Om Shree Krishnaaya Param Brahmane Namah!

Om Namo Bhagavathe Vaasudhevaayah!

Om Namo Bhagavathe Vaasudhevaayah!

॥ ॐ नमो भगवते वासुदेवाय ॥

Om Namo Bhagavathe Vaasudhevaayah!

श्रीमद्भागवतं

SREEMADH BHAAGAWATHAM MOOLAM (ORIGINAL)

॥ षष्ठस्कन्धः ॥

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PANJCHADHESOADDHYAAYAH (CHAPTER FIFTEEN)

ChithrakethuSaanthvanam [ChithrakethoOpaakhyaanam] (Consolation or Pacification of King Chithrakethu {by Anggira and Naaradha} [Continuation of the Story of Chithrakethu])

[In this chapter we can read how Anggiras, mainly, and Naaradha were able to convince and pacify Chithrakethu who was lamenting about the death of his only son. Anggiras and Naaradha appeared in the palace of Chithrakethu as two Avaddhoothaas. Their explanations of the most difficult logics and principles were very straightforward and simple. They

asked Chithrakethu to tell them the reason for his lamentation. Who was that boy who is dead? What was his relationship with that boy, in this life, in the past lives and what would be the relationship in the future lives? They explained to him that all these material relationships are just like the sand particles join and separate out with pressure of the current or waves in the ocean. They continued similar advice and ultimately Chithrakethu asked them who they are, whether they are the incarnations of Lord Vishnu in the forms of Avaddhoothaas and came to provide Aathmajnjaanopadhesam to him. They both disclosed their identities and provided necessary instructions to cross the ocean of material miseries. Please continue to read for more details...]

श्रीशुक उवाच

SreeSuka Uvaacha (Sri Suka Brahmarshi Said):

ऊचतुर्मृतकोपान्ते पतितं मृतकोपमम् । शोकाभिभूतं राजानं बोधयन्तौ सदुक्तिभिः ॥ १॥

1

Oochathurmrithakopaanthe pathitham mrithakopamam Sokaabhibhootham raajaanaam boddhayanthau sadhukthibhih.

While king Chithrakethu was overcome by distressful lamentation by the death of his only son and lay like a dead body at the side of the dead body of his son, the great sages Anggiras and Naaradha provided advices and instructions of spiritual consciousness to remove material ignorance in his mind and spoke as follows:

कोऽयं स्यात्तव राजेन्द्र भवान् यमनुशोचति । त्वं चास्य कतमः सृष्टौ पुरेदानीमतः परम् ॥ २॥

2

"Koayam syaath thava Raajendhra! Bhavaan yemanusochathi Thvam chaasya kathamah srishtau puredhaaneemathah param."

"Hey, Raajan! Who is this lifeless little boy? What relationship do you have with him? Why do you lament so distressfully about the dead little boy? Who was or what relationship did you have with this boy in the past life or in the previous lives? In the next life or in the future, what relationship would you have with this boy?"

यथा प्रयान्ति संयान्ति स्रोतोवेगेन वालुकाः। संयुज्यन्ते वियुज्यन्ते तथा कालेन देहिनः॥ ३॥

3

"Yetthaa preyaanthi samyaanthi srothovegena vaalukaah Samyujyanthe viyujyanthe thatthaa Kaalena dhehinah."

"Hey, Raajan! Sand particles may join and mix together sometimes and some other times they may get separated away by the force of the current of rivers and or waves of the ocean. Similarly, the living entities who have accepted material bodies may get together sometimes and some other times may get separated due to the force of the Time or Fate. Nobody can prevent it."

यथा धानासु वै धाना भवन्ति न भवन्ति च। एवं भूतेषु भूतानि चोदितानीशमायया॥ ४॥

4

"Yetthaa ddhaanaasu vai ddhaanaa bhavanthi na bhavanthi cha Evam bhootheshu bhoothaani chodhithaanEesamaayayaa."

"Sometimes when the seeds are sown, plants may be grown. And then sometimes the seeds can be produced from those plants but some other times the sown seeds could be destroyed without producing plants and subsequently seeds. Similarly, by the potency of the Illusory Power of Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan the living entities are created from living entities but some other times the living entity will be impotent to produce child and also some other times the child produced by the living entity may not last long, again by the same potency of the Illusory Power of Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha

Vishnu Bhagawaan, the child can be merged into Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan."

