

Om Shree Krishnaya Param Brahmane Namah!

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श्रीमद्भागवतं

SREEMADH BHAAGAWATHAM

MOOLAM (ORIGINAL)

पञ्चमस्कन्धः

PANJCHAMASKANDDHAH (CANTO FIVE)

॥ पञ्चमोऽध्यायः ॥

PANJCHAMOADDHYAAYAH (CHAPTER FIVE)

**Rishabhadhevaanucharitham [Rishabha Charitham –
Rishabhopadhesam, RishabhaAvaddhoothrithvam] (Story of
Rishabhadheva [Story of Rishabha – Advices of Rishabha,
Mendicancy or Acceptance of Mendicant Status by Rishabhadheva])**

[In this chapter we can read the spiritual advice given by Rishabhadheva to his sons. Though this advice is addressed to his sons and priests assembled there, actually the advice are also meant for the welfare of the whole mankind. He has explained the logical reasons illustrating the insignificance of material pleasures and why one should not run after

sensual gratifications. After providing very valuable advice he crowned his eldest son, Bharatha, as the emperor of Brahmaavarththa. Thereafter he accepted the life of an Avaddhootha and led a life without giving any consideration for any material needs. Please continue to read for details...]

ऋषभ उवाच

Rishabha Uvaacha (Rishabhadheva Said):

नायं देहो देहभाजां नृलोके
कष्टान् कामानर्हते विद्भुजां ये ।
तपो दिव्यं पुत्रका येन सत्त्वं
शुद्धयेद्यस्माद्ब्रह्मसौख्यं त्वनन्तम् ॥ १ ॥

1

Naayam dheho dhehabhaajaam nriloke
Kashtaan kaamaanrhathe vidbhujaam ye
Thapo dhivyam putrakaa yena saththvam
Sudhddhyedhyasmaadh Brahmasaukhyam thvanantham.

Oh, my dearest and most beloved sons! You all please listen carefully to these divine advice from me. In this material world even the dogs and hogs that eat stool or shit also carry a material body just for the purpose of living and having sensual pleasures. And of course, human beings also carry a material body. But the human beings with special intelligence of discretionary power have no reason to live for the purpose of fulfilling sensual pleasures alone. [In the case of animals and birds and other creatures it may be acceptable as they do not possess special intelligence with discretionary power.] When you think deeply you will understand that the purpose of human life is not for that purpose alone. The human beings are expected to observe the most exalted Thapascharya or Concentrated Austerity and refine and purify the mind and heart and conscience. They must maintain their mind, heart and conscience always pure with Sathwa Guna and enjoy the Eternal Brahma Saukhyam or Transcendentally Blissful Eternal Divine Happiness. Oh, my dear sons don't you think that is the best for them? Yes, definitely that is what they must try to attain as they have been blissfully endowed with special intelligence of discretionary power.

महत्सेवां द्वारमाहुर्विमुक्ते-
स्तमोद्वारं योषितां सङ्गिसङ्गम् ।
महान्तस्ते समचित्ताः प्रशान्ता
विमन्यवः सुहृदः साधवो ये ॥ २॥

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Mahothsavaam dhvaaramaahurvimukthe-
Sthamodhvaaram yoshithaam sanggisanggam
Mahaanthasthe samachiththaah presaanthaa
Vimanyavah suhridhah saaddhavo ye.

Great scholars have established that Sathsanggamam or association and bondage with highly advanced spiritual personalities are the means to get the doors opened for Nithya Mukthi. And also, that association and bondage of male species with female species or rather association and bondage of opposite genders are the means to get the doors opened to the dungeon of ignorance. The great and noble and divine people are definitely without anger, without hatred, without jealousy, peace-loving, virtuous, with sensual control, with mental concentration and control and those who always choose to move in the religiously right path.

ये वा मयीशे कृतसौहृदार्था
जनेषु देहम्भरवार्तिकेषु ।
गृहेषु जायाऽऽत्मजरातिमत्सु
न प्रीतियुक्ता यावदार्थाश्च लोके ॥ ३॥

3

Ye vaa mayeese krithasauhridharthttha
Jeneshu dhehambharavaarththikeshu
Griheshu jaayaathmajaraathimathsu
Na preethiyukthaa yaavadharthtthaascha loke.

Also, the great and noble personalities are: Those who find perfection in all the four Purushaarthtthaas in me who are the Supreme Soul and ultimate God. [Rishabha is the incarnation of Lord Vishnu and those who

understand that only are considered to be great and noble and divine.] And those who are willing to engage in any type of actions purely for the sake of offering devotional services to Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan. [Work is worship.] Those who do not wish to engage in any activities other than worshipping and offering obeisance unto Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Krishna Bhagawaan. Those who do not maintain any special interest or ardent desire to take care of their wife, children, home, family, wealth, properties and other selfish interests. Who are always under the control and influence of material senses and waste the whole life for the fulfillment of material desires. Who accept or take only the minimum required material properties for the sake of survival. Oh, my dear sons! Great divine sagely scholars have already established these facts since long time ago and that these are the types of people who are great, noble and divine.

नूनं प्रमत्तः कुरुते विकर्म
यदिन्द्रियप्रीतय आपृणोति ।
न साधु मन्ये यत् आत्मनोऽय-
मसन्नपि क्लेशद आस देहः ॥ ४॥

4

Noonam premaththah kuruthe vikarmma
Yedhindhriyapreethaya aaprinothi
Na saaddhu manye yetha aathmanoaya-
Masanaapi klesadha aasa dhehah.

