the other brothers were along with you, because along with glamour we cannot ascend into higher worlds", he said. The king looked at the chariot and the chariot driver. They were in such brilliant golden colour. He was astonished to see the manifestation of the chariot of the king celestial. Then the king said: "Yes I will." And he looked at the dog and made a sign to him to get into the chariot. He wanted the dog to ascend into the chariot. But the chariot driver objected: "This chariot is not for dogs. It is for the one who lives in master consciousness at all times. This chariot appears only for them." The king said: "Yes, this chariot appears only for them. It also appears to the dog. That is why I want the dog also to get into the chariot. This dog accompanied me right from the capital city into the most interior of the Himalayan ranges. On the way my wife and my brothers fell because of their own glamour. But this dog did not fall. So it is a divine dog. It should be given entrance. If entrance is denied to the dog into the kingdom of celestials, I don't want that kingdom. And mind you, I have not come into Himalayas to get into the kingdom of celestials. I have no such glamour. I am happy with the dog in Himalayas. Please tell your king, if the dog is accepted, I also accept the chariot."

The chariot driver got puzzled. What kind of a king is this man? After thousand and thousand of years a chariot is sent for an earthy being. And he denies the chariot and prefers a dog. So he meditated upon the king celestial and then understood that he should accept the dog also. He said: "Okay, let the dog also enter." When the dog entered the chariot, he turned out to be a great being, the king of the south. He is in charge of the Southern direction who is chiefly responsible for all south-pole activities. He is called the king Varna, the cosmic intelligence relating to regulation.

All these regulations are meant for experiencing the consciousness. And these regulations come to the created beings from the Lord. So, he wanted to see to what extent this king initiate stands by the regulations. There is a regulation called equality. All created beings as souls are equal. They are younger or elder according to the time. But they are all children in the kingdom of God. This is a regulation. So a dog cannot be excluded from it. The dog wanted to see, if the king initiate would ignore him. If he had ignored the dog, the chariot would have disappeared. Even before he had entered into the chariot, the chariot would have disappeared. This was a trick played on the king, but the king has transcended all these limitations long before, because of the initiation received from the grand master. To him all is God, and to him all forms are the forms of God. There is no such thing as high and low. To him the king celestial and the dog meant the same. This is the ultimate test. If we seek heaven, we will be given hell. If we are equal distant in our mental acceptance to hell and heaven, that is the ultimate of things. That shows the completeness of the training.

That is what we find in the life of Jesus also. Every story of an initiate only reveals such things. That is what Capricorn brings to us as a first step. Capricorn is the dawn of the year. Just like the dawn is the beginning of things for the created beings. So, we should make a fresh beginning from Capricorn, because there is a greater light coming from Capricorn, when the Sun moves northward. From ignorance we grow into light.

That is the first fundamental step. When we fail in this step, even in the advanced stages, we can fail. Look at the king initiate, even in the last step the dog was a test to him.

That is how non-acceptability will close doors into the kingdom of God. Acceptance, tolerance and compassion are there with anyone who practices love.

If we love a person very dear, all the nonsense he does is also acceptable to us. If we don't love a person, even if he does not make any nonsense, we don't accept him. So, the basis for acceptance, tolerance and compassion is love. That is why they crazily and repeatedly tell us to love. Our reservation to love makes us impatient, makes us uncomfortable, puts us in pain, puts us in displeasure. The two queens of the one king tell us this story. So, we should be able to work with the two with equal love and affection. That is one aspect of Capricorn.

We have seen that Capricorn marks the return of warm rays of the Sun which deliver the beings of the Earth from the sleep and stillness of the night. So, Capricorn functions for deliverance: deliverance from sleep and the stillness of the night. These are the two functions. Sleep is here understood as ignorance. And the warm rays represent knowledge. The rays of knowledge will dispel the ignorance which we call darkness and sleep. It is a situation, where the soul is imprisoned in the body, and the imprisoned soul tries to find its liberation.

The human being is actually a double being. He has come from above and attracted the matter around him. He built up his own body with the co-operation of the Devas. Essentially it is one super soul whom we call God. It is He who descended into bodies and later got solidified.

If you take a kind of a vessel, fill it up with water and freeze it, the water gets stuck to the vessel. If you have many blocks in the vessel, the water gets stuck to the blocks through the process of chillness. It is only one water that becomes many ice cubes. And each ice cube is stuck to the vessel.

In the same process through chillness we got stuck to the body. That is why we need the warm rays. How do you remove the ice cubes from the vessel? By heating it a little bit. That heating is done through Capricorn, so that there is detachment from the body. We are so much attached to the body that we feel that we are the body. Each one of us believes that we are our body. That is the state in which normally an average human being lives. But in fact we are just one soul arranged into many souls through a process. Each body contains a part of Him and each body feels that it is separated.

The chilling process starts from 22nd June, from the beginning of Cancer. That is because Cancer is said to be the gateway for the birth of the souls. Birth of souls means descend of the souls into the matter. It also coincides with waters coming down to the planet through rain. That means, we are entering from 22nd June into more night and less day. It is also called the beginning of the descend of waters. The descend continues and through Cancer, Leo, Virgo, Libra, Scorpio the descend becomes complete, and in Scorpio it settles down. It is a state where the matter completely holds grip over the soul or spirit.

Once again the game starts in its reversed process, through a process of heating. There is the process of chilling and the process of heating. Through the process of chilling it is matter gaining control over the spirit, and the process of heating is the process by which the spirit finds its original source. The whole year is a drama of descend and ascend. It keeps happening on the planet every year in this process. With the rainy season there is the growth of life, and when you reach the summer season everything is once again burnt up.

The beginning towards the warm rays is in Capricorn. It is the path or return – return from matter to spirit, because in essence we are spirit. We wanted to come down into some beautiful body, and we have searched for the most beautiful form on the planet. There is a good story relating to it in the scriptures.

The story is like this:

There was a man who was roaming about to see in which city he should settle down. He was wandering on the planet Earth to find the best city. He saw many cities, but he was not satisfied with them. He went

on searching for a good city. Ultimately he found one very beautiful city. When he looked at the city, it seemed to be very attractive, and after verifying the layout of the city, he found that it was very well laid out. It had nine exits, and it was very beautiful. So the man along with his friend decided to descend into that city. Then his friend told him: "Be careful! The city is very attractive. If you enter into the city, you may forget your own self. You may even forget your own name. You will get lost, when you enter the city, unless you are very careful." Then the man said: "No, no, it is not possible. It is impossible that I forget my name. It is impossible that I forget my identity." Then the friend said: "It looks so, when you do not enter, but once you get into the city, it is so attractive that you will be lost. You better call me whenever you need me in the city." Then the man said: "I agree with you. Let me enter."

So he made entry into the city. At the main gate there was a beautiful lady who encouraged the man to go deeper into the city. He said "Hallo" to the lady and immediately felt that he should marry her. Then the lady said: "I am waiting for you. You are welcomed in the city. I will marry you, but there is a serpent with five heads at the gate of the city. Unless you take permission from the serpent, you cannot enter into the city." Then the man went to the serpent and sought the permission of the five headed serpent. The serpent said: "If you wish, you can enter." Then with the permission of the five-headed serpent, the man entered into the city, married the lady and started enjoying the city. He found that the nine gates were very useful in the city for exit and entrance.

The gate, however, through which he entered with the permission of the serpent closed after he entered into the city. The other nine gates kept open. He did not bother about the main gate, through which he entered, because that gate was not found necessary for the daily activity. He was so engaged with the lady. She was so beautiful, and he started living with the lady. As he was so much engrossed with the beauty of the city, he forgot that he came as a traveller to the city. Slowly, the attractions and the glamour of the city made him forget his own identity. When he forgot his identity, he also forgot that he had a friend. Slowly the lady started gaining control over him, because he was in much emotional love with her. She always said: "You better do this, you better do that." It was not so in the beginning, but when the familiarity grew between them, she started telling him many things.

Ultimately, in due course, of time he was made a slave of the lady, and she was using him left and right. He was living like that for some time, and in the process he gave birth to many children. Those children also started demanding from him. – Like that the story goes.

I know you understand the story well. It is the story relating to the descent of man. The only thing is that the five-headed serpent is to be understood. The five-headed serpent is none other than the five pulsations representing the life force in us. The soul enters the body through the medium of life force. What is the difference between a dead and a living person? It is the opening and the closing of the life force. When life force decides to close the lodge, then the soul is dissociated with the city. When the life force is very much there, the soul is associated with the city.

The gate of pulsations is the heart. If you know how to open and close that door, you can get into the city and get out of the city. It is the point of entry and the point of exit. There is another gate at the brow centre and another gate in the head centre. While remaining in the body, you can move out of these three gates. They are made for entry into higher kingdoms. That is why houses which have gates open to North, East or North-East are considered more auspicious. That is why in India a science is conceived that you should build houses facing East and North. You make entrance into the house from the East or North, and you make exit from the house through East or North or any direction in-between East and North. This is only to correspond with the natural phenomena, so that you are in tune with the functioning of the nature. It is, however, more significant that we should be able to move out and move in from our own North and East. The entrance in the house towards North and East is only symbolic.

According to the ray (1st, 2nd and 3rd) to which we belong, we use the respective gate which exists in the body. Masters of wisdom can open and close, enter and exit through any one of the three gates. The story relating to the entry of man into the body and the wisdom relating to the exit from the body very clearly tells us that man is not evolved from animal. It only says that man is a descent and not an ascent from animal. Man descended into a body which we call the animal, because it is the vehicle. It is like a man sitting on a horse or a man sitting on a donkey. You know why Jesus sat on a donkey? Not because that a horse was not available. Why did he ascend upon a donkey? If you are a master, you can even control a donkey. That means, if you remember that you are the descending one from a higher circle, it makes no difference into which form you descend.

The man in the story who entered into the city lost his way, lost his identity and lived like a slave and became disgusted. He developed many complaints. He was so much disappointed, but he did not know how to get out of the city. He was sitting in the city and wept: "Why this God created all this universe and why did he create this city?" All those ignorant complaints came to him at that point.

With these complaints one day the man will die. It is the grace of God that brings death to us. That means, we are blind folded and taken out of the city, because we do not know how to come out of the city on our own. So, the blind folds us and removes us out of the city. Later the blind is being removed. We are already out of the city, but we still have the instincts of slavery, and we quickly seek entrance into the city again. And when we become disgusted, we are taken back.

After a few thousands of lives the idea came into his mind: "Why is it, that every time I come into the city I get conditioned?" When he thought like this, his friend appeared to him. He said: "I told you, whenever you enter into the city, you better remember me. Without remembering me, when you enter into the city, the whole thing will be a complication. But if you always consult me and work in the city, the city is not a boredom or a complex thing." So he said: "Yes, it is very long, since I forgot you. But why did you not remember me?" Then the friend said: "I have always been remembering you, I tried many times to contact you. All these thousands of years, I tried my very best to get into touch with you. I have even made urgent calls. But your telephone was put off. You were busy with many things. Where was the scope for me to contact you, when you have put off the receiving centre? Now that you have put the telephone properly, I have been able to contact you."

This friend is none other than our own Buddhi or discriminative will. He is always our friend. Anything we do, anything we speak, anything we think – if we always consult the friend in these three aspects – then we don't do in the wrong way. When we don't consult, more often we do things in the wrong way than in the right way. This is the use of Buddhi or the discriminative will. That friend is Lord Mercury whom we have to consult every time. If we are in consultation with him in all these three aspects, then living in the city is quite a pleasure. No one prevents us from experiencing the pleasure and splendour of the city. In fact the city is built only for that purpose.

When we make an entry into the city, we have to enter along with our friend and never forget him. When we forget, we will get the chillness of it, and we will live in darkness. We are said to be in total sleep. Sleep, darkness and chillness are the mediums for attachment with the body.

Now we have ourselves stuck so strongly to the vessels. If we make ice-blocks in the vessels, we can't take them out with our fingers, even with very strong fingers. We have poured the water into the vessels by ourselves, and then we want to pick up the ice-cubes. They don't get out. This is the problem of God. He has prepared all this. He says: "Look at these fellows. I made them to enjoy and they got stuck, and on the top of it, they are complaining against me."

He had to find other ways to release us from this conditioning of the vessel, conditioning of the vehicle, conditioning of the body. He uses the second half of the year for heating us a bit. He can do some hammering or some heating from below to remove the block to come out. First the separateness will come out. Then we are semi water and semi ice as one block. Then we realise: "Ah, it seems that we all one!" And he will put a little more heat. We become total water with no more separation. He will not be satisfied with it and puts a little more heat, until the water becomes vapour to disappear in the sky. This is how the whole drama goes. What is needed is a heating system. Every time we are stuck, we need to be given some heat. That is the heat we receive through certain hammering in life. Each time there is a hammer, we try to re-adjust. This is a process of dissolution of odd blocks into soft water.

Capricorn helps us to work out this process. The warm rays of Capricorn heat us up, so that we are awakened from our ignorance called sleep and also from the darkness called attachment. This is the significance of this one sentence: Capricorn marks the return of the warm rays. The warm rays come back again through the Sun, and they deliver the beings from their imprisonment. They deliver the beings of the Earth. That is important. Beings by themselves need not be delivered. Only earthy being need to be delivered from Earth, from matter. They deliver from Earth and from the sleep and chillness of the night.

That is the main purpose of Capricorn. The return towards the father is what is planned by time through Capricorn. That is the reason why Capricorn provides the time for the birth of the saviour. Through the warm rays, he comes down and helps the beings to get detached. That is what Jesus has done, when he came down in the month of Capricorn. The story of the descent of the warm rays to help delivering the earthy beings is the story of Capricorn.

The Masters of wisdom go into those cities, where they can spread warm rays. They need not go into a city which is not polluted. They particularly choose the city which is polluted, because they have more work there. That is how the descent of man into bodies is very well established in the scriptures, and the theory of Darwin, that man is an evolution from monkey does not stand. Nowadays it is more and more believed, that the theory of Darwin is not true, because the evolution of a being can be measured with the size of the brain they carry. If someone does not have a good comprehension, we say that he has a small brain. If someone is very brilliant, we call him 'a big brain'. According to the size of the brain, the evolution can be measured. You take the most primitive man on Earth, because he should be considered as the immediate next step after monkey, and you take the most intelligent monkey on the planet and make an X-ray of their brains. You will find out, that they are so different in size. Monkey becoming man cannot be explained even from the measure of the brain.

Man is essentially God in form. We are a double being. When we are associated with the body, we are a conditioned being, but when we know to be the master of the body, we are essentially the sons of god. This is the degree of our conditioning that decides. The birth of man precedes birth of many beings on the planet. A complete detail of this logic is given by Madam Blavatsky in the book 'Secret Doctrine', where she explains in greater details this process of descent, and it totally tallies with the scriptural story. This story is ancient most. It is called the 'The Story of Puranjana' – the city entrant. Pura means city,

Jana means the one who made an entry. The story of the one who made entry into the city is called Puranjana.

If and when my Karma permits, I shall give an English running of that story with all its humour and symbolism. It is profound in its symbolism and carries much humour. The story explains the flight of man who got stuck with the body. It's a beautiful story narrated in the scripture 'Bhagavata'.

Every year Capricorn offers that opportunity. The planet makes a threefold movement. It moves around itself, it moves around the Sun, and then it moves like a head. Because of that movement, it appears that the Sun moves towards North and South. We have the Southern and Northern Sun. When the Sun is in the South, we have summer in Australia, and when it is in the North, we have summer in the Northern hemisphere. The Northern movement of the Sun results in a particular kind of sunrise which elevates beings into higher states of existence. The Southern movement of Sun brings down the consciousness into matter. It is the drama of the solar year with the spirit descending into matter and resting in matter, and spirit ascending from matter. There is the ascent from matter which is called the evolution and the descent into matter what we call involution.

Cancer marks the descent which begins on 22nd June. The longest day is the 22nd June, and thereafter the day reduces and night increases. This is how the spirit from Cancer to Capricorn descends into matter, and from Capricorn to Cancer matter ascends into spirit. The peak-points are 22nd March and 22nd September, where we have the equinoxes. Every time we make an entry into Capricorn, it is an important opportunity for us offered by the solar year. When Sun enters into the region of Capricorn, it gives an opportunity for the beings on the Earth to be able to rise into spirit and to get released from the matter. That is why Capricorn plays a very important role for the life of all those who seek truth. It is the rise from conditioning. It is also called liberation from the body. It does not mean, that we leave the body, but the body does not condition us anymore.

Every month of Capricorn this opportunity is given to us. The process continues till we reach Aries. Particularly this Capricorn in which we are now (1991) offers greater opportunity. There is a group meeting of planets in Capricorn. We have Saturn in Capricorn, Sun in Capricorn, Mercury in Capricorn, Venus in Capricorn, and we have Neptune and Uranus in Capricorn. It offers a very great opportunity, because Saturn in Capricorn enables us to overcome limitations. On the new moon in the month of Capricorn, we will also have Moon joining the group meeting. Except Mars and Jupiter all planets gather in Capricorn on this new moon day. This was so last year and also this year, but it will not be like this next year, because Saturn moves into Aquarius.

This is an opportunity for all true seekers to work out Capricorn, i.e. to bring a dawn into our life, a real awakening into our life. The most important aspect is that Neptune and Uranus are in Capricorn which have been there for three year and which will be there for another four years. This offers a great opportunity till 1995 for spiritual seekers to work out Capricorn every year, because we all know that Uranus is the Lord of Aquarius and Neptune is the Lord of Pisces. But the beauty is that Capricorn carries the potencies of Aquarius and Pisces. Hence, it can give the potencies of Uranus and Neptune. Fortunately there is the placement of Uranus and Neptune in Capricorn now. That means, what can be realised in the next two cycles can be realised in this cycle. In 1996 when Uranus moves into Aquarius and stays there for seven year, a great opportunity will be offered. Many things will change on this planet. Many convulsions will take place on this planet, and we are only experiencing the sample of it in Capricorn. But if you taste the sample, you know what will be the totality. It is like tasting a glass of sea water to know what the sea is.

In the same fashion Neptune stays in every sun sign 14 years. From 1998 on Neptune will stay 14 years in Aquarius and then 14 years in Pisces. That which you will see for the next 28/30 years can be seen as a seed principle during Neptune's stay in Capricorn. If we are quiet enough and if we see the morning of the day, we should be able to understand how the day should be. There are people who understand the day on the basis of the morning. How the orientation is in the morning hours, the first two hours of the morning will decide the 24 hours of the day.

Likewise when you are travelling, for instance from Germany to India, and you are a careful observer during the first hour of your travel, you will fairly know what kind of travel you will have for the rest of your travel. This is a wisdom that works according to the law of macro and micro correspondence. If you understand the micro, you understand the macro. All scriptures tell us: "Man know thyself." If you have known yourself, you have known the universe itself. You are only a sample of the universal self. And if you taste the sample, you will know what the totality of it is. This way of functioning is called the seer's way of functioning. It is not necessary that we taste the whole food to understand its taste. It's enough, if we just take a part of it and eat it. By this we will know what kind of taste it offers. This method is a very important method to be inculcated by every spiritualist.

Let us know what kind of experience is ahead of us for the day. Just like a micro understanding helps to understand the macro, the placement of Neptune and Uranus in the sign of Capricorn gives us a sample understanding or a signal of what will come in the next thirty years, because Capricorn contains in it the potencies of Aquarius and Pisces. We have fortunately Uranus and Neptune positioned in Capricorn now, and hence it is important that we realise the energies of Capricorn, when Uranus and Neptune are

present in it. Capricorn by itself offers an opportunity for the spirit to rise and much more with the presence of Uranus and Neptune which is further strengthened by the positioning of Saturn, Sun, Mercury and Venus in Capricorn.

Capricorn also tells us many secrets of the positioning of the Lord in the body. The Lord exists in our body, and according to the story given it is the existence of the Lord as various names in every body. It is his descent into body by which the soul is born. And then there is a place for him, a shape for him, and a sound syllable for him. Capricorn gives all the secrets of the Lord.

We have understood, how through the return of the warm rays the beings are helped to come out of the attachment of the body. This attachment is slowly neutralized, so that the spirit lives in body without being conditioned. The conditioning aspect is reduced and the spirit is liberated from the body and yet remains in the body. It is like the night slowly transforming itself into the dawn. You can experience how the night slowly transforms into the dawn, if we wait looking at the Eastern side in the morning hours. The light that slowly dispels darkness in the morning is one of the greatest splendours that man can witness. It happens every day, and it happens every year in a bigger cycle. It happens in greater cycles of years.

We have a greater cycle of 432 years. I think I explained it many times in the past. 432 is a cyclic number. Every 432 years offer a different cycle and different energies. If you add one more zero to it, it becomes a still greater cycle. It is 4320 years as one cycle. Half of it is called Piscian Age and half of it is called Aquarian Age. This is only mathematics. 4320 divided by 2 is 2160. 2160 years is the time for the equinox to move one sun sign. Each sun sign has 30° . It takes 72 years for the equinox to move by 1° . You multiply that with 30. $72 \times 30 = 2160$. That is the time cycle it takes for the equinox to move one sun sign. And it takes another 2160 years to cover one more sun sign. In 4320 years the equinox moves by two sun signs. Aries 30° – the beginning of Arian Age – multiplied by 72 years = 2160 years passed by, when we entered into Piscian Age. And it took 2160 years for the equinox to pass through Pisces. Totally there are 4320 years. Then already 2° the equinox entered into Aquarius. $72 \times 2 = 144$ years. $4320 + 144$ years = 4464. That is the period passed by in the year 1962. This calculation is up to 1962. We are now in 3° of Aquarius in its reversed order, meaning 27° of Aquarius.

Each sun sign has 30° . There is the axis which keeps moving, and as a consequence the equinoxes also keep moving. That is why we have some parts getting into waters, some parts coming out of waters. These things happen. The land yielding to water, water yielding to land, new lands coming up, certain lands going into water – this happens on account of the movement of the equinoxes.

Every 72 years the equinox moves 1° in the anti-clockwise direction. To move 30° takes 2160 years. After Arian Age, Piscian Age started, and it took another $72 \times 30 = 2160$ years to cover this sign. Now we are in the Aquarian Age. Why? Because the equinox moved into the sun sign Aquarius. By 1962 it has already moved two more degrees, $2 \times 72 = 144$.

What I am trying to let you know is, that all this is an aspect of greater cycles. They keep happening. 432 is a number by which we keep experiencing some new energies. We add one more zero to 432, we have a great age: Arian and Piscian Age. If we add to 432 two zeros, what happens? We would have covered 20 sun signs. Now we cover two sun signs in 4320 years. If we add one more zero, the equinox covers 20 sun signs: one full round and again another round up to eight sun signs. That brings cataclysms and submersions of land. All these things happen by this great cycle. That is what the 'Secret Doctrine' or the ancient scriptures explain. We add one more zero, it is yet another great cycle. This is what we call Kali Yuga. We add one more zero to it, it is another great cycle, Maha Yuga.

