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

श्रीमद्भागवतं - एकादशस्कन्धः

SREEMADH BHAAGAWATHAM MOOLAM (ORIGINAL)

EKAADHESASKANDDHAH (CANTO ELEVEN)

॥ ॐ नमो भगवते वासुदेवाय ॥

Om Namo Bhagavathe Vaasudhevaayah!

॥ एकादशस्कन्धः ॥

EKAADHESASKANDDHAH (CANTO ELEVEN)

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DHVITHEEYOADDHYAAYAH (CHAPTER TWO)

([NaaradhaVasudhevaNimiNavaYogiSamvaadhangal – BhaagawathaDdharmmam] [Dhevarshi Naaradha Explains Bhaagawatha Ddharmma to Vasudhevar As Advised or Instructed By Nava Yogees to Nimi Mahaaraaja])

[In this chapter Dhevarshi Naaradha gives instructions and advice about Bhaagawatha Ddharmma to Vasudhevar by recounting the conversations

Nimi Mahaaraaja had with Nava Yogees, long ago. Nimi Mahaaraaja conducted many Yaagaas and Yejnjaas during his lifetime. At the conclusion of One of such popular Yaagaas, which was performed by Braahmana Sreshttaas and Maharsheeswaraas, the Nava Yogees, who were all transcendentally realized, reached the Sathra Saala. Nimi Mahaaraaja asked the same question, which Vasudhevar asked Naaradha, to Nava Yogees. The Nava Yogees were free to travel anywhere as they were fully liberated from material ties and attachments. When Nimi asked the guestion or guestions, first Kavi advised him that the means of advancements in life which are described by Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan, Himself, would enable even foolish and sinful personalities to easily achieve perfect Aathmajnjaana or Self-Realization. These advice and instructions provided by Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan are called Bhaagawatha Ddharmmaas. Knowledge of these Bhaagawatha Ddharmmaas would destroy and eliminate all fear of entire living beings. He explained about the power of Yoga Maaya or Illusory Energy. Actually, the entire universe itself is created within the field of Maaya and hence all entities and elements within the universe are illusory and unreal. Pure devotion to Vishnu Bhagawaan is the only way for One to realize that fact. One who learns Bhaagawatha Ddharmmaas would be able to understand and realize these facts. Next, we can read Harir, the second of the Nava Yogees, explaining about the characteristics of First-class, Second-class, and Third-class Bhakthaas of Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan. We can read incredibly detailed explanations of all these devotional principles explained by Kavi and Hari or Harir in this chapter. Please continue to read for more details...]

श्रीशुक उवाच

SreeSuka Uvaacha (Sree Suka Brahmarshi Said):

गोविन्दभुजगुप्तायां द्वारवत्यां कुरूद्वह । अवात्सीन्नारदोऽभीक्ष्णं कृष्णोपासनलालसः ॥ १॥

1

Govindhabhujagupthaayaam Dhvaaravathyaam Kurudhvaha! AvaathseenNaaradhoabheekshnam Krishnopaasanalaalesah. Oh, Kurudhvahaa or Best and Most Exalted of Kuru Dynasty! Dhevarshi Naaradha who was always interested and eager to engage in offering obeisance and devotional services at the Lotus Feet of Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or Yedhooththama Uththamasloka Dheithyaari Achyutha Kesava Maaddhava Yesodhaanandhana Nandhasoonu Dhevakeesutha Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan stayed in Dhvaarakaapuri, the city which was blessed with the presence of Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan and protected by the arms of Govindha Sree Krishna Bhagawaan, on various occasions.

को नु राजन्निन्द्रियवान् मुकुन्दचरणाम्बुजम् । न भजेत्सर्वतो मृत्युरुपास्यममरोत्तमैः ॥ २॥

2

Ko nu Raajannidhriyavaan Mukundhacharanaambujam Na bhajeth sarvvatho mrithyurupaasyamAmaroththamaih.

Oh, Pareekshith Mahaaraajan! Who, in this world or in any other worlds, is under the control of Mrithyu or Time or who is mortal and who is a Jithendhriya or One who is able to control the senses will not worship and offer devotional services at the Lotus of Feet Govindha Bhagawaan or Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan Who is always being worshiped by all the Lords and Supreme Authorities of all Dhevaas like Brahma, Sankara, Dhevendhra, etc.?

तमेकदा तु देवर्षिं वसुदेवो गृहागतम् । अर्चितं सुखमासीनमभिवाद्येदमब्रवीत् ॥ ३॥

3

Thamekadhaa thu Dhevarshim Vasudhevo grihaagetham Archchitham sukahamaaseenamabhivaadhyedhamabreveeth.