When you engage in activities for the sake of fulfilling the material interests and satisfying material senses you would undertake innumerable sinful and evil activities without thinking of the consequences of them. I do not consider those activities as virtuous and for the welfare of neither those who perform them nor for the universe. I always hate and denounce and hate evil and sinful activities. And as a result of evil and sinful activities the doer would be bound to take up innumerable births and deaths carrying various material bodies like animals, birds or any other species including that of human being.

पराभवस्तावदबोधजातो
यावन्न जिज्ञासत आत्मतत्त्वम् ।

यावत्क्रियास्तावदिदं मनो वै
कर्मात्मकं येन शरीरबन्धः ॥ ५॥

5

Paraabhavasthaavadhaboddhajaatho
Yaavanna jinjaasatha aathmathaththvam
Yaavath kriyaasthaavadhidham mano vai
Karmaathmakam yena sareerabenddhah.

Until you have the desire to know about Aathma Thaththvam or Principles and Values of Spirituality or Transcendentalism you would have the internal urge to abandon all information about Soul due to the influence of material ignorance. As long as material activities exist, that means the desire for material gratifications by means of material activities; your mind will be inclined towards performing material activities for sense gratifications. Please understand the cause for the bondage of Jeeva or Soul and material body is purely due to the tendency of mind. [We think that our body and life are intertwined is only a mental feeling. We should try to understand that "Jeeva " or"Soul " or"Life " is totally independent of the body. And the "Soul" is birthless and deathless and eternal.]

एवं मनः कर्मवशं प्रयुङ्क्ते
अविद्ययाऽऽत्मन्युपधीयमाने ।
प्रीतिर्न यावन्मयि वासुदेवे
न मुच्यते देहयोगेन तावत् ॥ ६॥

6

Evam manah karmmavasam preyungkthe
Avidhyayaaaathmanyupaddheeyamaane
Preethirinna yaavanmayi Vaasudheve
Na muchyathe dhehayogena thaavath.

As long as we are unable to control our mind and concentrate on transcendentalism, we would definitely be dragged into depth of the ocean of material miseries due to the false and ignorant feeling of the inseparable linkage between Soul and body. In other words, until you start loving and fully concentrate on offering devotional services to Supreme Soul Lord Sri

Vaasudheva Sri Krishna Bhagawaan who is Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan you would be covered by ignorance of material miseries and would be prompted to involve in material activities for sensual material satisfactions.

यदा न पश्यत्यथ गुणेहां
स्वार्थे प्रमत्तः सहसा विपश्चित् ।
गतस्मृतिर्विन्दति तत्र तापा-
नासाद्य मैथुन्यमगारमज्ञः ॥ ७॥

7

Yedhaa na pasyathyayetthaa gunehaam
Svaarththe premaththah sahasaa vipaschith
Gethasoothirvindhathi thathra thaapaa-
Naasaadhya maitthunyamagaaramajjah.

Even if you are a scholar who has mastered Vedhic knowledge without knowing the fact that you must stay away and abandon the interest in sense gratifications of material nature you would always remain ignorant and selfish. Those who always spent the time with their wife or other women may initially think that they are enjoying the pleasure of conjugal play but in due course of time they would mysteriously be suffering from the horrible miseries of material entanglements with all sorts of troubles.

पुंसः स्त्रिया मिथुनीभावमेतं
तयोर्मिथो हृदयग्रन्थिमाहुः ।
अतो गृहक्षेत्रसुताप्तवित्तै-
र्जनस्यमोहोऽयमहं ममेति ॥ ८॥

8

Pumsah sthriyaa mitthuneebhaavametham
Thayormmittho hridhayagrentthimaahuh
Atho grihakshethrasuthaapthaviththai-
Jjenasya mohoayamaham mamethi.

The attraction between the female and male is the basic principle of existence of this material world. This concept is strongly instilled in the heart and mind of the female and male and that is the reason for the physical attraction and association between opposite genders and also the reason for self attraction and attachment towards one's own material body, wife, children, relatives, friends, home, property, wealth, ego, etc. The extension of the same feeling with the influence of ignorance created by the illusory power forces us to think in terms of "I and mine" and other possessiveness by the material entities. [This is the law of nature.]

यदा मनो हृदयग्रन्थिरस्य
कर्मानुबद्धो दृढ आश्लथेत ।
तदा जनः सम्परिवर्ततेऽस्मा-
न्मुक्तः परं यात्यतिहाय हेतुम् ॥ ९॥

9

Yedhaa mano hridhayagrentthirasya
Karmmaanubendhddho dhridda aaslatthetha
Thadhaa jenah samparivarththatheasmaath
Mukthah param yaathyaathihaaya hethum.

By the power of illusion of material nature and as a result of our past actions a strong knot would automatically be created within our heart and mind without our knowledge. But we must slacken this knot by our virtuous actions like worship, austerity and devotional service to Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Krishna Bhagawaan. And those who are able to slacken the knot would be able to turn away from the attachment of "I, mine, my wife, my children, my relatives, my home, my property, etc." Once we are away from possessiveness like above, we would become self-less and that would enable us to be liberated from the illusion of this material world. And once we are liberated from the material world, we would be able to attain transcendental realization or soul-realization which is the same as the realization of ultimate Purushaarthththa or Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan.

हंसे गुरौ मयि भक्त्यानुवृत्या
वितृष्णया द्वन्द्वतितिक्षया च ।
सर्वत्र जन्तोर्व्यसनावगत्या

Hamse Gurau mayi bhakthyaanuvriththyaa
Vithrishnayaa dhvandhvathithikshayaa cha
Sarvvathra jenthorvyesanaavagethyaa
Jijnjaasayaa thapasehaanivriththyaa.