All these beginnings of great cycles start with Capricorn. This is what I am trying to explain. Every time a grand cycle starts, it is Capricorn, because the beginning is the dawn. Therefore Capricorn is so important. Every great cycle starts from the dawn, even the creation has its own dawn, and it has its total accomplishment as a total manifestation up to the physical. Then it withdraws. The withdrawal is only for a fresh beginning. While one part is withdrawing, another part manifests. That is the beauty of creation. If you see my parents, they have withdrawn, but I am here. When I am withdrawing, my son is there. At no time there is total withdrawal. When we speak of the dawn and the dusk, it only relates to a part of the total creation. There is never a total dissolution. That is why any species is not totally destroyed. Before a mango tree dies, it gives birth to many mango trees. If you refer to a particular manifestation, it has its beginning and ending, but the principle has no ending.

It is what exactly Madam Blavatsky wanted to explain to us through her theory of globe chains. Every planet has seven pulsations. The planet on which we are now is called the D-globe by Madam Blavatsky. When it comes to the physical plane, it is called the D-globe, i.e. it has three preceding states which are circular and which can be understood by analogy. There are the A-globe, B-globe, C-globe, and D-globe. The A-globe is in the state of existence and not in the state of awareness. In the B-state it is both existence plus awareness. In the third state it is existence plus awareness plus a thought body. In the fourth state it is manifest. Then the globe recedes in its previous order. When it recedes it is called E-state, F-state and G-state. E-state corresponds with C-state, F-state corresponds with B-state, and G-state corresponds with A-state. This is how a globe manifests and recedes into space in seven pulsations. The first three states are the three pulsations and the fourth pulsation becomes the physical. In the previous state it is only astral, and in the second state it is only consciousness or Buddhic. In the

first state it is Atmic.

With us it is the same thing. In sleep we only exist, we have no awareness. When we get up in the morning, we exist and we also have awareness that we are existing. After we became aware, we keep thinking. That means, we have put on the clothing of thought. Then we speak out and we act. That is the fourth state. The state of spirit, the state of soul, the state of mind, and the state of body. Spirit takes a clothing, it becomes soul. Soul takes a clothing, it gains thought. Thought takes a clothing, it becomes a concrete physical plane of existence.

Everything manifests in its fourfold fashion. A travel is such manifestation, our speech is such manifestation, our physical existence is such manifestation. Now we are existing up to the physical. How do we recede? At least we know one recession that is our getting back to sleep. We all happily go back to bed, because we are very sure, that we return the next morning. But it is also so sure, when you recede from the body in a greater cycle. We are daily withdrawing from the physical, and we wish many things, when we withdraw. We wish everyone good sleep, because we are sure that tomorrow we will wake up again. Just like we are sure of our waking up from sleep, we can be equally sure of our return, when we get rid of this body. The only thing is we don't have confidence. That is why we don't want to withdraw. If we don't want to withdraw, nature tricks us and withdraws us in a different way. This withdrawal is a process that happens on a daily basis. It is a small cycle. In a bigger cycle we call it death. But that is also like a sleep only to awaken in a new vehicle.

We are all in a big travel. We sleep at one point and wake up at another point. Man has unnecessarily created too much fear and false doctrine of death and is suffering by his own self-imposed doctrine of death. Just let us examine what happens to us when we get into sleep. In the day time we are in the D-globe in full activity. When we withdraw in our bed, we are aware, that we are in the bed and that our thoughts are there. It means, we have withdrawn from the physical body and are existing in the thought body. Slowly we will withdraw from the thought body and remain as a soul. The soul finds its own source into its existence. Hence, we have deep sleep, we are not even aware that we are existing.

The G-globe is the state, where there is not even awareness. It is the ultimate step, the 7th pulsation. When you withdraw, the 5th step corresponds to the 3rd step, the 6th step corresponds to the 2nd step, the 7th step corresponds to the 1st step. That is why numerology tells us: 1 and 7 are just the same. If you have 7 as your lucky number, you can also consider 1 as your lucky number, and vice versa. If you have 1 as lucky number, it means, you have also 7 as lucky number.

This happening from 1 to 7 is one cycle. It is true with the human being, it is also true with the planet. The beginning of all these cycles of the micro and macro levels, their secrets are concealed in Capricorn. When this globe which is now physically manifest is receding into its thought state, there will be some other globe manifesting at the 4th state. Our present Moon was a planet before and receded into its 5th state. According to Madam Blavatsky it gained the status of the E-globe. When Moon was in the physical state, where there was life, we were all existing on that globe and have been transported to this Earth globe through Noah's ark. Before Noah's transportation the Moon was our D-globe. Then where was this globe Earth? It was at that time at its thought plane, in the 3rd state. When Moon was promoted into the next state, our globe which was remaining at the thought plane, came down as the physical globe. When this globe also disappears into the next state, there will already be another globe at this state to manifest. At all the seven stages there are always globes.

It is easier explainable with the example of a school. Suppose you have a school with seven classes. What happens after one year? The pupils in the 7th class will leave the school. And then what happens? The pupils in the 6th class will go into the 7th class. And the children of the 5th will go into the 6th. They are all gradually moving into one after the other. What happens to the 1st standard? There is new recruitment into the 1st standard. At all times the school is filled with seven classes. And the school is continuously there. But we cannot say that all the children are in the same class at the same time. The children keep moving class after class. When they move, there are others who take the position there.

It is true with a class, it is also true with the human being and with the planet. There is the simultaneous forming of these globes, one globe after the other. It is not only true with planet Earth, but with all other planets.

This planet Earth has its own seven pulsations. We only see the physical Earth, because we are the physical beings on the physical planet. Those who develop astral vision can see something more. Likewise Saturn, Jupiter, Mars – all those planets which we physically see have their seven pulsations and chain globes. The solar system which we see physically has its 7-fold existence. As one recedes, another comes into it. Where is the question of ending? Where is the question of beginning?

For example, I have been born like all of you. When can we say there is a beginning of me? Can we say the birthday is the beginning? It is not the beginning. Even before I have been pushed out into the objectivity, I existed in the mother's womb. Before I entered into the mother's womb, I also existed. Where did I exist? As a thought with the father! And before I came as the thought to the father, where did I exist? If you go back like this, there is no way to find the beginning. All is relative. So also in creation. A beginning is a point which we set. When can we say the morning has begun? It is a gradual transformation of night into day. It has no sudden changes. It is very difficult to find the ending and

beginning of a circle. When the whole thing is moving circularly which point of the circle is the beginning? If you show a point – that point is not only the beginning, it is also the ending.

The beginning for the circle is not on the circumference. A circle is formed from the centre. For the circle the source is the centre, not any point on the circumference. You try to search for the beginning on the circumference, you are only going round and round, and you will never find the beginning. This is how an intellectual person seeks for the beginning of things. The mental ones are those who believe in the mental and who are strong in their intellect, they are only orbiting around. They can never reach the centre. That is why all scriptures say: "Man know thyself." Don't try to know others first. By withdrawing into your own centre, you will understand the beauty of the beginning and the ending and the beauty of the continuance upon which there is an apparent beginning and apparent ending. There is no such thing as beginning and ending. It is one continuous existence upon which we mark an event as a beginning. When we mark such an event as a beginning, we also have to mark another event as ending. But these beginnings and endings are only a conceptional floatation upon one undercurrent of existence.

So, Capricorn tells us:

"Don't search in the objectivity with the mental light to understand the dawn."

The mental limitation which we call the intellect is not sufficient to search for the beginning and ending of our own being or even the creation. When we take ourselves as the spirit as the centre, the soul as the 1st circumference around it, the 2nd circumference as Buddhi, the 3rd circumference as mind, the 4th circumference as body – unless we get rid of all our clothings, we cannot see ourselves. A person who believes in mind is orbiting in the circle which is interior to the physical. No doubt it is interior to the physical, but far exterior to the soul and spirit. Any number of rounds we make as mental circles, we will not see ourselves.

So, we have to undress ourselves from the mental clothing. Then comes the light of wisdom which is not very difficult to be undressed. We even have to undress our understanding to find our own being as a soul. And only when we remain as a soul totally undressed from other things, we are able to see the father who is the centre. We cannot go with all this luggage and meet the father. We are too heavy and everything covers us so much.

These clothings of mind, senses and body are all masks. They cover us from head to toe with no ability to see. At least we are wise enough to clothe in that fashion that we keep our hands and head free of clothing. When we see our head, we only see the hair, and we are attracted by our own hair, when we look into the mirror. We don't see ourselves. This is how the whole thing is masked. When we are masked like this, we cannot see the father. The ability to overcome these masks is what the scriptures give us. Our identity with the father becomes easy only, when we remove all these masks. It became possible to Jesus, it became possible to all Masters of wisdom. It also becomes possible to us, if we can get rid of our mental conceptions. The eternal flow of life energy cannot be understood, when we are conditioned by the mind.

The thought body is the strongest of all bodies. We can get rid of the physical body and also of the astral body. But the thought body is the one which is very sticky to us. It is the last of the three, and unless we are out of it, we cannot see ourselves. We are not willing to come out of it on account of a fear, that we don't know what will happen. Nothing will happen, but we will see greater life. As our fear conditions us not to come out of it, we are made to leave it every night. Because the nature removes it for us every night, we are able to come out every morning afresh.

It is just like a girl who is very fond of a particular dress and doesn't want to remove it before going to bed. She becomes very angry, when the mother tries to undress her. She weeps and will not sleep. What will an intelligent mother do? She will say: "Yes, sleep with it, it is okay." And when the child is asleep, the mother removes the dress.

This is how every night children like us are treated by mother nature. We are very strong with our heads. It is very difficult for the mother nature to deal with us, when we are with our heads. So, she puts the heads to sleep and prepares everything afresh. In the morning we can once again pick up our heads and keep fighting throughout the day. Common sense tells us that we are very fresh in the morning. It means, it is common sense to know, that it would be a great relief to get rid of thoughts for a few hours. We all know, that we are fresh in the morning after a good sleep. We also accept, that we are not at all fresh, when we have no good sleep in the night. What is the difference? The difference is, that we have not been able to remove that mask called the thought. To be able to withdraw from the thought and to enter into the thought at will keeps us at all times afresh. That is why people who don't sleep look very dull, but there are people who don't sleep and still look very fresh. What is the difference between people who look fresh without sleep and people who look fresh with sleep? Those who look fresh without sleep are those who have learnt to withdraw from the thought clothing. That is what the Masters of wisdom do.

Just like when we go out and put on some overcoat, the Masters of wisdom put on the overcoat of thought, work with it, come out of it, and leave it aside. When this is learnt, there is no need for sleep. Because nature is so compassionate towards us, it makes the arrangement of removal of the thought clothing which we are not inclined to remove by ourselves. Nature puts us to sleep and removes it. As we wake up, we pick it up again.

But there are the wise ones who put it off at all times and only put it on when needed. The problem with us is, even when it is not needed, we still would like to put it on. That is why we suffer from it and need to sleep. But the Masters do not need sleep, they only rest, because they know the physical laws and the need to give rest to the physical body. When the physical body and the senses are given rest, they remain at rest in complete awareness. They look fresh during day and night.

This is the knowledge we get, when we know how to reach the centre. The obstruction to reach the centre is the mental. That is why we are recommended to see how we slip into the sleep and how we slip out of the sleep. This effort of observing slipping into and slipping out of sleep is the effort that leads us from the circumference to the centre. Only when we are at the centre, we can see how the circular ripples are emerging from the centre. When we are in the ripples, we cannot see how they are. When we are in the flow of the river, we cannot see how beautifully the river flows. But if we are upon or aside the flow, we can see the flow. In a river that is flowing very fast, we are taken away by the current and cannot enjoy the flow or see how beautifully it flows.

Likewise, when we are in the centre, we can see the beginning of the ripples, their permeations and then their dissolutions. One ripple dissolves in the outermost circumference which is followed by another ripple. This continuous happening of ripples is understood without our getting lost into it. Like the tides of the oceans, they keep happening with us as the centre. And we are the ocean. This is one understanding we will gain through Capricorn and the dawn of Capricorn.

This is in short, what we can learn through Capricorn. The beginning towards this knowledge is provided every time, when Sun is in Capricorn. Every time Sun goes into Capricorn, it brings certain special rays. The morning rays of the Sun in the month of Capricorn are something very special compared with all the others. They bring down certain energies which are called the 'Celestials of the 5th group'.

Thanks to Master Djwhal Khul and Alice A. Bailey we all know the 5th principle. The 5th principle is very elaborately explained in the books. That 5th principle is mind. Certain special rays are sent to make the mind transparent, so that we can see through. That is how the Sun during the month of Capricorn helps us to clean up the 5th principle in us. Number 5 rules very high in this month. If we remember the New Testament, three wise men saw a great star moving towards Bethlehem, the five-pointed star moving towards Earth. They followed the star which has manifested itself in flesh and blood. They realised that it is God in man, and they recognised him as the Son of God and declared that he has come down to save. This kind of descent of the five-pointed star is quite possible in the month of Capricorn. That is why this five-pointed star is so much displayed in the month of Capricorn. It is the existence of that five-pointed star in us which is called 'the shape of the Lord in the human being'. It descends into us with the 5th principle as five-pointed star. I explained it to you, when I told you, how Gayatri exists in a five-fold manner in four planes. This is only a different terminology relating to the same process. It is again the four-fold manifestation of the star. I have put it A-B-C-D. It is an esoteric key which can be used on every concept. I have explained it as existence, awareness of existence, as thought and as physical manifestation. This is the four-fold aspect of the star. The initiate John referred to it as the four horsemen.

The ancient most scriptures tell about Capricorn, that there are four crocodiles. Crocodile in Sanskrit is Makara. Sanskrit is a language with many meanings for the same word. One meaning of Makara as a total sound is crocodile. Another meaning is Ma + Kara. The sound potency of Ma is five, and Kara means hands: the five-handed or five-fingered one, the five-shaped one or five-pointed one. This five-pointed one is called Makara, and the month of Capricorn is called in Sanskrit the month of Makara. Why it is called Makara? Because it speaks of the descent of the Lord in the shape of number five. That is why the New Testament also speaks of the descent of the star. It descends into flesh and blood and gets crucified. This crucifixion is once again reversed by crucifying the flesh and blood. We think it is very painful, when we even think of the crucifixion of flesh and blood. But we have never given a thought to the crucifixion of the spirit in flesh and blood. Crucifixion of the spirit in flesh and blood is much more painful to those who know. It is like imprisoning a free moving bird called soul. When a free moving bird is imprisoned in a cage, it is very painful, and the bird is very happy, when the cage is crucified. See, how our understanding is always inverted. We weep over the crucifixion of the cage and rejoice the crucifixion of the spirit. I have explained to you, how we get crystallized, how we get concretised into the body, and how happy we feel, when we are released from the concretisation and conditioning of the matter. So, the four horsemen through the four Makaras descend into us and form this body. The ancient Indian scriptures speak of four Makaras.

Actually, the Capricornian being is not crocodile. It is called the white dragon in the ancient scriptures. Its distorted form is the crocodile.

We have learnt something about the descent of the five-pointed brilliant star from the sky that happened 2000 years ago, and we have also learnt that such descent is annual, every year in the month of Capricorn. There is the descent of light to enable the ascent of the created beings or the souls. So, Capricorn is considered to be the time for a happy getting together of the spirit and the matter or the spiritual beings and the material beings. The spirit descends in the form of a five-pointed star. We should understand, that whenever there is the incarnation of the Christ or whenever a master is born, it is the

descent of this brilliant five-pointed star into matter. This is what is called: spirit made flesh and blood. This is how it is said in the New Testament, and those who have the ability to see can see its descent. It is said in the scriptures that there were three wise men, three Persians, who could see it. It is of no importance to know the names of these three Persians, but it is important to know what kind of energies they carried with them. One was a man of power, power in its true sense which is another name of the will. The other was carrying wisdom which is the other name for the third ray of intelligent activity, and there was the eternal one who was carrying much love in him. These are the three who saw the descent of the star. The scriptures tell us: One was full of power, the other was full of wisdom and the third was full of love.

To enable visualisation of the descent of the Lord, we need one of these three qualities. That is how we have to understand the scriptures. Otherwise, we have to make some paper stars and put some electric bulbs inside and see them. It is a good beginning, so that one day we will see the descending star. This process of the star descending into the child which is given birth by Mary or the entry of the super soul into the form prepared by Mary is called 'immaculate conception'. This is a kind of voluntary descent of Christ consciousness into a good vehicle prepared. This is not properly understood, and all kinds of improbabilities are created as a fiction. This is how Krishna was also born. After the child was born, there was the impression of Vishnu upon the child. Vishnu impressed himself upon the child and occupied the body. He used the body as a basis for functioning.

Whenever a master consciousness descends and functions through a body, it is called: a state of anointment. The one is called anointed, when he is fully hovered, covered, supported or surrounded by the master consciousness. Every disciple is likewise an anointed one. This is how the impression has happened on one golden day during the golden hours in the morning time. It will happen to every human being, if one can prepare like Mary to give birth to a pure body. Only Mary could give such a body, because she was pure enough to give birth to a pure body. To give birth to a pure body is to hold on to a pure mind. That is the first statement of Madam Blavatsky in 'Golden Stairs': a pure mind. If we carry at all times a pure mind, a virgin mind, the master consciousness feels confident to impress himself upon us. Mary never allowed her mind being polluted. She did not allow anything to happen to the cleanliness of her mind. Nothing disturbed her purity. And hence it became possible to her to conceive the saviour. We also can conceive the saviour or the impregnated Capricornian ray, when we keep that kind of the mind which is stronger than the presence of any person, stronger than the presence of any animal and stronger than any situation. Situations for persons or places will have no effect upon such mind. When I say, "they have no effect upon such mind", it does not mean that they have no positive effect. They have a positive effect, but at no time a negative effect.

So, the basis for reception of the five-pointed brilliant star is a pure mind. It is this five-pointed star which descends into a pure mind. That is called the white dragon. The white dragon is in truth a blue dragon. White in its great depth is blue. When blue becomes a little diluted, it becomes white. It is one energy, but according to the angle of illumination it is either blue or white. A clear sky is pitch dark during the morning hours before sunrise. It looks absolutely dark, and slowly before the dawn it reveals itself to be deep blue. Gradually it transforms itself into light blue or sky blue. During the complete illumination of Sun it looks white. These are all the various shades of blue. Don't you see sometimes the stars carrying the bluish stitch? We find them brilliant white, we find them sometimes with bluish stitch, a kind of a blue which is so very transparent coming from white, for instance the pearls.

As it impresses itself upon a pure mind, the brilliant five-pointed star gains the colour of orange. That is why there is the worship of the brilliant orange five-pointed star which is representative of a pure mind impregnated by the super soul. That is why many people believe in working with orange colour, because it represents the dawn. What is the dawn? It is the appearance of the light, while there is still some shade of darkness. And it promises greater light and dispelling of total darkness. You will also find the true orange colour in its full brilliance during the sunrise hours. In fact, this colour precedes the Sun. It comes first, and then comes the Sun.

We have to understand which colour precedes what on the basis of the sunrise. We need not look into books to see which colour precedes what. Nature contains much more than we know. This orange colour is therefore adored by all those who seek wisdom. That is why we find many spiritualists in orange robes. It enables to keep the mind in purity. It is only a supporting mechanism. An orange robe by itself will not make our mind pure. But it reminds us every time, when we look at our clothing. It also reminds people who look at our orange robe. So it helps as a continuous reminder that we have to keep our mind pure and untouched by the negatives. If a man puts on an orange robe and keeps the negatives in mind, it is an insult to the orange robe.

Jesus said: "My robe, my glorious white robe!" That glorious white robe which he referred to is the brilliant white star that descended into him. It is said that Jesus moved at all times with this robe only. This means, he was never dissociated with the spirit that descended into him. And he moved with the white robe to all places. This is how white robes have come into practice by all those who followed Christ. But the difference between him and those who followed him was, that the white robe of Jesus was within him. The white robes of the followers were outside them. This is an important concept we have to

understand, when Jesus frequently mentioned the white robe.

It is the white Makara which, when it descends, becomes the orange Makara. Then it becomes a grey Makara, and then the earthy brownish Makara. See, how from mind to senses it is another impregnation. From mind to senses we can very easily travel or descend. The Makara of the five senses is said to be the grey Makara which functions through the body.

So, the super soul represents the white dragon, the mind the orange dragon, the senses the grey dragon, and the body the brown dragon. This is how the white dragon transforms itself towards an earthy dragon, and then it has to get back. That is why we have in Capricorn the earthy dragon representing the crocodile as a symbol of Capricorn. According to our state of awareness we have the crocodile or white dragon. In the month of Capricorn we can invoke any of these four dragons.

We know what a crocodile is. Can you tell me the quality for which a crocodile stands? The quality of a crocodile is its grip. The grip of a crocodile is something you can never get release of. So, we have all the four dragons gripping us in one way or the other. The brown dragon which we call the five-pointed star of the body represents the five organs of action in the human being. We have the legs, the hands, the two excretory organs and the head forming the brown dragon. The hands are number 1, the legs number 2, speech number 3, and the two excretory organs making the earthy crocodile or Makara. It is the grossest base for the other three to stay upon. It is the basis for all creation. It is the first Makara, the grip of which we are expected to get released of. That is the first initiation. When we are very fond of our own body, when we become slaves of our own body, when the body dictates what we have to do, and when we are in great love with the body aspect of us, understand that we are totally enslaved by this crocodile. To many people, there is the body only. The overemphasis that is given to the body is understood as slavery to the crocodile called the fourth or the brown crocodile. It means that the body has totally gripped us and made us its slave.

We have a responsibility to the body and it has to be respectfully discharged. We cannot be indifferent to the body. At the same time we cannot pamper the body. If we pamper it, it will not listen to us. People are so much disturbed, when something happens to the appearance of the body. They don't want their hair to become grey or fall. When hair falls, they are much more worried. And they spend quite a fortune to protect the hair from falling. There are very intelligent business men who make a good business out of it. It is in the nature of things that hair grows grey or falls according to the age. And they feel really frightened, when they lose some teeth. And they feel something like death, when the skin ripples. These are the people whose total life program is to serve the body. They are totally gripped by the Makara of matter. To them speaking of spiritual things is only a fashion. They are too far away from the boundary of the temple, and the grip is so high that it is very difficult for them to get into spiritual things, unless they go through some crisis.

Then there is an internal Makara which is esoteric to the brown Makara. It is the grey Makara which is represented by the five senses. The five senses produce continuously desire after desire. This Makara has a greater grip than the earthy Makara. The grip of a crocodile, when it moves on the earth, is weaker than the grip of a Makara in water. It is easy for us to fight with a crocodile, when it is outside the water. It is more difficult to fight with the crocodile that is in water.

You must have heard the story of the elephant and the crocodile. It is one of the most popular scriptural stories of the East. A very indulgent elephant was caught by the crocodile in the water. When you compare the strength of an elephant with that of a crocodile, it is normal that the elephant is much more stronger than a crocodile, but in water it is different.