Once Dhevarshi Naaradha visited the home of Vasudhevar, the father of Yedhooththama Uththamasloka Dheithyaari Achyutha Kesava Maaddhava Yesodhaanandhana Nandhasoonu Dhevakeesutha Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan. Vasudhevar welcomed, greeted, worshiped, and offered Poojaas and respectful obeisance to Dhevarshi Naaradha. Vasudhevar offered Naaradha the most comfortable seat and honored him and prostrated him. Oh, Most Intelligent Raajan! Thereafter, Vasudhevar humbly and politely asked Dhevarshi Naaradha as follows:

वसुदेव उवाच

Vasudheva Uvaacha (Sree Vasudhevar Said):

भगवन् भवतो यात्रा स्वस्तये सर्वदेहिनाम् । कृपणानां यथा पित्रोरुत्तमश्लोकवर्त्मनाम् ॥ ४॥

4

Bhagawan, bhavatho yaathraa svasthaye sarvvadhehinaam Kripanaanaam yetthaa pithrorUththamaslokavarthmanaam.

Oh, Bhagawan Naaradharshe or Most Honorable Dhevarshi Naaradha! Your visit is as beneficial as that of fathers to their children and like those of most glorious and honorable Maharshees, those who are wandering around the world for the welfare and benefit of the general public. Your visit would remove all the pains and sorrows of material beings, those who are always entrapped and circling in the material ocean of miseries and sorrows without being able to find any shelter and support.

> भूतानां देवचरितं दुःखाय च सुखाय च । सुखायैव हि साधूनां त्वादृशामच्युतात्मनाम् ॥ ५॥

> > 5

Bhoothaanaam Dhevacharitham dhuhkhaaya cha sukhaaya cha Sukhaayaiva hi saaddhoonaam thvaadhrisaamAchyuthaathmanaam.

The activities of Dhevaas or gods can bring or provide both happiness and misery for the living beings. But you are a Self Realized soul like Achyutha Bhagawaan and the activities of Saaddhoos or Sages like you would always provide only happiness and comfort to everyone and always.

> भजन्ति ये यथा देवान् देवा अपि तथैव तान् । छायेव कर्मसचिवाः साधवो दीनवत्सलाः ॥ ६॥

Bhajanthiye yetthaa Dhevaan Dhevaa api thatthaiva thaan Cchaayeva karmmasachivaah saaddhavo dheenavathsalaah.

Those who worship Dhevaas would receive reciprocation from those Dhevaas corresponding to the offerings. That means if you worship a Dheva with magnanimous offerings, you may be rewarded with magnanimous results. The Dhevaas are just like One's own shadow and they are attendants of Karmma. Whereas Saaddhoos, like you, are always merciful and compassionate with everyone, especially to the fallen Ones or the downtrodden.

> ब्रह्मंस्तथापि पृच्छामो धर्मान् भागवतांस्तव । यान् श्रुत्वा श्रद्धया मर्त्यो मुच्यते सर्वतोभयात् ॥ ७॥

> > 7

Brahmamsthatthaapi prichcchaamo ddharmmaan Bhaagawathaamsthava Yaan sruthvaa sredhddhayaa marththyo muchyathe sarvvathoabhayaath.

Oh, Brahmajnja or One who has realized Brahma! I am fully satisfied just by your visit and having the opportunity for me to see you. Even if it is like that, I am asking or rather requesting you to advise or explain to me Bhaagawatha Ddharmma. These human beings can get relief from material miseries only by listening to that Bhaagawatha Ddharmma carefully and that is the only way for us to safely reach the shore of the material ocean. Therefore, please advise us Bhaagawatha Ddharmma for our relief.

> अहं किल पुरानन्तं प्रजार्थो भुवि मुक्तिदम् । अपूजयं न मोक्षाय मोहितो देवमायया ॥ ८॥

> > 8

Aham kila puraanantham prejaarthttho bhuvi mukthidham Apoojayam, na mokshaaya, mohitho Dhevamaayayaa.

Oh, Mahaa Mune! Long time ago, in my previous birth, I duly and devotionally worshiped Bhagawaan Mukthidha or The Provider of Mukthi or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan. But being under the influence of Maaya or power of Illusion, at that time I did not ask or request Him to provide me Mukthi or ultimate salvation or Aathmasaakshaathkaaram or Vaikuntta Padham.

> यथा विचित्रव्यसनाद्भवद्भिर्विश्वतोभयात् । मुच्येम ह्यञ्जसैवाद्धा तथा नः शाधि सुव्रत ॥ ९॥

> > 9

Yetthaa vichithravysanaadh Bhawadhbhirvisvathoabhayaath Muchyema hyanjjasaaivaadhddhaa thatthaa nah saaddhi suvratha.

Oh, Suvratha or the One with the most auspicious and pure austerity! We, all material beings, are viciously circled by all types of material miseries and sorrows with the fear of uncertainty; what would happen to us next moment. Please instruct and advise us so that we can get rid of all our material miseries, pains, and sorrows as quickly as possible and get relief out of it or in other words please advise us the Moksha Maargga or the Path of Salvation.

श्रीशुक उवाच

SreeSuka Uvaacha (Sree Suka Brahmarshi Said):

राजन्नेवं कृतप्रश्नो वसुदेवेन धीमता । प्रीतस्तमाह देवर्षिर्हरेः संस्मारितो गुणैः ॥ १०॥

10

Raajannevam krithapresno Vasudhevena ddheemathaa Preethasthamaaha DhevarshirHareh samsmaaritho gunaih.