Oh, my dear sons! You should accept a very scholarly Paramahamsika Dhesika or Guru or a Spiritually Advanced Master with transcendental knowledge and establish steadfast devotion and full faith and utmost respect and total love in him just like in me after realizing the fact that I am the Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan. You must get rid of or abandon the interest in sense gratification and should be able to tolerate and withstand dualities like pain and pleasure, love and hatred, comfort and discomfort etc. which are like seasonal changes like summer and winter. You should try to understand the miserable conditions of all the material entities even in the upper planets like heaven. With that understanding you must abandon all the material activities performing for satisfying sense gratification and ego satisfaction. Dedicate all your activities purely for the sake of offering devotional services to Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan. When you engage fully in virtuous and righteous Ddhaarmmic activities you should be able to overcome material ego.

मत्कर्मभिर्मत्कथया च नित्यं
मद्देवसङ्गाद्गुणकीर्तनान्मे ।
निर्वैरसाम्योपशमेन पुत्रा
जिहासया देहगेहात्मबुद्धेः ॥ ११॥

Mathkarmmabhirmmathkatthayaa cha nithyam
Madhdhevasanggaadh gunakeeththanaanme
Nirvvairasaamyopasamena puthraa
Jihaasayaa dhehagehaathmabudhddheh.

My dear sons! Dedicate all your activities for me, the Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan. [In other words do not perform any activity with the expectation of a specific material result. Offer all the results of all your activities for the Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan. Whatever result comes to you just accept so that you would never have the pain of failure or desperation or dejection.] Please listen to the virtuous and pure and glorifying stories of me daily and always. Consider me as the Supreme Deity, Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan, to be worshipped and always worship-able. Establish constant contact and permanent association with those who worship me as the Supreme Deity. Proclaim my glories and recite the Manthraas and Slokaas and Keerththans proclaiming my glories daily and always. Abandon the thought the material body and the Soul are inseparably interconnected or inter linked. Do not ever consider that someone is your enemy and someone else is your friend. Always consider everyone as equal, that is, all the entities of the universe as equal. Maintain serene peace of mind with the thought that all the living entities are equal in all respects. Oh, my dear sons, that is what you should develop in your mind, heart and conscience.

अध्यात्मयोगेन विविक्तसेवया
प्राणेन्द्रियात्माभिजयेन सद्ध्यक् ।
सच्छ्रद्धया ब्रह्मचर्येण शश्व-
दसम्प्रमादेन यमेन वाचाम् ॥ १२॥

12

Addhyaathmayogene vivikthasevayaa
Praanendhriyaathaabhijeyana saddhryek
Sachchredhddhyayaa Brahmacharyena sasva-
Dhesampremaadhena yemena vaachaam.

You must stay in a secluded or an isolated place where you can concentrate your mind and conscience without any disturbance and must learn Adhddhyaathma Thatththvam or Transcendental or Spiritual Principles. You should be able to conquer senses by control of mind and by concentration and by control of life-air or Praanaavyaama. You must learn how to control your words like when to speak, how to speak, what to speak, why to speak, who to speak with, etc. You must learn how to improve upon

your capacity to be attentive and careful with concentration. Observe proper celibacy according to Vedhic norms. You must learn how to avoid any conflict of thoughts and agitation of mind.

सर्वत्र मद्भावविचक्षणेन
ज्ञानेन विज्ञानविराजितेन ।
योगेन धृत्युद्यमसत्त्वयुक्तो
लिङ्गं व्यपोहेत्कुशलोऽहमाख्यम् ॥ १३॥

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Sarvvathra madhbhaavavichakshanena
Jnjaanena vijnjaanaviraajithena
Yogena ddhrithyudhyamasaththvayuktho
Linggam vyepoheth kusaloahamaakhyam.

You should always be smart and with transcendental knowledge think and imagine and speculate about me, the Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan. The divine transcendental knowledge should lustrously reflect from your intelligence with accumulation of Jnjaana = knowledge, Yoga = meditative concentration, Ddhairya Preyathna = brave and untainted effort and Saththwa = pure virtue. With these acquired qualities you should be able to abandon ego and self-pride.

कर्माशयं हृदयग्रन्थिबन्ध-
मविद्ययासादितमप्रमत्तः ।
अनेन योगेन यथोपदेशं
सम्यग्व्यपोह्योपरमेत योगात् ॥ १४॥

14

Karmmaasayam hridhayagrentthibenddha-
MAvidhyayaaaasaadhithamapremaththah
Anena yogena yethopadhesam
Samyagvyepohyoparametha yogaath.

The concept or the thought that our material body and life or soul are inseparably interlinked is due to the false notion created by ignorance

gathered as a result of material activities performed by us. That notion should be completely erased with untainted knowledge received from advice and instructions of transcendental preceptor and the mind, heart and conscience should be kept clean and pure. Once you are able to accomplish this task with proper Anushttaanam of Yogaas as mentioned above then you should even be able to abandon those Anushttaanaas also. [This is exactly we have mentioned earlier also that once you attain transcendental knowledge of Aathma Thatththvam or Aathma Saakshaathkaaram then you must even abandon the Aathma Saakshaathkaaram also as at that Sage you and the Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan are or is one and the same. Thereafter you do not need that transcendental knowledge either.]

पुत्रांश्च शिष्यांश्च नृपो गुरुर्वा
मल्लोककामो मदनुग्रहार्थः ।
इत्थं विमन्युरनुशिष्यादतज्ज्ञान्
न योजयेत्कर्मसु कर्ममूढान् ।
कं योजयन् मनुजोऽर्थं लभेत
निपातयन् नष्टदृशं हि गर्ते ॥ १५॥

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Puthraamscha sishyaamscha nriipo gururvvaa
Mallokakaamo madhanugrehaarththah
Iththam vimanyuranusishyaadhathajjnjaan
Na yojayeth karmmasu karmmamooddaan
Kam yojayanmanujoarththam lebhetha
Nipaathayannashtadhrisam hi gerththe.

