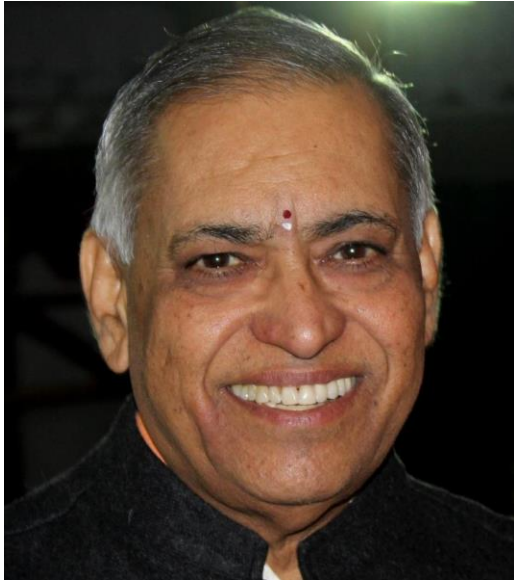


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“Goodwill Day Celebrations” (Master KPK's Birthday)

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My heart fraternal greetings to all those who have gathered here. Birthday is an important day for any aspirant as it is a day for self introspection. Any person who gives priority to goodwill activities in his life will be regarded and respected by the society in this manner and there is nothing great to feel about it. In the morning I said to those who came for puja, today may a be



day of celebration for you all but for me, it is a day of introspection. On every birthday, one should ask oneself "Why am I born? What did I do till now in this life? Am I oriented properly to my duties? Did I deviate from the path in any way?" By asking these questions, we should fine tune ourselves better to stay on the path and to relate to the Divine even better. As we say "Let realization be my attainment". That is our objective in life. We should progress towards self realization after having born as humans and help the fellow beings as much as possible.

By the grace of my father, I knew the direction that I had to follow in my life, at a very young age of 10. 'Knowing thyself' is the responsibility of every human being. The activities in our life should be centered around that prime objective. On every birthday, we should check how well we have progressed in the last year and what is to be done in the coming year.

If one remains in Divine alignment, the Lord chooses to perform lot of service activities through you. This is one truth which I have personally experienced in my life. But our objective should remain to be Divine experience and realization. Then the Lord will take care of everything including all the activities that should happen through you. If not, service activities might make you fall into pride. It is very easy for oneself to get into pride of the work done especially if there are many praising the work. So 'normal temperament' is an important mantra to keep pride in check. Normal temperament may be lost when felicitations like these happen. This is like a test that the Lord has kept to see if one remains normal even after going through all this. So this celebrations and felicitation might be very significant for all of you but I try to remain sub-normal as much as possible.

When one remains with the Divine, the Divine creates lot of splendour around oneself but one should remember that it is all play of the Lord and nothing more. There is nothing to feel great about all this. When lot of good activities are happening in your name, if you feel that you are doing all this, you immediately fall. There is always a slide beside us on both sides. One who sticks to his duties without getting into pride walks in between them without sliding down. Right from my childhood, I tried to remain in that middle path and I will try to remain in that path by the grace of the Lord.

If a chartered accountant has written close to 170 books and they have been translated to many other languages, is it humanly possible? Leave alone a chartered accountant, does it happen to a professional writer? Does it happen if one wishes for it? Can one travel to so many countries and give so many discourses by wishing and planning? So it is all due to the grace of the Divine. It is not possible in any other way.

When I was a child, every night my father used to read some pages from Bhagavatam Scripture while my mother used to hear. I used to also sit there and used to get goosebumps many times while hearing the Scripture. Seeing me like that, my father once told me "My son! You will have a grand experience of Divine in this life." My mother once told me what my grandfather (father's father) told about me when I was 3 years of age. My grandfather is a great soul who used to spend almost 3-6 hours a day in meditation. When I was 3 years old, he saw me moving forth and back in a sitting position and told my mother "This boy is already an enlightened one."

My father taught all of us that Divine is the most important aspect in one's life. He used to tell "wealth does not matter to one who is with Divine. All wealth in this creation is under Divine control and he can give or take it away from anyone." This is an important advice which I learnt from my father and remembered it all my life. When I met Master EK, he said "There is nothing that I need to teach you. Your father has laid all the required foundations. So we will work together."