Hey, Raajan! Having thus asked by the most intelligent Vasudhevar to Dhevarshi Naaradha to instruct Bhaagawatha Ddharmma, Dhevarshi Naaradha was so pleased, because that question brought to his mind the

heroic and glorious activities as His pastime play and the Transcendental Qualities of Bhagawaan Hari or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan Who has now Incarnated as Yedhooththama Uththamasloka Dheithyaari Achyutha Kesava Maaddhava Yesodhaanandhana Nandhasoonu Dhevakeesutha Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan, as the son of that same Vasudhevar, who asked these questions.

नारद उवाच

Naaradha Uvaacha (Dhevarshi Naaradha Said):

सम्यगेतद्व्यवसितं भवता सात्वतर्षभ । यत्पृच्छसे भागवतान् धर्मांस्त्वं विश्वभावनान् ॥ ११॥

11

Samyagethadhvyevasitham bhavathaa Saathvatharshabha! Yeth prichcchase Bhaagawathaan ddharmmaasthvam visvabhaavanaan.

Oh, Saathvatharshabha or Best of Saathvathaas or Yaadhavaas, Vasudhevar! You are most exalted and the highest devotee of Bhagawaan Hari or you are Number One Bhaktha of Bhagawaan Hari. The glorious stories describing the heroic activities or Bhagawaan Hari or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan, which is called Bhaagawatha Ddharmma, is capable of purifying and sanctifying the whole universe. It can convert the confused, corrupted, and contaminated material universe into tranquility of pure Transcendentalism. Because you have asked that question to me now, I am so thrilled and excited as my heart is filled with the thought of Bhagawaan Hari. I am so pleased and deeply interested in Hari KatthaAmritham or the Nectar of stories of Bhagawaan Hari which is capable of bringing Immortality and Eternity.

> श्रुतोऽनुपठितो ध्यात आदृतो वानुमोदितः । सद्यः पुनाति सद्धर्मो देवविश्वद्रुहोऽपि हि ॥ १२॥

> > 12

Sruthoanupattitho ddhyaatha aadhritho vaanumodhithah

Sadhyah punaathi sadhddharmmo Dheva visvadhruhoapi hi.

Those who either talk or discuss or remember or listen or regardfully worship or meditate or be happy always with Hari KatthaAmritham, their activities would immediately purify and sanctify those evil-minded beings with Aasuric nature who disturb and pester Dhevaas and those who are troublemakers to the universe also. There is no question and doubt about it.

> त्वया परमकल्याणः पुण्यश्रवणकीर्तनः । स्मारितो भगवानद्य देवो नारायणो मम ॥ १३॥

> > 13

Thvayaa paramakalyaanah punyasrevanakeerththanah Smaaritho Bhagawaanadhya Dhevo Naaraayano Mama.

It is so great and so virtuous and sacred that you, Vasudhevar, asked me and helped me to remember Bhaagawatha Ddharmma or Hari KatthaAmritham which includes innumerous stories about the playful but glorious and heroic activities of Paramaanandhaswaroopa or Embodied Form of Supreme Blissful Happiness of Naaraayana Bhagawaan or Yedhooththama Uththamasloka Dheithyaari Achyutha Kesava Maaddhava Yesodhaanandhana Nandhasoonu Dhevakeesutha Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan Who is the Incarnation of The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan, which either by listening or by proclaiming and discussing or by discoursing would bring virtue and auspiciousness in life. You helped me to remember those stories in my mind now.

> अत्राप्युदाहरन्तीममितिहासं पुरातनम् । आर्षभाणां च संवादं विदेहस्य महात्मनः ॥ १४॥

> > 14

Athraapyudhaaraharantheemamithihaasam puraathanam Aarshabhaanaam cha Samvaadham Vidhehasya mahaathmana. I will now relate to you or retell you the Vedhaanthic Discussion or Philosophical Conversation Rishabhajaas or Sons of Rishabha Mahaaraaja [called Nava Yogees or Nine Yogees] had with Vidheha Raaja Nimi.

> प्रियव्रतो नाम सुतो मनोः स्वायम्भुवस्य यः । तस्याग्नीध्रस्ततो नाभिरृषभस्तत्सुतः स्मृतः ॥ १५॥

> > 15

Priyavratho naama sutho Manoh Svaayambhuvasya yah Thasyaagniddhrasthatho NaabhiRishabhasthathsuthah smrithah.

Svaayambhuva Manu had a son called Mahaaraaja Priyamvratha. Priyamvratha had many sons and one among them was Agneeddhra or Agneeddhretha. Naabhi was the son of Agneeddhra. It is well-known that Rishabha was born as the son of Naabhi.

