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Om Shree Krishnaya Param Brahmane Namah!

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॥ द्वितीयस्कन्धः ॥

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SAPTHAMOADHYAH (CHAPTER SEVEN)

Brahma Naaradha Samvaadha (Continuation of Philosophical Discourse by Brahma Dheva to Naaradha including the Proclamation and Glorifying Worships of Incarnations)

[In this chapter we can read about the various Incarnations or Avathaaraas of Lord Sri Maha Vishnu. All the incarnations could be read in detail with specific chapters later on. Here we will see a brief description, especially, of the Desaavathaaraas of the major Ten Incarnations of Lord Sri Maha Vishnu with the purposes and fulfillments. Regarding the Incarnation of Lord Sri Krishna Bhagawaan the whole Dhesama Skandha is assigned for that purpose, but we can read a few stanzas as an introduction to that. Naaradhaa's devotion to Lord Sri Maha Vishnu and its acceptance by Brahma Dheva, Creation of the Trinity i.e. Brahma, Vishnu and Sankara and so on also can be read briefly in this chapter.]

Brahmovaacha (Brahma Dheva Said):

यत्रोद्यतः क्षितितलोद्धरणाय बिभ्रत्-
क्रौडीं तनुं सकलयज्ञमयीमनन्तः ।
अन्तर्महार्णव उपागतमादिदैत्यं
तं दंष्ट्रयाद्रिमिव वज्रधरो ददार ॥ १ ॥

1

Yethrodhyathah kshithithalodhddharanaaya bibhrath
Kraudeem thanum sakalayejnjamayeemananthah
Antharmmahaarnnava upaagethamaadhidheithyam
Tham dhemshtrayaadhrimiva vajraddharo dhedhaara.

In order to lift up the planet of earth which was sinking into the great ocean of the universe which was called as “Gerbhodhakam”, the eternal Lord Sri Krishna Bhagawan who was also called as Lord Sri Maha Vishnu incarnated, as a playful pastime, in the form of a Boar and dived into the unfathomable depth of the ocean and lifted up the earth on its huge tusk after killing Hirannyaaksha who was the most primal demonic evil Asura just like how Lord Dhevendhra, who was the holder of famous weapon of Vajjra and hence also known as Vajjri, eliminated and destroyed all the mountains. [This refers to the story that: in the past mountains used to have wings and used to fly freely and land at places and used to destroy that whole land. In order to save the lands which used to be occupied by human beings or other living creatures Dhevendhra used to cut off the wings of all the mountains with his Vajjra.]

जातो रुचेरजनयत्सुयमान् सुयज्ञ
आकृतिसूनुरमरानथ दक्षिणायाम् ।
लोकत्रयस्य महतीमहरद्यदार्तिं
स्वायम्भुवेन मनुना हरिरित्यनूक्तः ॥ २ ॥

2

Jaatho rucherajanayath suyemaan suyajnja
Aakoothisoonuramaraanattha dhekshinaayaam
LOkathreyasya mahatheemaharadhyadhaarththim
Swaayambhuvena Manunaa Haririthynookthah.

Initially, the Prejaapathi called Ruchi created a son named Suyajnja in the womb of his wife called Aakoothi. Then Suyajnja produced sons starting from Suyema, etc. with his wife Dhekshina. Suyemaas are the demigods. These demigods roamed around all the three worlds; the upper world, the lower world, and the intermediate world; and destroyed all the evil forces and diminished the sorrows and miseries of the universe. Because of that the Swaayambhuva Manu, who was the first Manu, complimented and congratulated the Suyemaas and proclaimed and called them as Hari, Hari, Hari ... which means the Protector, Protector, Protector

जज्ञे च कर्दमगृहे द्विज देवहृत्यां
स्त्रीभिः समं नवभिरात्मगतिं स्वमात्रे ।
ऊचे ययाऽऽत्मशमलं गुणसङ्गपङ्क-
मस्मिन्विधूय कपिलस्य गतिं प्रपेदे ॥ ३॥

3

Jejnje cha Kardhamagrihe dhvija Dhevahoothyaam
Sthribhissamam Navabhiraathmagethim svamaathre
Ooche yeyaaaathmasamalam gunasangapanka-
MAsmi viddhooyaKapilasya gethim prepadhe.

Thereafter Lord Sri Maha Vishnu incarnated as Kapila or Kapila Vaasudheva as the son of Kardhdhama on Dhevahoothi as a single brother to nine sisters to their parents. [Parents are Kardhdhama and Dhevahoothi.] Kapila advised Brahma Jnjaana or the Ultimate Transcendental and Spiritual Philosophical Principles and Knowledge to his mother Dhevahoothi. Dhevahoothi with full concentration and meditative mind listened to them and understood them and led a life strictly according to those principles. Thus, Dhevahoothi attained ultimate and permanent Salvation in that life itself after renouncing the material life. [Kapila Vaasudheva is the founder of the Saankhya

Saasthra or Sankhya Philosophy and the same will be explained in detail in a few episodes starting from Chapter twenty-five of Canto three.]

अत्रेरपत्यमभिकाङ्क्षत आह तुष्टो
दत्तो मयाहमिति यद्भूगवान् स दत्तः ।
यत्पादपङ्कजपरागपवित्रदेहा
योगर्द्धिमापुरुभयीं यदुहैहयाद्याः ॥ ४॥

4

Athrerapathyamabhikaamkshatha aaha thushto
“Dheththo Mayaaha” mithi yedh Bhagawaan sa Dheththha
Yethpaadhapanakajaparaagapavithradhehaa
Yogardhddhimaapurubhayeem YedhuHaihayaadhyah.

The great and noble sage Athri worshiped and prayed with severe austerity and steadfast devotion to Lord Sri Maha Vishnu. Lord Sri Maha Vishnu was pleased with Athri and blessed him with the boon that He himself will be incarnated as the son of Athri as per his request to grant him with a son like Lord Sri Maha Vishnu. That son of Athri was named as Dheththha. Dheththha the word meaning is one who is given as a gift. And the Yedhus and Hehayaas were purified and blessed them with prosperity, power, wealth, name and fame as material and as well as with spiritual progress as they devotedly worshiped and prayed by wearing the dust from the lotus feet of Dheththha, the incarnation of Lord Sri Maha Vishnu who is the enemy of all evil forces of demons and Asuraas, as grace of sandal paste on their forehead and body. [Kaarththaveeryaarjjuna was the famous king of Hehaya dynasty, with one thousand hands and immense power who defeated Raavana. He was a staunch devotee of Dheththha and Dheththha is the one who blessed Kaarththaveeryaarjjuna with one thousand hands and undefeatable might and power.]

तप्तं तपो विविधलोकसिसृक्षया मे
आदौ सनात्स्वतपसः स चतुःसनोऽभूत् ।
प्राक्कल्पसम्प्लवविनष्टमिहात्मतत्त्वं

5

Thaptham thapoviddhalokasisrikshayaa me
Aadhau sanaath swathapasassa chathussanoabhooth
Praakkalpasamplavavinashdamihaathmathaththvam
Samyagjegaadha munayo yedhachakshathaathman.

At the very beginning, even before the creation of this universe, I, Brahma Dheva, performed severe austerity and penance with full concentration and steadfast devotion to Lord Sri Maha Vishnu with the intention of creating the universe. Lord Sri Maha Vishnu was pleased and incarnated into four forms named as "Sanas' ' as the embodiment of Lord Sri Maha Vishnu. They are Sanaka, Sanandhana, Sanaathana and Sanathkumara and are well-known as Sanathkumaaraas. These Sanathkumaaraas explained the truth about the great deluge and devastation of previous Kalpa and all the great scholarly sages were enlightened how the universe created in that Kalpa disappeared. [The birth and the story of Sanathkumaaraas have been explained earlier and how and why they went to Vaikunta, the abode of Lord Sri Maha Vishnu, in order to serve Him forever as His associates.]

धर्मस्य दक्षदुहितर्यजनिष्ट मूर्त्यां
नारायणो नर इति स्वतपःप्रभावः ।
दृष्ट्वाऽऽत्मनो भगवतो नियमावलोपं
देव्यस्त्वनङ्गपृतना घटितुं न शेकुः ॥ ६ ॥

6

Ddharmmasya dhekshadhuhitharyajenishta moorththyaam
Naaraayano Nara ithi svathapahprebhaavah
Dhrishtvaaaathmano Bhagawatho niyamaavalopam
Dhevyasthvanamgaprithanaa ghatithum na sekah.