That is how a man who is gripped by desire is under total control of this crocodile which is grey. This crocodile also has to be made use of for proper experiences. Even Jesus the Christ made use of this crocodile. He functioned through the five senses and the body. He did not negate the body and the senses. This is another ignorant way of dealing with the crocodiles. There is a way to tame these crocodiles and ride over them. You should be able to make use of these crocodiles as vehicles for travel. There is a way to tame them, to function with them, and to make the right experience through them. Without body and without senses you cannot experience. But when body and senses dictate things to you, you are also unable to experience. It is the beautiful way of making friendship with them and make them cooperate with you. When this co-operation is gained through proper interaction with them, they give you the experience which the Lord intended for us all. Otherwise, we walk into a kind of a crises and everything becomes an enigma. And life becomes an unsolved riddle. The riddle is so tough that mind starts questioning: Why should it be like that? Why like this, why like that? All 'Whys' keep coming as complaints, because no proper down-flow of the energy from the state of spirit up to the state of body is established. There are obstructions to the flow and there is abuse of the flow. This is the grey dragon of the five sense organs.

Then comes the pentagon of the mind. Pentagon is another name for Makara, and its symbolic name is dragon or crocodile. You call it crocodile, dragon, pentagon, Makara, five-pointed star – it is the symbolic representation of number 5.

Capricorn is the 10th sign of the zodiac which is also a multiple of 5. In fact, the zodiac of 12 sun signs is

nothing but the pairs of 6. They represent the 6 seasons of the year. If you take 10, it is nothing but the pairs of 5. What are the pairs of a pentagon? The pair is nothing but the positive orientation and the negative orientation towards the Makara. The Makara of the body can be a good Makara or a bad Makara according to our orientation. So also the Makara of the senses and the Makara of the mind. It is said that the Makara exists in pairs. It is like the masters of the white lodge and the masters of the black lodge. What is the difference between the two? The difference is only in its motivation and its orientation. The process and the technology are just the same.

Now we come to the mental Makara. This is the one that really grips everyone so heavily. It is very, very difficult. It has to be made brilliant orange actually to function well. But if we take a photograph of that one in a normal human being, we will find so many stains, and ultimately the orange colour is not visible.

This pentagon functions through the senses in us. That means, each time when there is a need for externalisation or objectivity, it happens through these five senses: hearing, taste, smell, touch, sight – through all these five it projects outside. But the problem with this pentagon is: It has very powerful positive energies and equally very powerful negative energies depending upon our orientation. If we are positive, it manifests so much positivity. Christ is an example of it. When we are negative, we find something like Hitler. The power of mind is very very high. This crocodile is the most powerful. Unless it functions in tune with the white dragon above, it is very ferocious, untameable and impossible to handle. This is the one which is expected to be tamed through Yoga or spiritual practice. I don't think we need so much Yoga or spiritual practice to tame the body and the senses. They can be a source of crisis for those who are far away from the temple. But those who are surrounding the frontiers of the temple, who are at the periphery, they are fairly good with these two crocodiles. But the entry to the compound is given only, when we overcome this crocodile of the mind. So many thousands of ways are conceived to get the co-operation with these crocodiles. The white dragon which is above the orange dragon conceived thousand ways of making man ascend into higher kingdoms. This is the threshold we have to pass, and the grip is very high as far as this crocodile is concerned. This grip is the ultimate grip that needs to be released. So many things are told for practice to see that this grip is released. Service and sacrifice is one means to get released from this grip. But unfortunately, when we are in service, we grip the service instead of getting released from the grip through service. We do so much of service, but still we remain in this grip. Service is extracted from us and we are not benefited by service. The whole service becomes a donkey's job, a thankless job. Service is done not to get released from the mental grip, but is done for other motives: motives for personal aggrandisement. We are not happy with the grip of our mind. We even want to grip others through service by rendering a few good things to others and thereby extend our mental grip over them.

We see many leaders who grip the group. They are unhappy, if some group members get away from them. Instead of getting themselves released from the grip of mind, they use service and sacrifice as a means to extend their mental grip. So the purpose of service and sacrifice is defeated, when we do not know, how to handle this Makara of the mind. Many people today do a lot of service, a lot of sacrifice. But peculiarly this service and sacrifice do not help releasing the grip of the mind. The grip of the orange crocodile is stronger than the grip of the grey or the brown crocodile. View points cannot be dissolved, concepts cannot be dissolved. Any number of times you try, you cannot get rid of them. All scriptures fail to get us rid of this grip, because the approach is not understood. It is not a scriptural failure, but our understanding of the scriptures is through mind. Every person quotes the scriptures to his own advantage. It is the devil in us that is quoting the scriptures. Don't think that there is some devil outside. It is the devil inside that takes up the scriptural statements to put forth our own viewpoints.

We even say that Master EK or Master CVV have said this or Christ or Krishna have said that to frighten others with different name. The other man picks up that what he likes from the Christ, and I pick up that what I like from the Christ, and it seems to be in opposition. Ultimately we come to say that these masters gave conflicting statements. They spoke different things at different times. There must be mentally something wrong with them. Our mental deficiency makes us feel like that.

Hence, this mental crocodile is very difficult to handle. The masters say something, and it is understood according to our own convenience. That is how the whole story goes with every master and his disciples. He speaks like the white or the blue dragon, and when it is impregnated upon the mental dragon or Makara, there is the difference in reception. According to that you have your own impressions. The only positive point in the whole situation is the strong grip of the mental dragon.

Now the white dragons tell us:

"When you have such tremendous grip over things, do one thing. Apply this grip upon God, the white dragon or upon that which you call Vishnu, Krishna or Christ. Keep applying this thought continuously."

As we know that it has such tremendous grip, just apply the grip upon a higher concept and it will grip it. Then all other things fall and the orange colour comes back, because the interaction is with the blue and the brilliant white. That is the ultimate for the orange five-pointed star to become blue or white. If you have the sticking material (gripping) upon Christ, it sticks there. So, the grip by itself is not wrong, the deficiency or incorrectness is in its application. If it is applied upon the super soul or upon that which we call by so many names, then it becomes that. That is the beauty of the mind. It becomes that, upon which

we apply it. If you apply it positively, it becomes that consciousness. If you apply it negatively by way of criticism of others, it becomes that.

It is like a chameleon which gains the colour of the tree in which it moves. This is another quality of the orange pentagon. When it is like that and applied upon that, it becomes that. See, how advantageous it is to have a grip. A man who has no grip cannot even grip a higher concept. That is why a strong mind – in so far as it is given right orientation – has a stronger grip than a weak mind. Don't take a weak mind as a better situation. Weak mind means a weak grip. It can also not grip the higher Makara. Grip is needed and grip is a divine quality. We should only know where to grip. Our problem is more often that we grip the wrong thing than the right thing. We always pitch upon the wrong ground. Right pitching and right gripping is what Capricorn teaches us to reach the state of a white dragon.

In the scripture there is the Lord who rides over the white dragon. This white dragon is a very peculiar animal which cannot appear in our common places. It is white in colour with two rear legs in right angle to each other, and it has a head like that of a goat. Image a white crocodile with a goat head and right-angled rear legs. This is the shape of the white dragon which can move in the waters of sky and also in the waters of the earth. That is why it is called amphibious.

To bring this white dragon more effectively into us, the month of Capricorn helps us. It is recommended that we make a posture of a five-pointed star facing the East during the dawn hours, so that we will be able to invoke the white dragon into us. This posture in the month of Capricorn during the hours of dawn makes the white robe to descend more into us. Understand that the white dragon is nothing but the white robe which descends into us. That is the reason why this exercise is recommended.

Now let us come to the Lord who rides over the white dragon. He sits upon it and keeps moving in the waters of space. His name is Varuna. Varuna is none other than the principle of Uranus. He happily moves on the white dragon in the waters of space with a trident in his hands. While moving in the waters of space, he dips the white dragon on the surface of the water. The ripples, which are made through the trident of this Lord, are called the vibrations of Neptune. The Neptunian vibrations are created by the movement of Uranus. This is what is depicted as a symbol for worship in the month of Capricorn. Imagine a four-armed Lord comfortably seated upon a white dragon with a goat face, moving in the waters of space with a trident in his hands, making ripples upon the waters of space, producing the Neptunian waves.

That is the beauty of Capricorn which is the beginning for new things. The combined working of Uranus and Neptune is available in the days of Capricorn. And we have Uranus and Neptune in Capricorn now through their planetary position. We can make our own imagination of the opportunity given to us. It gives us an expansion to gain a time cycle of 4320 years, because the Aquarian Age is ruled by Uranus and the Piscian Age by Neptune. As you have now Uranus and Neptune in Capricorn, the whole thing is made available in a seed principle to us. When this seed is experienced, we can visualise the whole tree that unfolds from the seed. The Lord of all these pentagons is called Kumara in a different plane. He is also depicted as Mara. Mara is called Kupido. In the East it is said that Kupido holds a bow and five arrows. He is said to be the son of Vishnu or Narayana. The release of arrows by Kupido symbolises the will to create. Each time he releases five arrows, it becomes all this which manifests in a five-fold manner.

He is said to be the Lord of desire, even on the highest planes. So, the desire to create is the will that exists in us also. That is the beginning of things. In Sanskrit he is called Kama. If you listen to the sounds Makara, Kumara or Kama – they are all sounds of Ka - Ma - Ra. There is a big science relating to it. Kama means the first desire. It comes from Kameshwara – the source of the desire to create. One name of it is Kameshwara. Another name is Narayana. It is the source of which the five-fold principle emerges as Kumara. With this Kumara all the dragons manifest bringing down the various planes of existence through the principle of five.

The very source of all this also exists in us, and a very sacred aspect of it is the location of Capricorn in a human being. It also contains the location of this source of all creation called Narayana. We can realise him in the month of Capricorn. This is the beauty of Capricorn. It seems it contains everything. That is why it is called the dawn. The dawn contains everything. It contains the night and the day. It also contains Narayana. And we have to see where Capricorn is located in us through the law of correspondence. The exoteric astrology places Capricorn in the knees. But the esoteric astrology tells us, that from Scorpio there is the reversal of the wheel. From Aries to Scorpio there is the descent from spirit into matter, and from the 2nd half of Scorpio there is the ascent of the spirit from the matter. When we start with Aries and go down to Taurus, Gemini, Cancer, Leo, Virgo, Libra and Scorpio – with 15° Scorpio we reach a point where it starts reversing. Thereafter it is an ascent. So, we don't place Sagittarius in the thighs in spiritual astrology. Sagittarius starts with the base centre which is different from the base Chakra. Base Chakra is for the descent. This centre is in-between the base and the spleen. It is not a Chakra, but a lotus. Chakras are circular movements that condition us. They are whirlpools of energies. They continuously move in circular fashion. Lotuses are unfolding energies. So, dawn is an aspect of unfoldment of light. There is the unfolding starting with Sagittarius, and the beginning point is 16° of Scorpio. Then in-between the Chakras these lotuses unfold.

According to that law of correspondence Capricorn unfolds as the heart lotus which is located between the heart centre and the throat centre. The throat Chakra and heart Chakra are in the descending order, and the heart Chakra is different from the heart lotus. The heart Chakra is regulated by Cancer, because all respiratory and circulating activity is governed by Cancer, the opposite sign. Just above that centre there is the Capricornian centre where there is the unfoldment of the lotus in which the Lord exists in deep blue electric colour. It is like the electric blue in the form of a small pentagon. The sound through which we need to invoke him is also five-fold. It is called Narayana. These sounds are not a name. They are the potential sounds that can make you reach the centre. The sound Na is the sound for withdrawal, and the sound Ra is for objectivity or externalisation.

The whole creation is a big drama of externalisation and internalisation, and in-between there is the existence. Existence is within and outside the creation, just like we exist during the day and also during the night. Existence is eternal upon which there is periodical manifestation of creation. Even through manifestation we are existing. Even if we don't manifest, we are existing. Existence is eternal and all creational activity is a floatation over existence. That eternal existence upon which there are millions and millions of ripples of creation through time is called "the Lord is sleeping over a coiled serpent". The coiled serpent is upon a sea of ripples, and each ripple speaks of galaxy. There are so many ripples upon which the Lord exists through time. This is how he is meditated during this month in the heart lotus. So, we have the shape of the Lord as the five-pointed star, we have the colour of the Lord as electric blue, we have the sound of the Lord as Narayanaya. There are others who also say Nama Sivaya. This is also relating to it. It is also five-fold, and we have the number of the Lord as number 5. The Capricorn sun sign gives us the number key, the sound key, the colour key, and then the Yantra relating to the cosmic Lord. Hence, he needs to be meditated during this month for easier and effortless realisation.

We will continue with another eternal concept of Capricorn. It is an aspect which is very seldom. We have understood that the spirit descends into matter in a five-fold manner, and I have also explained how the descent happens in a four-fold fashion. The concept which is called the concept of duality or the concept of male/female God which is called Adanari in the East or androgynous and also hermaphrodite in Greek. The creation is understood as an interplay of the forces of spirit and nature.

There is also a double aspect of nature. It is called nature divine and nature mundane. Nature mundane is mostly the nature relating to Earth. The interplay of spirit and matter brings a gradual descent of spirit up to matter, and we see the matter as we observe it now on the physical plane. The consciousness is well imprisoned. It means that the consciousness forms the basis, and the spirit develops its own forms around it. An easily understandable example is: Akasha or space becoming air, air becoming fire, fire becoming water, water becoming matter. It is a gradual descent forming all that which we see as physical existence. This happening is explained in the Eastern scriptures with the double nature or the root nature. Nature is said to be in Sanskrit Prakriti. Prakriti is essentially understood as two-fold. One is called the nature as we see it and then the nature divine. The divine nature is called Diviya Prakriti. All that which is formed in creation has its basis in the nature.

A thought comes out of us, out of our own existence and through thought we manifest into objectivity. Before we percolate into objectivity we also need a physical body. There is the externalisation of thought from our own being. The thought that is externalised from us is worked out through our body. There are bodies within bodies, and there are certain bodies through which man essentially functions. And the thought body is the one that prepares the physical body that we have. Without the functioning of the thought body there is no fabrication of the physical body. So, the physical body is made up by one process of fabrication, and the thought body is made up by another process of fabrication. It is a concept which is available in the Eastern scriptures, but which is not so much available in other scriptures.

Prakriti and Diviya Prakriti are the two aspects of one nature. We say in the scriptures that the spirit came down in seven regular steps to form all this. In the same fashion nature also descends. It is the interaction between spirit and nature that brings the various gradations of nature and spirit. In the first stage both the nature and the spirit are translucent, and through their interplay they gain the grosser stages. This is what happens as creation forms. This is how all the matter, the plant, the mineral, etc. are formed.

To reach the mineral state, it needs millions of years for such formation, and slowly the spirit keeps evolving itself through time. This evolution of spirit and matter enables the matter also to get refined. Just like the spirit, matter also has its gradations of purity. In fact, spirit does not undergo any change. It is the interaction representing the various gradations of matter. As matter gradually evolves, we have such things as gold and silver formed. Why do we give so much importance to gold and silver? It is because of their higher evolution compared with other metals or minerals. Why do we pay a very high price to possess crystals and not other stones? It is the innate identity with the consciousness that makes us pick up these things. Among metals we find that we are more attracted towards gold and silver, and among stones we are more attracted towards crystals and precious stones. These precious stones represent the high souls of that kingdom. It is not that someone decided that gold should carry value. If that is so, we can take a decision today that aluminium carries more value. But it will not work. Platinum is something more. Radium and mercurium are radioactive materials which will gain greater importance in future.

Radium among the mineral kingdoms is one which has the capacity for transmutation. These evolutions in the mineral kingdom are the basis for us to grow nearer to that which is more evolved.

So also in the plant kingdom. There are trees which are more evolved than other trees. So also in the animal kingdom. It is not by some kind of emotional sentiment that the cow is respected. It has a basis. So also when a banyan tree or a ficus tree is respected in preference to other trees, it has a basis. The basis is the spread of harmony of these forms.

If we get back to the story of the man who wanted to enter into the city, we will see that it is a part of that story that he examines all these forms. Slowly from mineral kingdom to plant kingdom, from plant kingdom to animal kingdom – these forms keep evolving. And the most evolved form that we find upon the planet is that of the human being. The human form represents a three-fold evolution. Please remember, when I say human form, it is not human being. The human form is built up for culmination of the spirit and the matter. It is an illumining functioning of spirit and matter to bring out the human form, in which spirit and matter could settle down comfortably. So, the form is built from mineral to plant, plant to animal, animal to human, and there is the descent of yet another dosage of spirit into the human form which is also functioning through all these forms. It functions through mineral contributing for its evolution, and further contributes for all the mineral to transform into plant.

If you go to some very old territories or places where you find oldest rocks, in Himalayas, Alps or some other mountains, you will find rocks upon which there is growth of vegetation. It is not that there are some seeds in the stones that bring up this vegetation. It is the stone itself slowly walking into the vegetable kingdom. It is a fashion to collect them and keep them. Like this, the mineral evolves into vegetable kingdom, and the vegetable into the animal. To this extent the theory of Darwin is also accepted in the 'Secret Doctrine' or in the ancient scriptures.

That is why in the human form there is what is called Kundalini which has a coil of three spirals and another half spiral formed. $3\frac{1}{2}$ spirals are there in the coil. It is said that they also exist in our own base centre. This is nothing but the effort of the form to evolve, from mineral to plant, from plant to animal. The three spirals represent the three evolutions which have taken place for the forms. Over the three spirals there is the evolution of a half spiral representing the semi-human and semi-animal consciousness.

When mineral develops into plant, it slowly develops sensation. Plant has sensation, while the stone has no sensation. And from sensation, as the plant grows into animal, the animal develops emotions. The animal is more sensitive than the plant. It can see, it can hear, it can feel the touch, the only thing is that it has no awareness that it exists. But it has all other mechanism. The sensation finds its full expression in the animal, while it finds its first expression in the plant. When plant gains complete sensation, it finds its entry into the animal kingdom. Then we have animals with less and more emotions, and animals besides carrying sensation and emotion they slowly develop that which we call memory. The memory also starts developing on the basis of the previous experiences. There are animals which carry more memory, and there are animals which carry less memory. An animal which can reach high states of memory and emotions – those forms will claim entry into human kingdom. It means these forms are further evolved.

So, the human form carries all that which is carried by the mineral, the plant and the animal. Through long periods of time slowly the form develops. There is a grand work of spirit and matter in building up the human form. It is this form into which there is one more descent of the spirit. That is how a human being is called a double being. But that which descends for a second time into the human being does not descend to the extent of meeting the consciousness in the form. The consciousness of the form remains in the base centre. And the descent of the spirit for the second time takes place up to the Buddhic plane in us. So, one comes down as matter and evolves itself into mineral, plant and animal. Then from the same source there is the second descent of the spirit up to the Buddhic plane. In-between the two there is a gap.

It is from the same source which we explained about Narayana. There is the interplay of spirit and matter to bring out the creation as we see it. And after it touches the grossest matter, the matter starts evolving. So, through evolution from mineral, plant, animal and human form there is a working of return by the spirit to its source. When the animal develops adequate emotions and memory, it demands a human form. And the fact that it is demanding a human form attracts a second descent of the spirit into it. The one that has worked out its ascent through mineral, plant and animal is for the sake of facility called the animal man. And then there is the Son of God descending in that body whom we call the human ego or the soul – that is one soul, it is not different from the super soul. It is the super soul only descending into the human form. But the presence of the super soul in the human form helps the soul that works out its evolution through mineral, plant and animal. The culmination is the meeting of the two. The beauty of the super soul is that it cannot descend below the Buddhic plane.

If you look at the letters of 'Occult Meditation' by Master Djwhal Khul, he says that the soul descends from the Paranirvanic to nirvanic, from Nirvanic to Buddhic, and in the Buddhic plane only up to the third sub-plane. (Whenever I say soul, please understand, that it is one soul that is the super soul.) But its presence in the human form gives enough light for the animal to gain greater experience. This descent of the super soul to the semi-animal/human form is symbolically depicted as the descent of the Lord upon

the animal. That is why we have symbols like Lord riding on the bull, or Lord moving on the lion, on a tiger, or on a crocodile, or even on a rat. These are the varieties of animals in a human form upon which the Lord finds his own seat. This is the state of human form in which there is the existence of the Lord and also the existence of the evolved being or the animal soul. When the two are present in one form, the one which has worked out through mineral, plant and animal gets slowly attracted towards that which is present in him up to the Buddhic plane.

And then there is the consciousness existing as 3 1/2 spirals, because already it gained the step relating to the physical, astral and some part of mental. It has worked out as I said the three spirals. The three spirals are the spirals of mineral, plant and animal, the half spiral is the mental development that takes place in the human form. The Lord also descends in three spirals from above downwards. That is from the state of Paranirvana to the state of Nirvana, and from the state of Nirvana to the Buddhic state. Now the game of the meeting takes place within the two. This is the game of man turning master or the marriage of the super soul with the material soul. The whole spiritual practice is to bring these two aspects of consciousness together. There is the movement of the 3 1/2 spiral from base centre upwards to meet the consciousness which is existing in man in the higher side of his form. And there is also the compassion of the super soul to meet the one that has evolved over aeons of time.

This is what is called 'the father and the son trying to meet each other'. From a deep well the son is extending his hand to see that the father holds it. And from outside the father is extending his hand down below to see that the son catches it. Since the story is full of suspense and fiction, the length of the child's hand is not enough to catch the father's hand. And the father's hand cannot descend beyond that which he has already stretched. This is the gap that has to be filled. It is the gap between what we call pituitary body and the pineal gland. Up to the pineal gland the spirit descends to take hold of the consciousness which is available up to the pituitary body.

What is the way to connect the two? There is the spread of light and magnetism by the one that has descended. By continuous orientation to that light and magnetism the earthy consciousness of the being gets magnetised with the divine consciousness. The bridge that builds the gap between the two is what is given by Master CVV as 'Higher Bridge Beginning'. One is attracted towards the other. This is what is explained in the scriptures as the inexplicable and inseparable love of the one with the other.

A spiritual aspirant is one who keeps himself in continuous orientation towards the spirit in him. The continuous orientation towards the center, into which the super soul descended, helps man to ascend into that state of communion. That is why all meditations are given to look into oneself, into that centre. I told you the positioning of the Lord in us. His influence is also very much there in the Ajna centre and heart centre. While he stays in the heart lotus which is above the physical heart, he can be met at two points in the human frame. One is the Ajna and the other is the heart. Continuous orientation to the super soul – the other name for it is Christ, Vishnu, the 2nd Logos or the 2nd ray energy – in these centres will help building the magnetic field by which the human consciousness gains touch with the divine consciousness. The longer we are in such radiation, the greater is the effect of the magnetic field. It is like the magnet and the iron piece meeting together through the magnetic field. And for enabling the development of the magnetic field there are many methods conceived by those who have experienced it. One straight method is love. Love develops this magnetic field very easily. There are other methods also which culminate in developing love and thus developing the magnetic field.