> तमाहुर्वासुदेवांशं मोक्षधर्मविवक्षया । अवतीर्णं सुतशतं तस्यासीद्ब्रह्मपारगम् ॥ १६॥

> > 16

ThamaahurVaasudhevaamsam mokshaddharmmavivakshayaa Avatheernnam suthasatham thasyaaseeth Brahmapaaragam.

It is established and pretty well-known to the world that Rishabha was the Incarnation of Vaasudheva or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan and the purpose of this incarnation was to preach, propagate and establish Moksha Ddharmma and Moksha Maargga to the world. This Rishabha, The Incarnation of Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan begot One Hundred sons, who were all Scholastic Masters of Vedhaas and Saasthraas, and were all fully equipped to answer any questions about Vedhaas and well-known that they crossed the entire ocean of Vedhic Knowledge and seen all the shores of Vedhaas and also deep inside that ocean, means they knew everything about Vedhaas and Saasthraas.

> तेषां वै भरतो ज्येष्ठो नारायणपरायणः । विख्यातं वर्षमेतद्यन्नाम्ना भारतमद्भुतम् ॥ १७॥

Theshaam vai Bharatho jyeshttto Naaraayanaparaayanah Vikhyaatham varshamethadhyennaamnaa Bhaarathamadhbhutham.

The eldest of those One Hundred sons of Rishabha was Bharatha. Bharatha was the most ardent and steadfast devotee of Vaasudheva or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan and he solely depended on Vishnu Bhagawaan for everything in life. He was a Self-realized personality with Aathmajnjaana and Aathmasaakshaathkaara or Transcendental Realization. [We have already explained his story in detail in Fifth Canto.] This country got the name Bhaaratha from him, Bharatha. And Bhaaratha became so famous because of him.

> स भुक्तभोगां त्यक्त्वेमां निर्गतस्तपसा हरिम् । उपासीनस्तत्पदवीं लेभे वै जन्मभिस्त्रिभिः ॥ १८॥

> > 18

Sa bhukthabhogaam thyekthemaam nirggethasthapasaa Harim Upaaseenasthathpadhaveem lebhe vai jenmabhisthribhih.

Bharatha ruled this Bhaaratha Khanda or country of Bhaaratha for a long time [for many ages] very religiously by maintaining all Ddharmmaas, as an offering to Vaasudheva or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan, thinking meditatively about Him. Thus, after three births [as Bharatha, as a deer, and as a Braahmana – all these are explained in Fifth Canto] Bharatha attained Aathmasaakshaathkaaram and reached Vaikuntta Padham, the abode of The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan.

> तेषां नव नवद्वीपपतयोऽस्य समन्ततः । कर्मतन्त्रप्रणेतार एकाशीतिर्द्विजातयः ॥ १९॥

> > 19

Theshaam Nava Navadhveepapathayoasya samanthathah

Karmmathanthraprenethaara ekaadheseethirdhvijaathayah.

The next Nine sons of Rishabha became the Kings of the Nine Islands of this world. The next Eighty-One, that means the Eleventh through Ninety-First, sons became pure and religious Braahmanaas or Dhvijaas and propagated the Achaaraas or traditional practices of Braahmana or strictly followed the life of Braahmana.

> नवाभवन् महाभागा मुनयो ह्यर्थशंसिनः । श्रमणा वातरशना आत्मविद्याविशारदाः ॥ २०॥

> > 20

Navaabhavan Mahaabhaagaa Munayo hyarthtthasamsinah Sremanaa vaatharasanaa aathmavidhyaavishaaradhaah.

The remaining Nine, Ninety-First through One Hundredth, sons of Rishabha became true Mahaabhaagaas who were greatly fortunate and auspicious Munayaas or Munees or Saaddhoos or Sanyaasees or Sages who were full and strict controllers of Senses and who were disinterested and or not at all interested in any type of sensual gratifications. [They were popularly and famously well-known as Nava Yogees.] They attained Aathmajnjaana and Aathmasaakshaathkaaram or Transcendental Realization. They knew fully well about the Parabrahma which is The Supreme Absolute Truth. They were scholarly Masters of Vedhaas and Parabrahma and were capable of narrating clearly and teaching Vedhaanthaas and Athamajnjaanaas to everyone.

> कविर्हरिरन्तरिक्षः प्रबुद्धः पिप्पलायनः । आविर्होत्रोऽथ द्रुमिलश्चमसः करभाजनः ॥ २१॥

> > 21

KavirHarirAnthareekshah Prebuddhddhah Pippalaayanah Aavirhothroattha DhrumilasChamasah Karabhaajanah.

The names of those Nava Yogees were: 1) Kavi, 2) Hari or Harir, 3) Anthareeksha, 4) Prebudhddha, 5) Pippalaayana, 6) Aavirhothra, 7) Dhrumila, 8) Chamasa, and 9) Karabhaajana.

त एते भगवद्रूपं विश्वं सदसदात्मकम् । आत्मनोऽव्यतिरेकेण पश्यन्तो व्यचरन्महीम् ॥ २२॥

22

Tha etha Bhagawadhroopam visvam sadhasadhaathmakam Aathmanoavyethirekena pasyantho vyecharan maheem.