Lord Sri Maha Vishnu thereafter incarnated as Nara and Naaraayana as the sons of Ddharmma or Yema and his wife Moorththi, who was the daughter of Dheksha. [Please note that the same Nara and

Naaraayana, the incarnations of Lord Sri Maha Vishnu, were reincarnated as Arjjuna and Lord Sri Krishna Bhagawaan respectively in the age of Dhwaapara Yuga.] It is well known that the purpose of these incarnations was to show the greatness, divine powers, infinite amount of energy, unfathomable tolerance, absolute disinterest in material pleasures and comforts and also that eternity can be acquired by severe austerity. It was in this incarnation (both Nara and Naaraayana were considered as a single incarnation) that Kaama Dheva or the god of Love and Romance or Cupid along with celestial beauties were put to shame by seeing the divine and heavenly beauties serving Nara and Naaraayana. [The story is that Dhevendhra was worried that he could lose his position as the chief and lord of heaven due to the power of severe austerity and penance performed by Nara and Naaraayana. Therefore, he sent Kaama Dheva along with celestial beauties to block and interrupt the austerity of them by distracting their attention to romantic material pleasures. But Nara Naaraayana gifted Dhevendhra with Urvvasi, the most beautiful damsel, ever seen in any of the three worlds. And there were hundreds of such beauties always around them and were constantly serving them. Thus, Dhevendhra was able to understand the greatness of steadfast and severe austerity and penance and nothing of either worldly or heavenly pleasures would be able to defeat it.]

कामं दहन्ति कृतिनो ननु रोषदृष्ट्या
 रोषं दहन्तमुत ते न दहन्त्यसह्यम् ।
 सोऽयं यदन्तरमलं प्रविशन् बिभेति
 कामः कथं नु पुनरस्य मनः श्रयेत ॥ ७॥

7

Kaama dhehanthi krithino nanu rosha dhrishtyaa
 Rosham dhehanthamutha the na dhehanthyasahyam
 Soayam yedhantharamalam nivisan bibhethi
 Kaamah kattham nu punarasya manah sreyetha.

Great people like Lord Sri Maha Dheva with supreme restraining capacity of controlling their romantic emotions and feelings by wrath and would burn and destroy by their looks. [Kaama was once burned

to death by Lord Sri Maha Dheva when he was trying to interrupt the austerity of the latter at the instance of Dhevendhra.] Such negative qualities like wrath or anger would never enter into the minds of great people with steadfast and meditative and severe austerity and penance and those who live for the positive benefit of the universe like Nara and Naaraayana. There is no room for any type of negative qualities and can even enter into their mind. That is majestic power and luster that can be gained from selfless and noble austerity.

विद्धः सपत्न्युदितपत्रिभिरन्ति राज्ञो
 बालोऽपि सन्नूपगतस्तपसे वनानि ।
 तस्मा अदाद्ध्रुवगतिं गृणते प्रसन्नो
 दिव्याः स्तुवन्ति मुनयो यदुपर्यधस्तात् ॥ ८॥

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Vidhddhah sapatnyudithapathribhiranthi raajnjo
 Baaloapi sannupagethasthapase vanaani
 Thasmaa adhaadhdhruvagehim grinathe presanno
 Dhivyaah sthuvanathi maunayo yedhuparyaddhasthaath.

When Ddhruva Kumara, son of Uththaanapaadha, wanted to sit on the laps of his father his stepmother, Suruchi, not only insulted him in front of his father but also did not allow him to sit on his father's lap. The heartbroken young Ddhruva went to the forest and performed severe austerity and penance. Lord Sri Maha Vishnu out of mercy and kindness appeared in front of that five-year-old young boy and blessed him by fulfilling all his wishes and also created a separate world superior to Heaven and provided for Ddhruva and that world is the well-known Ddhruvaloka. In both the worlds above and below Ddhruvaloka even today all great saints and Rishees and Associates of Lord Sri Maha Vishnu are proclaiming the steadfast devotion of Ddhruva at such a young age and the glories attained by him. [Suneethi was the mother of Ddhruva. The story of Ddhruva will be explained in detail in a few chapters from chapter eight of canto four.]

यद्वेनमुत्पथगतं द्विजवाक्यवज्र-
 विप्लुष्टपौरुषभगं निरये पतन्तम् ।
 त्रात्वार्थितो जगति पुत्रपदं च लेभे

दुग्धा वसूनि वसुधा सकलानि येन ॥ ९॥

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Yedhvenamudh patthagetham dhvijavaakyavajra-
Viplushtapaurushabhagam niraye pathantham
Thraathvaaarththitho jegathi puthrapadham cha lebhe
Dhugdhddhaa vasooni vasudhaa sakalaani yena.

Lord Sri Vishnu Bhagawaan then incarnated as Pritthu as the son of Vena who during lifetime moved away from righteousness and virtues and ruled his kingdom without maintaining justifiable rules and regulations. Vena tortured and even killed many great Rishies. Unable to bear with his atrocities and torture, the Rishies cast horrible curse and killed him. As a result of his evil deeds, he was dropped into the worst of the hell. Lord Sri Maha Vishnu out of causeless mercy incarnated as his son and with the most balanced mind and with most virtuous and righteous deeds lifted him from hell. Also, Pritthu exploited the earth by harvesting all kinds of crops and produces and made it fertile and livable. [We will explain the stories of Vena and Pritthu in detail in a few chapters from Chapter fourteen of Canto four.]

नाभेरसावृषभ आस सुदेविसूनुः
यो वै चचार समदृग्जडयोगचर्याम् ।
यत्पारमहंस्यमृषयः पदमामनन्ति
स्वस्थः प्रशान्तकरणः परिमुक्तसङ्गः ॥ १०॥

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NaabherasaaVrishabha aasa Sudhevisoonu-
Ryo vai chachaara samadhrigjedayogacharyaam
Yetha paaramahamsyamrishayah padhamaamananthi
Svastthah presaanthakaranah parimukthasanggah.

After that Lord Sri Maha Vishnu incarnated with the name of Rishabha or Rishabhadheva as the son of King Naabhi and his wife Sudhevi. Rishabha was the one who viewed all the species in this universe as equal and with the power of his austerity and Yoga was

able to balance his mind and was able to be self and soul realized. He was able to conquer the materialistic senses and sense organs and was able to be a renounced one. Rishabhadheva was able to attain the highest and most perfect level of Jeda Yoga which the great Rishees and Yogeas explain as the most self satisfied and soul realized status.

सत्रे ममास भगवान् हयशीरषाथो
साक्षात्स यज्ञपुरुषस्तपनीयवर्णः ।
छन्दोमयो मखमयोऽखिलदेवताऽऽत्मा
वाचो बभूवुरुशतीः श्वसतोऽस्य नस्तः ॥ ११ ॥

11

Sathre mamaasa Bhagawaan Hayaseerashaattho
Saakshaat sa yejnrapurushasthapaneeeyavarnnah
Cchandhomayo makhamayoakhiladhevathaathmaa
Vaacho bebhoovurusatheesswasathoasya nasthah.

Then Lord Sri Maha Vishnu incarnated as Hayagreeva and appeared in the Yaga Sala or Sacrificial Hall at the conclusion of a Yaga performed by Brahma. Hayagreeva was in golden color and was the embodiment of knowledge and of Vedhaas. [The word meaning of Hayagreeva is the one with the neck or head of a horse.] Hayagreeva's breath itself was Vedhaas. He was the soul of all the gods and demigods and hence was always lustrous inside all of them. Hayagreeva showered Vedha Manthraas in the sacrificial ceremony from his breath.

मत्स्यो युगान्तसमये मनुनोपलब्धः
क्षोणीमयो निखिलजीवनिकायकेतः ।
विस्त्रंसितानुरुभये सलिले मुखान्मे
आदाय तत्र विजहार ह वेदमार्गान् ॥ १२ ॥

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Mathsuyo yuganthasamayo manunopalebddhah
Kshoneemayo nikhiladhevanikaayakethah

Visramsithaanurubhaye salile mukhaanme
Aadhaaya thathra vijahaara ha vedhamaarggaan.

At the end of one of the Kalpaas, Lord Sri Maha Vishnu incarnated as Mathsya or Fish in order to be visible and show His Form to Sathyavratha who was the Vaivaswatha Manu and also to provide shelter and protection to the entire living beings from the most fearful vast flooding or the great deluge. [This is the Kalpaantha Kala Prelaya. Incarnation of Mathsya is considered to be the first incarnation of Desaavatharaas or Ten Incarnations. Another purpose of this incarnation was to recover Vedhaas from the demon called Hayagreeva and give back to Brahma Dheva.] And because of the fear of an awfully vast amount of water I opened my mouth and all the Vedhaas slipped and fell into the water. Lord Sri Maha Vishnu easily restored the Vedhaas and was playing and enjoying the water of great deluge. [We will read Mathsyaavathara in detail under Chapter twenty-four of Canto eight.]