वयं च त्वं च ये चेमे तुल्यकालाश्चराचराः । जन्ममृत्योर्यथा पश्चात्प्राङ् नैवमधुनापि भोः ॥ ५॥

5

"Vayam cha thvam cha ye cheme thulyakaalaascharaacharaah Jenmamrithyoryetthaa paschaath praangnaivamaddhunaapi bhoh."

"You are alive now. We are alive now. All other living beings are also alive along with us now. Some of these entities were not with us a few years ago and none of us were alive together like this a long time ago, before we were all born. That means before we were born we were not together. Certainly, after death also we will not be together like this. Hey, Raajan! What you should know from this is that none of us are going to be together always or forever. Therefore, there is no need for you to get distressed and lament like this for the separation of your son."

भूतैर्भूतानि भूतेशः सृजत्यवति हन्त्यजः । आत्मसृष्टैरस्वतन्त्रैरनपेक्षोऽपि बालवत् ॥ ६॥

6

"Bhoothairbhoothaani bhoothesah srijathyavathi hanthyajah Aathmasrishtairasvathanthrairanapekshaaapi baalavath."

"The Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan is birth-less and death-less. The Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan is eternal and immortal. The Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan has created this universe and all the living and non-living and moving and non-moving entities and elements of the universe very precisely under His total control and fully dependable to Him. The Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan is the Kaala or Time and Viddhi or Fate. We are dependent on Kaala or Viddhi. The Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan continues the Creation, Sustenance and Dissolution of entities and elements of the universe without any interruption

as a child's play. We are all dancing dolls under His control according to His will and wishes. We do not know who will be born at what time and who will die at what time."

देहेन देहिनो राजन् देहाद्देहोऽभिजायते। बीजादेव यथा बीजं देह्यर्थ इव शाश्वतः॥ ७॥

7

"Dhehena dhehino, Raajan, dhehaadhdhehoabhijaayathe Beejaadheva yettha beejam dhehyarthttha iva saasvathah."

"Hey, Raaja! The seed is born from the tree which is born from the seed. A child is, or children are born from the association of the body parts of a father and a mother or fathers and mothers. The base of the tree is earth, or the tree lives or stands on earth. Even after the death of the tree or even after the tree is destroyed, the earth will continue to stay or survive as it is, as if nothing happened. That means, the elements of the material body are eternal. Here the elements are earth, and the material bodies are trees. Similarly, in the case of living entities the Soul or the Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan is the element. Even after the death of the material body the Soul will not be destroyed. The Soul is indestructible and eternal and immortal. Therefore, nothing happened to the Soul of your son. Only his material body is dead, the Soul is still alive."

देहदेहिविभागोऽयमविवेककृतः पुरा । जातिव्यक्तिविभागोऽयं यथा वस्तुनि कल्पितः ॥ ८॥

8

"Dhehadhehivibhaagoayamavivekakritha puraa Jaathivyekthivibhaagoayam yetthaa vasthuni kalpithah."

"The division of material body and soul is very confusing and was generated from the Illusory Power of Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan. When someone says or refers: "I" he identifies it with the material body and not with the soul. The material body is the combination of matters. The "life" is "soul". The soul or life is eternal. There is neither "birth" nor "death" for the soul. Only the material body has

birth and death. But because of Illusion we misidentify it. That is due to ignorance. Ignorance is again a creation of illusion. Therefore, clearly the reason for misidentification of Dheha = material body and Dhehi = soul is ignorance caused by Illusory Power of the Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan."

श्रीशुक उवाच

SreeSuka Uvaacha (Sri Suka Brahmarshi Said):

एवमाश्वासितो राजा चित्रकेतुर्द्विजोक्तिभिः। प्रमृज्य पाणिना वक्त्रमाधिम्लानमभाषत ॥ ९॥

9

Evamaasvaasitho raajaa Chithrakethurdhdhvijokthibhih Premrijya paaninaa vakthramaaddhimlaanamabhaashatha.

King Chithrakethu was enlightened by the words of spiritual advice and instructions from both the great Maamunees, Naaradha and Anggiras. He became more hopeful with knowledge. He wiped his pale and shriveled face with his hand and spoke:

राजोवाच

RaajOvaacha (Raaja or Pareekshith Mahaaraaja Said/asked):

कौ युवां ज्ञानसम्पन्नौ महिष्ठौ च महीयसाम् । अवधृतेन वेषेण गृढाविह समागतौ ॥ १०॥

10

Kau yuvaam jnjaanasampannau mahishttau cha maheeyasaam Avaddhoothena veshena gooddaaviha samaagethau."