These Nava Yogees clearly realized that this Universe, with all its gross and subtle objects, is the manifestation of The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan and is not different from Aathma or the Self which is not different from The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan. [That means the creation, the creator, and the created are all One and the same. All and Everything are the same and hence it is Adhvaitha or Non-Dual.] And with that knowledge they wandered around the universe as Avaddhoothaas.

> अव्याहतेष्टगतयः सुरसिद्धसाध्य-गन्धर्वयक्षनरकिन्नरनागलोकान् । मुक्ताश्चरन्ति मुनिचारणभूतनाथ-विद्याधरद्विजगवां भुवनानि कामम् ॥ २३॥

> > 23

Avyaahatheshtagethayah Surasidhddhasaaddhya-GenddharvaYekshaKinnaraNaagalokaan Mukthaacharanthi MuniChaaranaBhoothanaattha-VidhyaaddharaDhvijaGevaam bhuvanaani kaamam.

They, the Nava Yogees, freely used to wander in all the planets of Suraas or Dhevaas, Chaaranaas, Sidhddhaas, Saaddhyaas, Genddharvvaas, Yekshaas, Naraas or Manushyaas, Uragaas or Sarppaas or Naagaas, Kinnaraas, and also including the planet of Munees and Maamunees without having any restrictions and without having any obstacles as they like and when they like without having any interest in anything and anyone.

त एकदा निमेः सत्रमुपजग्मुर्यदृच्छया ।

वितायमानमृषिभिरजनाभे महात्मनः ॥ २४॥

24

Tha ekadhaa Nimeh sathramupajegmuryedhrichcchayaa VithaayamaanamRishibhirAjanaabhe Mahaathmanah.

As they, Nava Yogees with the effulgence and luster of Ravi or Soorya, were just wandering like that, Once, by chance or accidently, they reached the most sacred place called Ajanaabha or Ajanaabhavarsha [formerly the whole planet of Earth was known by the name Ajanaabha or Ajanaabhavarsha], where the Great Mahaathma Nimi Nripa was conducting a popular Yaaga under the priesthood of most renowned Brahma Munees and Brahmarshees.

> तान् दृष्ट्वा सूर्यसङ्काशान् महाभागवतान् नृप । यजमानोऽग्नयो विप्राः सर्व एवोपतस्थिरे ॥ २५॥

> > 25

Thaan dhrishtvaa Sooryasankaasaan MahaaBhaagawathaan Nripah Yejamaanoagnayo Vipraah sarva evopathastthire.

Oh, Mahaaraajan! Seeing those Mahaa Nava Yogees, as brilliant and effulgent as Soorya-Bhagawaan or Sun-god, everyone presents there – including those Agnihothrees who were offering sacrificial materials into fire with Vedhic Manthraas – and the sacrificial fires itself, stood up in respect and started worshipping them with respectful devotion.

विदेहस्तानभिप्रेत्य नारायणपरायणान् । प्रीतः सम्पूजयाञ्चक्रे आसनस्थान् यथार्हतः ॥ २६॥

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Vidhesthaanabhiprethya Naaraayanaparaayanaan Preethah sampoojayaanjchakre aasanastthaan yetthaarhathah.

Knowing that Nava Yogees are so closely attached and merged within Naaraayana or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan and each One of them is another Naaraayana and hence known as Naaraayanaparayana or always thinking and reciting Naaraayana-Naaraayana-Naaraayana-... in their minds, hearts, and words, the most exalted Naaraayana Bhaktha Nimi Mahaaraaja was so well pleased and fully satisfied. Nimi Mahaaraaja seated them in the highest and most exalted seats and most appropriately and befittingly and worshiped them, just like One would worship Bhagawaan Naaraayana or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan.

तान् रोचमानान् स्वरुचा ब्रह्मपुत्रोपमान् नव । पप्रच्छ परमप्रीतः प्रश्रयावनतो नृपः ॥ २७॥

27

Thaan rochamaanaan svaruchaa Brahmaputhropamaan Nava Paprechccha paramapreethah presreyaavanatho Nripah

Nimi Mahaaraaja was overwhelmed by seeing the Nava Yogees who were brilliant with their own self-effulgence and who were equal in all respects as Brahmaathmajaas or the sons of Brahma like the Kumaaraas or Sanathkumaaraas. He humbly bowed down his head in devotional respect and with blissful happiness Nimi Mahaaraaja proceeded to ask questions:

विदेह उवाच

Vidheha Uvaacha (Vidheha or Nimi Mahaaraaja Said):

मन्ये भगवतः साक्षात्पार्षदान् वो मधुद्विषः । विष्णोर्भूतानि लोकानां पावनाय चरन्ति हि ॥ २८॥

28

Manye Bhagawathah Saakshaath Paarshadhaan vo Maddhudhvishah Vishnorbhoothaani lokaanaam paavanaaya charanthi hi.