क्षीरोदधावमरदानवयूथपाना-
मुन्मथ्नताममृतलब्धय आदिदेवः ।
पृष्ठेन कच्छपवपुर्विदधार गोत्रं
निद्राक्षणोऽद्रिपरिवर्तकषाणकण्डूः ॥ १३ ॥

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Ksheerodhaddhaavamaradhaanavayoothapaanaa-
MUnmatth nathaamamrithalebddhaya Aadhidhevah
Prishtena kachcchapvapurvvidhddhaara gothram
Nidhraakshanoadhrivararththakashaakanduh.

When the gods of heaven and demons joined together and churned the Milky Ocean or Ksheeraabddhi in order to obtain Ambrosia or Amrith the mountain of Mandhara was tilting side-wise and going to sink into the ocean then Lord Sri Maha Vishnu incarnated in the form of a Tortoise or Koormma and supported from underneath as a hard and solid foundation and held the mountain balanced in position. Lord Sri Maha Vishnu at that time was partially sleeping and for that Tortoise the huge mountain movements were very soothing feeling as

if it was removing the itching by scratching on its back. [We can read Koormmaavathaara in detail from Chapter five of Canto eight.]

त्रैविष्टपोरुभयहा स नृसिंहरूपं
कृत्वा भ्रमद्भ्रुकुटिदंष्ट्रकरालवक्त्रम् ।
दैत्येन्द्रमाशु गदयाभिपतन्तमारा-
दूरौ निपात्य विददार नखैः स्फुरन्तम् ॥ १४॥

14

Thravishtaporubhayahaa sa nrisimharoopam
Krithwaa bhramadhbhookutidhemstrakaraalavakthram
Dheithyendhramaasugedhayaabhipathanthamaaraa-
Dhoorau nipathyavidhadhaara nakhaih spurantham.

Lord Sri Maha Vishnu, who is the vanquisher of the fears of the gods of heaven as well as the eliminator or destroyer of all sorrows and distresses of the other virtuous species of entire universes, thereafter incarnated as Nrisimha or Narasimha or Beast-Man or literarily as Man-Lion with the head of lion and body of a human being in order to kill Hiranyakasipu who challenged Lord Sri Maha Vishnu and declared that he was the supreme most authority of the universe and no one should ever pray or worship any Gods including Lord Sri Maha Vishnu and not only that he insisted that everyone should pray and worship him only. Though Hiranyakasipu challenged with a club in his hand, Nrisimha with his rolling wide eyes and with his horrible teeth inside a cave like open mouth placed him on the lap and tore him off with terrific nails of the paw. [We can read the details in many episodes starting from Chapter one of Seventh canto. The story of Jaya and Vijaya, the associates and guards of Lord Sri Maha Vishnu and how with the spell of the curse they became Hiranyaaksha and Hiranyakasipu and the story of Prehlaadha, the son of Hiranyakasipu, and the incarnation of Nrisimha, etc. are explained in seventh canto.]

अन्तःसरस्युरुबलेन पदे गृहीतो
ग्राहेण यूथपतिरम्बुजहस्त आर्तः ।
आहेदमादिपुरुषाखिललोकनाथ
तीर्थश्रवः श्रवणमङ्गलनामधेय ॥ १५॥

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Anthassarasyuthabelena padhe griheetho
Graahena yoothpathirambujahastha aarththah
Aahedha”MAdhipurushaakhilalokanaattha!
Theertthagrevah srevanamamgalanaamaddheya!”

When the leader of the Elephant was caught by a strong Crocodile in a large pool or river of lotus plants and flowers the elephant struggled hard to get released from the trap of the crocodile but failed. With severe pain the elephant was crying aloud holding a lotus flower in its trunk and called out for help with the words: “Oh the great Primal and Primordial and Primeval Personality! Oh, the embodiment of mercy and kindness! Oh, the Supreme God! You are boundless and inscrutable. You are beyond the reach of anyone. You are the holder of Sudhersana Chakra. With all humility and nobility, I am worshiping and praying and prostrating you respectfully and devotionally. I am utterly scared. I earnestly seek refuge in you. Please protect and save me.”

श्रुत्वा हरिस्तमरणार्थिनमप्रमेय-
श्चक्रायुधः पतगराजभुजाधिरूढः ।
चक्रेण नक्रवदनं विनिपाट्य तस्मा-
द्धस्ते प्रगृह्य भगवान् कृपयोज्जहार ॥ १६॥

Sruthvaa haristhamaranaarthtthinamapremeya-
SChakraayuddhah pathagaraajabhujaaaddhirooddah
Chakrena nakravadhanam vinipaaty thasmaa-
Dddhasthe pregrihya Bhagawan kripayojjehaara.

Lord Sri Maha Vishnu the most Primeval and Supreme Personality and the embodiment of mercy and kindness and the holder of Sudhersana Chakra immediately appeared there on his vehicle of Geruda Bhagawaan who the Lord of all the birds is. With His Sudhersana Chakra the mouth of the Crocodile was split open by cutting it and pulled out the great leader of the elephant from water

and saved. [We can read the story of Gejendhra Moksha in a few episodes from Chapter two of Canto eight.]

ज्यायान् गुणैरवरजोऽप्यदितेः सुतानां
लोकान् विचक्रम इमान् यदथाधियज्ञः ।
क्ष्मां वामनेन जगृहे त्रिपदच्छलेन
याञ्जामृते पथि चरन् प्रभुभिर्न चाल्यः ॥ १७॥

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Jyaayaan gunairavarajoapyadhithessuthaanaam
Lokaan vichakrema imaan yedhatthaaddhiyejnjah
Kshmaam Vaamanena jegrihe thripadhachcchalena
Yaanchnjaamrithe patthi charan prebhubhirnna chaalyah.

Though Lord Sri Maha Vishnu was the youngest of the sons of Adhithi and it can certainly be confirmed that He was far more superior to His elder brothers. [This reference is about Vaamana and Dhevendhra and other Dhevaas. All the Dhevaas are considered to be the sons of Adhithi and Kasyapa and all the Asuraas are the sons of Dhithi and Kasyapa.] He was the transcendental Supreme Personality. Lord Sri Maha Vishnu in the incarnation of Vaamana in the form of a dwarf Brahmin Boy begged for paltry three steps of land from the most Generous Asura Emperor Mahaabeli and measured and acquired all the three worlds of the universe under the control of Mahaabeli. And this is an example of evidence to show that Lord and the Supreme Personality, Lord Sri Maha Vishnu, can take away the land in rightful possession of someone else by begging or by using imaginative intelligence and without applying any physical force and torture.

नार्थो बलेरयमुरुक्रमपादशौच-
मापः शिखाधृतवतो विबुधाधिपत्यम् ।
यो वै प्रतिश्रुतमृते न चिकीर्षदन्य-
दात्मानमङ्ग स शिरसा हरयेऽभिमेने ॥ १८॥

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Naarththo Belerayakremaadhasaucha-
Maapassikhaa ddhrithatho vibhuddhaaddhipathyam
Yo vai prethisruthamrithe na chikeershadhanya-
Dhaathmaanamangga sirasaa Harayeabhimaane.

What benefit and use have the status and position of Lord and King of Heaven for Mahaabeli who had the fortune to get placed the lotus of feet of Lord Sri Maha Vishnu on his head and got sanctified? [With that sanctification Mahaabeli would be able to get released of all the material bondages and would be able to attain eternity of ultimate salvation.] Mahaabeli worshipped and offered and dedicated his material body also to Lord Sri Maha Vishnu by prostrating at His lotus feet. Hey Naaradha! Mahaabeli thus maintained and kept up his words and honesty and truthfulness. [We can read in detail the stories of the fight between Dhevaas and Asuraas and of Mahaabeli and of the Incarnation of Vaamana in a few episodes starting from Chapter ten of Canto eight.]

तुभ्यं च नारद भृशं भगवान् विवृद्ध-
भावेन साधु परितुष्ट उवाच योगम् ।
ज्ञानं च भागवतमात्मसतत्त्वदीपं
यद्वासुदेवशरणा विदुरञ्जसैव ॥ १९॥

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Thubhyam cha Naaradha bhrisam Bhagawaan vivridhddha-
Bhaavena saaddhu parithushta uvaacha yogam
Jnjaanam cha Bhaagawathamaathmasathathvadheepam
YedhVaasudhevasaranaa vidhuranjjasaiva.