The one who is desirous of obtaining the blessing of Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan with the ultimate aim of attaining my world, the Vaikuntta Loka or the world of Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan, provide advices like me. If he is King, he must instruct his citizens and if he is a Spiritual Master he must teach his disciples and if he is father he must advise his sons or children like me without being angry or annoyed or being impatient. Ignorant people engaging in pious and impious activities should always try to be engaged in offering devotional services to me. They should intentionally try to avoid

fruitive activities. If one is engaging in fruitive activities with material bondage, then how can he be able to lead his citizens or sons or disciples properly into the path of transcendentalism or spiritualism? He could never be able to. It would be just like a blind man being led to a well and making him fall into it.

लोकः स्वयं श्रेयसि नष्टदृष्टि-
र्योऽर्थान् समीहेत निकामकामः ।
अन्योन्यवैरः सुखलेशहेतो-
रनन्तदुःखं च न वेद मूढः ॥ १६॥

16

Lokah svayam sreyasi nashtadhrishti-
Ryoarthtthaan sameehetha nikaamakaamah
Anyonyavairah sukhalesahetho-
RAnanthadhukham cha na vedhah mooddah.

A Kaami meaning the one who is desirous of attaining material benefits and gains with fruitive activities do not see the path leading to prosperous and auspicious and beneficial stage of virtuous transcendentalism. The Kaami is an ignorant fool. That ignorant fool does not identify and understand hidden miseries he is going to face when he goes after the paltry and insignificant and momentary material pleasures and sensual gratifications.

कस्तं स्वयं तदभिज्ञो विपश्चि-
दविद्यायामन्तरे वर्तमानम् ।
दृष्ट्वा पुनस्तं सघृणः कुबुद्धिं
प्रयोजयेदुत्पथगं यथान्धम् ॥ १७॥

17

Kastham svayam thadhabhijnjo vipaschith
Avidhyaayaamanthare varththamaanam
Dhrishtvaa punastham saghrinah kubudhddhim
Preyojayedhuthpatthagam yetthaanddham.

The one who has learned that the Samsaara Benddha or Karmma Benddha meaning the bondage created by fruitive material activities drag into deep miseries of material ocean and then with that established knowledge of the futility of the material life learned and mastered in transcendental principles with many different Yogaas would be as merciful and compassionate as the Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan. Those transcendental Masters are the panacea to those who suffer from the horrible miseries of material life like Amrith to mortality. Such transcendental Masters would never provide advice of fruitive material activities which would drag you further down into the depth of material miseries. It is just like a compassionate and merciful person who can see properly would never advice or lead a blind person to fall into deep pit a Transcendental Master would never advice an ignorant material person who is already sinking in the ocean of material miseries to undertake fruitive material activities which would pull him further down into the depth of miseries.

गुरुर्न स स्यात्स्वजनो न स स्यात्
 पिता न स स्याज्जननी न सा स्यात् ।
 दैवं न तत्स्यान्न पतिश्च स स्या-
 न्न मोचयेद्यः समुपेतमृत्युम् ॥ १८॥

18

Gururna sa syaathsvajeno na sa syaath
 Pithaa na sa syaajjenanee sa saa syaath
 Dhaiwam na thathsyaanna pathischa sa syaa-
 Nna mochayedhyah samupedhamrithyum.

The one who does not save the person who is suffering from miseries of births and deaths in the material ocean cannot be either a father or a mother or a preceptor or a relative or a friend or a husband or a wife or not even qualified to be called as another living person.

इदं शरीरं मम दुर्विभाव्यं
 सत्त्वं हि मे हृदयं यत्र धर्मः ।
 पृष्ठे कृतो मे यदधर्म आरा-
 दतो हि मामृषभं प्राहुरार्याः ॥ १९॥

Idham sareeram mama dhurvibhaavyam
 Saththvam hi me hridhayam yethra ddharmmah
 Prishtte kritho me yedhaddharma aaraa-
 Dhatho hi maamRishabham praahuraaryaah.

No one can ever visualize or imagine or guess about my body or form which is the same form or body of Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan. Not only that my mind or the mind of Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan is the embodiment of pure Saththwa Guna. Thus, I have abandoned all Addharmaas or Non-Righteous or Irreligious activities. My heart, mind and conscience are all pure Transcendentalism or Spirituality. Because of that I have promptly and appropriately accepted the name of Rishabha meaning the Supreme Personality of God and the Supreme Soul who is The Best and The Highest of all living entities.

तस्माद्भवन्तो हृदयेन जाताः
 सर्वे महीयांसममुं सनाभम् ।
 अक्लिष्टबुद्ध्या भरतं भजध्वं
 शुश्रूषणं तद्भरणं प्रजानाम् ॥ २० ॥

Thasmaadh bhavantho hridhayena jaathaah
 Sarvve maheeyaamsamamum sanaabham
 Aklishtabudhddhyaa Bharatham bhajaddhvam
 Susrooshanam thadbharanam prejaanaam.

Oh, my dear sons! You are all born of my heart. You are all my blood. Bharatha is your eldest brother. He is the noblest, greatest and divinest. He is exalted in devotional services to Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan. Therefore, please give him utmost respect and regard and always get engaged in his service. Bharatha being the staunchest and steadfast devotee of Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan, whatever services you offer to him will be equal to the services you offer to me who am the Supreme Soul Lord Sri

Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan. Therefore, your services to Bharatha will be devotional services and treatments to me and also it is for the welfare and benefit of all the living entities of the universe as it would be exactly the same devotional services and humble treatment to Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan.

