

Transcendental Letter from Diary

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Hare Krishna dear devotees,
Dandavats. All glories to Sri Sri Guru and Gauranga!! All glories to Srila Prabhupada !!

While browsing through an old but priceless diary of Maharaj containing his writings in the early 80s, I came across this interesting, inspiring and sweet letter which he seemed to have written to a devotee residing in London though it appears not to have been mailed out eventually. Expressed in simple English, nevertheless it conveys a powerful, poignant and insightful message directed not just towards the destined devotee but to all those of us aspirants who are attempting to traverse the path of Krishna Consciousness. I have reproduced the letter just as it is except for those portions wherein the handwriting wasn't clear, typing in what I thought was presumably the intended words.

In the service of Srila Prabhupad,
Vaisnava dasanudas
Samanjas das

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Dearest Sanatkumar Prabhu,
Read a kind letter from you. I was not keeping very well, hence delay in replying you. Please excuse me and do keep on writing to me about your welfare etc.

Please accept my humble obeisances and convey my kind regards to your sister and all. As we have known from Vedic literature, we should every second see Krishna everywhere. You very well know that verse from Srimad Bhagavad Gita:-

*bahūnām janmanām ante jñānavān mām prapadyate
vāsudevaḥ sarvam iti sa mahātmā su-durlabhaḥ*

Please read the translation from the text.

Myself, I am always very much pleased to see you and have a nice chat with you about Krsna- Devotee doesn't know anything else- and is there any need to know anything else? No, never. Just know Sri Krsna through holy scriptures, experience Him always around you and remember Him through chanting Maha Mantra.

*Hare Krsna, Hare Krsna, Krsna Krsna Hare Hare,
Hare Rama Hare Rama, Rama Rama Hare Hare*

Nothing else, in this human form is needed Prabhu. And if you or anybody follows this Royal Road, happiness definitely will fall in his or her lap. Devotees don't want anything else Prabhu. As you know Prabhu a verse from 10th Ch of Bh. Geeta:-

*mac-cittā mad-gata-prāṇā bodhayantaḥ parasparam
kathayantaś ca mām nityam tuṣyanti ca ramanti ca*

The thoughts of my pure devotees dwell in Me, their lives are surrendered to Me, and they derive great satisfaction and bliss enlightening one another and conversing about Me.

Prabhu what could be better than this? Nothing really. We are all simply mad to run after a filthy garbage leaving aside the nectar. Hare Krsna. The other day I read a very nice verse from Srimad Bhagavatam :- please try to learn this verse by heart and it would guide you throughout the whole of your life :-

*nidrayā hriyate naktam vyavāyena ca vā vayah
divā cārthehayā rājan kuṭumba-bharaṇena vā*

nidrayaa- by sleeping ; *hriyate* - wastes ; *naktam* - night ; *vyavayena* - sex indulgence; *ca* - also ; *vayah* - duration of life ; *dira* - days ; *ca* - and ; *artha* - economic ; *ihaya* - development ; *rajan* - O king ; *kutumba* - family members ; *bharanena* - maintaining ; *va* - either.

The lifetime of such an envious householder is passed at night either in sleeping or sex indulgence and in daytime either in making money or maintaining family members.

Prabhu all living entities in this world are busy in completely temporary things. "Unless one, by the association of pure transcendentalist ,is very keen to get out of this nasty entanglement, there is no chance for him to go back to the dearest Supreme Person Sri Krsna."

So much could be written or told about the Unlimited One. But He as a whole is in our Maha mantra : Please chant continuously and He will help you. He is very kind Hare Krsna.

I hope your leg is behaving alright. Slowly you are going to be alright, there is no doubt about it. Hope everybody is well. For preaching, I long to come that side sometime. Krsna will arrange. Now here, everything is normal. Blackheat place is slowly coming up. And one nice sannyasi is here from India. Param puja Tirthapada is gone to America and is due here maybe within a week or two.

You are a nice sincere soul, having a thirst to know Krsna & eventually go back to Him. He will definitely be with you.

As you have written, association is very important, Keep in continuous association of Maha mantra, Bh. Geeta etc. Hare Krsna Prabhu. Do write to me again. The address by Krsna's grace is same as yet.

Hare Krsna.

Ever Yours,
Maha Vishnudas