Hey Naaradha! Lord Sri Maha Vishnu was extremely pleased with your steadfast devotion and meditative worship to Him constantly. He has blissfully granted and provided by advising you with science of Transcendental and Spiritual knowledge and the Yogaas like Jnjaana and Bhakthi and their brilliance and effulgence. It is the nature of Lord Sri Maha Vishnu to provide with refuge and whatever they wish if they have austere and steadfast devotion to Him. [This reference is about the incarnation of Lord Sri Maha Vishnu as Hamsa

or Swan in order to provide Vedic advice to Brahma Dheva, Sanathkumaaraas, Naaradha, etc.]

चक्रं च दिक्ष्वविहतं दशसु स्वतेजो
मन्वन्तरेषु मनुवंशधरो विभर्ति ।
दुष्टेषु राजसु दमं व्यदधात्स्वकीर्तिं
सत्ये त्रिपृष्ठ उशतीं प्रथयंश्चरित्रैः ॥ २० ॥

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Chakram cha dhikshvavihitham dhasasu svathejo
Manvantharashu manuvamsaddharo bibharththi
Dhushteshu raajasu dhemam vyedhaddhaath svakeerththim
Sathey thripriшта usatheem pretthayamscharithraih.

Lord Sri Maha Vishnu then incarnated as “Manu” in the dynasty named as Manu Vamsa and strictly maintained his commands of wheel in all the ten directions of the universe by punishing and conquering all the evil and Aasuric minded emperors and kings those who deter and deviate from righteous and lawful rulings in their kingdom for fulfillment and satisfaction of selfish motivation. This Manu’s glories and victories were proclaimed and accepted not only in the three worlds but also in the topmost world of Sathyaloka.

धन्वन्तरिश्च भगवान् स्वयमेव कीर्ति-
र्नाम्ना नृणां पुरुरुजां रुज आशु हन्ति ।
यज्ञे च भागममृतायुरवावरुन्ध
आयुष्यवेदमनुशास्त्यवतीर्य लोके ॥ २१ ॥

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Ddhanvantharisha Bhagawaan svayameva keerththi-
RNnaamna nrinaam pururujaam ruja aasu hanthi
Yejnje cha bhaagamamrithaayuravaavarunddha
Aayuscha vedhamanusaasthyavatheerya loke.

Thereafter Lord Sri Maha Vishnu incarnated as Ddhanvanthari and glorified himself as the embodiment of panacea for eternal cure of all

types of diseases. Ddhanvanthari is the cause of eternity to the gods of heaven with his splendorous powers. Ddhanvanthari was effulgent as the embodiment of all types of medicines and herbs and as eternal cure for all types of diseases which were agonizing and stressful and painful for the creatures in all the three worlds of the universe. Ddhanvanthari was entitled to receive a share of the sacrifice being the provider of health and prosperity. Ddhanvanthari founded and propagated the science of Ayurvedha, the medical science, in accordance with the Vedic scriptures. [Ayurvedha is one of the five Upavedhaas.] Ddhanvanthari is the embodiment of immortality and always spreading brilliance of health, vigor and vitality in all the three worlds with his effulgence and splendor.

क्षत्रं क्षयाय विधिनोपभृतं महात्मा
 ब्रह्मध्रुगुज्झितपथं नरकार्तिलिप्सु ।
 उद्धन्त्यसाववनिकण्टकमुग्रवीर्यः
 त्रिःसप्तकृत्व उरुधारपरश्वधेन ॥ २२॥

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Kshethram ksheyaaya viddhinopabhritham mahaathmaa
 Brahmaddhrugujthsithapattham narakaarththilipsu
 Udhddhanthyasaavavanikantakamugraveerya-
 SRissapathakrithva uthaddhaaraparasvaddhena.

When it was found that the ruling class of Kshathriyaas or Emperors and Kings and other Rulers turned out to be very selfish motivated and evil minded and without having any interest in the welfare of their subjects and deviated from the righteous path with virtuous deeds and were indulged in activities leading to hell and were a burden to their subjects and to the kingdom, Lord Sri Maha Vishnu incarnated as Parasuraama and uprooted the entire communities of the Kshathriyaas by killing and or conquering them. Parasuraama, holding the weapon of Axe in his hand, strolled around the universe twenty-one times and ensured that no atrocious and evil Kshathriyaas were left out on this earth. [The incarnation of Parasuraama will be described under Chapter fifteen of Canto nine.]

अस्मत्प्रसादसुमुखः कलया कलेश

इक्ष्वाकुवंश अवतीर्य गुरोर्निदेशे ।
तिष्ठन् वनं सदयितानुज आविवेश
यस्मिन् विरुध्य दशकन्धर आर्तिमाच्छत् ॥ २३ ॥

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Asmath presaadhasumukhah kalayaa kalesa
Ikshvaakuvamsa avatheerya gurornidhese
Thishtan vanam sadhayithaanuja aavivesa
Yesmin virudhddhya Desakanddhara aarththimaarchcchath.

Thereafter Lord Sri Maha Vishnu incarnated as Sri Raamachandhra Swamy, who was most handsome and charming, in the dynasty of Ikshvaaku or in Soorya Vamsa in order to bless and please us all by destroying all the friends and relatives of the entire demonic community along with Raavana, the one with ten heads, who was always disturbing gods of heaven and the great sages and Rishies. Sri Raama went to forest in exile along with his most beloved and beautiful wife Sitha Dhevi and his brother Lekshmana to maintain the words of his father, King Desarettha.

यस्मा अदादुदधिरूढभयाङ्गवेपो
मार्गं सपद्यरिपुरं हरवद्धिधक्षोः ।
दूरे सुहृन्मथितरोषसुशोणदृष्ट्या
तातप्यमानमकरोरगनक्रचक्रः ॥ २४ ॥

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Yesmaa adhaadhudhaddhirooddabhaanggavepo
Maarggam sapadhyaripuram Haravadhdhiddhakshoh
Dhoore suhrinmatthitharoshasusonadhrishtyaa
Thaathapyamaanamakaroraganakrachakrah.

Lord Sri Raamachandhra Swamy was terribly grieved due to the painful separation of his beloved wife Sitha Dhevi or Lakshmi Bhagawathy who was abducted by the demonic Ravana. When He looked with fearful wrath and red-hot eyes, like that of Rudhra Bhagawaan going to burn out the Dheva Loka or Heaven, at the town of Lanka where Raavana and his family and friends were living and

his beloved consort Sitha Dhevi has been hidden and at the ocean between Him and Lanka the ocean was agitated and turbulent with deadly fear as the rays from those red-hot eyes were capable of burning the entire Ocean along with Lanka and due to the agitation and turbulence all the aquatic beings like huge whales, sharks, crocodiles and all other beings in the ocean flew to the top of the water and to the shore because of deadly fear that the entire ocean is going to be dried out and burned to ashes. And Varuna Bhagawaan or god of Ocean trembled with fear and prostrated at the lotus feet of Lord Sri Raamachandhra Swamy and offered permission to construct a bridge through the sea by giving the way out and even suggested that Nala the son of Viswakarma would be able to undertake the task easily.

वक्षःस्थलस्पर्शरुग्णमहेन्द्रवाह-
दन्तैर्विडम्बितककुब्जुष ऊढहासम् ।
सद्योऽसुभिः सह विनेष्यति दारहर्तुः
विस्फूर्जितैर्धनुष उच्चरतोऽधिसैन्ये ॥ २५॥

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Vakshahstthalasparsarugnamahendhravaaha-
Dhenthairvvidambithakakubjusha ooddahaasam
Sadhyoasubhissaha vineshyathi dhaaraharththu-
RVvispurjithairddhanusha uchcharathoaddhisainye.

In the past when the mighty Raavana and his soldiers engaged in a terrible battle with gods of heaven he cornered Dhevendhra the king of heaven who was on Airavatha, the four tusked pure white elephant kings and had a terrible fight. During that fight when the strongest Airavatha hit with his tusks at the chest of mighty Raavana that all the four tusks of Airavatha broke into small pieces and spread on the ground like white pearls and by seeing that Raavana was so proud of his prowess of his rock like strong chest. At that time, he walked around the soldiers laughing so loudly at the paltry insignificance of the strength of his enemies and declared himself as the unchallengeable conqueror of all the eight directions. Lord Sri Raamachandhra Swamy the incarnation of Lord Sri Maha Vishnu would cease and completely destroy with tingling sounds of the bow

and arrow killing Raavana along with all his families and friends and soldiers.