भूतेषु वीरुद्ध उदुत्तमा ये
सरीसृपास्तेषु सबोधनिष्ठाः ।
ततो मनुष्याः प्रमथास्ततोऽपि
गन्धर्वसिद्धा विबुधानुगा ये ॥ २१ ॥

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Bhootheshu veerudhbhya uruththamaa ye
Sareesripaastheshu saboddhanishttaah
Thatho manushyaah prematthaasthatthoapi
GenddharvvaSidhddhaa vibuddhaanugaa ye.

देवासुरेभ्यो मघवत्प्रधाना
दक्षादयो ब्रह्मसुतास्तु तेषाम् ।
भवः परः सोऽथ विरिञ्चवीर्यः
स मत्परोऽहं द्विजदेवदेवः ॥ २२ ॥

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Dhevaasurebhyo maghavathpreddhaanaa
Dhekshaadhayo Brahmasuthaasthu theshaam
Bhavah parah soattha Virinjchaveeryah
Sa math paroaham DhvijaDhevadhevah.

My dear sons! Please be aware of the order of entities of the universe according to intelligence. There are two types of energies manifest in the matters or entities. They are dull matters and spiritual matters. Also, there are living and nonliving as well as movable and immovable elements. Living entities are superior in intelligence compared to non-living entities. For example, plants and trees are superior to rocks and earth. Of living entities movables are superior to immovable as for example reptiles are superior to plants and trees. Of movable living entities human being with

discretionary power and intelligence are superior to all other living entities without discretionary intelligence. [Animals are superior to birds. Two legged animals are superior to four legged animals. Human beings are superior to two legged animals. These orders have already been explained in detail in Chapter Five of Canto Two under Viraat Roopa Varnnam.] Ghosts are superior to human being because they do not have material body. Genddharvvaas, Kinnaraas and Sidhddhaas who are followers and associates of Dhevaas, are superior to ghosts and devils. Dheithyaas or Dheithyaas or Asuraas are superior to Genddharvvaas, Kinnaraas and Sidhddhaas. Dhevaas or Aadhitheyaas or Suraas known as Amarththyaas are superior to Dheithyaas or Asuraas. Among Dhevaas Dheksha and other sons of Brahmadheva are superior. Threkshya or Maha Dheva or Dhevadheva or Lord Siva is the superior most of the Dhevaas who is born from the semen of Brahmadheva. Brahmadheva is superior to all of them. I, the Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Krishna Bhagawaan or Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan, am superior to the superior most in the all the universes and Brahmadheva and all others are seeking shelter at my lotus feet. And what is about me? I am the one who offer Poojaas and obeisance to Ddharaasuthaas or Brahmins daily without any failure.

न ब्राह्मणैस्तुलये भूतमन्य-
 त्पश्यामि विप्राः किमतः परं तु ।
 यस्मिन् नृभिः प्रहुतं श्रद्धयाह-
 मश्नामि कामं न तथाग्निहोत्रे ॥ २३॥

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Na Braahmanaisthulaye bhoothamanyath
 Pasyaami Vipraah kimathah param thu
 Yesminnribhiah prehutham sredhddhayaaha-
 MAsnaami kaamam na thtthaagnihothre.

Oh, my dearest sons I do not see anyone more superior than and or even as superior as Braahmanaas or Vipraas or Brahmins anywhere in the universe. Therefore, is there any need to specifically mention that there is nothing more superior to Braahmanaas? Absolutely there is no need. Braahmanaas are definitely the supreme most of the creations you can find in any of the universes. The Poojaas and Archchanaas offered to the

Brahmins by mankind are more pleasing and satisfying to me than the Havis offered in Yaagaas and Yejnjaas to please me and secure my blessings.

धृता तनूरुशती मे पुराणी
येनेह सत्त्वं परमं पवित्रम् ।
शमो दमः सत्यमनुग्रहश्च
तपस्तितिक्षानुभवश्च यत्र ॥ २४॥

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Ddhrithaa thanoorasathee me puraanee
Yeneha saththvam paramam pavithram
Samo dhemah sathyamanugrehascha
Thapasthithikshaanubhavascha yethra.

My transcendental Form or body is the sound of Vedhaas. Vedhaas are Sabddha Brahma or Cosmic Sound. Therefore, my Form is Sabddha Brahma. Those Brahmins who have learned and mastered Vedhaas and have properly understood that my Eternal Form is Sabddha Brahma of Vedhaas would be bestowed with all virtuous noblest qualities like: Sudhddham = Purity, Saththvam = Virtue, Samam = Control of Senses, Dhemam = Self Restraint, Sathyam = Honesty, Anugrehasakthi = Blissful Mercy and Compassion, Thapas = Austerity, Sahanam = Tolerance and Anubhoothi = Aesthetic Enjoyment in proper sublimation.

मत्तोऽप्यनन्तात्परतः परस्मा-
त्स्वर्गापवर्गाधिपतेर्न किञ्चित् ।
येषां किमु स्यादितरेण तेषा-
मकिञ्चनानां मयि भक्तिभाजाम् ॥ २५॥

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Maththoapyananthaath parathah parasmaath
Svarggaapavarggaaddhipatherna kinjchith
Yeshaam kimu syaadhitharena theshaa-
MAkinjchanaanaam mayi bhakthibhaajaam.

I am Eternal. I am immortal. I am beginning-less and endless. I am the Lord and Provider of Heaven and Salvation. I am the liberator from material miseries. I am the provider of Transcendental Realization. I am the noblest and the divinest. The Brahmins do not desire anything from me and do not need anything from me. They are the providers of luster and brilliance to the universe. They are the ones who have renounced everything. They have nothing to gain from anyone. And of course, they do not have anything to get from me and they do not need anything from me as they have already renounced all needs and wants. They have nothing to be fulfilled from me and do not need my blessings for attainment of anything as they do not have anything to be attained. They are the greatest and they are staunchest and most steadfast devotees of me, the Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan. They are Dhvijaas or Braahmanaas or Brahmins.