Oh, Mahaathmans! I consider you are all Vishnu Paarshadhaas or direct Associates of Bhagawaan Naaraayana or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan or Maddhudhvisha or Maddhupathi Who is the enemy and killer of demon Maddhu. It is wellknown that many Vishnu Paarshadhaas are always wandering around the world, not for their personal benefits or fulfillment of their selfish motivations but to purify the conditioned souls or the living entities and elements of the world.

दुर्लभो मानुषो देहो देहिनां क्षणभङ्गुरः । तत्रापि दुर्लभं मन्ये वैकुण्ठप्रियदर्शनम् ॥ २९॥

29

Dhurllebho maanusho dheho dhehinaam kshenabhanggurah Thathraapi dhurllebham manye Vaikunttapriyadhersanam.

For Dhehees or conditioned souls, it is extremely difficult to get a Dheha or body in this world even though all those bodies are mortal and momentary, and even in that, it is most difficult to obtain the body of a Manushya or human, even though it can be lost at any moment. And even for those who were fortunate to get a human body in this world but even after achieving a human body, it is most difficult to gain a chance to see such Vishnu Paarshadhaas or staunch and steadfast devotees of The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan like you. Therefore, I am really blissfully blessed to get the opportunity to have your audience.

> अत आत्यन्तिकं क्षेमं पृच्छामो भवतोऽनघाः । संसारेऽस्मिन् क्षणार्धोऽपि सत्सङ्गः शेवधिर्नृणाम् ॥ ३०॥

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Atha aathyanthikam kshemam prichcchaamo bhavathoanaghaah Samsaareasmin kshenaardhddhoapi sathsanggah sevaddhirnnrinaam.

Therefore, Oh Completely Sinless Yogees! I request you to explain, what is the supreme most virtuous and good thing in the world. What the best thing in the world for the welfare of every living being in the world is. Association with great Yogees like you, who are all Vishnu Paarshadhaas and staunchest and steadfast devotees of The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan, even if it is for a moment or for a short time is far superior to getting the most valuable treasure in this material world.

धर्मान् भागवतान् ब्रूत यदि नः श्रुतये क्षमम् । यैः प्रसन्नः प्रपन्नाय दास्यत्यात्मानमप्यजः ॥ ३१॥

31

Ddharmmaan Bhaagawathaan broo tha yedhi nah sruthaye kshemam Yaih presannah prepannaaya dhasyathyaathmaanamapyAjah.

By what, Aja or Brahmadheva would be blissfully pleased and provide the advices and instructions of that most important and primary Bhaagawatha Ddharmma and as well as his own soul to his devotees who seek shelter and support from him, please advise and instruct us also the same Bhaagawatha Ddharmma if we deserve to be advised and if we are eligible to hear it.

श्रीनारद उवाच

SreeNaaradha Uvaacha (Dhevarshi Sree Naaradha Said):

एवं ते निमिना पृष्टा वसुदेव महत्तमाः । प्रतिपूज्याब्रुवन् प्रीत्या ससदस्यर्त्विजं नृपम् ॥ ३२॥

32

Evam the Niminaa prishtaa Vasudheva Mahaththama Prethipoojyaabruvan preethyaa sasadhsyarthvijam Nripam.

Hey, Mahaththama or most exalted Vasudhevar! When Nimi Mahaaraaja; surrounded by many Rithviks, Braahmanaas, Maharshees, and other saintly personalities; asked the questions like that, the most Transcendental Nava Yogees were extremely pleased and with high respect and regard to him started answering him:

कविरुवाच

KavirUvaacha (Kavi, the Eldest of the Nava Yogees, Said):

मन्येऽकुतश्चिद्भयमच्युतस्य पादाम्बुजोपासनमत्र नित्यम् । उद्विग्नबुद्धेरसदात्मभावा-द्विश्वात्मना यत्र निवर्तते भीः ॥ ३३॥

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ManyeakuthaschidhbhayamAchyuthasya Paadhaambujopaasanamathra nithyam Udhvignabudhddherasadhaathmabhaavaa-Dvisvaathmanaa yethra nivarththathe bheeh.

I consider that all those whose intelligence are constantly disturbed by the false identification [for that matter all human beings are with that false identification] that the 'real' them are their 'bodies' or 'physical bodies' and not their 'soul' or 'souls' [there are no souls as the soul of every entity and element is the one and the same soul], the fear of mortality is always with them. But I am sure that such fear of mortality or perishability will never even come anywhere near to those who are involved in offering devotional services at the Lotus Feet of Bhagawaan Hari or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan. So, the cure to destroy and get rid of such fear of perishability of 'self which is falsely considered to be the body' is Hari Bhakthi or devotion to Bhagawaan Sree Hari. That is my, Kavi's, firm proclamation.

ये वै भगवता प्रोक्ता उपाया ह्यात्मलब्धये । अञ्जः पुंसामविदुषां विद्धि भागवतान् हि तान् ॥ ३४॥

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Ye vai Bhagawathaa prokthaa upaayaa hyaathmalebddhaye Anjjah pumsaamavidhushaam vidhddhi Bhaagawathaan hi thaan.