भूमेः सुरेतरवरूथविमर्दितायाः
क्लेशव्ययाय कलया सितकृष्णकेशः ।
जातः करिष्यति जनानुपलक्ष्यमार्गः
कर्माणि चात्ममहिमोपनिबन्धनानि ॥ २६॥

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Bhoomessuretharavarootthavimardhdhithaayaah
Klesavyeyaaya kalaayaa sithakrihnakesah
Jaathah Karishyathi jenaanupalekshyamaarggah
Karmmaani chaathmamahimopanibenddhanaani.

When this earth would be over tortured and overburdened by the demonic forces giants and the unfaithful kings Lord Sri Maha Vishnu would assume appropriate incarnations with white and black hairs [means sages like Vedha Vyaasa or like Sri Raama or Sri Krishna] and destroy such evil forces and protect the earth from sufferings and torments. At that time, it was difficult to understand for anyone the path which would be chosen by Lord Sri Maha Vishnu to take appropriate remedial actions. Lord Sri Maha Vishnu would reveal His greatness and nobility with multiple suitable actions according to the needs of the time.

तोकेन जीवहरणं यदुलूकिकायाः
त्रैमासिकस्य च पदा शकटोऽपवृत्तः ।
यद्रिङ्गतान्तरगतेन दिविस्पृशोर्वा
उन्मूलनं त्वितरथार्जुनयोर्न भाव्यम् ॥ २७॥

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Thokena jeevaharanam yedhulookikaayaa
Sthraimaasikasya cha padhaa sakatopavritthah
Yeddhringgethaantharagethena dhivisprisorvva
Unmoolanam thvitharatthaarjjunayornna bhaavyam.

Otherwise, how is it possible for any young child of breast-feeding age to kill Poothana by sucking her breast which was highly poisoned and kill Sakataasura by a back kick of his legs and to crawl in between two herbal trees tall enough to touch the sky and to pull them down to earth? [The stories of Poothana, Sakataasura and Nalakoobara and Manigreeva will be explained later.]

यद्वै ब्रजे ब्रजपशून् विषतोयपीतान्
पालांस्त्वजीवयदनुग्रहदृष्टिवृष्ट्या ।
तच्छुद्धयेऽतिविषवीर्यविलोलजिह्व-
मुच्चाटयिष्यदुरगं विहरन् हृदिन्याम् ॥ २८॥

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Yedhvai vraje vrajapasoon vishathoyapeetthaan
Paalaamsthvajeevayadhanugrehadhrishtivrishtyaa
Thachcchudhddhayathivishaveeryavilolajihva-
MUchchaatayishyadhuragam viharan hradhinyaam.

It is also impossible for a young boy to save all the cowherd boys, along with the grazing cattle they were tending to, who were killed by drinking the poisoned water from river Yemuna, who was considered to be the daughter of Sun-god, just by a glance of his eyes unless that young boy, Lord Sri Krishna Bhagawaan, was the transcendental incarnation of Lord Sri Maha Vishnu. That young boy also subdued the power and made Kaaliya Serpent, from whose mouth the most deadly poison was hissing out non-stop, surrender to Him. Lord Sri Krishna Bhagawaan also drove the Kaaliya Serpent away and purified the water without a bit of poison and made it drinkable to the residents of Gokulam.

तत्कर्म दिव्यमिव यन्निशि निःशयानं
दावाग्निना शुचिवने परिदह्यमाने ।
उन्नेष्यति ब्रजमतोऽवसितान्तकालं
नेत्रे पिधाय्य सबलोऽनधिगम्यवीर्यः ॥ २९॥

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Thath karmma dhivyamivayannisi nissayaanam
Dhaavaagninaa suchivane paridhehyamaane
Unneshyathi vrajamathoavasithaanthakaalam
Nethre piddhyaaya sabeloanaddhigemyaveeryah.

On one of the summer nights when all those Gopaas were sleeping outside in the forest the wildfire spread out to ablaze the whole area along with the Gopaas as well the animal. But Lord Sri Krishna Bhagawaan, the primordial and transcendental incarnation of Lord Sri Maha Vishnu, consoled them by saying that no one has to be worried a bit and asked all of them to simply close their eyes. In a fraction of a second, he consumed the whole fire and contained it well within him and saved the entire creatures. That was truly a superhuman activity of Lord Sri Krishna Bhagawaan and no one else could have saved all of them harmless like that.

गृह्णीत यद्यदुपबन्धममुष्य माता
शुल्बं सुतस्य न तु तत्तदमुष्य माति ।
यज्जृम्भतोऽस्य वदने भुवनानि गोपी
संवीक्ष्य शङ्कितमनाः प्रतिबोधिताऽऽसीत् ॥ ३० ॥

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Grihneetha yedhyadhupabendddhamamushya maathaa
Sulbam suthasya na thu thaththadhamushya maathi
Yejjrembathoasya vadhane bhuvanaani gopee
Samveekshya sankithamanaah prethiboddhithaaaaseeth.

When his mother wanted to tie him out, whatever rope his mother brought still remained insufficient for a few inches and she got so distressed and depressed and felt so bad in front of her laughing friends. [This story will be explained in detail later.] His mother, Yesodhaamba, was able to see very clearly the whole fourteen worlds inside the mouth of the young child when he was yawning. Though she was doubtful whether she was under hallucination, she was able to understand the greatness of Lord Sri Krishna Bhagawaan, her young beloved son, when she gained full conscience with her devotion. The sweet smile of Lord Sri Krishna

Bhagawaan can not only entice the Gopikaas but also the whole universe.

नन्दं च मोक्षयति भयाद्वरुणस्य पाशा-
द्रोपान् बिलेषु पिहितान् मयसूनुना च ।
अहन्यापृतं निशि शयानमतिश्रमेण
लोकं विकुण्ठमुपनेष्यति गोकुलं स्म ॥ ३१ ॥

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Nandham cha mokshyathi bhayaadhVarunasya paasaath
Gopaan bilesu pihithaan Mayasoonunaa cha
Ahnyaapritham nisi sayaanamathisremena
Loke vikuntamupaneshyathi Gokulam sma.

Lord Sri Krishna Bhagawaan had rescued his father Nandhagopa from the rope of Varuna. [It is a fact that once someone is tied with Varuna Paasa or the Rope of Varuna then that is the end of their life. This story would also be detailed later.] Lord Sri Krishna Bhagawaan also had rescued all the Gopaas who were shut inside in a big cave by the son of the demon Maya who was the chief architect of Asuraas and notorious for playing many magical tricks. Lord Sri Krishna Bhagawaan also has taken those Gopaas who were sleeping in the night after the hard labor of a long day into his abode of Vaikunta. All these superhuman feats performed by him were wonderful and most divine.

गोषैर्मखे प्रतिहते व्रजविप्लवाय
देवेऽभिवर्षति पशून् कृपया रिरक्षुः ।
धर्तोच्छिलीन्द्रमिव सप्तदिनानि सप्त-
वर्षो महीध्रमनघैककरे सलीलम् ॥ ३२ ॥

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Gopairmmakhe prethihathe vrajaviplavaaya
Dheveabhivarshathi pasoon kripayaa rirakshuh
Ddharththochcchileenddhramiva sapthadhinaani saptha-
Varsho maheedhramanaghaikakare saleelam.

When the Gopaas under the leadership of Nandhagopa prepared to perform the usual annual sacrificial ceremony to appease Lord Dhevendhra for his grateful services of providing rain and making the land very fertile and livable for the cattle which was the livelihood of the Gopaas Lord Sri Krishna Bhagawaan interfered in very innocently and spread the awareness that it is not by the mercy of Dhevendhra but of the nature, and if at all any, it is the mountains that are helping for the rainfall. He asked them to think logically and rationally after explaining the process for creation of rainfall. Lord Sri Krishna Bhagawaan was able to convince the Gopaas and that year they conducted the Sacrifice or Yaaga to appease Mount Govardhddhana. Dhevendhra out of his intolerable rage and jealousy and hatred to Lord Sri Krishna Bhagawaan wanted to teach Him and the Gopaas a lesson. With an intention to create disastrous havoc and destroy the whole world Dhevendhra let loose torrential rain and thunderstorms continuously for seven long days. Lord Sri Krishna Bhagawaan lifted and held Mount Govardhddhana on his small finger with the ease of holding a mushroom and provided shelter and safety for the entire beings of Gokulam without any difficulty at all for all those whole seven days and nights. [Dhevendhra understood the greatness of Lord Sri Krishna Bhagawaan and apologized for his misbehavior with false pride and arrogance. And this episode will be explained in detail later.]