One method which was very simply conceived by ancient seers is observing the natural process that is happening in the own being. What is that natural process? It is breathing. We inhale and we exhale. Each time we are inhaling, the soul goes down as far as possible and meets the human soul. That is why when you breathe you are expected to imagine that the super soul is going down and down and down to meet the man in the base centre. I repeatedly say, "When you inhale, see that it is deep." That is what Master CVV says: "Dip deep." Dip so deep that you can mentally imagine that the super soul is going down to the base centre – while in fact it does not. When you make such a deep inhalation, do you know what happens? There will be a deep exhalation. Without a deep inhalation there can be no deep exhalation. Through a deep inhalation and a deep exhalation, there is the ascent of this snake called Kundalini of a 3 1/2 spiralic coils.

So, every inhalation is to bring the Lord down into us. It is the descent of the Lord into us, and every exhalation is our ascent into the Lord. When we conduct deep inhalation and exhalation, slow, uniform and soft, for 15 minutes a day, we will see the change in our own being immediately. We will find the light in our body, because we have worked out a bridge between the two. This process has many advanced steps. They will happen in due course of time. But it is important to see that at least 21 times, 24 times or 27 times or as many times as we can beyond 27, we keep making these deep inhalations and exhalations. And imagine that each time we are inhaling, it is the great life that is entering into our body, the vessel, or the space outside entering into the space inside of a pot. And each time we are exhaling, imagine that the space inside the pot is meeting the space outside. It is like keeping the doors open for the space outside the house and inside the house to meet each other.

This passage has to be consciously established. The building up of this passage is what is called building the Antahkarana. It is called 'building a bridge between the two' by Master CVV. This is what is

given in the Old Testament as Jacob's ladder. What happens on Jacob's ladder? There is the descent of the Devas, angels or arch-angels from the ladder. They came down to Earth from heaven through the ladder. And there is the ascent of the human into the Deva kingdom through the ladder. It is a ladder that enables ascent and descent. That ladder is very beautifully arranged in our own being as our vertebral column. It is a very limited understanding that makes us believe that the vertebral column is a calcium stick around which the whole skeleton is built, like the chassis of a vehicle. It is also an understanding, but it is a limited understanding. The higher understanding relating to vertebra tells us that it has an autobahn built inside for the Devas to descend and for the humans to ascend. You see, when we move in Alps, we will find that from one side of the mountain to the other side they build such good tunnels. This tunnel which is there in the vertebra is so wonderfully described in the scriptures of the East.

There is movement of air in-between the whole passage enabling movement of consciousness from above downwards and from below upwards. It is like boring the tunnel from both sides. That is what we call spiritual practice. You bore the mountain on either side and in-between they meet. Through each inhalation the great life is entered through the channel, and through every exhalation from the other side the human consciousness ascends through the channel. This is how through Pranayama the two are made to meet. That is why Pranayama has gained such great importance in spiritual practice. It is the chief life meeting the life in the body. Master CVV called the chief life as 'merry life', because essentially the consciousness is merry making. We have known how merryful it is and how cheerful it is to listen to the stories about Krishna and how the whole thing is a merry-making game. That is why Master CVV calls the super soul 'merry life'. We also become merry in so far as we are in touch with that merry life. One method is practice of love, another method is practice of Pranayama.

Another method is the utilisation of the sun rays of Capricorn. Capricorn provides through its dawn certain peculiar sun rays. The rays contain a special nature. The human consciousness and the divine consciousness together are supplied through the rays of Capricorn. I told you that Capricorn is the dawn of the year. Every dawn provides such opportunity, and especially the dawn of Capricorn. The Rig Veda contains thousands of hymns about the dawn, and the Veda says that in spite of so many hymns it could not explain the dawn. The potency of these energies that are transmitted through the sun rays of the dawn is more recommended to be experienced than expressed. They contain what we call the energies of the 5th group of celestials. 5th group is the meeting point which includes the spirit and matter in their refined form, where man and God meet in the higher mind, Buddhi.

That is why through Gayatri we always say: "Let there be more manifestation of Buddhi in us. The seers were much more intelligent than what we imagine of them. They said 'Dhiyo Yo Naha Prachodayat' which we say every morning and every evening: Let there be more Buddhi manifest. It means: We are asking for a meeting point of the two. This is what happens daily during the dawn hours. The sun rays during the dawn contain these two aspects of the consciousness. That is what is called the 5th group of celestials, the pentagonal Devas or the Devas of the Buddhistic plane. They are capable of attracting the forms and are also essentially the spirit. They can recollect forms that are there on the planet. They can recollect forms around the spirit which they are in essence. It is a state of awareness where there is the happy blending of the form and the spirit.

The dawn of Capricorn gives us these energies on a daily basis, so that in one stroke we bring the two together. In other words: the bridge is well built. And then there is the brilliant arc as a bridge built between pineal gland and pituitary body. Hence, the strong recommendation of the scriptures is the use of these sun rays. They enable a meeting place for man and God. It is called the meeting of Nara and Narayana. Nara means the man and Narayana the omnipresent consciousness. Nara is the localised consciousness. We are all conscious of ourselves. But we are not conscious of that which is permeating all around us. When a meeting takes place between the all-pervading consciousness and the localised consciousness, there is the expansion of the localised consciousness into the surroundings. So, the limited life becomes chief life or merry life. Thereafter the life appears different and it gives greater splendour and grandeur, and we see what an opportunity it is to be born as a human being.

The scriptures say:

"It is a rare opportunity that is given to one to be born as a human being."

Among all created beings the human being is the rarest one. It is difficult to be obtained. What an ignorance to throw away the life as it is given to us. When you are given the most cherished opportunity and you just throw it away, than the man is no better than the swine. Mostly it is like swine being given pearls. What does the swine do, when pearls are given to it? It can do nothing. So is the case with many human beings. The purpose being born as a human being is well understood, if this importance of human frame is understood. Let us make the best use of the given opportunity, and let us not lose time in other things – in all these animal passions, the passion of sex, the passion of jealousy, the passion of hatred, the passion of irritation, the passion to possess. So many other things are so useless to us, and we are pulled down by them.

To appreciate what this opportunity is, we are given this lesson. Let us make good use of the human frame and let us not think that we have a right for it. It is given to us just to see how we behave with it. If we don't behave well, it will not be given to us again. There is a wrong notion in the West that when you

are born as a human, you will be born as human always at all times. Please don't get frightened, when I tell you that we also have other perceptivities. We could be born as scorpions or as snakes for some time, when we spill too much poison. And if we suffer from too much ferocities, we could be born as tigers. The kind of animal instincts we show in the human frame will be thrown into those forms once again. As far as the ancient Indian scriptures are concerned, they are very uncompromising of this aspect: Let no being be stationed at a place, where it does not deserve to be.

So, the Darwinian theory finds its exception in the scriptural doctrines. Just like we work out to get forward we can also work out to get backwards. Let the purpose of life be well understood. That is why Master Djwhal Khul gave us the invocation: Let purpose guide the little wills of men, so that all our thoughts, speeches and actions be purposeful. And let us understand that this human frame is an excellent vehicle offered to us. It is the best model available on the planet. There is no better model as this one. Let us not have complaints and find the splendour and grandeur of life. When these two meet, man and God in the body, the nature which we call the individual nature transforms itself into divine nature. So, it is for us to transcend from the material nature to the spiritual nature. While being in material, we can remain spiritual.

That is why it is said in the scriptures that the Lord has two wives: one wife represents matter, the other wife represents matter divine. And the Lord stays with these two ladies alternately. Now the symbolism of the story is well understood with this background. We can stay with the material nature or we can also stay with the spiritual nature in the same frame which we call the human body. That is why we have the Lord in that symbol called Venkateshvera, and there are two ladies in his heart, one is called the Mother of the Earth and the other the Mother divine. In Sanskrit they are called Bhudevi and Sridevi. He stays with both, because both exist in him. That is why they are shown existing in his heart. And he is also existing in them.

Let us continue in our process of learning relating to Capricorn.

It is said that Cancer is the gateway for the birth of beings, and Capricorn is the gateway for the death. This is the normal understanding. But the spiritual understanding is that Capricorn is the gateway for birth into the material kingdom. As everything is understood in an inverted fashion, the death that Capricorn denotes is the death of matter and birth of spirit. One rises in spirit only, when one is able to overcome the conditioning of the matter. We always mean the death of the body and not the death of the spirit. It is foolish to think that we die, when the body dies. That is why a man who has no fear of death is a man who is fit to enter into the spiritual kingdom. When death is understood to be something terrible, something avoidable, we will try to hold the door. Instead of opening the door and seeking entrance, we want to close it still further. Unless we open the door of matter, there is no scope for entrance into greater life.

Death to matter is an essential precondition for the birth of the spirit. It is very hard to understand this truth. Let us examine our own attitude in relation to this aspect, whether we are really inclined for a spiritual entrance. It is one of the greatest inversions that a spiritualist suffers from. He does not want to die to the material, but he wants to enter into the spiritual kingdom. Although in theory he believes that he is spirit and the body is the vehicle, but in his own core of consciousness he has not realised it.

So, there has to be a proper understanding of death, before we think of any spiritual exercises or spiritual training. When we are so much body conscious, when we are so much conscious of our own view points and our own desires and yet make spiritual practices, we are in a state of incompatibility. Matter and spirit are together, no doubt, but if we wish to enter into spirit, we should be prepared to get detached from matter. When a total detachment is offered as an opportunity, can I say that I would not like it? It would mean that I am working against my own efforts.

That is why I give the example to walk through the gateway to greater life. The man thinking that he is opening the door, he holds it so very tightly and complains that in spite of his efforts he is not able to walk into greater life. He does not want to open the door, the door which binds him inside the material.

We are also told that the star Kefus is located in the constellation of Capricorn. It is in this constellation, where the judgement takes place. All those who are buried in matter are called for judgement, when Sun enters into this constellation. Think of all graveyards that we have desperately built around some dead bodies! Capricorn is for them, because they are buried deep in matter. We make sure that they don't escape, nail their coffin and say: "May the soul rest in peace." See, how foolish we are in our own expression. We say: "It is conditioning to be buried in matter", and we bury people very deep in matter. Luckily they don't get buried, because nature has definitely wiser plans than what we have. So, we will not remain in that body which is buried under the earth. The soul escapes and the body finds its own integration into earth. The moment which we call detachment of spirit from body or departure of the soul from body, the air meets the air outside, the fire meets the fire outside, the water inside gradually meets the water outside, the space meets the space outside, and only the matter takes a little more time for its integration into the matter of the earth. The man escapes the moment the life force has disconnected the soul and the body and only the corpus is taken care of. And we are reaching such situations, where we are building more graveyards than life gardens.

This is an aspect of total ignorance of death which has to die gradually. Understand when the Bible

speaks of the burial of spirit in matter, it speaks of all of us who are conditioned by matter. Also please understand, the day of judgement is for those who are willing to bury the matter and raise in spirit. What kind of judgement will you do for the buried body which is degenerated? Can you judge something which is dead? And what is the consequence of your judgement about a dead thing? To whom are you communicating your judgement? The soul has escaped and found its own entrance into another coffin. You are only trying to judge the empty coffin. And the day of judgement is a big mockery. We think God has such a responsibility to come down to judge all these empty coffins. It is in truth a day of judgement of the soul as to its future plan of action.

A true spiritualist first should believe that he is a coffin with the soul inside. We are in a kind of material encasement with certain holes made at nine points so that we can see outside and thus interact. So, we have to get out of this encasement or, at least while functioning through it, we should not be conditioned by it. This is the first teaching in any spiritual doctrine, because the very foremost teaching in esoteric temples is the teaching about death. Unless this is properly understood, further teaching is futile.

When a person makes entrance into spiritual learning, ask him, if he is prepared to leave his body. If he says, "No, no, not now", then say, "Please come to the temple sometimes later, when you are ready." To enter into the kingdom of God, you cannot enter with the material, desires and viewpoints. You know, it is like walking through a needle's eye. How can you walk through a needle's eye with your body? You have to leave a big load behind, if you are to make this passage. We are not only carrying with us the body, but elephant's loads of desires and thoughts. We arrive at the point of judgement with our elephants and the loads upon the elephants. The man at the needle's eye, the man who guards the entrance gate, says: "No, you cannot enter!" And you ask: "Why?", because you like discussions or because you have some dirty logic. But the other man is not so much interested in your discussions and logic. He says: "Keep trying, I have something else to do, I will not come back." So, you break your head at the entrance point which is like the eye of the needle. And you are waiting there for millions of years, but the man does not come back. Slowly you will understand that you have to leave all that which is around you and enter alone through the eye of the needle.

Those who leave everything behind and then seek entrance, they are kept in a period of waiting. That waiting period is what we call 'walking through the desert'. You know how Moses walked through the desert. Everything was taken from him, and he was sent into the desert. We need not run away and seek some Sahara or Gobi deserts, but the mental attitude has to be like that: to stand free while surrounded. Let us meditate upon this Mantra. Hundred times a day it is recommended, so that things which are surrounding us do not condition us. We are so much conditioned by persons, places and situations in life. It is very difficult for us to stand free. The presence of a person makes us pleasant or unpleasant. Why should it be so? The speech of a person makes us either pleasant or unpleasant. A particular taste of food makes us pleasant or unpleasant. To be warm is pleasant to us in cold weather. To be cool in hot weather is pleasant to us. We have no standard. Whenever there is a change, our throat or stomach is affected. It means that we are hopelessly conditioned beings.

With that kind of conditioning it is not possible to make any entry into the kingdom of God. We should try, while we are surrounded by so many things, whether we can live with or without them – without a change in vibration! When there is a change in vibration, understand, that we are a hopelessly conditioned being and that the way is too far from us. That is what Krishna tells us: "A man who is conditioned by heat and cold, conditioned by the five senses, and conditioned by his own thoughts, he has to die from them." Dying from them is more important than dying in another way. When you die from them, you will live beyond matter.

Let us not make a wrong understanding of spiritual training, that we should learn something more than what we are today – the process is a fine process of unlearning. It is not to gather something more. It is already everything in you. You have to get rid of something which is unnecessary. Instead of gathering you should have to renounce. That is what is recommended. We speak of renouncing so many things externally. But what is expected from us is an internal renunciation: a mental renunciation, a mental detachment – then it makes no difference whether you are in splendour or out of splendour. This kind of attitude is more important. Understand that we are all souls buried in matter and that we have to raise from the matter. In fact we are dead, but we are saying that life is dead. So, we have to invert the process. Let us burn up all our material conditionings. That is why burning up is more recommended in the East than burying. We are already buried, and we have to burn up the conditioning to rise in spirit. Let us be sure that, when we are buried, we are not inside the graveyard. The burial which the scriptures speak of is an entrance of man into matter. This is what the Bible tells us as 'man taking to the coats of skin'. When we take to coats of skin and the coat is so finely stitched, we do not know where it is stitched.

Capricorn tells us that you rise from this buried situation, and every dawn tells us: "Please get up." That is how we rise in the morning from sleep. There is some point at which we rise during the morning. There is a further rise for instance in spiritual training. This is for that reason Bhagavad Gita contains as its very first lesson the concept of death. Leaving the body should not be understood as death, but entrance into greater life. That is what Krishna says: "Don't think that they are all dead by your fighting with them. You

are only releasing them from their conditioning. They are so very desperately conditioned. You are doing a good job by relieving them from that kind of conditioning, so that we give them a fresh opportunity to work out."

This is a lesson coming from Capricorn. During the waiting period we are made to become introspective, to reorient our values. Our commercial values get reoriented to natural values. Normally, we carry commercial values in a material world. When we are deserted, then the values keep changing. Moses was deserted, Jesus was deserted, Rama was deserted. Take the life of any initiate! There is a period of being deserted. That means, he has to stay alone, to stand upon his own self as a support. All external supports are withdrawn from him, so that he supports himself from within. A person can be called a complete man, if he finds support within himself and not outside.

If there are persons who support me, I feel great. That is the law of the material world. The law of the spiritual world is that you are self-supporting and a support for many. Today Jesus the Christ is a great support to millions of people. And he is only an example of an initiate. Every initiate is like that. An initiate does not seek any support externally. There may be many who think that they are supporting him. More often the disciples think that they are supporting the Master. Poor Master, what will happen to him, if I don't support him! The Master looks at the disciples and smiles at them. These fellows receive so much support from the Master, but feel that they are supporting him.

This waiting period is the period, where man gains the real values of life. Who supported Moses in the desert? Only the life force within. Then he had to wait quite a bit thereafter.

Each time we do an act of sacrifice or an act of relinquishment which no one has asked us to do, we look at the frame of the Lord whom we have chosen. It is a great amusement to him, when we do like this, because even the act of sacrifice or relinquishment is with expectation. And we keep doing acts of relinquishment, acts of service, acts of sacrifice, and nothing comes to us. Only to make us understand, that, if we are expecting anything, nothing will come. There has to be a kind of internal burning or introspection that should take place till such time, that we have no complaints while doing acts of relinquishment, acts of sacrifice or service. We should be able to wait, wait without complaining, wait without being impatient. The more the period of waiting increases, the more the face shrinks. Such people are not given entrance into the kingdom. Moses waited like that, and Jesus waited like that.

When such waiting period is accepted without complaining, without impatience, and without disturbance, then man finds the light which we call the 'burning bush' upon the Mount Sinai. The burning bush makes itself visible. What is the name of that bush? The name of the bush is I AM. Its true translation in Sanskrit is Aham. Abraham, Maham, Brahman – these are all names of the One. In that period of silence and in that period of loneliness, the sound manifests itself, the light manifests itself, not externally on some mountain, but internally upon the mount of the heart lotus. Then begins the journey. Then starts the ascent. That is not the ending of things. We think we have reached the goal, when it happens. But that is the beginning of life. Before that it was crucifixion in matter. After that it is release from the matter. Hence the ascent starts.

The ascent from Capricorn continues till Cancer. That is what is called the divine arch, and the royal arch is from Cancer to Capricorn. It is the birth of the soul into matter. Its continuance in matter is called the royal arch. The birth into spirit is called the second birth. The second birth which is the birth into spirit is called Dvija in Sanskrit. Dvija means a Brahmin. A Dvija is one who is twice-born: he is born into spirit while he is in the body. All those who are born into Brahmin families are not Dvijas or the twice-born. The twice-born is the one who is born again into spirit, while he was already born into matter.

When he is born into spirit, there is the birth of the grand light in the heart center, and it is that light that spreads outside in a pentagonal form. In a pentagonal form it expresses itself, and slowly makes possession of the mind and the five senses. What happens when there is fire in the bush? It slowly spreads around. What is the agency that makes it spread? It is air. So, it is the Aquarian air that spreads the Capricornian bush. The bush is put to burn through the period of waiting, and the fire that is caught in the bush is made to spread through the Aquarian air. The air makes the fire spread, and that is what happens with light lit inside when we walk into Aquarius. See, we should first have fire and then have air, so that the fire we carry spreads in the air. Without that kind of fire emerging in us, if we walk into air, we are only swept away with the air.

The opportunity of Aquarius is well experienced, if the opportunities of Capricorn are fully exploited. This is how Moses found the burning bush, and it spread in him. It also happens in every true seeker. It expresses itself through mind, because having found its point of emergence, it slowly spreads into mind. This is what is called 'the light of the soul functioning through mind'. How does the mind function? It functions through the five senses. So, mind manifests in a five-fold fashion. It is the functioning of this light through mind and senses which establishes the robe which is called the white robe.

The white robe slowly forms itself from within. It has its centre in the heart lotus, and that centre is called the breast jewel. If you see the high priests, they carry a breast jewel upon a white robe. It is carried by all high priests. That is only an exoteric manifestation. But for an initiate the breast jewel is inside as the centre of the heart lotus. The robe is also inside, and it manifests through the five senses. Each time they look, it is the manifestation of that light. Each time they speak, it is manifestation of that light. Each time

they work through the five senses, it is only the working of the light from within outside.

This is how the light functions through them, and they remain a channel for it. Hence their acts are carried out in silence and in harmony, so that the functioning is more effective. The matter of their body does not obstruct the functioning of the pentagonal star. It is the pre-manifestation of light from the centre through the mind and senses into the objectivity. When the robe is given, man is totally protected from within. He is supported from within. What for? Not to just enjoy but to work with it! Then comes the task of saving others. Moses did not settle down in some forest after the Lord appeared to him in the heart centre nor Jesus was happy and contented with the white robe built within. The task was given to them to save others. Only initiates who have been able to build up the white robe are the anointed ones that can save others. Those who just put on a white robe with no white robe inside are only pretentious of saving others. Understand, that only an initiate who has developed enough light inside can save others, because he knows, that he is not the saviour, but he carries the saviour in him. An initiate is the one who completely knows that it is the One inside that saves others. And he only stands as his instrument for saving others. That is why Jesus always referred to "my glorious white robe of strength". He said: "It is this robe that shall save you all hereafter. Even after me, it is this robe that saves you all."

See, how much good business is happening on the planet because of Christianity. So many white robes are being sold to so many priests, fathers, brothers, monks etc. But the celestial tailor is waiting, if anyone would like to take his robe. But we are looking to the tailors externally and seeking white robes, and we are running after white robes in the name of Christ. Also the business men are making white robes in the name of Christ. Even commercially all are kept happy with the white robes.

But the white robe referred to by Jesus is the robe that is built from within outside. Putting on that white robe he moved out. That means, from the centre of the heart, the Lord consciousness which is called the Father in the Heaven functioned through the body or the vehicle of Jesus, because the soul which we call Jesus has become the vehicle for the Father, the spirit. The spirit which we call Christ functioned through the soul called Jesus. Each time Jesus moved out, it is the moving out of the Father, or the spirit, or the Christ through the vehicle called Jesus or the soul. And Jesus instructed: "Never move out without putting on the white robe."

It means, whenever you externalise into mind, senses and body, externalise through speech and action, please put on the white robe. This is also differently understood. If you see the fathers in the churches, inside their chambers they put on pants and shirts of different colour. And when they come out, they put on the white robe, because Jesus said, "When we go out, we should put on the white robe." Going out according to Jesus is different from going out according to normal terminology. Every dawn is for going out. As we get up, we are getting out, from the centre of our existence, we are externalising. Externalising into thought, speech and action, externalising through mind, senses and body, do not leave the robe aside and walk out. It is more important to put on the robe, when you are externalising. There is no need of the robe, when you are withdrawing into the centre. But exactly the opposite we keep doing.

We are putting on the robe, when we are silent, when we are sitting in some corner in the name of meditation, and leave it in the meditation hall, when we come out. Ingenious as we are, it is impossible for the Lord to work with us. And we say: "We are doing what Jesus said. We are exactly doing what the scriptures tell us." But we do not understand at all what the scriptures tell us. Just because we know the alphabet of a language, we cannot claim to understand the scriptures. That is how each one of us conveniently quotes the scriptures in support of our acts of ignorance. But an initiate is different. He puts on the robe every time he externalizes, and therefore he remains the saviour. He never claims to be a saviour, because those who claim to save can never save. And those who save will never claim, because they know that they cannot claim. It is the Father functioning through them.