"You two have arrived here as Avaddhoothaas or liberated persons. Both of you are better than the best of scholars in transcendentalism or both of you are the most advanced spiritual scholars. I think you both have assumed the form of Avaddhoothaas to conceal your identities."

चरन्ति ह्यवनौ कामं ब्राह्मणा भगवित्प्रयाः । मादृशां ग्राम्यबुद्धीनां बोधायोन्मत्तलिङ्गिनः ॥ ११॥

11

"Charanthi hyavanau kaamam Braahmanaa Bhagawathpriyaah Maadhrisaam gramyabudhddheenaam boddhayonmaththalingginah."

"The most exalted Braahmanaas who have attained the Vaishnava Padham of Transcendental Realization by offering selfless devotional services to the Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan are roaming around aimlessly as if they are madmen or crazy men to advice and instruct and teach Aathma Jnjaanam or Advanced Spiritual knowledge to the people like us who are entrapped in material life and undergo the miseries of material universe."

कुमारो नारद ऋभुरङ्गिरा देवलोऽसितः । अपान्तरतमो व्यासो मार्कण्डेयोऽथ गौतमः ॥ १२॥

12

"Kumaaro Naaradha RibhurAnggiraa DhevaloAsithah Apaantharathamo Vyaaso Maarkkandeyoattha Geuthamah"

> वसिष्ठो भगवान् रामः कपिलो बादरायणिः । दुर्वासा याज्ञवल्क्यश्च जातूकर्ण्यस्तथारुणिः ॥ १३॥

> > 13

"Vasishtto Bhagawaan Raamah Kapilo Baadharaayanih Dhurvvaasaa Yaajnjavalkyascha JaathukarnyasthatthaaAarunih"

रोमशश्च्यवनो दत्त आसुरिः सपतञ्जलिः । ऋषिर्वेदशिरा बोध्यः मुनिः पञ्चशिरास्तथा ॥ १४॥

"RomasasChyavano Dheththa Aasurih saPathanjjalih RishirVedhasiraa Boddhyo munih Panjchasikhaasthatthaa"

हिरण्यनाभः कौसल्यः श्रुतदेव ऋतध्वजः । एते परे च सिद्धेशाश्चरन्ति ज्ञानहेतवः ॥ १५॥

15

"Hiranyanaabhah Kausalyah Sruthadheva Rithaddhvajah Ethe pare cha Sidhddhesaascharanthi jnjaanahethavah."

"Oh, the greatest of the most exalted divine souls! I have heard that the great souls like Sanathkumaaraas, Vyaasa, Naaradha, Anggiras Muni, Dhevala, Ribha, Asitha, Maarkkandeya, Gauthama, Dhurvvaasas, Romasa, Vasishtta, Aaruni who is the son of Jaathukarnna, Kausalya, Parasuraama, Sri Suka Brahmarshi, Kapila, Yaajnjavalkya, Hiranyanaabha, Vedhasiras, Sruthadheva, Pathanjjali, Aasuri, Panjchasiksha, Rithaddhvaja, Chyevana, Dheththa and other great Sidhddhaas who have attained Aathma Saakshaathkaaram or Transcendental Realization are wandering around the universe to advice and instruct and teach spiritual knowledge to ignorant people like me who are entrapped in the miseries and distresses of material world. You must be two among them. Who among them are you two? Please let me know."

तस्माद्युवां ग्राम्यपशोर्मम मूढिधियः प्रभू। अन्धे तमसि मग्नस्य ज्ञानदीप उदीर्यताम्॥ १६॥

16

"Thasmaadhyuvaam graamyapasormmama mooddaddhiyah prebhoo Anddhe thamasi magnasya jnjaanadheepa udheeryathaam."

"I am ignorant and foolish like a village animal like some pig or dog or buffalo. You are great Soul-Realized Personalities and embodiment of Advanced Transcendental Knowledge. I am groping in the darkness of material ignorance as a blind man. I request you both to light the lamp of spiritual knowledge and spread the light and uplift me from the darkness of material ignorance."