क्रीडन् वने निशि निशाकररश्मिगौर्या
 रासोन्मुखः कलपदायतमूर्च्छितेन ।
 उद्दीपितस्मररुजां व्रजभृद्वधूनां
 हर्तुर्हरिष्यति शिरो धनदानुगस्य ॥ ३३ ॥

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Kreedan vane nisi Nisakararesmigauryaam
 Raasonmukhah kalapadhaayathamoorchcchithena
 Udhdheepithasmararujaam vrajabhridhvaddhoonaam
 HaththurHarishyathi siro ddhanadhaanugesya.

In the most romantic moonshine nights of the full-moon period Lord Sri Krishna Bhagawaan would start his Raasakreeda or the Romantic play with the background of divine music produced from His Murali or Flute. The Gopikaas were enticed and attracted by its charm and heavenly magical power and involuntarily moved and met with Lord Sri Krishna Bhagawaan in the forest gardens of Gokulam. Gopikaas were under total surrender to him. It was in fact that the mind and heart and physical body of the Gopikaas were really stolen away by the combination of the sweet and melodious music from the most divinely charming and handsome Lord Sri Krishna Bhagawaan. Lord Sri Krishna Bhagawaan would also kill the demon called Sankachooda who was an associate and follower of Kubera, the king of treasures and wealth, by severing his head from the trunk. [These stories will be explained in Canto ten. Lord Sri Krishna Bhagawaan took the crest jewel hidden in the head of Sankachooda and gifted it to Balaraama.]

ये च प्रलम्बखरदर्दुरकेश्यरिष्ट-
मल्लेभकंसयवनाः कुजपौण्ड्रकाद्याः ।
अन्ये च शाल्वकपिबल्वलदन्तवक्त्र-
सप्तोक्षशम्बरविदूरथरुक्मिमुख्याः ॥ ३४॥

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Ye cha PrelambaKharaDherdhuraKesyArishta-
MallebhakamsaYevanaah KujaPaundrakaadhyah
Anye cha saalvaKapiBelvalaDhenthavakthra-
SapthokshaSambaraVidhooretthaRukmimukhyaah

ये वा मृध्ने समितिशालिन आत्तचापाः
काम्बोजमत्स्यकुरुसृञ्जयकैकयाद्याः ।
यास्यन्त्यदर्शनमलं बलपार्थभीम-
व्याजाह्वयेन हरिणा निलयं तदीयम् ॥ ३५॥

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Ye vaa mrididhe samithisaalina aaththachaapaah
KaambojaMathsyaKuruSrinnjjayaKaikayaadhyah

Yaasyanthyadhersanamalam BalaBheemaPaarthttha-
Vyaaajaahvayena harinaa nilayam thadheeyam.

Lord Sri Maha Vishnu either directly as His Prime and Primordial incarnation as Lord Sri Krishna Bhagawaan or indirectly as Balarama Dheva and or Bheemasena and or Arjjuna killed and eliminated infinite number of demonic and evil forces like Prelamba, Dhenuka in the form of donkey, Beka, Kesi, most wicked Chaanoora, Mushtika, Arishta, the most ferocious elephant called Kuvalayaapeeda, Kamsa, the Yevana along with thirty million warriors, Naraka, Dhenthavakthra, Poundraka, Belvala, seven horrible Raakshasaas in the form of Bulls, Sambara, Vidoorettha, Rukmi and others, great warriors likes Kaamboja, Kuru, Maathsya, Kekaya and a lot more. [All these can be read in detail in the tenth Canto.]

कालेन मीलितधियामवमृश्य नृणां
स्तोकायुषां स्वनिगमो बत दूरपारः ।
आविर्हितस्त्वनुयुगं स हि सत्यवत्यां
वेदद्रुमं विटपशो विभजिष्यति स्म ॥ ३६ ॥

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Kaalena meelithaddhiyaamavamrisyanrinaam
Sthokaayushaam swanigamo betha dhoorapaarah
Aavirhithasthvanuyugam sa hi sathyavathyaam
Vedhadhrumam vitapaso vibhajishyathi sma.

Each Yuga after Yuga the longevity as well the intelligence and the grasping capacity of the beings would be decreased gradually. [I.e. In Kritha or Sathya Yuga it would be the highest of the four Yugaas and in Kali Yuga it would be the lowest.] Lord Sri Maha Vishnu himself would incarnate as Vedha Vyasa as the son of Sathyavathi and would compile and edit the Vedha into four in order for the lesser intelligent beings to learn and understand. [It is natural that as the time passes the longevity of the human beings could be decreased further and they could find it difficult to understand Vedhaas and Puraanaas unless they are simplified further.]

देवद्विषां निगमवर्त्मनि निष्ठितानां

पूर्भिर्मयेन विहिताभिरदृश्यतूर्भिः ।
लोकान् घ्नतां मतिविमोहमतिप्रलोभं
वेषं विधाय बहु भाष्यत औपधर्म्यम् ॥ ३७॥

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Dhevadvishaam nigamavarthmani nishtithaanaam
Poorbhirmayena vithithaabhiradhrisyathurbhih
Lokaan ghnathaam mathivimohamathiprelobham
Vesham viddhaaya behubhashyatha oupaddharmyam.

In the age of Kali the world would be dominated and controlled by the evil forces though they might have learned Vedhic Scriptures and gained the scientific knowledge but would turn out to be atheists without having any faith and belief in the Almighty God and might be wandering over the sky in the rockets and missiles, prepared by Maya the renowned architect of Asuraas who has the technical skills and knowhow to create any type of magical weapons and other structures, and engage in all types of destructive activities with an intention to annihilate the entire universe. At that time Lord Sri Maha Vishnu would incarnate as Lord Sri Budhddha or as many Budhddhaas to provide them with advice of non-violence and the eternal power of it and would convince them not to engage in such activities as such negative activities would be non beneficial to themselves also.

यह्यालियेष्वपि सतां न हरेः कथाः स्युः
पाखण्डिनो द्विजजना वृषला नृदेवाः ।
स्वाहा स्वधा वषडिति स्म गिरो न यत्र
शास्ता भविष्यति कलेर्भगवान् युगान्ते ॥ ३८॥

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Yerhyaalayeshvapi sathaam na Hareh katthaa syuh
Paakhandino dhvijajenaa vrishalaa nridhevaah
Svaaaha svaaddhaa vashadithi sma giro na yethra
Saasthaa bhavishyathi kalerBhagawaan yugaanthe.

At the end of Kali Yuga, the stories of Lord Sri Maha Vishnu would not exist or remain even bit in the household of the so called or supposed to be virtuous people like the sages and saints and the Brahmins would turn out to be ignorant of Vedhaas and Scriptures. The Soodhraas would take over the administrative control and would become the ruling community. No one would recite the Vedhic Manthraas like: “Om Svaaha”, “Om Svaaddha”, “Om Vashad”, etc. and all such Manthraas would disappear from the face of this earth. And at that time Lord Sri Maha Vishnu would incarnate as Kalki to punish Kali and to chastise the universe to be relieved from the clutches of the evil Kali.

सर्गे तपोऽहमृषयो नव ये प्रजेशाः
स्थाने च धर्ममखमन्वमरावनीशाः ।
अन्ते त्वधर्महरमन्युवशासुराद्या
मायाविभूतय इमाः पुरुशक्तिभाजः ॥ ३९॥

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Sargge thapoahamrishayo nava ye Prejesaah
Stthaane cha ddharmmamakhamanvamaraavaneesaah
Anthe thvaddharmmaharamanyuvasaa suraadhyaa
Maayaavibhoothaya imaah purusakthibhaajah.

At the beginning of the creation I, Brahmadheva, and the primordial and the noblest of the Rishees and the nine Prejaapathees were there. We are all embodiments of austerity and penance. The Mahaavishnu [this is the Vishnu of the Trios] , the Manus for taking care of the subjects, the Yaagaas, the Ddharmmaas and gods of heaven were created. Thereafter Lord Sri Maha Dheva as the annihilator, the Dheithyaas who were born to Dhithi who are the Asuraas, and the serpents were created. These are all the illusory powers of Lord Sri Maha Vishnu who is the embodiment of the entire energy of the universe.

विष्णोर्नु वीर्यगणनां कतमोऽर्हतीह
यः पार्थिवान्यपि कविर्विममे रजांसि ।
चस्कम्भ यः स्वरहसास्खलता त्रिपृष्ठं

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Vishnornu veeryagenanaam kathamorhaatheeha
Yeh parththivaanyapi kavirvvimame rejamsi
Chaskambha yessvaramhasaaaskhalathaathriprishtam
Yesmaath thrisaamyasadhanaadhuru kambayaanam.