Something we have to understand from this. Saving others is not possible, unless one has saved himself. Saving himself is called 'submitting himself to the spirit'. One is called 'a submitted one', when he has covered himself with this white robe. At all times he allows the light to function through and he submits his mind, senses and body to it. It is this submission of mind, senses and body to the light within which was demonstrated by Jesus and Moses. I frequently speak of these two names, because you know their stories well. There are hundreds of stories in the East, and all the stories of the initiates have the same chapters.

When Jesus did it, he did it in that submission, and when Arjuna did it, he did it in that submission. The ultimate lesson given by Krishna to Arjuna is in the 18th chapter which is the last chapter: "Leave aside all that you know and take refuge in Me totally. I shall function through you and liberate you from all your conditioning. There is nothing better than this. Take it or leave it!" This is how he has finally instructed Arjuna. Arjuna submitted himself, and hence he carried out acts which could not be carried out even by the divine beings. This is what Islam also says. What is the meaning of Moslem? The meaning of Moslem is 'the submitted one'. The one who is submitted to that One Lord is called a Moslem. But if we do other things in the name of God, we make a mockery of the whole thing.

What is initiation? It is the process of entering into. The root meaning of initiation is to enter into. We have to enter into our own being, find the fiery bush, then with the help of air or Pranayama spread it into

mind, senses and body and make yourself a vehicle for the fire to function through. This kind of functioning through is what is recommended.

There are many persons and groups of persons who think of saving others. Is it not a big joke? It appears to me as the biggest joke of the century that we think of saving others without ourselves getting into it. First we have to walk through the desert and learn during the period of waiting tolerance, patience, compassion and love, and when these divine qualities are learnt for their own sake, not for the sake of getting some things, there is the birth of light within, a process of kindling takes place.

After the birth takes place, the birth in spirit, then also the initiate waits till it gains the support of air and spreads it through the whole being and establishes itself as a five-pointed star within. Then he knows that he carries within light that saves others. He has no glamour of himself saving others, so that he moves according to the direction of the star, he speaks according to the direction of the star, he heals according to the direction of the star, he teaches according to the direction of the star, and he kindles according to the direction of the star. He does not only kindle, he sometimes kicks according to the direction of the star. He kindles some who are ready and kicks others who are causing a disturbance to the harmonious state of living.

When Jesus kicked the business man in the temple of Jerusalem, can we say that he was irritated? Can we say that he was impatient? Can we say that he was angry? It was neither irritation, nor anger, nor impatience, but it was the direction of the Lord for establishment of harmony. In establishing harmony, peace and law, it requires sometimes that people have to be removed from their bodies.

That is what Krishna demonstrated. If there is some malignant part in the body and it is spreading itself cancerously throughout the body, can we leave the malignancy inside the body in the name of love? Is it not real love to cut open and take out the malignancy, so that a greater whole is saved from the nonsense of a small part? If that is not called love, you cannot call surgery as an act of love and service. Love is misunderstood and it is mostly emotional love. If a doctor thinks, "How can I give an injection, it will pain the other person and I am told not to pain others" is a wrong understanding of love. To save the person it does not matter even if you prick a little bit.

See, how the mother trains the child. Can we say that a mother holds no love for her child? Sometimes it becomes necessary that the mother uses a slap on the cheek or on the bottom. She uses a place which is not too dangerous, and at the same time she tries to bring the child to order. It requires greater understanding of love to do such things. That is why they kindle and also kick according to the need. Sometimes it appears that through kicking you can kindle, and the whole thing is done by the light from within. The man who stands for it only witnesses the splendour of it, and he remains continuously experiencing the joy relating to the functioning of the light.

So, all journey starts with the dawn in Capricorn. The divine arch is built from this point, so that we enter the West in the month of Cancer. It is very nice that we meet in the East in Capricorn and in the West in Cancer. It seems it is according to a plan. So, we build the divine arch from Capricorn to Cancer so that we walk through the royal arch from Cancer to Capricorn. Walking through the royal arch can be a grand experience to those who have realised the divine arch. The divine arch in Sanskrit is called Makara Thorana. That is what we see around the head of a divine person. You will see a white arch built around the head of Mary or Jesus – that is the arch of Capricorn or the arch of Makara which is called Makara Thorana in Sanskrit. This is one more aspect of Capricorn.

We have been entering into the various aspects of Capricorn. We have been speaking about the robe and the emergence of the robe from within, from the heart lotus into our being through the will, the mind, the senses and the body. The colour of the robe is white, but the true colour in the beginning is of pale yellow. On a full moon day – as the Moon rises in the East, while the Sun is setting in the West – you find the Moon in a kind of pale yellow colour. It is the first colour of this robe. Slowly as the Moon rises, it becomes white, and then it gets a kind of silvery white. The moonlight pleases all and does not burn anyone unlike the sunlight. Its light soothes the beings. It is the soothing effect that you get through the moonlight. It has not only a soothing effect on the body, it has much more soothing effect on the mind. That is why full moon is interconnected with the mind of the beings. That is why full moons are recommended for proper utilisation by the mind. The full moon aspect, when fully grasped by the mind helps the mind to round up its angles.

We have all been meditating for many years on the full moon day, and there need not be a repetition of the importance of full moon now. It is enough, if we just recollect that the full moon will fill our mind with some kind of soothing effect. It is a process of rearrangement and reorientation of the mind. Reorientation is towards consciousness, because full moon represents Moon's total orientation to the Sun. That kind of orientation when it happens to us is called 'the birth of the pale yellow robe in us'.

That is how on a full moon day there is the birth of the robe for the planet and also for the planetary beings who know how to utilise the various phases of the Moon. If our mind can remain like the full moon, understand, that we have become eligible to receive the robe. The phases of the Moon should have no effect on our mind. Then only it can be said that we have transcended the cycles of Moon. We all know that Moon as a planet has its moods. On two days it is never the same, each day it has a different angle and measure of light. Sometimes it grows in light, sometimes it reduces in light. It is

always changing.

The Moon and its changing measures of light is well compared in the scriptures to the monkey which never stays stable. It keeps jumping from one branch to another, from one tree to another. Never it remains stable, and never it has the quietude to enjoy something. It is always busy, but no job is done thoroughly. If you observe, we learn quite a bit about our mind. The first and foremost task, that we have to face is to deal with monkeys. If we can tame this monkey and reduce its inconsistencies, then only we are fit to receive the robe. What does a monkey do? It jumps on a branch of the tree, picks up a fruit, eats only a bit of it, throws it away and jumps on another branch, picks up another fruit, only to give a bite and to throw it away. Nowhere it eats the fruit fully.

The purpose of landing upon a tree is to experience the fruit. So, we are also landed upon the tree of life to experience the fruit of life, and that fruit is as sweet as ambrosia. But have you been able to eat the fruit? Having landed upon the tree, we have also not been able to experience the taste of the fruit, because like the monkey we are jumping from tree to tree and branch to branch. This aspect of monkey is the aspect of mind and is also the aspect of the changing moon phases. In so far as our mind changes on a daily basis, we are very well conditioned by the Moon.

It is very difficult for the monkey to relax. You see the movements of the monkey? Very swift, but though they are so swift, they don't have a direction, the swift movement has no continuity in it. That is the point. If the swift movement is also coupled with continuity, you gain space and time.

Then you become Hanuman, the Aquarian manifestation. His swift movement has enabled him to move even in the air, because his movement has continuity. All monkeys are not Hanuman, because other monkeys have no continuity. That is why our first challenge is our own mind. Unless we overcome our own self-imposed limitations, we cannot be said to be full moons. The ability to overcome comes from the churning of Saturn. Only Saturn gives us the required discipline to keep the mind stable. Saturn is the most slow-moving planet among the seven planets, and it keeps moving slowly but surely. The surety of Saturn can have no one else, because Saturn is excellent in details. It does not proceed a kilometre forgetting something behind.

Suppose, we proceed a kilometre ahead and forget that which we have to carry with us. We have to go back. Can we say that the kilometre we covered is progress? Saturn only makes a few metres, but there is no forgetfulness about Saturn. Even if it covers 10 metres a day, there is no looking back. If you are looking back, understand, that Saturn is not strong in the horoscope. If you have to come back to pick up certain things, it means, you have to work more with Saturn. If you forget things which are vital, understand, that you have to work more with Saturn. If you are not good in details, understand, that you have to work with Saturn.

You intend to meet your lover at the airport. For that reason you bought beautiful flowers in the morning, because you know that your lover enjoys the flowers. You hurry to the airport leaving the flowers at home. Suddenly on the way to the airport you remember the flowers. Then what will happen? You will miss one or two beats of the heart. You started as a full moon and when you remember that you forgot the flowers, you become half moon. And then you meet your lover at the airport. She is very peculiar. Her first question will be: "Where are the flowers?" So, the half moon becomes new moon.

This is how lack of details will make man suffer. If we know the detail, it is easy to understand. If we know in detail how to work with others, it gives more understanding. In speech, in thought and in action we see that there are changing vibrations in us. Mostly they are reflected upon the face. Even though we hide them from our speech, the face keeps speaking. That is why it is easy for the Masters to speak to the face than to the person. It is not speaking actually, it is listening to the face. When the Master makes a look at a person, he sees in which phase he is today: in the ascending moon phase or descending moon phase, in the 1st or 10th phase. Even though it is the 10th moon phase outside, it may not be 10th moon phase with us. So, we have to work with Saturn.

The ability to identify one's own deficiencies is the first step towards discipleship. We are experts in seeing others' limitations. We never look to our own being and see what limitations we carry. That is why the first step is: Ignore others' limitations and look to your own limitations! You have nothing to do with others' limitations, and you have everything to do with your own limitations. We try to hide our own limitations and put up a very nice outside. But sometimes some of these limitations cannot be hidden. Hence we try to say that they are virtues, not limitations. Suppose, I speak very harsh - it is a limitation. Suppose, I speak with irritation - it is a limitation. Instead of understanding that it is a limitation, there are many people who take pride in their own irritated utterances, in their own emotional utterances. If you tell somebody that through his speech he is hurting others, he will answer that this is his way to speak straight. It means, the person is not willing to look to his own limitations. Suppose, I have a limitation relating to coffee. Then I make it a virtue saying that so-and-so also drank coffee. Man deceives himself with his own limitations calling them as virtues.

Please make note: Don't point out to anyone their limitations. It is like putting your finger into the plug socket. It will shock you very heavily depending upon the current that is passing through that plug. If it is a power plug, you will have to suffer a bit. So, don't poke into others' limitations. Forget about it totally. Understand that every day is an opportunity to work out our own limitations and transcend them with will.

This is how a man who turns inward looks to himself and starts eliminating that which is unnecessary in him. When we eliminate that which is unnecessary in us, it is exactly like a sculptor removing the unnecessary stone, so that the beautiful form manifests. We all see a lump of stone, when we go around. To us they are lumps of stone, but to the sculptor he finds a beautiful figure inside. And he sees that this beautiful figure is covered by extra stone. If the extra stone is removed, the beautiful figure is very much there. How are the beautiful statues made? It is not picking up some stones here and there and sticking them in a particular form. It is a very fine and artistic process of eliminating the unnecessary stone to enable the beautiful carving to become expressive and visible.

The building of a temple is possible with stones which are properly shaped. What does a master mason do? He takes every stone into his hands and with his implements he removes that which is unnecessary around the stone and sees that it gains a regular form of a brick according to the size that is needed for the temple. The various angles of the stone are removed, and they are made to suit the other stones already set into the temple wall. This is brotherhood. See, the various bricks that are needed to build the temple. If each brick is different from the other in shape, size and volume, you can never build the temple. There are certain rules of shaping the stone. Every stone has to become a temple stone. The master mason works upon the stone to eliminate the extras.

The extras are what we call the extras we carry in us by way of the negatives. All angles are transformed into right angles. If you see the brick, it has only right angles. When we build these right angles through a process, then we are fit to be used for the building of the temple. So, let us get totally concerned about eliminating our own limitations on a daily basis. This is the work of Mars. That is why a person who turns inward and who has understood his own limitations is the one who started functioning with Saturn in the beginning. If we do not make this kind of recognition of our own deficiencies, understand, that we are working with Moon. Like the phases of the Moon as I have explained, we have ebb and flow on a daily basis. And through Saturnine training we understand that first we have to accept our limitations. Acceptance of limitations by itself is not the end. It is only the beginning to work upon it.

The ability to accept delay, disappointment, discouragement – that ability comes through the Saturnine training. Having accepted and having made a list of limitations, we have to work to overcome them. When we show inclination to work upon ourselves, it means, that we are sincerely interested to become less imperfect. On a daily basis we have to work to see that we grow less and less imperfect. Let us not aggrandise ourselves trying to work to be more and more perfect. When we are perfect, there is no such thing as more perfect. So, we have to be less imperfect on a daily basis and tracing perfection as an ideal. Only when we reach the ultimate and absorb in the ultimate, then we are perfect. In spiritual understanding there is no such thing as being more perfect. After the statue is perfectly prepared, there is no such thing as making it more perfect unless you spoil it.

The sincere inclination to become less and less imperfect enables us to reorient all our daily attitudes and works. When we are really serious and sincere about it, then we have the grand Master Mars taking hold of us. It is the will of Mars that enables us to overcome. A person who has good placement of Mars in the horoscope will find it easy to work with himself and make himself less and less imperfect.

There is an Ashram on the planet Mars whose representatives are working on this planet. They look for souls who wish to become less and less imperfect. When they find some consistency in their effort, they start helping from an invisible plane. There are schools on this planet right from ages. Into these schools all the sincere seekers are recruited. Then they are given instructions in the sub-conscious plane. If Jesus disappeared for some time, it was into these schools he disappeared, before he returned to demonstrate love. When HPB disappeared for twelve years, it was into these schools she disappeared. These schools exist eternally, and you have their representatives scattered all over the globe. Regardless the cult or the religion you follow, the inclination to work upon yourself will help making a contact with these representatives.

Thereafter in the beginning the instructions are given during the sleep hours. They are held in sub-conscious levels and they manifest as some good thoughts. Each time you get out of sleep, certain good and constructive thoughts occur to you which are none others than the instructions received in the sub-conscious plane during the sleep hours, when you were in school. That is how you are guided from a mysterious school, and you work more and more to become less and less imperfect.

This is the work of Mars, and Mars is the Lord of Scorpio. When we turn inward, we are reversing the wheel. For all true seekers Scorpio gives the required training. For the average man Scorpio is deep indulgent and passionate. Animal magnetism is very high with Scorpio. Scorpio does not express that which he is inside, because he is so deep. But inside he has passion for sex, he has passion for self-recognition. The pride of Scorpio is something which is very high. The pride of Leo is also high, but it cannot be hidden. So, people are safe with Leo. But the pride of Scorpio is so hidden that people do not know that he wants to be praised. In the outer layers he shunts everything, but his inside is totally different.

We all know that the key note of Scorpio is secrecy. It is a good virtue. If man turns spiritual, even his spiritual unfoldment is very secretive. That is the beautiful side of Scorpio that the unfoldment is not made visible. He secretly works upon his limitations, when he reverses the wheel. The reversal of the

wheel makes a man to grow. From Capricorn he travels to Scorpio, and in Scorpio it is Mars, the Lord of Scorpio, who works upon him. He learns self-discipline. He disciplines himself, and as he looks back year after year he finds that he is growing. If he looks back and he does not find himself growing, understand, that he is not in the process of reversal. Working upon himself through the power of Mars and with the help of the esoteric schools that are there on the planet conducted under the guidance of Master Morya, he will slowly get rid of the limitations to a large extent.

That is why Master Djwhal Khul wrote through Bailey that all the new age schools are under the direct guidance of Master Morya. If we settle some school in the name of Master Morya or a university in the name of Master Morya, it does not work. When there is already a university who are you to establish another in the name of Master Morya? The entry into this university is not through a paper application. The entry into this school is through your mental application, through a mental resolution that you shall work upon yourself, that you shall eliminate the angularities, that you shall develop right angles to become one of the bricks of the temple.

The Lord of Mars, Saravanabhava, and all this wisdom has to be utilised in this way. The Lord of six heads who moves on a peacock vehicle and who holds six varieties of weapons in his six hands, he is in charge of all the training for self-development. In the cosmic plane he is called Lord Subrahmanya, and in another plane he is called Lord Kartikeya. You know Krittikas, the Pleiades. Pleiades are called Krittikas in Sanskrit. He is the Kumara of the Pleiades called Kartikeya. On another plane he is called Vaisakha, and yet on another plane he is called Saravanabhava. These are the names of the Kumaras in different planes of existence.

Scorpio is the opposite sign of Taurus, and you conduct the Vaisakha full moon. Vaisakha is the name of the Kumara. When Sun is in Taurus and Moon in Scorpio, then only the full moon of Taurus takes place, and we call it Vaisakha full moon. The importance is for the constellation in Scorpio. Scorpio is called the North-East of the creation. Why? Capricorn is the dawn. So, it is the East and Cancer is the West. Then Libra is the Nadir or the North, and Aries is the highest point of illumination called South. So, Libra is North and Capricorn is East. Scorpio is in-between Libra and Capricorn, it is in-between North and East and hence it is North-East. It is said to be the most divine direction which is called 'Eshania' in Sanskrit. It is the most sacred of all directions. And Scorpio is located in that direction. So, you receive so much co-operation in the month of Scorpio to enable you to become less and less imperfect.

Please remember, that even Master Djwhal Khul went through this school. Every initiate goes through that school. Then he enters into the path of return, into Libra. The exaltation of Venus in Libra gives this splendour of the creation after the limitations have been overcome. With all our limitations we cannot enjoy beauty. Even if we enjoy, it is momentary and astral. If we go to the sea or look at the Sun and say, "Oh, beautiful!", it is only momentary. That momentary beauty becomes eternal beauty after we have worked out the limitations. Then only the real beauty of the creation is seen. If we have a projector which has limitations to project the movie, the picture that is reflected on the screen cannot be beautiful. When the limitations within are completely removed, we project outside much better. We project so well to see the beauty. We project so well to experience beauty. That is how the disciple reverses the process from Capricorn to Scorpio, from Scorpio to Libra, and then the story goes on from Libra to Virgo, Virgo to Leo, Leo to Cancer.

So, it is Saturn in Capricorn to start with. And the training of Saturn is to overcome limitations. The acceptance of limitations is the first step to work out the limitations, recognition of limitations, acceptance of limitations and then transcending them through an act of will! Recognition and acceptance of limitations is the aspect of Saturn, working out the limitations is the aspect of Mars. That is why Mars is exalted in Capricorn. It is not that someone decided these exaltations and debilitations.

In the Vaisakha Newsletter during this solar year I have given to you all the various planets that take charge of a sun sign according to our level of existence: which planet functions in a sun sign when we are at the individual level, which planet functions when we are at the personal level, and which planet functions when we are at the soul level. It is given for every month in every newsletter on the first page. Each time we go through that sun sign, according to the illumination we have the function with a particular planetary energy. Some people experience Capricorn with all the conditioning of Saturn. Others could be working with Mars. And to others it could be still different. They could be working with Uranus in Capricorn. Then there are the grand Masters who function in Capricorn with Neptune.

It is the degree of illumination and the degree of perfection that decides which planet functions how. Though it is common for all the planetary beings, its experience is different according to the difference in illumination. That is how we have to understand when we are reversing the wheel, that we are taking the second step. Those who are basically mental, basically governed by Moon, when they accept their limitations, they start working with Saturn. Through acceptance of limitations they will be further pushed from within to work out the limitations, and that is working with Mars.

The wheel is reversed and man functions through Scorpio. The working of Mars in Scorpio is complete, when man has overcome sex and passion, strong desires and strong likes and dislikes, and when he has sacrificed everything on the altar, not only his properties, but all his viewpoints. Sacrificing viewpoints is more difficult than sacrificing things. Unless the viewpoints are sacrificed, the view is not made available.

When we are seeing through a hole, the hole conditions the view. 'Viewpoint' means an angle to the vision. It enables us to see only a part of the elephant. When we get out of the viewpoint, the whole elephant is visible. I say 'elephant', because elephant stands for wisdom. Even wisdom cannot be understood in its true sense until and unless we get rid of the viewpoints. That is why sacrifice should culminate in sacrificing viewpoints. When we see what we want to see, we will not see what is there.

Scorpio offers that opportunity for sacrifice. Then we get back into Libra where we have the functioning of Venus and also Saturn. The positives of Saturn get stabilised in us. Libra/Saturn is quite good. Saturn is in its exaltation in Libra and also Venus. So, the beauty of the creation is well seen, when we have stopped seeing what we want to see. If I am a business man and I look at this house, what I want to see is the cost of it. When I am an engineer and I look at the building what I want to see are the columns, the structure and the design. If I am a student of colours what I want to see is the colour of the room, and if I want to see someone in the house, even though I pass through that room, I don't see this room at all. So, when we have wants to see, we only see that which we want. We don't see that which is. The grand Master Sankaracharya said: "What you want to see is illusion. Get rid of the illusion, then you will see what it is."

When you are able to see how it is, you will also see how it is becoming. That is the beauty of the creation. You can see how the flower is becoming from the bud. There is a process of becoming from the bud into the flower. There is also the process of becoming the bud. There is the process of becoming the plant from the seed. And then there is the process of becoming the seed. So, this process of becoming is understood only when the process of 'how it is' is grown aware of.

That is the higher aspect of Saturn which reveals the beauty of the creation to you and which is an aspect of Venus. For an average man who passes through Libra it is nothing but indulgence into senses and the sensuous desires. But for the person who is working towards discipleship and who is retracing the path, the beauty is different from the average man. For the average man beauty is in form and the instinct is to possess it. For a disciple there is no instinct to possess. All beautiful things need not be possessed to experience them. Without possessing them we can still experience them. And the vision of the disciple is so high, that he can also see the becoming. An average man sees beauty in a good rose, and he is impatient during the waiting period till the plant gives a rose. But in the case of a disciple he also enjoys the process of the plant giving out a rose. And it is not that he experiences the beauty through an object. It is the state where he has become beautiful. And hence he easily sees the beauty outside.

That is what I explained through the episode of Krishna, when I spoke to you about the 'trice distorted one' – the girl who was carrying cosmetics to the king. She was trice twisted, only in the form, but inside she was very beautiful. Many of us are beautiful outside and are twisted inside. The internal twist is the lack of cohesion between mind, senses and body. When cohesion and alignment take place between mind, senses and body, the vision changes and beauty reveals itself. There is no identity with the form to experience beauty. We don't need objects to experience beauty, because beauty becomes an attitude of one's own being.

And we experience the true and impersonal love as we find it in the scriptures. It does not need a basis to love. Normally people need a basis to love: a good flower, a good lady or a good breakfast. That is love mundane. Pure love is just being in love. It flows from within, it flows all around, and only love prevails. When we love, we have preferences in loving. I would like to love A, and I would not like to love B. This is what is called personal love. Love becomes impersonal, when we reverse the wheel and make a real entry into Libra. It is one continuous attitude of love towards everything.