Bhagawaan Sree Hari or The Supreme Soul Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan Himself has advised and instructed some Upaayaas or Paaths or Maarggaas or techniques or shortcut plots or means and ways for those ignorant human beings who have falsely identified Aathma or Dhehi or soul as Dheha or Sareera or body to get rid of their ignorance. They are the most comfortable and easier Paths. Those Paths are known as Bhaagawatha Ddharmmaas or Pure Devotional Services to Bhagawaan Sree Hari. These Bhaagawatha Ddharmmaas are the easiest means for human beings to understand Aathmajnjaana or Aathmasaakshaathkaaram or Transcendental Realization.

यानास्थाय नरो राजन् न प्रमाद्येत कर्हिचित् । धावन् निमील्य वा नेत्रे न स्खलेन्न पतेदिह ॥ ३५॥

35

Yaanaastthaaya Naro, Raajan, na premaadhyetha karhichith Ddhaavan nimeelya vaa nethre na skhalenna pathedhiha.

Those humans who worship and offer devotional services at the Lotus Feet of Bhagawaan Sree Hari would never fall into ignorance due to the cause of Maaya or Illusion that the soul is the body. And they will never be corrupted or stained by the dirt of ignorance. Even if such Hari Bhakthaas live blindly without having any knowledge and attachment of material thing, they would never fall into the entrapment of material ignorance and such Aathma Jnjaanees situation are equal to that of those who are running with eyes closed would never trip and fall or would never fall into pits. That means they would be able to self-correct themselves and reach their destination, which is the Lotus Feet of Bhagawaan Sree Hari.

> कायेन वाचा मनसेन्द्रियैर्वा बुद्ध्यात्मना वानुसृतस्वभावात् । करोति यद्यत्सकलं परस्मै नारायणायेति समर्पयेत्तत् ॥ ३६॥

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Kaayena vaachaa manasendhryiyairvaa Budhddhyaaaathmanaa vaanusrithasvabhaavaath Karothi yedhyath sakalam parasmai Naaraayanaayethi samarppayeththth.

Whatever we do in our life or whatever activities we undertake either physically or by our body, mentally or by our mind, sensually or by our

senses, intelligently or by our intelligence, or by words or by our mouth, or by our own selves or souls, or by our own nature, or by our own consciousness; we should offer all those at the Lotus Feet of Bhagawaan Sree Hari or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan with full faith and sincere devotion, thinking in our mind: "This is for the pleasure of Bhagawaan Sree Naaraayana."

> भयं द्वितीयाभिनिवेशतः स्या-दीशादपेतस्य विपर्ययोऽस्मृतिः । तन्माययातो बुध आभजेत्तं भक्त्यैकयेशं गुरुदेवतात्मा ॥ ३७॥

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Bhayam dhvitheeyaabhinivesathah syaa-DhEesaadhapethasya viparyayoasmrithih Thanmaayayaatho buddha aabhajeththam BhakthayaikayEsam GuruDhevathaathmaa.

When One gets an aversion and or One who turns away from Bhagawaan Sree Hari or Naaraayana Bhagawaan Who is The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan, he would forget his own constitutional nature as a servant of Naaraayana Bhagawaan. This is because of his misidentification that he is the material body and the fear that the physical body is perishable at any time. Again, all these are the power of Maaya or Illusory Power of Naaraayana Bhagawaan, The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan. Because of the same Maaya or Yoga Maaya or Mystic Illusory Power, One gets bewildered and forgets that he is the Self or Brahma or Parabrahma or Paramaathma or is The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan and not the body. That means, One gets to forget his own real form, meaning One forgets of the Roopa or Swaroopa of Sree Hari Bhagawaan or Bhagawan Naaraayana or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan. This will also create the fear of duality that there are One or Many other than the One, I. This duality is the cause of all fear. If there is no duality, then there is no birth and death and there is no perishability and imperishability and there is no pain and pleasure and nothing of that sort. Therefore, One should be able to get rid of the feeling and thought that there is another One other than

Me. There is only One and that is Me. Even Bhagawaan Naaraayana is Me. Therefore, and intelligent – transcendentally intelligent – person should always engage unflinchingly in unalloyed devotional service of Sree Hari Bhagawaan Who is Bhagawaan Naaraayana Who is Yedhooththama Uththamasloka Dheithyaari Achyutha Kesava Maaddhava Yesodhaanandhana Nandhasoonu Dhevakeesutha Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or he Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan, under proper guidance of Guru who is a Master and Scholar of Vedhic Knowledge, whom One should accept as his Worshipable Deity and at the same time as his own very Self or Aathma or Soul.