सर्वाणि मद्धिष्ण्यतया भवद्धि-
श्चराणि भूतानि सुताध्रुवाणि ।
सम्भावितव्यानि पदे पदे वो
विविक्तदृग्भिस्तदु हार्हणं मे ॥ २६॥

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Sarvvaani madhddhishnyathayaa Bhawathbhi-
SCharaani bhoothaani suthaa ddhruvaani
Sambhaavithavyaani padhe padhe vo
Vivikthadhrigbhisthadhuhaarhanam me.

All the movable and immovable elements and entities you see or you do not see but existing in the universes are my residence or in other words I am always present in each and every element and entity of this universe as well as in all the universes. And those who can visualize this fact I, the Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan, am the Omnipresent and the Omnipotent and offer obeisance and worship and pray me constantly with that concept and understanding in mind is the true, dedicated and devoted worship of Me.

मनो वचो दृक्करणेहितस्य
साक्षात्कृतं मे परिबर्हणं हि ।
विना पुमान् येन महाविमोहात्

Manovachodhrikkaranehithasya
Saakshaathkritham me pariberhanam hi
Vinaa pumaan yena mahaavimohaath
Krithaanthapaasaanna vimokthumeeseth.

Let any action you perform either with mind or with heart or with conscience or with eyes or with words or with hands or with legs or with ears be for worshiping and offering obeisance to me. Then only you would be properly rewarded with appropriate results for your actions. You do not keep any doubt in that. Without my appeasement and satisfaction and blessing you would never be able to achieve and fulfill any of your desires and targets. And of course, without My or the Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan's blessings you would and you could never be released or loosened from the entrapment of the entangled knot by the rope of Anthaka or god of Death. [That means without the blessing of Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Vishnu Bhagawaan we would never be liberated from the miseries of the material universe with innumerable births and deaths.]

श्रीशुक उवाच

SreeSuka Uvaacha (Sree Suka Brahmarshi Said):

एवमनुशास्यात्मजान् स्वयमनुशिष्टानपि
लोकानुशासनार्थं महानुभावःपरमसुहृ-
द्भगवान् ऋषभापदेश उपशमशीलाना-
मुपरतकर्मणां महामुनीनां भक्तिज्ञान-
वैराग्यलक्षणं पारमहंस्यधर्ममुपशिक्षमाणः
स्वतनयशतज्येष्ठं परमभागवतं
भगवज्जनपरायणं भरतं धरणिपालनाया-
भिषिच्य स्वयं भवन एवोर्वरितशरीरमात्र-
परिग्रह उन्मत्त इव गगनपरिधानः
प्रकीर्णकेश आत्मन्यारोपिताहवनीयो
ब्रह्मावर्तात्प्रवव्राज ॥ २८॥

Evamanusaasyaathmajaan svayamanusishtaanaapi lokaanu-
 Saasanaarththam Mahaanubhaawah
 ParamasuhridhBhagawaaniRishabhaapadhesa
 Upasamaseelaanaamuparethakarmmanaam Mahaamuneenaam
 bhakthijnjaa-
 Navairaagyalekshanam Paaramahamsyaddharmmamupasikshamaanah
 sva-
 Thanayasathajyeshttam ParamaBhaagawatham
 Bhagawanjjenaparaayanam Bharatham
 Ddharanipaalanaayaabhishichya svayam bhavana evorvvarithasa-
 Reeramaathaparigreha unmaththa iva geganapariddhaanah prekeernna-
 Kesa aathmanyaaaropithaahavaneeyo Brahmaavarththaath-
 prevavraaja.

Rishabhadheva who is the incarnation of Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan is the well wisher of the entire universe. Though all the sons of Rishabhadheva are scholarly masters of all the Vedhaas and have naturally attained transcendental knowledge Rishabhadheva provided these pieces of advice addressing them they were really meant for the benefit of the entire universe. Thus Rishabhadheva, the Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan, who was fully liberated from material universe and who was above and beyond the material universe and who was masterly ascetic and who was fully renounced and who was embodiment of pure devotion and who was embodiment of essence of Vedhic knowledge provided supreme most advices beneficial to this world as well as for all other worlds. Rishabhadheva provided advice of Paramahamsika Thatthvam to everyone including his sons and crowned his eldest son Bharatha as the emperor of the planet or the world called as Brahmaavarththa. Thereafter he renounced all material possessions he had in his abode and accepting his body alone as a carrier of Soul He wandered in the world as an Avaddhootha or Mendicant or Crazy or Insane person without having any awareness and any interest in this material world and material life. He did not wear any dress. His hair was scattered. He was consumed by the Fire within him meaning he burned the material life in the fire of transcendental realization he had. He then abandoned the Brahmaavarththa and went away to wilderness.

जडान्धमूकबधिरपिशाचोन्मादकवदवधूतवेषो-
ऽभिभाष्यमाणोऽपि जनानां गृहीतमौनव्रतस्तूष्णीं
बभूव ॥ २९॥

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Jedaanthamookabedddhirapisaachonmaadhakavadhavaddhoothaveshoabhi
Bhaashyamaaneapi jenaanaan
griheethamaunavrathasthushneemebhoova.

Rishabhadheva was like blind, deaf, dumb, retarded, drunk, crazy, insane, mad and as if he was non-existing. He was like a devil and ghost without possessing a material body. He will not answer to anyone if they ask him anything including his name. He was simply walking along as if he was in the wilderness without talking to anyone.