Anggiraa Uvaacha (Anggiras Said):

अहं ते पुत्रकामस्य पुत्रदोऽस्म्यङ्गिरा नृप । एष ब्रह्मसुतः साक्षान्नारदो भगवान् ऋषिः ॥ १७॥

17

Aham the puthrakaamasya puthradhoasmAnggiraa Nripa! Esha Brahmasuthah saakshaanNaaradho BhagawaanRishih.

Hey, Chithrakethu Mahaaraaja! I am Anggiras who conducted the Asvameddha Yaaga for you to obtain the son. This is the most exalted Dhevarshi Naaradha Muni who is the son of Brahmadheva.

इत्थं त्वां पुत्रशोकेन मग्नं तमसि दुस्तरे । अतदर्हमनुस्मृत्य महापुरुषगोचरम् ॥ १८॥

18

Ithtthvam thvaam puthrsokena magnam thamasi dhusthare Athadharhamanusmrithya mahaapurushagocharam.

अनुग्रहाय भवतः प्राप्तावावामिह प्रभो । ब्रह्मण्यो भगवद्भक्तो नावसीदितुमर्हति ॥ १९॥

19

Anugrehaaya bhavathah praapthaavaavaamiha prebho! Brahmanyo Bhagawathbhaktho naavaseedhithumarhathi.

Hey Mahaaraajan! You are a staunch devotee of Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan. You are a primary devotee of Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan. We understood that you are under severe distress and lamentation about the death of your son. But, being a staunch primary devotee of Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan, you do not deserve to lament like this on the death of your son. Therefore, we thought of blessing

you by providing advanced spiritual knowledge to relieve you of your pain and distress. That is why we came here now. Hey, Mahaaraajan! It is not fair and desirable for those who are devotees of Braahmanaas and Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan to be distressed and to lament like this. We wanted to spread the light of advanced spiritual knowledge and remove the material ignorance that afflicted you.

तदैव ते परं ज्ञानं ददामि गृहमागतः। ज्ञात्वान्याभिनिवेशं ते पुत्रमेव ददावहम्॥ २०॥

20

Thadhaiva the param Jnjaanam dhedhaami grihamaagethah Jnjaathvaanyaabhinivesam the puthrameva dhedhaamyaham*.

dhedhaavaham*

Last time when I visited you as your guest I could have advised and instructed and taught the principles of transcendentalism but at that time, I noticed that you were grossly involved and interested in material matters of the material universe. With that knowledge at that time, I provided a son as desired by you and went away.

अधुना पुत्रिणां तापो भवतैवानुभूयते । एवं दारा गृहा रायो विविधैश्वर्यसम्पदः ॥ २१॥

21

Addunaa puthrinaam thaapo bhavathaivaanubhooyathe Evam dhaaraa grihaa raayo vividdhaisvaryasampadhah.

शब्दादयश्च विषयाश्चला राज्यविभूतयः । मही राज्यं बलं कोशो भृत्यामात्यसुहुज्जनाः ॥ २२॥

22

Sabdhaadhayascah vishayaaschalaa raajyavibhoothayah Mahee raajyam belam koso brithyaamathyaah suhrijjenaah.

सर्वेऽपि शूरसेनेमे शोकमोहभयार्तिदाः । गन्धर्वनगरप्रख्याः स्वप्नमायामनोरथाः ॥ २३॥

23

Sarvveapi Soorasenasa sokamohabhayaarththidhaah Genddarvvanagaraprekhyaah svapnamaayaamanoretthaah.

दृश्यमाना विनार्थेन न दृश्यन्ते मनोभवाः । कर्मभिर्ध्यायतो नानाकर्माणि मनसोऽभवन् ॥ २४॥

24

Dhrisyamaanaa vinaarthtthena na dhrisyanthe manobhavaah Karmmabhirddhyaayatho naanaakarmmaani manasoabhavan.

Now you understand the depth of sorrow of the departure of a son after having a son. You have suffered enough. Hey, Raajan! When you lose your wife, home, wealth, various types of prosperities, landed property, country, nation, continent, army of soldiers, treasury, friends, servants, ministers, relatives and other material belongings, you will have the same distressful pains and sufferings. These are all momentary, meaning that you can have them and lose them at any time without any notice or warning. These are all like Genddharva Nagaraas or cities of Genddharvvaas or like dreams. They can come at any time, and they can be destroyed at any time. They are, like dreams or imaginations or illusions, creations of mind and meaningless. You should clearly understand all these material things you see are unreal and momentary. But, unfortunately due to the tricks of Illusion the human beings do not understand or recognize the facts that they are unreal. As the people are engaged in various fruitive activities these are created within the mind like if I do such and such work, I can obtain such and such result. Therefore, whatever we see, and experience are purely creations of our own minds.

