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Ugadi New Year – 31st March 2014

Message for the year by Master K.Parvathi Kumar

Hearty greetings to all of you who have gathered here on this occasion of Ugadi and may Master bless us to have fulfilled and prosperous life for this year. Every year we conduct Panchanga Sravanam (Astrological Prediction) and try to lead our lives in tune with time. Knowing certain astrological aspects



of time is way of worshipping the time and hence we have the tradition of "Panchanga Sravanam" on this day, every year.

Everything begins in time, grows in time, diminishes in time and disappears in time. Time is only thing that remains right from the beginning to the end of creation and that Time is represented by the symbol of Great Serpent, Adishesha. We have a symbolism of the Lord sleeping on the Great Serpent. We also have Lord Shiva wearing the serpent around his neck and we have Lord Ganapati wearing a serpent around his waist. In this manner, we have many ways given to relate to the time through the Lord.

Generally in Astrological Prediction, everyone looks to his sun sign and is eager to know what is in store for him this year. But that is not the only purpose here and only looking for one's welfare will not lead you to eternal happiness. The secret and splendor of living in this creation is that we live happily if we lead our lives for the

welfare of others and in tune with time. If you just live for your selfish means, you cannot be happy all the time. Also having awareness of the time and living in tune with it is also very important.

So this year, the name of the year is Jaya. Ja corresponds to 8 and Ya corresponds to 1. So Jaya is 81 and when it is revered as generally, in Sanskrit, numbers are read in reverse, it becomes 18. 18 corresponds to Yaja which means sacrifice. The meaning of it if you do you Yaja, Jaya is guaranteed to you. Jaya is victory while Yaja is sacrifice. Victory is guaranteed to those who lead a life of sacrifice and in service to the humanity. Victory is not assured to all. It is only to those live for the welfare of others. Others start from your family members, colleagues in your profession, friends, society, etc. Are you serving them or are you expecting them to serve you? If you just live in service to others, your live becomes a splendour and you attain victory. If you just live for yourself, you face lot of ups and downs and create

of consequences which you have to face alone. The foremost thing taught in WTT is living as a group and serving the group. Inclusiveness is one of the important principles of WTT. We should progress as a group and not individually. If the group progress, you automatically progress. Do not separate yourself as someone special from the rest. It leads to lot of pride and your downfall.

Remember that through time, there will be mixed results. Time is not favorable at all times. There will be past karma that comes back to us through time and we need to work them out. Some fruits of past karma may give you happiness and some do not. Those situations which do not give you happiness will definitely give you a lesson which should be learnt to clear that karma. So learn to accept the both sides of it. In exams, some subjects may be easy to you and you can get good marks with little effort. There may be some subjects which are difficult to pass. What does it mean? It means that you have work hard in those subjects and try to get good marks. If you do not study well, you fail in such subjects.

Another important thing is to worship Time. The Lord is the one who dances over the principle of time. We have a picture of the Lord dancing on the serpent. We should visualise that image and worship the Lord presiding over time. Then time cooperates with you and you can live in tune with it. Worship the Lord with intent and devotion. Many worship but devotion matters a lot.

Also make it a practice to recognize the time by recollecting the day, constellation, moon phase, month, season and other basic astrological aspects of time on a daily basis. Then any negative affect that may be present on you on that day, will be neutralized. That little awareness is sufficient. You need not go into deep astrological concepts. The basic points are sufficient and if interested you can go further. In that manner, time will cooperate with you and will ensure that you actions are in tune with it. Similarly recollecting the devas working in creation will also enable you to gain their cooperation. When you are graced by the time and devas, you life becomes effortless and splendorous.

So my advice to you is to keep working for the welfare of others. Let service be your ultimate objective in life and everything else falls in line. You need not be serving many, but in your circumference, try to serve in possible ways and also try to expand that circumference of yours gradually. That way, the karma that has been binding you slowly releases and you attain freedom.

Now Sri Gopala Krishna will give the Astrological prediction for the year. He will give the effect of each of the sun signs. Follow all of them attentively. Do not hear only the sign to which you belong. Though you were born in a sun sign, all the sun signs are present in you and have any effect upon you. So hear everything that he tells as hearing itself will neutralize any negative effects on you.

-Swasthi