तत्र तत्र पुरग्रामाकरखेटवाटखर्वटशिविरव्रजघोष-
सार्थगिरिवनाश्रमादिष्वनुपथमवनिचरापसदैः
परिभूयमानो मक्षिकाभिरिव वनगजस्तर्जनताडना-
वमेहनष्ठीवनग्रावशकृद्रजःप्रक्षेपपूतिवातदुरुक्तै-
स्तदविगणयन्नेवासत्संस्थान एतस्मिन् देहोपलक्षणे
सदपदेश उभयानुभवस्वरूपेण स्वमहिमावस्थानेना-
समारोपिताहम्ममाभिमानत्वादविखण्डितमनाः
पृथिवीमेकचरः परिबभ्राम ॥ ३०॥

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Thathra thathra puragraamaakaraxhetavaatakharvvatasibiravrajagho-
Shasaarththagirivanaasramaadhishvanupatthamavanicharaapasadhaih
Paribhooyamaano makshikaabuiriva vanagejastharjjaanathaadanaava-
Mehanashtteevanagraamavasakridhrejah
prekshepapoorthivaathadhurukthai-
Sthadhavigenayannevaasathsamstthaana ethasmin dhehopale-
Kshane sadhapadhesa ubhaayaanubhavasvaroopena svamahimaava-
Stthaanena samaaro pithaahammamaabhimaanathvaadhavikhanditha-
Manaah prithiveemekacharah paribebhraama.

He used to walk as an Avaddhootha from houses to houses and inns to inns and Asramaas to Asramaas and villages to villages and towns to towns and cities to cities and states to states and countries to countries and nations to nations and planets to planets being tortured and abused and disturbed by evil and cruel people just like an elephant in the forest running from places to places when being disturbed by wild flies surrounding it. The evil and cruel ignorant people used to beat him and hit him and kick him and scold him and shout at him and spit on him and threaten him and throw stones at him and urinate on his body and pass stool on his body or paste shit on his body and fart on his body and infected him with all other nonsense, but he was least bothered or concerned of any of those horrible actions. He considered himself as the pure embodiment of Sath or pure virtue alone. He was egoless and proud-less. He did not consider that his material body is in existence. His mind did not have any emotions or feelings. He was pure blissful happiness of Paramaathma Thatththvam. He was wandering in His own world of Transcendental Realization of Paramaathma Thatththvam with Paramaanandham or Ecstasy of Supreme Blissful Divine Happiness.

अतिसुकुमारकरचरणोरःस्थलविपुलबाह्वंसगलवदना-
 द्यवयवविन्यासः प्रकृतिसुन्दरस्वभावहाससुमुखो
 नवनलिनदलायमानशिशिरतारारुणायतनयनरुचिरः
 सदृशसुभगकपोलकर्णकण्ठनासो विगूढस्मितवदन-
 महोत्सवेन पुरवनितानां मनसि कुसुमशरासनमुपदधानः
 परागवलम्बमानकुटिलजटिलकपिशकेशभूरिभारो-
 ऽवधूतमलिननिजशरीरेण ग्रहगृहीत इवादृश्यत ॥ ३१ ॥

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Athisukumarakaracharanorahstthalavipulabaahvamsayu-
 Galavadhanaadhyavayavavinyaasah prekrithisunharasvabhaavahaasa-
 Sumukho navanalinadhelaaya maanasisirathaaraarunaayathanaya-
 Naruchirah sadhrisasubhagakapolakarnnakanttanaaso vigoooda-
 Smithavadhanamahothsavena puravanithaanaam manasi kusumasa-
 Raasanamupadheddhaanah paraagevalembamaanakatilajetilakapisa-
 KesabhooribhaaroAvaddhoothamalinanijasareerena grehagriheetha
 ivaadhrisyatha.

Rishabhadheva used to be the most charming with divinely attractive physical features like: well-built and well-shaped hands and legs, broad chest, beautiful and well muscled arms and shoulders, natural and charming smile, radiant face soft and red in color like freshly blossomed lotus flower petal, cool and fully opened eyes, two ears of exact same size and shape on both sides of the face located in equal footing, well shaped and well built neck and long and attractive nose. And the hidden smile within his mind was so very charming that without the knowledge Kaamadheva was staying in his heart and attracting all the beautiful damsels with ardent desire to be his wife to enjoy the ecstasy of romantic conjugal play with him. But now his whole body was thickly pasted with mud and dust. He looked ugly and dirty. He was naked. His hair was uncombed and scattered all over and was matted and knotted. He was infested with devils and ghosts. Anyone who looked at him might think that he was crazy, insane and mad. Rishabhadheva who was the plenary incarnation of Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan was wondering like an Avaddhootha as described above.

यर्हि वाव स भगवान् लोकमिमं योगस्याद्धा
 प्रतीपमिवाचक्षाणस्तत्प्रतिक्रियाकर्म बीभत्सितमिति
 व्रतमाजगरमास्थितः शयान एवाश्राति पिबति
 खादत्यवमेहति हृदति स्म चेष्टमान उच्चरित
 आदिग्धोद्देशः ॥ ३२॥

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Yerhi vaava sa Bhagawaan lokamimam yogasyaadhdhhaa pre-
 Theepamivaachakshaanasthathprethikriyaakarmmabeebhathsithamithi
 Vrathamaajegaramaastthithah sayaana evaasnaathi pibathi khaadha-
 Thyavamehathi hadhathi sma cheshtamaana uchcharitha aadhigdhddho-
 dhddhesah.

