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**||AUM SRI SADGURUNATH DADAYE NAMHA||**

**GURU PURNIMA NIVEDAN**  
**MESSAGE ON THE OCCASION OF GURUPURNIMA**  
**GUIDANCE REGARDING THE GURU**  
**(MESSAGE FROM PARAMPUJYA DADA JI)**  
**04.10.1961**

### To The Devotees

During the course of my Mulakaats (discourses) your attention is diverted towards the clock. Similarly in midcourse your attention is diverted from the Marg ,that is, you do not remain in Sync with the marg with your body, speech and mind.

You do not sense or seek the divine element in God, but you seek God to get relief from your problems. With the passage of time you are gradually drifting away from God. The complete faith with which you initially approached Baba, has vanished, have you ever thought of this? You offer prayers and penance to God and then boast that you have rendered prayers, you say with pride that I have done penance for God Shankar for 12 years. I agree with you. Your prayers are known to God Shankar and your family as well. May I ask you, where were you while doing this penance or offering prayers? You were doing everything mechanically.

When you travel to some place on a bicycle, the bicycle does its job. Have you ever looked at the bicycle with care and love? Have you thought about your

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duties towards the bicycle? Since you ignore your duties towards the cycle, the cycle develops a fault and you have to carry it on your head for repairs. The bulb in your house provides light in your house daily. However if I come to your house today, I am sure I will notice that the bulb has not been cleaned. If this is the lack of responsibility toward your daily tasks, then how negligent will you be regarding your duties to God? You say you want to go to God but you are least worried about what you should do in your present life. After showing so much of neglect towards your Kulachar and Kuldharm (Family values and Family Religion), I am surprised that you say, you have done penance for 12 years. Your own material (normal day to day) attitude is so low that you never have a sense of satisfaction, and then what will you give to others?

If someone has a huge tyre of a bus it does not mean that he has a bus. Similarly prayers and reciting from holy books is a means to reach God but such means are not God himself. When you have a guest at home you offer him tea, the juice of the tea leaves mixes with water and you throw the used tea leaves in the dustbin. But you have a different attitude towards worship. You want to attain a feeling of contentment after your prayers or reading holy books, but when God visits as a guest to your house you offer him the tea leaves after straining the tea and the good brew (the contentment from worship) is thrown in bathroom.' Tatmvasi' a Sanskrit word means "you are that God". Every person has a small amount of divine energy and divinity. However the connotation of the above sentence has now changed, you seem to have forgotten that you have to improve yourself. Human beings are clever by birth. Everyone, in spite of realizing the above finds it very difficult to follow the correct values and behavior.

You have counted the number of years you have spent in prayers but have you also counted your own shortcomings? Once you apply soap to the handkerchief the dirt is removed but if you again clean your nose with it, the kerchief becomes dirty once again. You have received Baba's blessings and you use soap in the form of prayers every day to clean yourself, but have you really cleaned yourself with this 'enlightened' knowledge of life? You consider your life to be unfortunate but I consider it to be enlightened, that is why I have purposely used the word enlightened for your life. Everything in your house is accounted for. If you finish the 5 kg sugar that you bought for your house, you immediately get more sugar. That means you have analyzed or taken a decision about the sugar you bought earlier. But have you ever analyzed and thought about your invoking God through your prayers that you say you have been doing for 12 years? You have convinced yourself that the means (prayers) itself is God. The means to understand divinity of God is prayers and the means to understand the prayers is the body medium.

You have been absorbing the prayers since the last so many years, but the effect of the prayers is not evident in your life. When you wear a woolen suit a number of people look at you with admiration and your ego is boosted. You feel that you are on a higher pedestal than the others and the coat has such an effect, that when you go the office, the peon salutes you. Therefore should the effect of the prayers that you have done not be evident on you? Even a headgear has different effects for example if you wear a red headgear then the Policeman will definitely ask if there “is there a confrontation or raid somewhere?” If you wear a black headgear he will ask you “what brings you here. You are never seen in this area?” Having said this he will discreetly caution his colleague to keep an eye on you. If you adorn a white cap everyone will salute you. But whatever cap any one wears I will say that he is a devotee of God because I see his inner conscience or soul and rest of the people only see his outward appearance. From this you will understand that everything has an effect or an impact. Why is there no effect or impact evident even after absorbing so many years of penance or prayers? If you wear a suit and your son does not adorn a suit people will ask him your father is wearing a suit and why are you so simply dressed? The same question is put to the devotees of this Marg that you have been in this Marg for such a long period then why this state? There has always been a feeling that God only gives. With this feeling people ask each other about the satisfaction or contentment level derived from the Marg. They assume that God operates a money making machine and hence there can be no scarcity of money. If a suit is worn the peon will salute but he can't pay you salary. Salary will only be paid by the employer or the boss. Every one may praise your suit but that does neat mean you can be lax in your work. If you are lax in your work you will receive a memo, then a warning and finally you will be dismissed from your job. But aren't you a beggar? You try to gain undue advantage from your peon and exploit him because he salutes you. The environment that exists today in the Marg is also the same as that existing in your office. It seems to be very routine. Anyone and everyone asks everyone else how is the meditation going on? Is this question as simple as that? These aspects can easily be understood by an enlightened person as he understands the essence of meditation and prayers.