All my life, I stuck to my duties and never planned my future. I learnt that if we stick to our duties, all that we have to do will come to us and there is nothing to be planned. Master DK wrote "Out of small duties properly performed will emerge larger responsibilities culminating in world service." This has been absolutely true with regard to my life.

On this day, I wanted to recollect those who have inspired me a lot in this life. Initially, my father has been great inspiration to me. Master EK did not meet him personally but due to his inner vision, he once wrote a statement (in Telugu) about my father. I felt very happy on seeing that. I learnt lot of Divine qualities by observing my father. He used to remain in constant recollection of Lord Rama. There is a Shiva temple in a village called Mallavaram. A cobra snake used to live in the Sanctum of that temple. Once our father took us to that temple and there he took the snake into his hands and tendered it. Then with the snake in his hands, he chanted the name of Rama and the snake danced in ecstasy. He also asked us to take it into our hands but we did not have the courage to do it. So we just touched it while he held it. Such a devotee of Lord Rama he was.

When I was a child, we used to live in Eluru and those days bandits used to attack some houses and loot them. One night a group of bandits tried to loot our neighbour and the people in those houses started shouting. None in the street came to rescue as they were too afraid. Then my

father went into their house and fought with them with bare hands and the bandits ran away. Next morning everyone was surprised and they asked my father "Why did you do that? You have a family to take care. What if something happened to you?" My father replied "What can they do to me when Rama is with me?" Such a courage he had due to his devotion. Once we had to travel to another place and when we were half way on our journey, my mother recollected that she forgot to lock the house. My father said "Rama will take care. Let us not worry. Whatever is truly ours will remain." That is how he lived and that is what he taught to us. He knew about his departure and he told my mother and us children that Rama will take care of us and not to worry. So I was highly inspired by my father in this manner and learnt a lot of qualities from him.

Later there was another great devotee by name Raghuvara Das. He stayed in our house for some days when I was of 5 years. He used to close his eyes and remained in divine alignment for hours together. He was only 16 years of age at that time. He used to do 7 day rituals of chanting the name of Rama continuously for hours. My father used to request him to conduct this 7 day ritual every year, in our house. During the chanting, not only he used to go into ecstasy, many around him used to have similar experience. He taught me Hanuman Chalisa and from then on I used to chant Hanuman Chalisa very frequently. It attracted me a lot. Whenever I was travelling by foot or in a train, I used to chant Hanuman Chalisa. In fact, I used to count the distances that I regularly travelled as the number of times Hanuman Chalisa can be sung during that travel.

Then there was my grandfather (mother's father) from whom I learnt time discipline. His life used to be so rhythmic right from waking up to sleep. He used to follow a tantra called "Kala Chakra Tantra". He was devotee of Lord Dattatreya and used to do puja daily with Sri Sukta. He also used to write the name of Rama and he wrote it 30 million times in his life time. Apart from that he used to meditate as per the path of dattatreya for almost 2 hours daily. He used to go out for work exactly at the same time daily and exactly at that time, a rickshaw used to wait for him at the gate. There used to be a rickshaw stand near the house and the rickshaw pullers used to compete on who would take my grandfather that day. It is because they used to make lot of profit on the day my grandfather got on their rickshaw. My grandfather used to run a furniture store. There used to be around 60 members working in that store making different kinds of furniture. He used to remain from 10 AM to 5 PM in the store and most of the time he used write the name of Rama. He gave very little directions and the workers used to do the rest. The business almost by itself while he was engaged with Rama. He used to take care of not only his family but also the families of his sisters who were widows. Many people used to stay in his house and he told me "this is like an Ashram and Rama takes care of each one of us in this ashram." I moved very closely with him. I stayed with him when I was in my 10th, 11th and 12th standards in high school. He used to make me byheart and sing lot of slokas from Bhagavatam.

With inspiration from all these people, I spent most of my childhood and youth in experiencing the Divine. After I started chanting Hanuman chalisa regularly, I started hearing voices from within on what should I do including aspects relating to my studies. By the time I completed my education, I realised that the Divine permeates the whole creation and its beings, and he would be pleased if we help the beings in this creation. With that realization, I started leading my life.