When Rishabhadheva was wandering aimlessly like that the general populace was very antagonistic and assaultive to him. But to oppose or prevent their dissipative assaults were not even thinkable according to the noblest of the noble Yoga Charya he practiced and maintained in his life as he had no enemies or friends and no opponents and supporters. Therefore, he adopted the rule of Ajagera or Python which is to lay down wherever it feels and eat whatever it gets and not be influenced or affected

by any material needs and desires. He was urinating and passing stools wherever he was lying down. He was eating, drinking, urinating, shitting and whatever he did was in the same position without even moving from there. Thus, his body became a heap of shit and urine.

तस्य ह यः पुरीषसुरभिसौगन्ध्यवायुस्तं देशं
दशयोजनं समन्तात्सुरभिं चकार ॥ ३३॥

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Thasya ha yah pureeshasurabhisaugenddhyavaayustham dhesam dhesa-
Yojanam samanthaath surabhim chakaara.

The smell of his stool was far superior to Paarijaatha which is the best of heavenly fragrance and was very pleasingly carried by Vaayubhagawaan or Wind-god as a divine Presaadha. The whole surrounding areas of about ten Yojanaas or about one hundred miles were filled with the divine heavenly fragrance of the stool of Rishabhadheva.

एवं गोमृगकाकचर्याया व्रजंस्तिष्ठन्नासीनः शयानः
काकमृगगोचरितः पिबति खादत्यवमेहति स्म ॥ ३४॥

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Evam gomrigakaakacharyayaa vrajamsthishtanaaseenah sayaanah
Kaakamrigagocharithah pibathi khaadhathyavamehathi sma.

At some other time, this noblest Supreme Personality Rishabhadheva has followed the path of rule of livings of Cow, Deer and Crow like standing, walking, sitting, lying, eating, drinking, excreting and like that without any timing or organization or discipline or system or order.

इति नानायोगचर्याचरणो भगवान् कैवल्यपतिरृषभो-
ऽविरतपरममहानन्दानुभव आत्मनि सर्वेषां भूताना-
मात्मभूते भगवति वासुदेव आत्मनोऽव्यवधाना-
नन्तरोदरभावेन सिद्धसमस्तार्थपरिपूर्णो योगैश्वर्याणि
वैहायसमनोजवान्तर्धानपरकायप्रवेशदूरग्रहणादीनि
यदृच्छयोपगतानि नाञ्जसा नृपहृदयेनाभ्यनन्दत् ॥ ३५॥

Ithi naanaayogacharyaacharano Bhagawaan kaivalyapa-
 Thih Rishabhoavirathaparamamahaanandhaanubhava aathmani sarvve-
 Shaam bhoothaanaamaathmabhoothe Bhagawathi Vaasudheva
 aathmanoavya-
 Vaddhaanaanantharodharabhaavena
 sidhddhasamasthaarththaparipoornno
 Yogaisvaryaani vaihaayasamanojevaanthardhddhaanapara-
 Kaayaprevesadhooragrehanaadheeni yedhrichcchayopagethaani
 naanjjasaa
 Nripahridhayenaabhyandhath.

Thus, by following many different Yogic Aachaara Anushtaanaas that Supreme Soul Lord Rishabhadheva who is the Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan who is the ultimate Lord and Provider of Kaivalyam or Moksham or Salvation always enjoyed the Supreme Most Ecstasy of Blissful and Soulful Happiness of Chilparaanandhaanubhoothi or Soulful Happiness of Transcendental Realization. He is the Soul of all the Souls of all living and nonliving and all moving and non-moving entities and elements of all the universes. Rishabhadheva is Lord Vaasudheva. Rishabhadheva is the cause of Aathma Nirvrithi or Fulfillment of Soul Realization. Rishabhadheva is the Eternal Cause of whatever happened in the past and whatever is happening at present and whatever would happen in the future. He is the cause of Cosmic Manifestation. He is the cause of Cosmic Sustenance. He is the cause of Cosmic Devastation. He is the cause of the existence of the material body of all material beings in all the material universes. He is non-existent. With his form of non-existence, he assumes innumerable different forms of existence in the universes. He is the most complete and most perfect. With his form of non-existence, he moves at the speed of mind. That means wherever the mind can reach he can reach as if he is non-existent. [What a wonderful imagination!] He was the master of Parakaayaprevesa meaning the Soul or Jeeva entering into any other body at any time. As He can move at the speed of mind, he was able to know, or he was aware of everything happening at everywhere to everything in every universe at always. He was able to move on land and under land on water and underwater on the sky and under the sky concurrently. All these he could achieve without any effort and without any desire and without any

purpose. Though he was capable of accomplishing all the above he never exercised any of them as he was not appreciative and did not wish to accomplish anything in life. He was not appreciative of any services tendered to him as he was immaterial to all material activities.

इति श्रीमद्भागवते महापुराणे पारमहंस्यां संहितायां
पञ्चमस्कन्धे ऋषभदेवानुचरिते पञ्चमोऽध्यायः ॥ ५॥

Ithi Sreemat Bhaagawathe Mahaa Puraane Paaramahamsyaam
Samhithaayaam
Panjchamaskanddhe Rishabhadhevaanucharithe [Rishabha Charitham –
Rishabhpadhesam, RishabhaAvaddhoothrithvam Naama]
Panjchamoaddhyaayah

Thus, we conclude the Fifth Chapter Named as Beautiful Story of Rishabhadheva [Story of Rishabha – Advices of Rishabha, Mendicancy or Acceptance of Mendicant Status by Rishabhadheva] of Fifth Canto of the Most Divine and the Supreme Most and Greatest Mythology known as Sreemad Bhagawatham.

Om Shree Krishnaya Param Brahmane Namah!
Om Namo Bhagavathe Vaasudhevaayah!
Om Namo Bhagavathe Vaasudhevaayah!
Om Namo Bhagavathe Vaasudhevaayah!