The concept of love and the concept of beauty gain their proper understanding and give the proper vision of wisdom. When proper vision of wisdom is given, we enter into Virgo. Who is the Lord of Virgo? In all the planes it is Mercury. It is not only on the individual, personality and soul level – at all levels it is Mercury that functions in Virgo. Then you are fit to receive the wisdom from Mercury. The wisdom gained from Mercury is totally different from the wisdom that is gained through objectivity. Mercury is the grand Master that functions at all planes. The true wisdom is born, the true understanding of service is realised, and the true understanding of love, sacrifice and beauty is understood.

Then the disciple turns into a Master of wisdom and wisdom flows from him. He has no strain of a mental exercise to recollect some wisdom. He need not recollect from Bible or Bhagavad Gita, from the Upanishads or the Vedas, because he becomes That. He becomes wisdom. And wisdom flows. Whatever he speaks, it becomes scripture. Every word and every sentence uttered forth become a scripture and live eternally. If we look to the teachings of Krishna or Christ, Buddha or Master CVV, they never cared that their speeches should be recorded, nor did they care to put it on paper or print anything. It was nature who felt certain pearls being distributed. They should be gathered into a good garland for the benefit of humanity. When Krishna was giving his teachings in the battle field, no one said: "Just a minute please, I want to record." There were no stenographers. Or when Jesus spoke on the mount or in the streets of small villages, he was not worried that all he was speaking was not recorded. People who care that their speeches should be recorded will be mostly buried in the cassettes or buried in the print and are forgotten by humanity. After ten years it is forgotten what a man spoke. But a man of wisdom,

when he speaks, it is preserved by nature. That is how the teachings of Krishna, Christ and Buddha are preserved. They never bothered that their speeches should be preserved, because they know that nature divine can always provide its sons to give that kind of teaching humanity needs. This kind of teaching is impersonal and a Master of wisdom does not carry any glamour of delivering it. Since it is impersonal, it has become eternal. This wisdom keeps flowing when we function as a Master of wisdom.

What is the nearest planet to Sun? Mercury! It is six times more illuminant than planet Earth. And planet Sun carries seven times more illumination than Earth. That is why Mercury can remain near Sun. Planet Earth cannot be nearer the Sun just like Mercury. The whole planet will be absorbed by the illumination of Sun, if it is so near to the Sun. Understand, that Mercury is the 2nd Sun for the solar system. Very often we mistake Mercury as a very small affair. But Mercury is the 2nd Sun, and Venus is twice illuminant than planet Earth. Hence it is called the elder sister of planet Earth.

When the wisdom is complete, Buddhas are born. What is a Buddha? A Buddha is the one who is an embodiment of Buddhi or wisdom. Buddhi, when it is made manifest, it is called the form of Buddha. And the planet Mercury is called Buddha. Buddha is Mercury, Buddhi is wisdom. When the principle of Mercury functions through a person, he is called Buddha.

It is very easy for us to know what is the next step. Having reached Mercury, we step into Sun. From Moon to Saturn, and from Saturn we proceed through the training of Mars into the planetary training of Venus. And from the planetary training of Venus we enter into the planetary training of Mercury in Virgo. Then we get back into Leo to find ourselves as everything. Then there is unique existence. It is called existence as I Am. The scriptural statement becomes true that I AM THAT I AM, and that also I and the One whom we call Sun are None but One. Verily and truly the Sun and I are Brahma, and all is Brahma. All is I AM. Asava dithio Brahma is the statement. This statement becomes a reality, as we enter in the reversed part into Leo, and from the Sun to the real Sun we have to make an entry. Who is this real Sun? Savitri who is the basis for the light of this Sun which is called the centre of the solar systems. That is how we get back into Cancer. And Jupiter is exalted in Cancer. See, Cancer in the beginning is the journey for Moon. We start the journey with Moon in Cancer, and when we reverse the path and get back to Cancer, it is no more Moon, it is Jupiter in Cancer. So, we have reached the real Sun from whom our Sun receives illumination, and through our Sun we travel through all these planetary energies to reach the Earth.

Now we have reversed the process and from Moon we reach the Jupiter. So, what are the steps according to the esoteric or spiritual astrology? From Moon to Saturn, from Saturn to Marsian schools, from Mars to Venus, from Venus to Mercury, from Mercury to Sun, and from Sun to the big Sun called Jupiter or Guru. We say Guru every minute: Guru Brahma, Guru Vishnu, Guru Devo Maheshvara. This Guru is the Jupiterian principle under whose guidance all these solar systems function. It is him we call the Logos of the 2nd ray. When he takes birth in us, then a World Teacher is born. That is why the World Teacher functions in tune and in communion with the 2nd Logos or the 2nd ray. The sound Guru is not a coincidental expression. There is the seed potency and the secret relating to the sound. Guru carries in it the sound of GAM, the sound of RAM, and the sound of U. Gu is GAM + U, and Ru is RAM + U. If you split the sound, GA + U is GU, RA + U is RU. So, Guru is GA, RA and U.

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The creation in which we live is made of two kinds of forces or of two counterparts of the one force. One is called the force of light, the other is called the force of darkness. Together it is the World Mother. She is called Jagadamba. The Mother manifests as the two wives of the One. The Mother in charge of light is called Aditi, and the Mother in charge of darkness is called Diti. Diti means darkness, Aditi means not darkness, light. These are the two wives of the one Lord who is called Kashyapa. Kashyapa means the noumenon. He is the Lord who remains as an observer. He keeps observing, and he gives his energies to the two ladies who are his wives. And the two wives weave the whole creation. This is the beauty of the Lord. He gives energy to the two ladies. Without the Lord, the two ladies cannot function. And when the Lord is there, the two ladies function. Thus the Lord remains in all and allows the ladies to function. The whole creation is the activity of the two Mothers, the Mother of light and the Mother of darkness. And the Lord gives equal support to both. Hence they are able to bring down this creation. There is no preference to one in relation to the other. In creation both are equally required.

This synthesis is available only in the Himalayan wisdom. In every other place on the globe there is a preference to light and against darkness. But it is incomplete wisdom. There cannot be a full moon without a new moon. There cannot be a second day without a night in between. There cannot be always summer, there has to be winter also. Everything that grows has to die. Everything that takes birth has the concept of death. Every beginning has its ending. A wisdom which speaks only half of it and negates the other half is not complete wisdom. If we do not excrete, we cannot eat. Like this, the two energies are equally essential. It is not complete wisdom to denounce darkness and embrace light. By this method we are still conditioned. The synthesis of wisdom is to see how it is and understand that the creation is the play of the forces of light and darkness. There cannot be one without the other. That is why the two ladies are equally loveable to the Lord.

The creation happens upon the background of darkness. How can you feel light unless there is darkness? The Lord is equi-distant to light and darkness, and according to the need he works with light or with darkness. For instance, he works with us during the day through the lady of light and during the night through the lady of darkness. One is called expansion, the other is called consolidation. All expansion has to be consolidated. There cannot be a new expansion without consolidation. If a man continues to expand without consolidation, he will have to fall down upon the beginning. He will come back to square one. Each time he acts it needs to be consolidated. In creation when light functions for expansion, the darkness functions to consolidate. And darkness also functions for return of the creation. This is the cyclic functioning of the two ladies. In the great scripture 'Mahabharata' it is said that a disciple, when he was roaming around the universe, he found two beautiful ladies. One was dressed in black, the other was dressed in white, and both had the same faces. It means that they were twins. One was weaving threads of black colour, the other was weaving threads of white colour. And the whole creation seemed to happen through their interweaving.

Without the two forces nothing can be worked out. To give you a very familiar example. There cannot be manifestation of light without the functioning of the positive and negative currents. We need the positive and negative currents to manifest the light. This is only an example of the functioning of creation. To run away from that which we call darkness is ignorance. The best thing is to be out of it. You neither embrace nor discard light or darkness, but at all times remain equi-distant to the two. What happens to a spiritual learner? He shuns everything that is apparently bad in the society. There are always the two ladies or the two queens functioning and manifesting. The creation itself is the resultant of the two forces. This understanding will make you equi-distant to both. This way you will overcome the cycle of the creation. How does the Lord remain free through the creation? He can stand free inside and outside the creation, because he is equi-distant to both.

In 'Bhagavat Gita' Krishna was asked by Arjuna: "If you are sacred and you say that you are everything, how does this sin come into creation?" Then Krishna says: "I am also sin. I am both sin and the sacred aspect of the creation." People feel ashamed that they also carry sin in them. They only are ashamed to accept that in creation it is to be like that. And sin is mostly misunderstood than understood. It is the by-product that comes out in creation. When creation happens, it happens through a process of combustion. Just like there cannot be an industry without causing some pollution. Just like every car produces its own exhaust gas. We also have exhaust gas, because we also go through the process of combustion on a daily basis.

Krishna was the only one who could say, "I am both", because he is the Lord. If you would like to be like the Lord, learn to be equi-distant to both and escape from the cycles of light and darkness. First we have to understand what light is and then accept that which is the counterpart of light, that which we call the by-product, the exhaust, or the affluent. It is nothing but a part of the total activity. This understanding is most important. That is why the Lord is said to have two ladies: one is dark, one is white. It does not mean that you need to embrace evil. Understand that evil is also part of the creation. You need not grow oversensitive to it. The idea is to make an intelligent understanding of the working of the two forces. In us also they function as the right and the left forces. Yoga is to be centred in-between the two. That is why our vertebra column is in-between the right and the left.

This understanding is needed that the two ladies make the whole activity, and the Lord loves them equally. If you love one more than the other, then you have created enmity with the other. The moment that happens you are out of the centre. To be indifferent and to be compassionate to that which we call low, ignorance, evil or sin is what makes you a master out of a man.

Let us take an example of Jesus, the Christ. Normally no human understanding can help us to accept a prostitute as disciple, because we try to put down that which we think as evil. That is why we are not able to see the soul in the ignorant people or in those whom we call the sinful people. It requires a Christ consciousness to see and to include that which we call sin. There was no one who could accept her. They wanted her body but not her. What kind of civilians is it to make use of others' body and to disown the soul? Most of the civilians are like that. They only squeeze and then leave the soul. But a Master is one who accepts the soul and also accepts the body of the soul. It is not just accepting the soul and rejecting the body. It is like saying: "I love you at your soul level, but please don't come near."

Christ did not speak like that to Magdalena. In fact, he allowed her to stay very near to him giving enough

opportunity to critics to vomit their ignorance. And he rejoiced, when people were vomiting so much. Masters of wisdom have their own level of humour. They rejoice, when others criticise them, because they know how ignorant the others are. Jesus knew that even among the disciples there was some suspicion: Why the Master gives such nearness to this prostitute? There were so many rumours about Mary Magdalena and Jesus. And he allowed people to have their own understanding. He did not bother to keep her away while loving her on the soul level. This is how a Master accepts that which is good and that which is evil together.

That is why we have a festival on which we take the sweet and the bitter together. Just to make a proposal that I accept that which is sweet and that which is bitter in life.

So, the two ladies, Diti and Aditi, in communion with the Lord Kashyapa started begetting children. You know what happened? They gave birth to children of light and children of darkness. The two were fighting with each other, and their fighting resulted in creation.

See, we have the vertebra column and the right and the left side. Pingala, the right side, is ruled by the positive (solar) energies, and Ida, the left side, is ruled by the negative (lunar) energies. Soli-lunar energies function from one centre. That is how the body carries the soli-lunar energies making its own manifestation. Understand, when something is wrong on your left side, something is wrong with your functioning of the lunar energies. In the same way, when something is wrong on your right side, something is wrong with your solar energies. The vertebra column in which we have the Sushumna is equi-distant to both, Ida and Pingala. When you are at vertical level, the functioning of the right and the left will be good. Otherwise you fall to the right or to the left. Even when you stand, you stand more on one foot than on the other. These are the clues to understand which energy is heavier in you. (Anyway, this is a separate subject.)

So, Diti and Aditi gave birth to children. There was an agreement between the children: one worked to manifest light and the other worked to manifest darkness. It was like the two players of one game. They keep interacting and consequently we have the creation. Without soli-lunar functioning together there is no manifestation. Without man and woman together there is no creation of a child. It is true at all planes: call it man or woman, negative or positive, light or darkness, the Lord or the World Mother. Sometimes in the game one takes upper hand over the other. Then what is to be done? Whoever takes upper hand, there is the disturbance to the equilibrium, and the Lord has to come down to set once again the equilibrium. Sometimes one gains greater power over the other. Then there is imbalance. So, the Lord has to come down to give a new balance. That is what Krishna said: "I come down periodically when there is disturbance to Dharma."

This is what we call 'the functioning of the 2nd ray energy'. In the ancient scripture this energy is named as Vishnu, and in the mythology of the West it is named as Crestos. Vishnu or Crestos exist in all planes of existence. Manifestation is due to the functioning of these two basic forces. They can be divine and diabolic. When the predominance of the diabolic forces will cause disturbance to the creation, then the Lord has to come down to neutralise.

Now comes the story:

There is a spiritual Master for the divine forces. He is called Jupiter, Master Jupiter. He guides the solar forces. And there is a grand spiritual master for the diabolic forces. He is called Venus. He guides the forces of darkness or the lunar forces. Jupiter is called Brihaspathi in Sanskrit. We invoke Brihaspathi in our daily prayers. And the Venus principle is called Sukra.

So, the two ladies, Diti and Aditi, have sent their children to the Ashrams of these Masters. The children of Aditi went to the Ashram of Jupiter, and the children of Diti went to the Ashram of Venus.

Once there was a disciple of Venus or Sukra who grew very powerful in wisdom. He was so powerful in his wisdom, that he could easily cover the light with his energy of darkness. And his strength was so much, that he could throw away a planet from a solar system. He could just kick a planet like a football out of the solar system. What will happen, if one planet goes out of the solar system? The solar system itself will vanish into space. So, every day in the morning he used to conduct his morning exercises. He went to planet Earth and tried to give it a punch.

The planet Earth itself is a personality, and it used to cry: "Don't disturb me! It will be too dangerous for all the beings of the creation." But he used to smile like a villain. His name was Hiranyaksha. He was trying to disturb the planet Earth on a daily basis. The planet was created very fresh. It was a beautiful creation, very tender, and then comes Hiranyaksha to see that it is disturbed. So, the planet cried each time he tried to disturb.

Then the children of light tried to fight with Hiranyaksha. They explained to him that he should not disturb the creation and tried to preach him the gospel, but he only said: "Go to heaven!" The children of light could not fight with him, because he was too powerful. Each time they tried to fight, they received quite a bit of punches. Then they went to the Lord and reported to their Father in the heaven: "Father, look at this cousin of ours, he is disturbing all the game." Then the Father had to come down to set right this fellow who was over-active. The Father had a double task: He had to fight with Hiranyaksha, and at the same time he had to see that the planet was not disturbed. And Hiranyaksha was punching the planet. After that even the Lord felt that fighting with him was purposeless. He had to hold the planet intact and

to fight with Hiranyaksha only with one hand.

Fighting with one hand means: working with one of the two energies, with darkness or with light. Even the Lord will become weak, if he fights with one hand with Hiranyaksha. But how to fight with two hands and at the same time hold the planet intact? Then the Lord conceived a form, and he took the form of a wild boar with very big tusks. And he came down in that kind of form, held the planet under his tusks, stood stable, fought with Hiranyaksha, and put him to death.

This is the story how the Lord had to come down as a wild boar to save the solar system. When this happened, the elder brother to Hiranyaksha, Hiranyakasipu, felt very sorry, very unhappy that his brother was killed by the Lord who is their Father! He thought: "What kind of Father is he? I must go and fight with this Father." Hiranyakasipu, the elder brother, was equally powerful. He grew very wild. He could not bear the insult to his brother.

After much discussion with his Father, Hiranyakasipu was convinced that he had to do something more before he fights, and he asked his master: "Master, what shall I do to put down the Father of ours?" The master answered: "There is only one way to become powerful. Do penance! Through thousands of years of penance seek the presence of the Father. As the Father is all compassionate, he will appear to you. Then seek a boon from him. " "What kind of boon shall I ask?", Hiranyakasipu asked. The master said: "Seek a boon of immortality, so that later, when you fight with him, you will not die. In so far as you do not die, you can continue to fight with him. Hiranyakasipu said: "Yes, it is very good." He went into the forest and started meditating OM, he went inside, got into the vertical levels and met the centre. And in the centre he meditated for thousands of years. He became like a skeleton in the process.

The Earth grew around him and totally covered him, but he did not bother. He did not think of his breakfast, lunch and dinner, not even water. His will was so strong. He wanted to open his eyes only when the Lord was present, not before. It became impossible to count these thousands of years of his meditation. You can count a few days, but even years cannot be counted. That is why the scripture speaks of thousand years.

When he was meditating like this, slowly the 'burning bush' which Moses found on the mount Sinai, and the white robe about which we have spoken, started expanding. The whole thing became a big light, and the light was moving upwards. It reached the centre of the solar system. The Sun was afraid. And it reached the centre of the solar plane.

The king celestial whom we call Indra was very afraid. He is the son of light, the son of Aditi. He could see that his cousin was growing so much in light, and his light was spreading even up to the solar centre, and it was even proceeding further into cosmic planes. "This fellow will again create problems", Indra said. And with his little mind Indra thought that he should do something to stop this growth of light of Hiranyakasipu. But the light was too powerful, too fiery. The fire was about to consume Indra, the celestial king, and he ran away. While he was running away like that, Indra got another idea. He looked at his cousin's wife. She was pregnant. Indra thought: "If my cousin is so powerful, his son could be much more powerful." He had to do something to avoid a future nuisance.

Indra's idea was to go and to kill the boy in the womb of the mother. He thought that when the Father puts down Hiranyakasipu, what is the guarantee that his son will come and create new problems. So, Indra thought: "Let me do some job in the whole process. It is good for me to kill the boy in the womb, so that at least the future is saved. The presence is anyway very unpleasant, but the future can be more harmonious." So, he went to the place where Hiranyakasipu's wife was taking rest. She was also praying the Lord to see that her husband comes back fully illuminated. She wanted her husband to get the right illumination and to get rid of all his anger. She worshipped the Father: "Please give him good sense and let him be a good instrument in your creation."

Indra went to the lady, kidnapped her and took her away from the place, where Hiranyakasipu lived and where he was busy in his meditation. The lady protested: "You are doing the wrong thing. This is not the way to settle accounts. These wrong acts of yours will create consequences to you. You are seeking a wrong solution to the present problem." But Indra did not listen. He kidnapped her and took her through the skies.

A grand Master whom we call Mercury – the cosmic Mercury called Narada – he saw the childish act of Indra. He said: "What are you doing?" Indra explained his scheme of things. The cosmic Mercury said: "You are so stupid, that is why each time you are overtaken by your cousins. You are not fit to preside over the functioning of light. Actually, you should be given some beatings. You always work on the wrong side. Never a right idea comes to you. You are only making your life miserable by kidnapping this lady. Hiranyakasipu who is in penance will come back one day. When he comes back and knows that his wife is kidnapped by you, your existence in this creation becomes very dangerous to you."

Then Indra realised. "Yes, it is a possibility." He said: "What shall I do now? I have already done what should not be done." Then the grand Master Narada said: "At least, leave the lady to me now. I will take care of her till Hiranyakasipu comes. The boy in the womb of the lady is a grand disciple of the Lord. You would have really cooked your soup, if you had killed him. I will take the lady with me and give good wisdom to her and to the boy in the womb."

So, the grand Master, the cosmic Mercury, took the lady with him into his Ashram and gave her an

excellent place to live. She was given a good initiation and teachings on a daily basis about the Vedas and Upanishads. While the lady was thus resting in the Ashram of Narada, the fiery light of Hiranyakasipu went to the cosmic centre. He was such a powerful man, so that the Father was very pleased with the son who could transcend plane after plane.

The Father thought that he should go and meet him in the cosmic centre. He said to Hiranyakasipu: "My son, I am very happy that you have come this far. I am so pleased with you. You can seek any boon that you like. You deserve the best of the boons. Ask anything, I will give it to you." The son answered: "Father, I shall not die. If you can give this boon to me, please give." Then the Father said: "My son, in creation this boon is not possible, because everything that is created has to die. Everything that begins has to end. It is against the rules of creation to give you immortality. But if you seek that which is eternal I can give you." Hiranyakasipu was quite intelligent. He said: "Father, I will ask you an alternative boon." The Father said: "Yes, go ahead and ask." Then Hiranyakasipu asked: "I shall not die during the day, I shall not die during the night, I shall not die inside the house, I shall not die outside the house, I shall not be killed either by an animal, a human being, a Deva, a plant or a mineral. No weapon should kill me. I shall be full proof against any weapon including celestial weapons. Can you give me this kind of boon?" The Lord was pleased with the intelligence of his son and said: "I admire you and give you the boon."

Then the Lord disappeared and Hiranyakasipu went home asking his people: "Where is my wife?" They told him that Indra kidnapped his wife. He became very furious upon Indra. Immediately with one thought he reached the solar centre, because he was now capable of such swift movement. Even before he reached the palace of Indra, the fury of the fire of Hiranyakasipu made the whole place very hot. Indra felt: "Why is it so hot suddenly?" Then his spiritual Master, Jupiter, said: "Your cousin is coming to greet you." Without seeking my advice, you did some foolish thing. Now he is coming to settle his accounts with you. Face him!"

Indra was so much afraid and sought to run away. But it was not possible to run away from Hiranyakasipu. He caught Indra by the hair, and he was beaten black and blue. He said: "Fortunately you happen to be my cousin, I don't want to kill you. It is very easy for me to put you to death. You must have heard through the communication system how powerful I am now. Behave better! Understand, any day I can come to put you down. If you wish to rule this solar system, accept me as your master. You have no master other than me. If this is acceptable, you can remain on the throne. If it is not acceptable to you, I kick you out."

As Indra, the king celestial, was so much attached to the throne, he adopted him as new father and new master in the place of the Lord and the spiritual teacher Brihaspathi. Then Hiranyakasipu said: "Understand, that I have grown so much in power. Wherever I am, I can watch your activities. You are continuously under my observation. If you do any mischievous thing, you will get an instant kick from me. Arrange temples and places of worship for me. You and all your brothers should daily worship me, minimum one hour in the morning, one hour in the noon, one hour in the evening, and one hour in the midnight. You should not sleep without meditating upon me in the midnight hours. I now accept no God other than me! I don't even care the Father! I am the father to this creation now! There is no father other than me now!" Indra answered: "I understand, I will follow you totally." Then Hiranyakasipu left him. Indra never wanted to accept him as his father or master, but there was no alternative to him for the moment. In the presence of Hiranyakasipu Indra addressed him as the master, but in his absence he worshipped the Father.

In the meanwhile in the Ashram of Narada, the teaching of wisdom was completed by the Master to the lady and the boy in the womb. When very high and profound wisdom relating to the Father was being given, the lady used to fall asleep. When she slept, the Master used to stop to speak with her. But the child in the womb used to say, "hue, hue" – like that. So, the Master was encouraged to speak wisdom even when the lady was asleep. The child in the womb was able to receive the highest wisdom. The grand Master Narada gave the whole wisdom of the creation, and the boy in the womb understood that there was none other than the Father. All that is existing is nothing but the Father transformed into many forms – not his father, but the Father of the creation.