After all this effort man is trying to approach God. In accordance with the meaning of Tatmvasi that is Every person has a small amount of divine energy or a part of God in him, but that God element has been filtered off and that is why human beings are constantly looking for happiness and contentment. God is the truth but without removing the falsehood in human beings how can truth be invoked? God is full of love but how will human beings experience love if they criticize others at all times? God is contented but if a person gets torai vegetable

(Ridge Gourd) in his meals he does not like it. God has contentment that is why there is contentment in the world. You easily use the word 'Peace' but first there is a need to establish tolerance, have you ever given thought to what should be done to make others happy before you sleep? You have the understanding to realize this but still have you ever thought on these lines? What have you achieved after taking birth? Once in a week a devotee comes to you for taking healing, that is why you enquire about his well being politely, but how well do you get along with the people with whom you have daily dealings or your family members? Have you carried out your bounded duty to ensure that there is contentment in the family; has the head of the family thought of this? You do not clean the bulb that provides light in your house then how do you desire that God should appear in his full glory in your house? The day there is a realization that God is truth only then will one understand that one has to offer prayer in front of the God Satyanarayan's photograph which is lying in some corner of your house.

The entire staff in a hospital is not a doctor, only the person who administers the required injection is a doctor. Similarly Mulakaat (spiritual discourse) is an injection for your defects. Prayers and reading holy books are a means to understand God and the body medium is a means to understand prayers and holy books. Twelve years of prayers and reading holy books will have no effect, till you endeavor to find God in yourself. Like you cannot clean the inner self by wearing a suit to improve your outer appearance, similarly unless you enlighten your inner self, all your prayers and penance will be a waste. You are holding a Tarpaulin umbrella and you say that it is not raining. Similarly you have such rigid and narrow views, that is why God also seems to be held within the umbrella like small ambit of those narrow and rigid views. If you close the umbrella and have a look around you, you will feel the showering of blessings of God. You are so engulfed in your defects that even after a prolonged period of penance you do not feel happy. Some people open the umbrella even before the showers start hence they do not understand when the umbrella has to be shut. Russia's Khrushchev is so concerned about America. His entire attention is towards listening to the Radio to find out what America is doing. Similarly president Kennedy's attention is to listen to Moscow Radio. Even after attaining the highest positions in their respective countries they cannot sleep peacefully, because they are worried about the sustenance of their principles in comparison to the enemy's principles and also the all important question - whether the enemy's principles will be harmful for their own principles. The same conflict is going on between your thoughts and your deficiencies.

After purification of your defects your thoughts are purified and after purification of your thoughts you can achieve God. Humans are learned beings

hence they look for God through their thoughts but God is beyond their thoughts. Your prayers and holy books are an illustration by an author but in actual practice they are nothing substantial, however others find truth only in these illustrations. If you light four bulbs together, the light increases many fold but when four devotees meet, the love and affection does not seem to increase proportionately. So far you have done everything, but you have shown no discernible improvement after coming to this Guru Marg. In other words you have remained dry as far as absorbing the Guru Marg is concerned. While staying in a river one remains dry or bereft of water because the water is had only once you are outside the river.

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*Guru Purnima is celebrated every year and today also we have all gathered here at Sai Niketan Shaktee Kendra to celebrate Guru Purnima, but the purpose of this Purnima is unique, as this will have an increased importance for welfare of humanity, because before the next Purnima, the third seminar would have been conducted. Instead of thinking about what the Guru gave us in the first or the second seminar, we should obey the Guru with complete faith, because the Guru had to appear on the earth in this form with some purpose. With folded hands, it is my (Bau Ji) humble submission to all of you that we all have already benefitted from the last two seminars. Param Pujya Baba, Vandaniya Dada and all the Vibhutis have showered their eternal blessings on the human race on the occasion of this very sacred day today.*

**Let Peace Be To All**

**Eternal Sevak**

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