It may probably be able to count the granules of sand on this earth by the most genius ones, but they would definitely be hesitant to undertake the task of counting the valour and prowess and qualities of virtues of Lord Sri Maha Vishnu because it is impossible. Lord Sri Maha Vishnu possesses all the three qualities of Sathwa, Rejah and Thamo Gunaas in the most balanced way with proper equanimity and occupies the most divine abode of Vaikunta. But beyond all these qualities He would abandon that topmost position and control even Heaven and all other worlds as His primary responsibility.

नान्तं विदाम्यहममी मुनयोऽग्रजास्ते
मायाबलस्य पुरुषस्य कुतोऽपरे ये ।
गायन् गुणान् दशशतानन आदिदेवः
शेषोऽधुनापि समवस्यति नास्य पारम् ॥ ४१ ॥

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Naantham vidhaamyahamamee munayoagrajaasthe
Mayaabelasya purushasya kuthoapare ye
Gaayan gunaan dhesasathanana Aadhidheva-
Sseshoaddhunaapi samavasyathi naasya paaram.

Hey Naaradha! Neither I – Brahmadheva - nor the great sages, those who were born before you, are able to understand the full power or even an insignificant portion of the Illusory Power Lord Sri Maha Vishnu had created and possessed and the Omnipotence of Him. Sessa Naaga or Anantha Bhagawaan, the first creation of Lord Sri Maha Vishnu, has also tried to explain, with his one thousand tongues, some of His glories and wonderful deeds and of the infinite

energy possessed by Lord Sri Maha Vishnu to some extent but thoroughly failed. Lord Sri Maha Vishnu is an unfathomable ocean which no one can ever cross.

येषां स एव भगवान् दययेदनन्तः
सर्वात्मनाऽऽश्रितपदो यदि निर्व्यलीकम् ।
ते दुस्तरामतितरन्ति च देवमायां
नैषां ममाहमिति धीः श्वशृगालभक्ष्ये ॥ ४२ ॥

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Yeshaam sa eva Bhagawaan dheyayedhanantha-
Ssarvvaathmanaasrithapadho yedhi nirvyeleekam
The dhustharaamathitharanthi cha dhevamaayaam
Naishaam mamaahamithi ddheeh svasrigaalabhakshye.

Those who surrender to Lord Sri Maha Vishnu, the one who is the eternal and without any beginning and without any end, unconditionally worship and pray and prostrate at his lotus feet with utmost devotion and full concentration with meditative mind and without any material interest and attachment would definitely be able to cross that insurmountable ocean of His Illusory power and understand him without any difficulty. And they would never have another material birth and would have a permanent position at Vaikunta, the abode of Lord Sri Maha Vishnu.

वेदाहमङ्ग परमस्य हि योगमायां
यूयं भवश्च भगवानथ दैत्यवर्यः ।
पत्नी मनोः स च मनुश्च तदात्मजाश्च
प्राचीनबर्हिरृभुरङ्ग उत ध्रुवश्च ॥ ४३ ॥

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Vedhaahamamga paramasya hi yogamaayaam
Yooyam bhawascha Bhagawaanattha dheithyavaryah
Pathnee manossa cha manuscha thadhaathmajaascha
Praacheenaberhirribhuramga, utha Ddhruvascha.

Staunch devotees of Lord Sri Maha Vishnu without having any material attachment and interest to the physical body which would ultimately be eaten away by the stray dogs and jackals would never have any concern for their material body. The pure and refined mind and heart of such devotees also would never be corrupted and maligned with the false pride of the "I-ness" or the Ahantha or the Ahambhaavam of Ahamkaaram about the possession of their material body. Oh, the one who is the embodiment of blissful happiness! Oh, the noble Naaradharshe! All Powerful Lord Sri Maha Dheva, I - Brahma Dheva - , you - Naaradha, all those great sages those who were born before you, the first Manu who is Svaayambhuva, the consorts and associates of all of us, the sinless Prehlaadha, the sons and daughters of Manu, Ddhruva, Praacheenaberhis, Ribhu, Anga who was the father of Vena, and such noblest of self realized creations are able to surrender their soul to Lord Sri Maha Vishnu. The magnitude of Yoga Sakthi or the Immeasurable Potencies or Yoga Power of Lord Sri Maha Vishnu cannot be understood by anyone other than Him but we all because of selfless devotion know that He is the embodiment Yoga Sakthi.

इक्ष्वाकुरैलमुचुकुन्दविदेहगाधि-
रघ्वम्बरीषसगरा गयनाहुषाद्याः ।
मान्धात्रलर्कशतधन्वनुरन्तिदेवा
देवव्रतो बलिरमूर्त्तरयो दिलीपः ॥ ४४॥

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IkshvaakarAilaMuchukundhaVidhehaGaaddhi-
RAghvamAmbareeshaSagaraa GeyaNaahushaadhyaah
MaanddhaathrAlarkkaSathaddhanvAnuRenthidheevaa
Dhevavratho Beliramoorththarayo Dileepah.

The list of those has such awareness of the Yoga Sakthi of Lord Sri Maha Vishnu continues: Alarka, Aila, Gaaddhi, Ikshvaaku, Muchukundha, Dhileepa, Ambareesha, Vidheha, Geya, Reghu, Santhanu, Renthidheva, Sagara, Bheeshma, Beli, Maanddhaathaa, Anu, Suka, Amoorththa and Aya.

सौभर्युतङ्कशिबिदेवलपिप्पलाद-

सारस्वतोद्धवपराशरभूरिषेणाः ।
येऽन्ये विभीषणहनूमदुपेन्द्रदत्त-
पार्थाष्टिषेणविदुरश्रुतदेववर्याः ॥ ४५ ॥

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SaubharyUthankaSibiDhevalaPippalaadha-
SaarasvathoUdhddhavaParaasaraBhoorishenaah
Yeanye VibheeshanaHanoomadhUpendhradheththa-
PaarththhaarShtishenaVidhuraSruthadhevavaryaah

ते वै विदन्त्यतितरन्ति च देवमायां
स्त्रीशूद्रहूणशबरा अपि पापजीवाः ।
यद्यद्भुतक्रमपरायणशीलशिक्षा-
स्तिर्यग्जना अपि किमु श्रुतधारणा ये ॥ ४६ ॥

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The vai vidhanthyathitharanthi cha dhevamaayaam
SthreeSoodhraHoonaSabaraa api paapajeevaah
Yedhyadhbhuthakremaparaayanaseelasikshaa-
Sthiryagjenaa api kimu sruthaddhaaranaa ye.

Hey Naaradharshe! Please know that the noble devotees like Udhddhava, Pippalaadha, Dhevala, all those who are born in the Saarasvatha community, Paarthththa and other Paandavaas, Ashtishena, Naahusha, Sruthadheva, Vidhura, Vibheeshana, Hanumaan, Paraasara, Udhanka, Sathaddhanvaa, Saubhari and so on and also the ladies of devotion like Sabari, Ahalya, Thaara, Paanjchaali, etc. and the Soodhraas, Hoonaas, Sabaraas belonging to Fishermen community, etc. though born to lower and or outcast communities and Jetaayu, Sampaathi, etc. belonging to lower type of animal or bird species are all aware of the possession of special power and magnitude and the Yoga Prebhaava of Lord Sri Maha Vishnu who is the supreme God who is Omnipotent and Omnipresent. Therefore, there is no specific cast or creed or species and really nobody knows who knows and who does not know the Yoga Sakthi or Yoga Prebhaava of Lord Sri Maha Vishnu. Anyone who prays and worships and prostrates at the lotus feet of Lord Sri

Maha Vishnu with staunch devotion of concentrated and meditated mind and anyone who strictly follows the procedures and norms prescribed in the Vedhaas and Scriptures irrespective of their cast, creed, tribe, community, species, creatures, etc. would easily be able to cross the Illusory power of Lord Sri Maha Vishnu and would ultimately be able to attain his abode of Vaikunta and be at His service eternally. In that case why is it not possible to attain the same result for those who have mastered various branches of sciences and attained sagely status as Omniscient and those who have surrendered their life to Lord Sri Maha Vishnu?

शश्वत्प्रशान्तमभयं प्रतिबोधमात्रं
शुद्धं समं सदसतः परमात्मतत्त्वम् ।
शब्दो न यत्र पुरुकारकवान् क्रियार्थो
माया परैत्यभिमुखे च विलज्जमाना ॥ ४७॥

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Sasvath presanthamabhayam prethiboddhamaathram
Sudhddham samam sadhasathah paramaathmathaththvam
Sabdho na yethra purukarakavaan kriyaarththo
Maayaa paraithyabhimukhe cha vilejjamaanaa.