> अयं हि देहिनो देहो द्रव्यज्ञानक्रियात्मकः। देहिनो विविधक्लेशसन्तापकृदुदाहृतः॥ २५॥

Ayam hi dhehino dheho dhrevyajnjaanakriyaathmakah Dhehino vividdhaklesasanthaapakridhudhaahrithah.

The living entity with the bodily conception of life is absorbed in the body is the combination of five physical elements, five senses of knowledge, five senses of actions and mind. Through the mind the living entities suffer the three kinds of tribulations of distresses called Aadhibhauthika, Aadhidhaivika and Aadhddhyaathmika. Therefore, this body is a source of all miseries.

तस्मात्स्वस्थेन मनसा विमृश्य गतिमात्मनः। द्वैते ध्रुवार्थविश्रम्भं त्यजोपशममाविश ॥ २६॥

26

Thasmaath svastthena manasaa vimrisya gethimaathmanah Dhvaithe ddhruvaarthtthavisrambham thyejopasamamaavisa.

Therefore, you should concentrate your mind and then with an undisturbed and balanced mind try to understand the course of actions taken by Fate or Time who is the Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan. Then, in your mind you analyze and understand the fact that this world is unreal. Whatever you see in this world is unreal. Thus, get yourself convinced that whatever happens or whatever suffering you have are all unreal. Oh, the most exalted devotee of Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan! You find contentment and satisfaction in Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan.

नारद उवाच

Naaradha Uvaacha (Dhevarshi Naaradha Said):

एतां मन्त्रोपनिषदं प्रतीच्छ प्रयतो मम । यां धारयन् सप्तरात्राद्वष्टा सङ्कर्षणं प्रभुम् ॥ २७॥

27

Ethaam manthropanishadham pretheechccha preyatho mama

Yaam ddhaarayan saptharaathraadhdhreshtaa Sankarshanam Prebhum.

Oh, Mahaaraajan! I will advise and instruct you on the required Manthraas prescribed in Upanishathths. You can devotionally chant and worship the Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan with those Manthraas. If you do so properly with full concentration and devotion, then you should be able to visit Lord Sankarshana Moorththy or the Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan within seven days.

यत्पादमूलमुपसृत्य नरेन्द्र पूर्वे शर्वादयो भ्रममिमं द्वितयं विसृज्य । सद्यस्तदीयमतुलानधिकं महित्वं प्रापुर्भवानपि परं न चिरादुपैति ॥ २८॥

28

Yethpaadhamoolamupasrithya narendhra poorvve Sarvvaadhayo bhremammimam dhvithayam visrijya Sadhyasthadheeyamathulaanaddhikam mahithvam PraapurBhawaanapi param na chiraadhupaithi.

The primordial creations like Lord Siva and others have constantly worshipped and offered obeisance at the lotus feet of Lord Sankarshana Moorththy without having the feeling of duality and attained same exalted status of non-duality. This means that Lord Siva and Sanathkumaaraas were able to attain Vishnu Padham by constantly worshipping and offering obeisance at the lotus feet of Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan with full concentration and devotion and with the clear understanding that there is no other or no second existence other than the Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan. With such worships, prayers and offerings of obeisance they were able to attain the same exalted status of non-duality like Sankarshana Moorththy or the Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan or they merged into the Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan and became the Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan. You also would attain the same exalted status and merge into the Supreme Soul Lord Sri Vaasudheva Sri Maha Vishnu Bhagawaan without much delay.

इति श्रीमद्भागवते महापुराणे पारमहंस्यां संहितायां षष्ठस्कन्धे चित्रकेतुसान्त्वनं नाम पञ्चदशोऽध्यायः ॥ १५॥

Ithi Sreemadh Bhaagawathe Mahaa Puraane Paaramahamsyaam Samhithaayaam Shashttaskanddhe ChithrakethuSaanthvanam [ChithrakethoOpaakhyaanam] Naama PanjchadhesoAddhyaayah

Thus, we conclude the Fifteenth Chapter Named as Consolation or Pacification of King Chithrakethu (by Anggira and Naaradha) [Continuation of the Story of Chithrakethu] Of the Sixth Canto of the Most Divine and the Supreme Most and the Greatest Mythology Known as Sreemadh Bhaagawatham.

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