I used to have friends belonging to all religions and I used to always tell them "the Divine is ONE though he may be known by different names and form. As we keep leading a life of dharma and service, the Lord keeps moving closer to us."

As I was about to finish my chartered accountancy course, I came in touch with Master EK through my brother Surendranath. He once came to our house and while leaving he told my brother "your family will well off if all you follow your Brother Kumar." My brother felt happy and told the same to me and asked me to meet Master EK. I told him "I have an immediate responsibility of finishing chartered accountancy so that I can support our family and only after that I will meet Master EK." After I completed chartered accountancy, I decided to meet Master EK. I came to know that he performs fire ritual at 4 AM in the morning daily and decided to attend that. Master EK saw me and started the ritual. After the ritual, I took his blessing and left without talking anything. I went again the next day and he asked me to sit beside him. During that ritual, I had a wonderful experience of fire ritual within. As I was about to leave, he asked me to wait. He then asked me "What are you planning to do now?" I said "I have a profession to take care of my family. Now my only objective in life is Divine experience. I wish that you lead me in the path." Master EK said "I am not here to lead you. We will work together." Then I was introduced to Master CVV prayer. Prayer created lot of taste in me. I was highly attracted to it. I worked along with Master EK in conducting Gurupujas from 1972 to 1976. After the Gurupujas in 1976, on 14th January, Master EK hugged me suddenly and said "Welcome into the order of world goodwill." I did not understand what he meant then. From that day, I started knowing about the grand plan of Master CVV through prayers. Everything that I learnt from that day and everything that I did is on the basis of Master CVV prayer.

One day in 1977, Master EK asked me to come to the Visakh beach. Prior to that I bought and moved into Radhamadhavam as instructed by Master EK. So I met Master EK at the beach and he said "I am told to move to your house and work from there. What do you say?" What will I say? I said that I am very glad that he would stay in Radhamadhavam. He asked me "How much rent should I pay?" I replied "What rent? You are like my father. Will I take rent from my father? You just come and stay." So Master EK shifted to Radhamadhavam on 22nd April, 1977. We used to participate in prayers conducted by Master EK in Radhamadhavam. I gained lot of knowledge during those prayers including the knowledge from Secret Doctrine, Isis Unveiled, books of Master DK, etc. I gradually started realising the plan of the Hierarchy. I was introduced to many Masters of wisdom during those years.

Then gradually Master EK started handing me over lot of responsibilities. Finally, he told me that I should even start giving discourses. I did not want to do that and I told him "I will everything except speaking. I wish to remain inside and I am having very good inner experiences now. So I do not want to go on stage." Master EK replied "It is because of you inner practice that you are being asked to speak. You cannot just remain inside. There is lot of work to be done outside and the Hierarchy wants you to do it. Once they decide, you do not have a choice." All the work that has happened since is according to their plan and I have just remained an instrument to them.

So all these people have inspired me greatly and the factor which is most significant in my life is Master CVV prayer. It is just so amazing what all can happen through this prayer. I have innumerable number of experiences with prayer. I cannot share all of them but I did share some of my experiences today.

Finally I would like to tell that you need to have fiery aspiration in this path. You should have time for practice. If you are too busy in your life, you will have no time for practice. So let this be your priority in life. Regular prayers are most important to progress in the path. I strongly believe that prayers are sufficient to take care of everything in our lives.

I keep telling that we do not need any propagation in this path. We do not need advertisements. The only thing which I expect from you is doing regular prayers, helping the needy as much as you can and follow dharma in life. Try to grow more and more inside and not outside. Do not crave for any recognition. If you are doing well, the Lord will recognise you and once he recognises, no other recognition matters. So going close to the Lord is our objective and we have the help of a Master in that path. What else do we need? So keep on growing vertically and as you keep growing, lot of activities happen through you effortlessly. You gain access to lot of higher planes and you gain acquaintance with grand Seers and Masters. So that is our path. Let us not get deviated due to petty things. Do not go into side issues.

Master CVV gave us 3 important instructions. Regular prayers in the morning and evening, service to fellow beings and regular reading of Scriptures. Let us strictly abide to them and Master will take care of the rest. Let us strive until we realise our true identity.

I am very thankful to all of you for having stayed so long until the end of the function. May the Master bless you all with good health so that you can be regular with your prayers.

-Swasthi