One fine morning when he was taking birth, there was a kind of pleasant harmony that pervaded the whole creation. There was inexplicable joy everywhere. The grand Master saw this happening. And he said: "Let us name this boy Prahlada." Prahlada means 'the one who spreads joy and harmony at all times'. When the boy was in the cradle, Hiranyakasipu came to the Ashram of the grand Master and worshipped him. He said: "Though you belong to the other party, you seem to be the only wise one among them. I thank you for having taken care of my wife and child. You know the whole creation is mine now. Even the king celestial is my servant. I am just allowing him to do jobs on my behalf. But I take you as my friend, because you saved my wife and child, when I was away. So, I grant you a visa to move everywhere in this universe." Then the grand Master smiled inside. But outside he said: "I feel grateful for the visa you have granted me. With this visa I keep coming to your house now and then." Hiranyakasipu said: "You are most welcome at any time, because between us there is good friendship." Then Hiranyakasipu took leave from the grand Master, and along with his wife and son they went home.

Having reached the planet Earth, he communicated instructions to all planets that no one should worship

the Father in the heaven. If they care for their life, they should worship Hiranyakasipu. There were some people who were of full conviction. They denied to worship Hiranyakasipu and were put to death. Hiranyakasipu asked his poets to prepare scriptures in his name and spread them all over the globe.

The sons of light who worshipped the Father were asked by the Father: "What is the matter?" Then the sons said: "This cousin of ours is causing so much nuisance. He is even against you. He is eradicating your name from the universe. He has become too proud. Don't you think that it is time that you do something about him?" Then the Father said: "Very soon it will happen. Every fellow has his own limits. For the wrong acts he has done, he is setting you right through this measure. And you are already rectified. Now if he proceeds further doing this kind of nonsense, he will reach his limits. Through time I will also take care of him." Then the sons of light asked him: "How long?" The Father said: "Wait! Everything has its own timing. When the time comes, I will take care of Hiranyakasipu."

Another scene comes:

The set-up is the palace of Hiranyakasipu with his wife and son. The son grows in age up to five years, and he finds the son a bit dull. He is a bit surprised. How could such a son be born to him! He is so fiery, and he finds his son soft like butter. Never he lived to the world around. So, he felt that this boy cannot succeed in this kingdom, and he should be taught good wisdom. He calls the school teachers and tells his son that without education he cannot grow wise. He calls those teachers who are sons of his spiritual master. (The spiritual master for the sons of darkness is Sukra, Venus.)

Hiranyakasipu called the sons of that master and told them that his son was very dull. "Give him that kind of wisdom which will make him very dynamic and teach him everything relating to the science of war and science of weapons. He should be a fit successor to me", he said to them. The teachers took the boy with them ensuring the king: "We will do our best. After all the seed is good. All it needs is a good orientation. He is your son. So, he is naturally an illumined being." Saying like this, the two teachers took the boy with them and went away.

On a fine morning they wanted to start teaching him. But it was a great shock to them, when they realised that this boy of five years could reproduce the whole Rig Veda. Rig Veda means: the Veda of utterance and how the whole creation is uttered. The happening of the creation and its retreat is very clearly given in the Rig Veda. So, the boy knew the whole Cosmogogenesis and Anthropogenesis. The whole wisdom of Genesis was known to him. Then they taught the second Veda, called Yajur Veda. It is the Veda relating to the wisdom of action, how action is the basis of the whole creation, and how the solar system keeps functioning. According to that Veda the functioning of the creation can be clearly understood. That is how the Veda was given. And the boy told the teachers the whole wisdom relating to action.

Then comes the third Veda, and the boy also spoke of that Veda. It is the Veda relating to the Song of Life. The Song of Life means: the science of breath and pulsation, and how it is the basis for all creation. And the boy reproduced all that wisdom. Then there is the fourth Veda, called Atharva. It is the wisdom relating to all martial arts and sciences. The boy also spoke of that wisdom. The teachers felt thrilled. They said: "What is it that we can still teach this boy? He knows everything. There is no further wisdom that we need to give him. But it is not correct that we take the boy home immediately. The king will not believe, if we say that he knows everything. He might think that we are trying to escape from our responsibilities."

They allowed the boy to stay in the school for some time. After a few years they took him home, and the king and the queen were very happy to see the boy. The king took him on his lap and said: "My dear son, after many years I am again able to see you. My heart drops by the sight of you. I am very sure you have learnt the best of wisdom under the guidance of the teachers. And I will be very happy to listen to the wisdom that you have learnt." Then the boy said: "The teachers have taught me many things. I have learnt all sciences of wisdom, and I have learnt even the secret of all wisdom." Then the king was very happy and said: "You have even learnt the secret of wisdom? What is the secret of all the wisdom?" The son said: "The secret of all wisdom is existence. Without existence there is no wisdom. All wisdom floats upon existence. The four Vedas which give the four-fold wisdom is something to us only when we exist. If we don't exist, there is no question of wisdom. This is the secret of all wisdom." Then the king asked: "Who do you think is this existence?" The boy answered: "The Father in the heaven! He is the One who is the basis of all our existence. Without Him there is no wisdom. Without Him you don't exist, I don't exist, the teachers don't exist. He is the king of the creation. He is the foundation and the basis of all this creation. One is considered wise only when one knows this truth. Without knowing this truth, knowing any amount of wisdom is no good."

This is how the boy started giving seminars about wisdom. The father was disgusted. He pushed the boy away from his lap. "You stupid fellow, this is what you have learnt?" The son answered: "Yes, this is what I have learnt. And I don't think there is anything more to be learnt." Then Hiranyakasipu felt that his boy has become a greater lunatic than before. He looked to the teachers and said: "Is this what you did to my son? I thought you would make him really powerful. But what have you done to him? He is speaking that which is not suitable to a king emperor. I don't like this butter-like business. I want people who are strong, capable of ruling all this universe. I am the master of the universe. And you should know that. There is no

other master. Let him not speak funny things in the name of wisdom. Teach him the new religion which I have given to this universe. And if you don't do it properly, you know what will happen to you!"

Then the two teachers really got frightened. They took the boy with them promising the king that they would do their very best again. Then the king said: "It is now your business. If you don't do it, you know what will happen to you." The boy Prahlada went once again to their school, and he started teaching real wisdom to other children in the school. He told the children that the religion taught by the king was false. The teachers felt this boy even more dangerous now. They were afraid that the king might put them to death. So, they thought to return the boy to the palace. They told the boy: "We will once again present you to your father. Please, don't speak the wisdom which you know. Speak the religion which we have tried to teach you, the religion which your father has founded." Prahlada did not answer. So, the teachers brought the boy once again before the king. The father looked at his son from foot to head to ensure, if the lunatic continued or if it was reduced. He questioned him again and said: "Let me know your view of life now." Prahlada said: "For all those who are embodied, they are all living in dark houses. They are all deeply buried in matter, and they have lost their way. The only one way they can come out of the darkness of their ignorance is to commune with the One Father who exists eternally and who is the basis of all. The created beings are conditioned by matter and hence, they are not able to find Him. The only goal that the created beings have to reach is to reach this Father who is omnipresent and omnipotent. There is no one who is more potent than Him.

You can understand how Hiranyakasipu reacted. He became very furious. "What the hell are you speaking", he said. Why are you in this kind of thought always. You see such a beautiful palace that I have created. There are so many horses, elephants and other things for you. There are so many splendours, and as a prince why don't you look to them and enjoy them? Why do you speak like an old man waiting for the death? What makes you cling to that thought? Why do you take refuge in that thought instead of thinking of all that splendour that is around you and which I have arranged for you?"

Then the boy answered: "Father, does honey-bee go to honey or anywhere else?" It does not go to places where there is no honey. Likewise, all beings have to go for that honey called existence. Do you think a honey-bee is crazy? Will it go for a cup of coffee? It does not go for any other drink other than honey. So, those who know, know it this way. Then he said: "I will give you another example. See the cuckoo. Where does it live? It lives in fruit gardens. It cannot live in deserts. The cuckoo prefers to be in the fruit garden, and it only takes the ambrosia of the fruit. I will give you another example. Look at the swans. They don't exist in all muddy waters. In the muddy waters of thoughts they don't live. They live only in pure waters untouched by any pollution. If you bring a swan to our place, it will not stay here. If you imprison honey-bees without their activity of collecting honey, it is no life to them."

The real life for those who know is to be in communion with the Father in the heaven. The splendour of life is better understood and completely understood, only when we are in communion with Him. If we are disconnected with that communion, then life is death. It is dead-living. Though we live, we are all dead people, when we do not connect ourselves to Him." Then he continued his teachings: "If you don't work with your hands in glory of God, then they are not hands, they are only some branches of the tree. If you taste something and cannot taste the Lord in the thing, your tongue is no tongue, it is a dry leaf. If you cannot see through your eyes the existence of the Lord in the creation, the two eyes are not two eyes, they are only two holes." Like that he prescribed every part of the body as useless, unless they are utilised in tune with the Lord's work.

The king was convinced that his son was a total lunatic, and he could understand the difficulty of the teachers, that there was nothing wrong with them. He told the teachers: "You may please go. Hereafter I will teach my son. And I will tackle him. I am sorry, you must have had many problems with this fellow." Then the teachers felt very happy that they were spared. They were also thankful to Prahlada, the boy, because he never told the king that the teachers taught all that to him.

Then the king asked the boy: "Where is your father?" The boy answered: "In the heaven." "You say that He is more powerful than all that exists? I am more powerful than Him. Even He is afraid of me", the king replied, and he stated that he tried to kill the Lord. "I want to fight with Him, but He is not available. I searched for Him everywhere, and wherever I go, He is not there. Let me see how He protects you, because I am convinced that no one can protect you, if I don't protect you. Unless you stop speaking of that Lord, I'll put you to difficulties", the king explained. "There is no such thing as difficulty, my father. Difficulty exists in your mind. That is why you are speaking of difficulties", the son replied. "Yes, yes, you will know what difficulty is when I don't give you food", the king said.

Hiranyakasipu put the boy in a big room, locked the door and instructed the staff in the palace not to give him even water. Every day they looked to him through a hole, if he was all right. But he seemed to be very good. They reported to the king next day that he was in the same glitter and they did not find him at all dull. The king said: "Aha, let us wait still one more day." They waited for one full lunar month and nothing happened. The king himself personally supervised, so that no stuff would go and give him food secretly. After one lunar month he opened the door and found his son as energetic as he was before. Then the king asked Prahlada: "Were you not hungry? How could you live without food for 30 days?" Then Prahlada answered: "He is life. The Lord is life itself, and I am with Him. There is no need for food.

He is food itself. And He comes down as vigour. When I am with Him, I am vigorous. There is no need for the objective food. Do you think we are all living by food? We are all living, because He permits us to live. Father, you are such a wise person and don't you see that people who eat food also die? Verily, food is not the basis for life. People say that you are a very wise man, but now I get a doubt."

The king got the first shock of his life. Then he said: "Okay, let me see how he will continue this lunacy." He asked his soldiers to arrange a big fire and said: "Put this boy into the fire." He stood in the fire chanting the name of the Lord Narayana, so that the fire could not consume him.

Then the king took him on the peak of a mountain and threw him down. But nothing happened to his body. He remained very much intact. Then the king told the soldiers to take the boy and dip him in the ocean. The king and the queen waited at home. The soldiers told them that the boy sunk. The father after all had some heart for his son. "Did he not come back from the ocean?" he asked. The soldiers said: "No, he drowned." The king and the queen became very unhappy that they lost their boy. The king said: "I should have been a little more courteous to him. He was a very beautiful fellow. But his identity with the father consciousness was what irritated me. How nice it was when he was around us."

When he was speaking like this, the boy came walking into the palace. Then the king said: "Did you not die?" The boy said: "How can I die, father, ocean is only the abode of the Mother. The divine Mother is born out of the ocean. Ocean is Her place. I was treated well by the Devas in the ocean. They gave me good food and drink and sent me back with all honours." Then again the father became angry. He called his stuff: "Bring some elephants and let the elephants crush him." The elephants were brought and they were made to walk over him, but they refused to trample on him. Then the king tried with cobras. They brought some very venomous cobras and threw them over him. As the cobras touched the body of the boy, they turned into flowery garlands. The king became really bad of that. So, he went into his own room and thought what he should do.

Then the grand master Narada entered the house of the king and asked him: "How are you?" The king recollected that this boy was born in his Ashram, and this Master must have made the mischief of turning the boy towards the Lord. Hiranyakasipu said: "Are you my friend or my foe?" The grand Master answered: "Where is the doubt? I am the friend of the universe and I am also your friend. What is the matter? You seem to be a bit dull." Then the king explained all that which was done to his son and how his son survived all that. Narada said: "May be your soldiers were kind to him and were not implementing your instructions correctly. Instead of entrusting him to the soldiers, why didn't you do it directly? You directly deal with your boy, don't deal him through your soldiers. They may not have really sunk him in the ocean. They may not have really thrown him from the peak of the mountain. May be they were not able to do such things with the little boy and they came back telling you stories. Why don't you try directly? By the way, why are you so antagonistic to your boy?"

The king explained: "He always thinks of that fellow, that Lord, who killed my brother. You know, I don't like Him." Then the grand Master said: "If you don't like Him, why don't you fight with Him, why do you fight with your boy?" The king explained: "I tried to fight with Him, but He is nowhere. I searched all the planes of existence for Him, I did not find Him. So, I said He is not existing." "You seem to be something mental. You say that He killed your brother and you also say that He is not existing. How is it possible?", the grand Master replied. The king said: "No, no, I am not able to find Him. May be He disappeared." Then the grand master said: "Did you search Him everywhere?" The king said: "Yes, I searched Him everywhere." "May be you have searched Him everywhere, you may not have searched in your own house", the grand Master answered.

See, we also search for God everywhere without searching Him inside.

So, the grand Master said: "Did you search in your palace?" The king said: "No, no, it is not possible. He cannot stay in my palace knowing that I am his dead enemy." "That is the trick He plays, you know", the grand Master said. "He knows that you will search for Him, so he is staying in your own house. He knows that you will search for Him outside, so He is staying in your own house." Then the king asked: "Do you think I will find Him in my house?" The grand Master said: "Yes, you will definitely find Him in your own house." Then the king said: "Okay, I will try to do that."

After the grand Master Narada was given good food, he said to the king: "Be careful to deal with that tricky fellow. You should also be tricky to deal with Him. Otherwise it is very difficult. I will come back after you have settled accounts with Him. I hope I can see you again. Who knows who wins?" Narada left the king, and he started searching in the palace, everywhere. Suddenly a brilliant idea came to him. The grand Master said that He was existing in the palace. But he did not find Him in the palace. While searching he once again found his son in the house. Then he said: "Ah, now I understand! This fellow, the Lord, is existing as my son. He has hidden himself in my son. Now I have to deal with Him. That is why the grand Master told me to directly deal with Him."

The king caught the boy and said: "Where is the Lord?" The boy answered: "He is everywhere." The king said: "Don't teach me philosophy! I know all that philosophy, but I want to see the Lord." "Father, what I say is truth, He is everywhere. How can I show Him at a particular place, when He is everywhere? All that exists is existing in Him. I cannot say that He is existing here and there", the boy said. And the king asked: "Is He existing everywhere?" The boy said: "Yes!" "Then how is it that I don't see Him?", the king

replied. The boy said: "You can also see Him. I am able to see Him in you. Just like I am seeing Him everywhere, I am also seeing Him in you. You are not able to see, because you are so much charged with six negatives. You think the Lord is your enemy. The Lord is not the enemy, the enemies are in you. They are six of them in you. Like jealousy, pride, irritation, miserliness, glamour –so many things have covered you, and hence you are not able to find Him."

The king answered: "I don't agree with all that nonsense. You must make Him to appear before me. As you say, He is everywhere, He should also be here, and you should make Him appear before me." Then the boy said: "Yes, He will appear. He is not obliged to appear to you. He appears according to His will and not according to your will." Then the king grew wild: "You are playing tricks with me. I'll put you to death directly." So, he got a bowl of the worst venom and gave it to the boy saying: "Drink!" The boy answered: "Even venom comes out of Him, father. Venom is also a product of creation, and He is the father of the creation. So, the child cannot kill the father. How many times I have told you, but you are so ignorant, you are not able to see." The king said: "Don't give speeches, better drink the bowl!"

The boy drank the venom, but remained very much intact. The king felt helpless. "What can I do? Everything I do does not kill the boy", the king said and grew further wild. And he continued: "You say He is everywhere, do you also say He is in this pillar?" The boy said: "Father, you are becoming more and more stupid. When I say everywhere, does He not stay in the pillar? Is this pillar not part of the whole?" Then the king said: "Okay, you say He is in the pillar", and the boy replied: "Yes, He is in the pillar."

Then the king broke the pillar with his weapon. When the pillar broke, there was a tremendous being that came out of the pillar, highly frightful. The eyes were focusing light which was very difficult to see. He was half man and half lion. The king Hiranyakasipu after seeing Him, he appreciated his son: "Son, you have done a great favour to me by showing this Lord. I have been looking forward to fight with Him for so many years. Because of you He came, and now I can fight with Him."

So, Hiranyakasipu attempted to fight with the Lord, but he was too small for the Lord. He just gave a wave of his hand and the king went into a corner. But the king was so eager to fight and so confident that he would not die, because he had sought a good boon from the Father. But you know what the Lord has done? He knew that this man could not be killed during the day and during the night, that he could not be killed through weapons and by man or animal.

What the Lord did was taking him to the entrance door of the palace which was neither inside the house nor outside the house during the dusk-hours in the evening, when it was neither day nor night. He used the nails of his fingers, pierced them into the stomach of Hiranyakasipu and tore him into pieces. Like this the king got killed. This was the incarnation of the Lord as man/lion. In spite of the intelligent boon Hiranyakasipu sought, he was put to death.

Then there was a big conference of the sons of darkness. How powerful they are, they have not been able to dominate the sons of light. It is the instinct to dominate that is putting them to destruction. The sons of light have no instinct to dominate. That is why they are always protected. They only do their job, they don't over-do. Whenever they over-do, they receive their lessons through the sons of darkness. But whenever the sons of darkness over-do, the sons of light cannot deal with them. It needs the presence of the Lord. That is how the sons of darkness are of greater power. That makes the incarnation of the Lord inevitable.

In the conference that they have held after the death of this king, they consulted their spiritual master: "Master, you are so great, tell us what is the reason that we lose every time?" The master said: "You are not following the right means. There is a way to dominate this world through right means also. You have been following the path of violence to dominate. There is also another path, the path of virtue, to dominate. You follow virtues and become powerful."

One of the sons of darkness by the name Bhali, he very strenuously followed the path of virtues, and he became gradually an embodiment of virtues. He came to be known as the great giver of the planet. The more and more he gave, the more and more he got the co-operation of the Devas, and he grew powerful that way. Anything that came to him, he was giving away. Through the virtue of giving, he became stronger and stronger year after year. The giving became so high that he became a potential danger to the king celestial. As the Devas function impersonally, the whole Devas of the solar systems were co-operating more with him. That is the way you conquer the cooperation of the Devas. By compassion to beings you grow, because Devas cooperate when you are compassionate.

So, this man Bhali started growing and all the Devas started supporting him. They found in him a more divine person than the king celestial. They dethroned the king celestial and enthroned Bhali as their king. This time the sons of darkness through tricky means gained the throne. How to kill him? He has not done anything wrong to be killed. Even for the sons of light, there was no cause to complain. How could they go and tell their Father that this man had occupied the throne of the celestials, because he followed the path of virtue. It was a very tricky position. They could not go and complain to the Father.

Thousands of years passed like this. The sons of darkness were very happy. Looking at the difficulties of her sons of light, Aditi felt the pitiable situation for her sons. She thought: "At this rate they can never come back to the kingdom. My sister's sons are equally good. How can I approach the Lord? I must have a good cause to present to Him. I cannot ask Him to dethrone this son of darkness. There should be a

cause for dethroning." So, she meditated and then she understood the process of creation.

I told you in the very beginning of the story that lady darkness is in charge of the night, the lunar energies and the negative energies. She is called Diti, and her sons Daityas are in charge of the activities of night, new moon, darkness and ignorance. Now here is a situation where they are not only ruling the activity of night, new moon, darkness etc., not only functioning with lunar energies and left side energies, but they assumed extra jurisdictional powers to take over the functions of the other team also. It means that originally there are two teams. Now one team only joins the other side, and one team playing as two teams. This is unfair. Where is the place for the players of the other team, when one team only plays on both sides?

Then the lady went to Lord Kashyapa, the Father of the creation, and said: "Look at this, we are two wives to you and we have made an agreement that I and my children will rule the day, the Sun and the solar energies, and we shall preside over the energies of consciousness. It was also decided that my cousin and her sons will rule upon matter, upon new moon, upon the lunar energies, and the negative energies. Now her sons are ruling both. Is this fair?" Then the Father answered: "No, it is not fair. They are doing more than what is required." The lady said: "So, please do something." And the Lord told her: "See, the spiritual master of the sons of darkness is a very intelligent man. He made them follow virtues and occupy the kingdom of the sons of light. Bhali, the son of darkness, he is accepted by all. There is no complaint coming from anywhere. He has not put anyone to troubles. He has not created any disequilibrium. When everything is in equilibrium, it is difficult to remove him. But I will try to restore justice to your sons."

So, He came down as a small boy of five years, and He was all wisdom. He started living in the kingdom of Bhali. Every month Bhali fixed a day for giving, and people who desired things were coming. A big ritual was being conducted on that day. After the ritual the process of giving started. The king was giving so many things to people. The boy came to that place, and he discussed Vedas with the various spiritual Masters who gathered there. The Masters of wisdom were surprised to see how this boy spoke wisdom. Slowly the boy became the centre of attraction in the whole congregation. All were gathering around Him and no one was going to the king. The boy was so attractive and so beautiful in his exposition of the Veda, so that people got attracted to Him and not to the king. The king wanted to know what was happening and he realised that there was a young beautiful boy attracting the attention of all Brahmins who came there to seek something from the king.

So, the king Bhali went to the boy and said: "Hello!" The boy also said: "Hello!" Then the king asked: "Who are you?" The boy answered: "I am that I am." The king did not understand. He asked: "Who are your parents?" The boy answered: "I have no parents." The king thought that his parents might be dead and that he had to do much for that little boy. This was the understanding of the king when the boy mentioned that he was parentless. But the truth was that there are no parents to the Lord. The king asked him: "Where do you live, my boy?" The boy answered: "I have no house."

Where is the question of a house? The Lord is the house for all creation.

But the king said: "If you don't have a house, don't worry, I will give you the house." The boy asked: "Where will you give me a house, I have no address also. I have neither address, nor parents, nor a house, nor a place to live. I keep moving everywhere." Then the king said: "Okay, let me know where you stay a little more permanently." The boy answered: "I just don't know what I do. My movements cannot be predicted. When a movement happens, it can be understood as That. It is very peculiar that I cannot define my movements."