Lord Sri Maha Vishnu is always peaceful, calm and with equanimity. He is the embodiment of eternal knowledge. He is independent of any bondages with the universe and hence always fearless because He does not have to be fearful of anything because everything is his own creations and because He is the ultimate controller of everything. He is the embodiment of all philosophical principles. He is independent and beyond consciousness and life energy. He is also both the causes and effects of consciousness and life energy. He is the ultimate Supreme God who is being identified as Parabrahma by the most scholastic sages and Rishees of austerity. The Illusion and the Illusory power would never appear in front of that Ultimate Parabrahma as it would be shameful for it to play its tricks in front of its creator. The Vedhaas and Scriptures which are capable of providing multitudes of narrations about anything from A to Z of this or of any other universe would fail utterly in providing any narration

about that Ultimate Parabrahma, that Supreme God, that Primeval and Transcendental Lord Sri Maha Vishnu.

तद्वै पदं भगवतः परमस्य पुंसो
ब्रह्मेति यद्विदुरजस्रसुखं विशोकम् ।
सध्व्यङ् नियम्य यतयो यमकर्तृहेतिं
जह्युः स्वराडिव निपानखनित्रमिन्द्रः ॥ ४८॥

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Thadhvai padham Bhagawathah Paramasya Pumso
Brahmethi yedhvidhurasrasukham visokam
Saddhryengniyamya yethayo yemakarththahethim
Jehyuh svaraadiva nipaanakhanithramIndhrah.

Those great Yogic Rishies who is the transcendental blissful stage with pure and absolute knowledge about the Ultimate Supreme Personality, Lord Sri Maha Vishnu, would stabilize their mind and heart and consciousness by concentrating fully on Lord Sri Maha Vishnu and abandon and discard all material activities just like Dhevendhra, the king of Heaven, discarded and abandoned his activities of digging out a well. [Dhevendhra is the lord of rain and hence he does not have to dig a well to get water and hence he has discarded those activities altogether forever.]

स श्रेयसामपि विभुर्भगवान् यतोऽस्य
भावस्वभावविहितस्य सतः प्रसिद्धिः ।
देहे स्वधातुविगमेऽनुविशीर्यमाणे
व्योमेव तत्र पुरुषो न विशीर्यतेऽजः ॥ ४९॥

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Sa sreyasaamapi VibhurBhagawaan yethoasya
Bhaavasvabhaavavihithasya sathah presidhddhih
Dhehe svaddhaathuvigemeanuviseeryamaane
Vyomeva thathra purusho na viseeryatheajah.

Though the material elements in the body is perished at the time of death the essence of Life or Jeeva which is the soul would never be perished just like when a clay pot is broken and perished the air inside is not perished or destroyed or just like the air inside a house gutted by fire and perished would never be perished. We should know that the soul is never born and hence would never die. And the soul is one and only one and that is Lord Sri Maha Vishnu which is the only truth.

सोऽयं तेऽभिहितस्तात भगवान् विश्वभावनः ।
समासेन हरेर्नान्यदन्यस्मात्सदसच्च यत् ॥ ५० ॥

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Soayam theabhihathasthaatha! Bhagawaan visvabhaavanah
Samaasena Harernnaanyadhanyasmaath sadhasachccha yeth.

Hey Naaradha! My dear son! I have now explained to you briefly about the Ultimate Parabrahma, the Transcendental and Primeval and Prime Supreme Personality, Lord Sri Maha Vishnu who has now incarnated as Lord Sri Krishna Bhagawaan. Without Lord Sri Maha Vishnu there cannot exist anything in this universe because He is the sole phenomenal and non-phenomenal cause as well as the effect of the entire creation. Excluding Lord Sri Maha Vishnu there is nothing in the universe. Excluding Lord Sri Maha Vishnu there is nothing which can happen in the universe.

इदं भागवतं नाम यन्मे भगवतोदितम् ।
सङ्ग्रहोऽयं विभूतीनां त्वमेतद्विपुलीकुरु ॥ ५१ ॥

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Idham Bhaagawatham naama yenme Bhagawathodhitham
Samgrehoayam vibhootheenaam; thvamethadhvipuleekuru.

Oh Naaradha! Thus, I have spoken to you very briefly the essence of the most auspicious and blissful story of Lord Sri Krishna Bhagawaan who is the Primary Incarnation of Lord Sri Maha Vishnu, and it is very

popularly known as Bhaagawatham. Lord Sri Naaraayana or Lord Sri Maha Vishnu has advised this at the very beginning of the creation of the universe to me and you may please explain it in detail to the world.

यथा हरौ भगवति नृणां भक्तिर्भविष्यति ।
सर्वात्मन्यखिलाधारे इति सङ्कल्प्य वर्णय ॥ ५२ ॥

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Yetthaa Harau Bhagawathi nrinaam bhakthirbhavishyathi
Sarvvaathmanyakhilaaddhaara ithi sankalpya varnnaya.

Hari or Lord Sri Maha Vishnu is always independent and beyond this universe but at the same time He is always within the soul of all and each and every being of the universe. He is the true soul as well as the essence of life energy of all and each and every being of the universe. He is the base and basis for everything in the universe. Therefore, please be kind enough to explain the entire details of Hari or Lord Sri Maha Vishnu in such a way to increase the devotion in our mind and heart in geometrical progression. What are the use and the purpose and the benefit of other actions which would end at the destruction of this material body? [That means there is no use of any actions in our life other than actions that would help to generate unbounded love and devotion to Lord Sri Hari. Please note that this is the instruction given by Brahmadheva to Naaradha that he should explain it for the benefit of mankind.]

[This Sanskrit version does not have stanza 53 & 54. I will try to write down.]

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Nrijenmani na thushyetha kim kaayamanunasvaraih
Krishne yedhyapavargese bhakthih syaadhanapaayinee.

If mankind is not able to generate true devotion to Lord Sri Krishna Bhagawaan who is the Lord and the Provider of Ultimate Salvation in their minds and hearts and that He is pleased with them then there is

really no use of having the opportunity of being born as a human being. Hey the most intelligent Naaradha! If Lord Sri Krishna Bhagawaan is not pleased with you then there is no use of possessing the perishable material body and other material possessions one may have.

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Kimseyadhvarnaasramaacharaih kim dhaanaih kim thapahsruthaih
Sarvvaaghaghnoththamasloke na cheth bhakthiraddhokshaje.

What is the use of maintaining all the four Varnnaasramaas exactly according to the stipulations of Vedhic norms and performing severe austerity and being extremely philanthropic and providing generous donations unless one is able to have concentrated and meditated pure and staunch devotion to Lord Sri Krishna Bhagawaan who is the annihilator of all sins and distresses of his devotees and who is the eternal enemy of the entire Asura community and who is being proclaimed with most glorifying and charming devotional compositions.

मायां वर्णयतोऽमुष्य ईश्वरस्यानुमोदतः ।
शृण्वतः श्रद्धया नित्यं माययाऽऽत्मा न मुह्यति ॥ ५५ ॥

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Leelaam* varnnayathoamushya Easwarasyaanumodhithuh
Maayaam*
Srinvathah sredhddhayaa nithyam maayayaaaathmaa na muhyathi.

The mind and intelligence of those who either very attentively listen or duly congratulate and appreciate or proclaim with devotion daily to the charming and wonderful plays and playful deeds of Lord Sri Krishna Bhagawaan would instantaneously be released and fully be liberated from the entrapment of the confusions from the Illusory power and energy of Lord Sri Maha Vishnu, the Supreme God and the most Primeval and Transcendental Personality.

इति श्रीमद्भागवते महापुराणे पारमहंस्यां संहितायां

द्वितीयस्कन्धे ब्रह्मनारदसंवादे सप्तमोऽध्यायः ॥ ७॥

Ithi Sreemat Bhaagawathe Mahaa Puraane
Paaramahamsyaam Samhithaayaam
Dhwitheeyaskanddhe BrahmaNaaradhasamvaadhe
Sapthamoaddhyaayah

Thus, we conclude the Seventh Chapter named The Conversation between Brahmadheva and Naaradha of the Second Canto of the Most Divine and the Supreme Most and Greatest Mythology known as Sreemad Bhagawatham.

Om Shree Krishnaya Param Brahmane Namah!
Om Nammo Bhagavathe Vaasudevayah!
Om Nammo Bhagavathe Vaasudevayah!
Om Nammo Bhagavathe Vaasudevayah!