The king got very interested in the boy. He said: "You know this ritual? It is a ritual for giving. All these people come here and take what they want from me. Their desires get fulfilled after having come here. You can also fulfill your desires." The boy said: "Suppose I don't have desires." The king answered: "No desires? Did you say no desires? You don't want any sweets?" The boy said: "No, thank you, I don't want." Then the king replied: "All these people ask so many things. They ask gold, they ask so many cows, horses, so much wealth, so much land. You can also ask. And as you don't have any elders to take care of you, I have much more responsibility to give things to you." The boy looked at the king and said: "I am happy without desire. Why do you want me to get into desires." The king said: "You will be more happy, if you have desires." "I understand from the Veda that we are the happiest, if we have no desires. So, I am the happiest one. Why do you want that I slip from that state of happiness through desire?", the boy replied. But the king insisted that he should ask something. The boy only said: "No, no, please don't ask me to ask you."

The king slowly got irritated and the beggar became the receiver. The king thought that he was the giver, but the boy made him a receiver. The king was desiring that the boy should desire from him. Ultimately, the king became a beggar to ask: "Please, please, ask me something to give you." See, how psychologically the boy played with the king. He said: "Because you are begging me so much, I will ask something. But please understand, that you are begging and I am giving." For a moment the king became nonplussed. He thought he was the big giver in the universe, and a small boy made him a beggar. That thought confused him for a moment. But anyway he quickly came out of his confusion and said to the boy: "Okay, please ask." The boy said: "Do you agree that you are asking me to ask you?"

The king answered: "Bah, I agree, you please ask something." Then the boy asked: "Please give me three feet of land." The king was surprised: "Three feet of land? Do you know whom you are asking? You are asking the king of the universe, and you are asking just three feet of land. Don't you think it is an insult to me? Why don't you ask something more than this?" The boy answered: "First you give me three feet of land and later we see." Then the king said: "Okay! At least you have accepted to ask me something."

With a ritual of water he accepted to give three feet of land to the Lord. Then the boy said: "Now it is agreed that you will give me three feet." The king asked: "Where is the doubt? Take three feet of land." The boy replied: "Shall I measure the three feet and take the land?" The king said: "Yes, measure with your little feet and take the land." And the boy asked: "Shall I start measuring?" The king said: "Yes."

Then the boy grew in his volume. With one foot He covered the whole earth and the sky. With the second foot He covered the cosmos and then He said: "Where is the place for the third foot?" The king understood. He said: "I know you came to trick me, but I am also fed up with this kingdom which I am ruling. It is too small compared to your presence. And I am glad that at least I am the only one from whom you have taken something. At least for once my hand was a giving hand and your hand was a receiving hand for three feet of land. I know that even the three feet which I gave you belong to you. Because the whole creation belongs to you, who am I to give three feet of yours to you? I am more blessed by your presence and I resign from this kingdom of the celestials. I have been waiting for such a solution."

Then the Lord said: "Tell me, where shall I keep my third foot?" The king answered: "Please put it here and push me down." And the Lord has put his third foot on the head of the king Bhali. Suddenly his wife came and cried: "Lord, stop it! Please tell me, what wrong has my husband done to receive this kind of punishment. Why do you put him down? Did he do anything wrong, please tell us." All sons of darkness felt that this was injustice. Even Prahlada who was a devotee of the Lord, a great disciple of the Lord, felt for a second that some injustice was being done. When Bhali's wife asked the Lord why the king received that punishment, the Lord smiled and said: "He feels that my presence is far superior to the kingdom. There are others who feel the kingdom more valuable than my presence. Now you see who is great in awareness. The king Bhali is seeking my presence and throwing away the kingdom of celestials as if it is a feather. And there are others who want a feather like kingdom instead of my presence. So, I came down to give him eternally my presence. He is more divine and hence more in Me than the others. After all, what is the kingdom of celestials? It is a small particle of my universe. And your king is identifying himself with Me and work for Me. So, please chose what I am doing, whether it is a blessing or a punishment." Then all the sons of darkness agreed that it is a greater blessing than ruling the throne. Then the king was pushed down by the third foot of the Lord. This means that matter is buried and spirit resurrected from the body into Him. What is the third foot of the Lord? It is beyond the cosmos. So, because of that touch on the head of the king, the spirit rose beyond the cosmos into eternity.

That is what happened to us on the first day of Capricorn, and that is what we call the beginning of the Makara, the beginning of the dawn, the light overpowering the matter. So, the resurrection took place in its highest sense. It happens every year on 22nd December according to the solar calendar and on 13th of January according to the lunar calendar. According to the lunar calendar the ego goes down on 13th and the spirit raises. This is the drama of resurrection that is enacted every year as the solar rays touch the planet on the first day of Capricorn. That is why it is called the day of the saviour. And it is worshipped as the day of the saviour. In truth the birth of Jesus is also on that day, on 22nd of December and not on 25th of December, according to the ancient wisdom.

So, this story is also part of our Capricorn teachings.

Later this king Bhali was kept in charge of the nether worlds. Then again the Devas asked the Lord: "Why in the nether worlds?" He said: "It is nether world to you, not to Me. There is no such thing as high and low. There is no such thing as above and below. It is only your mental projection. This king has transcended that concept in his mind. And hence he is equal to me. I also live in the nether worlds. Without Me where is the nether world? When it is acceptable to Me, why it is not acceptable to you? It is also acceptable to the king Bhali, because he is as much as I am in awareness. Even the king celestial has no such awareness. Ask the king Bhali, if he is happy." Then they asked Bhali. And he told them: "We have been childish in the past. Now the presence of the Lord has totally illumined me. I work wherever He wants me to work. And you also don't over-work. You do as much as it is ordained for you. You take care of the lunar energies, you take care of the energies of Ida. Don't also get into the energies of Pingala. You work with matter. You work with night. You work with new moon energies. Never try to step to the other side. It is not our duty. There is beauty in attending to the duty given to us than to step into other duties. We were always trying to step into the duties of the sons of light. The sons of light never tried to step into our kingdom. That is why every time we tried to disturb them. The Lord is helping them. Even if the sons of light try to disturb us, the Lord will equally interfere and set them right. Don't think He has more love for the sons of light. We are all his children and He likes us equally. And darkness is as beautiful as light. Without us, they don't exist, and without them, we don't exist. So, let us have this understanding and let us not fight any more. Let us work in complete understanding."

He concluded the story with his teaching. Thereafter there were no more big disturbances. This is how the story goes. It explains three incarnations of the Lord, the Lord as wild boar, as lion/man and as a small boy called Vamana.

Capricorn teaching to be continued:

We were speaking about the white robe that develops from within on the basis of our willingness to accept our limitations and then our willingness to work them out in life. Every day is an opportunity to overcome our own limitations. That kind of one-pointed effort to overcome limitations is called discipleship. If we still love our personalities and continue to pamper them, the personality will continue to dominate as an animal and to hold position over the mind, senses and body. At no time it will allow the soul to function. The purpose of discipleship is to function as a soul. If we still have personality preferences, it is very difficult to be in discipleship. Many people still love themselves so much, they are not able to forget themselves. When they cannot forget themselves in practice, there is no question of their getting concerned about others in its proper sense. To get really concerned about others, it is possible only, when we function as souls. Otherwise our concern about others will be emotional. Our intention may be good, but we cannot function well.

The proper functioning can take place only, when we start functioning upon ourselves first. It is a process of a total mental withdrawal into our own being. The mind itself withdraws into its source and gets absorbed into the heart. When you come out after a complete dip in the ocean of heart, then there is the birth of the robe. This birth of the robe demands certain conditions: to work every day with the three inner implements called Antahkarana. The word 'Antahkarana' means 'inner implements'. Karana means implement, Antha means internal or inner. There are Bahir Karanas and Antha Karanas. Bahir Karanas are implements we use for the outside. Antha Karanas are the implements we use inside. The internal implement is mostly regulated by mind, and the external mind has both its subjective and objective sides. When mind works with senses and body, it is externalisation, it is using the external implements for work. Likewise, the mind also should learn to work with the internal implements. When mind works with love and wisdom, the internal implements start working.

What is important for a disciple is to use the internal implements for externalisation of love and wisdom. That is the total process of discipleship: the ability to externalise love and the ability to externalise wisdom, the ancient wisdom. Both love and wisdom exist in us potentially. This has to be done on a daily basis by a disciple.

This coming out after the dip in the ocean of heart is called the birth of the soul. We are all born as bodies with the soul imprisoned. And it is time that we allow the soul to function through the body.

It is like imprisoning the king and the ignorant stops functioning without their king. It is like a kingless kingdom or a headless administration. In such a situation there is only chaos and confusion. The king or the head never functions until others are quiet. They are like the teacher who teaches only when the children are quiet. He does not quieten the children. His job is to teach children who are quiet. If people are not quiet, he just takes rest. Likewise, the soul does not function, when mind, senses and body are under-active or over-active. To whom can we teach? To those who can listen and follow. When the students only listen, but do not follow, the teacher will disappear from them. Or the students themselves will disappear from the teacher.

The teacher/student relationship continues in so far as the teaching is not only listened but also followed. Those who function without head or without king are called the widows (those who have lost their husbands). And their children are called the children of the widows. That is how in freemasonry they speak of the widow's sons.

The whole process is first to find the husband, the king, the head who exists in us as the soul. It is after all the super soul that exists in everyone of us. We receive Him into our being according to his will, but we are not allowing Him to function through mind, senses and body. It is like inviting a teacher and then not listening to him having invited him.

From this state slowly the process of listening and following has to start. When this happens slowly there is the inward movement. Then it leads us to the centres of love and wisdom which we invoke on a daily basis. What are we trying to invoke? We invoke the light into the mind and the love into the heart. We always say: 'Let light descend on Earth', and also, 'May Christ return to Earth' – meaning externalising that which is subjectively existing in us, that we are seeking the permeation of the robe which exists as a point in us. This point has to permeate throughout the body and externalise itself. It is very foolish to think

that we can externalise light and love. It is not actually our externalising. If we are quiet, it externalises itself. What is it that the student is doing to enable the teacher to function? All that he has to do is to be quiet. If the student is quiet, the teacher functions. Can the student say that he has allowed the teacher to function? The only thing is that he has to provide the right condition for the teacher to speak.

In the same fashion, when mind, senses and body provide the right condition, i.e. when they are aligned and quietened, the soul descends further into mind, senses and body. It is enabling the soul to function through. It is like keeping the door open for the soul to function through. The functioning of the soul is different from our mental functioning. To keep all doors open is what we have to do. Thereafter it is the One Soul that functions through. To be a vehicle to the soul is what is expected from a disciple. When this happens then it is called 'anointment'. It is called a state of discipleship or what Master CVV says 'the medium of the master'.

This is the beginning of the dawn in us. The dawn happens, and we should prepare for the happening of the dawn. Understand that all our doing is only a preparation for His coming. It has to be continuous. 'We will prepare' is not good. 'We have prepared' is no good. 'We are preparing' is the sentence we have to remember. How long do we have to prepare? So long that you do not remember how long. It is a continuous preparation to enable the soul to function. When the soul functions through, can you claim that you have functioned? You very clearly see the soul functioning. That is why a true disciple never claims anything that it has been done by him. Then what is it he enjoys? He enjoys the functioning of the soul through him.

This is how a disciple understands the soul functioning through. Because we do not know what the functioning of the soul is, we say that we have done this and done that. But these doings are really little doings. That is why there is a happening as a higher understanding to doing. Happening takes place only when our doing stops. In fact, happening is a higher doing, when the personality is totally oriented to the soul. This is what Eastern scriptures understand as submission. Submission is a word which is very allergic to an Occidental.

It is like a horse wanting the rider. How can a rider make use of a horse which is very wild? If there are no other horses, then the rider has to tame one. But when there are many tamed horses, the rider need not do the extra job of taming the horse. Which horse do you call a good one? The one which functions according to the will of the rider and which functions even according to the signals and hints given by the rider! A horse that always tries to throw the rider and kick him because of its four legs, is not the horse that can carry the rider. To master the horse is the achievement of the rider. And the rider says: "Yes, I could do it because of this horse." A rider who gets praised because of accomplishing miraculous events will say: "No, no it is because of my horse." And if it is a good horse, it will say: "No, no it is the master. It is he who has accomplished. I was only his vehicle."

As far as aircrafts are concerned, is it according to the pilot or according to the aircraft that it flies? It is both. Just because it is a good aircraft, it does not fly by itself. If it is not a good one, there is no question of making use of it. Even if it is a good one, it is for the pilot to decide which craft to take. If there are four air-crafts kept and there is one pilot, is it the aircraft to decide which pilot it uses or is it the pilot to decide which of the four aircrafts he uses? Aircraft cannot decide. It is the pilot who decides according to the need and according to the capacity the aircraft carries.

Understand at all times it is the functioning of the soul that is always the culmination point. For the functioning of the soul we are the vehicles and slowly, slowly as the soul functions through, there is the communion of the soul with the vehicle, and hence the man is identified by the horse and the horse by the man. That is how we see all Masters of wisdom. It is the super soul that functions through them, and we see them as divine beings, because for ages the soul has been functioning through them. This becomes possible only when there is the quietening of the personality. It is called soul infused personality. Master Djwhal Khul is the most intelligent or the most diplomatic Master we have. He knows if he speaks of the word 'submission' in the Occident, the wild horses will kick him. That is why he found a glamorous world, because the wild horses can fall easily for glamour. Instead of submission he called it 'soul infused personality'. It is a beautiful word and it is nothing other than submission of the personality to the soul.

This kind of submission will enable the birth of the white robe. Then comes another robe. When the functioning with the white robe is accomplished through the planetary training of which I have spoken during the last class, then he receives a silver-grey robe and the disciple functions with the energies of Uranus. It is a functioning at a very high plane which is in tune with the present time. Uranus functions through those who have already accomplished the work of the white robe. That is why it is said that Uranus functions through groups and nations, not through individuals at the moment. It is only the most high souls that are capable of functioning through the silver-grey robe.

There are two or three beings on this planet who function through the robe which is higher than the silver-grey robe. It is called the indigo robe. The indigo robe is the highest which brings in the vibrations of Neptune through those high souls. Neptune energies are then distributed to this planet through these two or three most high souls to give that kind of magnetism which we call pure love. It is the love of higher planes.

This robe exists again in its three-fold fashion: the white which is the robe of the disciple, the silver-grey robe which is the robe of an adept of five elements and then the indigo robe which is nothing but the super soul in all its manifestations. It is the total manifestation of the super soul up to the physical. That colour in Sanskrit is called Krishna. He was named Krishna, because he has presented himself in that colour in its entirety. On the 11th day after his birth, when he was to be named, a great spiritual Master was invited. He was asked to give a proper name to the child. The grand spiritual Master looked at the child and found the boy exceedingly interesting. In split second the child showed the colour of indigo, of deep blue, of sky blue and of silver-grey. The Master was perplexed that in split second he could show so many colours at a time. To find indigo itself is a rarity in creation, and the child was emitting indigo, deep blue, sky blue, silver-grey, and white. And the velocity at which these colours were moving was so perplexing that the Master was touched by the spirit in him, and in a state of ecstasy he named the boy Krishna. That is the robe which is ultimate for the creation. That is why everywhere Krishna and Rama are picturised in blue. It is only a symbolic representation of the robe that they carry.

The beginning for all these robes is Capricorn and the planets that function through are Saturn, Uranus and Neptune in the three planes of existence. For planetary accomplishment it is Saturn, for solar accomplishment it is Uranus, and for cosmic accomplishment it is Neptune. This is the possibility that Capricorn offers. And the beauty of the time is such that we have Saturn, Uranus and Neptune in Capricorn now. That is why I am trying my very best to communicate something about Capricorn. People who care for discipleship are very lucky to be in this time. It offers excellent opportunities for internal growth. I don't think we get such combination even in one century, because the movement of Neptune is 14 years in one sun sign, Uranus' movement is 7 years in one sun sign, and the movement of Saturn is 2 1/2 years in one sun sign. They all move in different speeds, and it is quite an occasion that they have a meeting in Capricorn. I think those who are good in mathematics can tell me, when such meeting becomes possible again in Capricorn. Mind that it takes place in Capricorn, that is important.

The metal of Capricorn is Uranium. The sound of Capricorn is also in tune with Uranus. Its activity is not stimulated on this planet completely so far. Its quality in the heart is stimulated by Master CVV. For this purpose he has established another centre other than the Sun in our solar system, through which he linked up the cosmic Kundalini with the earth Kundalini. He did it without disturbing the present functioning of the solar system. Creating a new centre without disturbing the existing centre and enabling descent of energies from the cosmos was the task which he fulfilled. It is through that task he sought to quicken the evolution of the planet and the planetary beings. And the entire Aquarian functioning which happens in the next 2000 years will be guided by this work of the Master.

This is a little bit of Master CVV as a part of Capricornian work. He laid the foundation for the Aquarian Age and it is considered to be an event for the planet. When Krishna visited this planet, it was an event, and this event of Master CVV linking up the cosmos with the planet will be in posterity known as one of the great events of the planet. This is a way to enlighten the planet quicker without putting it to any disturbances. When it had happened to the planet, he also established similar links between the cosmos and the planet within the human being. There will be more and more understanding of the functioning of Uranium in future.

Capricorn contains the potentials of Aquarius, and those potentials are stimulated through the functioning of Uranus with Capricorn. Similarly Capricorn contains the potentials of Pisces also. And it is Neptune that stimulates those potentials. The presence of Uranus and Neptune in Capricorn gives an expansion which will be possible in 4320 years. The metal Uranium will help giving such expansion and its stimulation happens in us when we utter the sounds CVV.

The number relating to Capricorn is number 10. It is the number of the return of the saviour. It is number 1 that repeats itself with number 10. After 9 it is 10, that means a new beginning. Number 10 is called the return of the saviour. In the ritualistic temples number 10 is called the wheel of fortunes, and it is this number which is considered very sacred in all world scriptures. It is the number which is worked out very much by Pythagoras. The Pythagorean decade is relating to number 10, and it is said in the Eastern scriptures that the Lord descends ten times. It is called Deshavad Tharas. It means that the 10 incarnations happen in the four Yugas. That is why it is said that ten times He comes to flesh to establish His law.

And you have the same 10 repeated as the Mexican tree and Sephirotal tree. In 'Secret Doctrine' there is a description in Volume 3 about these two trees and also about the Pythagorean decade symbolically presented as the triangle upon a square. It is the formula of the pyramid and also the formula of Gayatri. Number 10 contains everything. And hence Capricorn contains everything relating to the creation. In Rig Veda in Purusha Sukta it is said: Atyatishta Dasangulam, i.e. He stands by 10 digits.

10 is the number of perfection. Zero represents the creation and One stands by it. Without One (Him) Zero has no value. Without One (Him) there is no creation. And with One (Him) there can be any number of creations. You put One and any number of Zeros, the Zeros carry value. You write One and five Zeros, we call it 100 000, if you add one Zero, you call it 1 Million, and if you add another Zero, we call it 1 Billion. But when you remove the One (Him) after making so many Zeros, what is the value? It is nil none nought level! So, with One (Him) any number of creations can come, and without One (Him) there

is nothing. And the beauty of number 10 is: it creates the creation and then stands by it. He holds himself responsible and gives the support. That is the difference between Him and us. We create but we don't stand by it. We want to get away from our creation, but He stands by all that creation.

The geometrical figure for number 10 is called Mandala. You may have heard so much about the Tibetan wisdom of Mandala. This Mandala wisdom becomes possible, when we work with number 10. Even the zodiac only contained 10 sun signs at one time. That was the perfect creation, from which 2 more sun signs found their expression. The 10 sun signs were: Aries, Taurus, Gemini, Cancer, Leo, Virgo/Scorpio, Sagittarius, Capricorn, Aquarius and Pisces. When the physical world was formed, the two sexes got separated. It is Virgo/Scorpio that has expanded itself as Virgo as one sun sign, Libra as a new one and Scorpio as one full sun sign. This one sun sign Virgo/Scorpio of 30° has manifested itself as Virgo, Libra and Scorpio. That is why Libra is the point of the physical. Actually the physical manifestation starts from 16° Virgo and continues to Libra up to 15° Scorpio. These are the 60 additional degrees added. This part of the zodiac represents the physical manifestation. 10 sun signs represent the perfect creation. This is what is described in the Bible as the serpent coming down further from the tree. It is reaching the matter. It is the concept of the descent of spirit into the matter. Then it is said that Adam and Eve gained the coats of skin. Through shame they have also gained the coats of skin, i. e. the separation of the one into two on the physical plane. The Androgynous has been separated.

When the separation took place, it manifested as number 12. In us also we have to build the three sun signs once again : the first half of Scorpio, Libra and the second half of Virgo. We have to rebuilt them into one sun sign. See, when we are born, we are only born as ten sun signs. Only during the years 7 to 14 there is the manifestation of the sex. The organs relating to sex and the generative organs are formed during the years 7 to 14. The boy and the girl they gain their true status as boy and girl after the 7 years. So, that is what is called the formation of the second half of Virgo, Libra and the first half of Scorpio. The creation was perfect before the bifurcation of the sex.

If we wish to walk into the perfect creation, we have to bridge the whole thing into its original state. That is why the passions of sex and desire which are the aspects of Libra shall have to be overcome, if we wish to get into the perfect kingdom. That is why the sex polarity and its abuse go against the spiritual evolution. One has to make an intelligent understanding of the use of sex. And one has to make neither abuse nor under-use so that one can go safely go through the dangerous part of the game and once again bridge it back.

There is a point after which the sex energies are not present in the human being. Before 7 years they are not present and after 70 years they are not present. When they are present and put to proper use, it gives an opportunity to rise. The sex energies give the opportunity to rise or to fall. It is for the man to decide which way to go and that way is decided in Scorpio. That is why in Scorpio you have two symbols: one is a bird that soars into sky and the other is a snake that goes into the holes of the earth. So, Scorpio carries the potential either to rise into sky or to get buried deep in matter. The choice depends upon the will of the soul. According to that he becomes either a winged bird or a crawling serpent. That is why spirituality and indiscreet sex they are incompatible. Hence so much importance is given to that energy. And those who overcome the abuse of it will find an expression into the dawn of Capricorn. The limitation of sex and desire condition the being, and to overcome this condition is what is thought through spiritual practice.

Capricorn is not only a dawn that we experience every day. It is also the dawn of every solar year. It is also a dawn for the solar system and is even called the dawn of a Manvantara, i.e. 71 Mahayugas. Each Mahayuga has the four Yugas, and 71 Mahayugas put together are the life of one Manu, and the birth of a Manu is also associated with Capricorn. And then the period of 71 Mahayugas and the whole process of creation that takes place during the Manvantara also has its triggering point in Capricorn. And the groups of solar systems that are formed in a Manvantara they are held intact by a great energy which is called Varaha. It is the Great Boar. The Great Boar keeps intact all these groups of solar systems throughout the 71 Mahayugas and in the month of Capricorn it is this Great Boar that is worshipped.

So much for the present about Capricorn.

Thank you