> अविद्यमानोऽप्यवभाति हि द्वयो ध्यातुर्धिया स्वप्नमनोरथौ यथा । तत्कर्मसङ्कल्पविकल्पकं मनो बुधो निरुन्ध्यादभयं ततः स्यात् ॥ ३८॥

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Avidhyamaanoapyavabhaathi hi dhvayo Ddhyaathurdhddhiyaa svapnamanoretthau yetthaa That karmmasankalpavikalpakam mano Buddho niruddhyaadhabhayam thathah syaath.

Though, realistically, there is no second – meaning there is only ONE, i.e., Parabrahma – and there is no duality or in other words although the duality of the material world does not exist, the conditioned soul or the self, conditioned by the senses, experiences the duality or multiplicity as real under the influence or due to the influence of conditioned intelligence. This imaginary experience of a Prepanjcha or Universe or World different from Yedhooththama Uththamasloka Dheithyaari Achyutha Kesava Maaddhava Yesodhaanandhana Nandhasoonu Dhevakeesutha Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or Bhagawaan Naaraayana Who is The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan can be compared to the act of dreaming and desiring or in other words whatever we see or experience in our dream as 'real' is 'unreal' in our awaken stage. Similarly, this Prepanjcha or Universe itself is 'Really' non-existing and of course all its entities and elements. [This gets really complex, and we may wonder why we should bother to understand all these things. The answer is why

do we see and experience dreams? What is the use of it? We do not have any clear answer.] When the conditioned soul dreams at night in sleep the term sleep is inappropriate as dream is another stage - or not awake, we see or experience something desirable or horrible, or when One daydreams what he would like to have or to avoid, he creates a reality that was not in existence beyond his imaginations. That means whatever we experience in our dream has no existence beyond the dream. The natural tendency of our mind is to accept or reject various activities based on our sense gratification. [Once we eat a chilly and feel very pungent then we would normally avoid taking chilly. If we put our hand in boiling water and get burnt, we would definitely avoid touching boiled water.] Therefore, an intelligent person with Aathma Budhddhi or Transcendental Intelligence should control his mind, restricting it from the illusion of seeing things separate from Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or Bhagawaan Naaraayana or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan and when the mind is thus controlled, he would experience the real fearlessness. [What is there to fear about as there is nothing else in the world? Where from or from what he will experience fear as there is nothing else?]

> शृण्वन् सुभद्राणि रथाङ्गपाणे-र्जन्मानि कर्माणि च यानि लोके । गीतानि नामानि तदर्थकानि गायन् विलज्जो विचरेदसङ्गः ॥ ३९॥

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Srinvan subhadhraani retthaanggapaane-RjJenmaani karmmaani cha yaani loke Geethaani naamaani thadharthtthakaani Gaayan vilejjo vicharedhasanggah.

An intelligent person who has controlled his mind and thus conquered his fear should give up all attachment to material life and material objects like wife, children, family, nation, wealth, and all other material possessions and wander around the world freely without any embarrassment, hearing and chanting the Holy names of Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or Naaraayana Bhagawaan Who is The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan Who is the bearer of Sudhersana Chakra or wheel of chariot, which is a representation of wheel of Time. The Holy names of Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or Yedhooththama Uththamasloka Dheithyaari Achyutha Kesava Maaddhava Yesodhaanandhana Nandhasoonu Dhevakeesutha Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or Bhagawaan Sree Hari or Naaraayana Bhagawaan are all-auspicious because they describe His Transcendental Birth and activities. His Transcendental Birth or Incarnation and activities He performs in this world are for the salvation of conditioned souls. Thus, and therefore His Holy names are sung always throughout the world.

> एवंव्रतः स्वप्रियनामकीर्त्या जातानुरागो द्रुतचित्त उच्चैः । हसत्यथो रोदिति रौति गाय-त्युन्मादवन्नृत्यति लोकबाह्यः ॥ ४०॥

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Evam vrathah svapriyanaamakeerththyaa Jaathaanuraago dhruthachiththa uchchaih Hasathyettho rodhithi rauthi gaaya-Thyunmaadhavannrithyathi lokabaahayah.

Those who are endowed with such austerity without having any attachment with any material possessions and without having any interest in any sensual gratifications would have deep interest in chanting the names or singing the glories or listening to the stories of their dearest and most beloved Param Purusha or Bhagawaan Naaraayana Who is The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan and would always be engaged in offering devotional services at the Lotus Feet of Him as His sincere devotional servant. As their minds, intelligence, and consciousness would always are involved in singing glorious Keerththans of Param Purusha or Bhagawaan Naaraayana Who is The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan they would develop deep love and interest in Him in their minds, intelligence and consciousness, and would be merged within Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or Yedhooththama Uththamasloka Dheithyaari Achyutha Kesava Maaddhava Yesodhaanandhana Nandhasoonu Dhevakeesutha Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan Who is Param Purusha or Bhagawaan Naaraayana Who is The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu

Bhagawaan. Thus, they will become mindless and thoughtless as their minds are merged within Vishnu Bhagawaan. Thus, they may laugh at times like they are insane or crazy, and some other times they would lament sorrowfully and some other times they would cry aloud as if they were in deep pain and sorrow. Sometimes, they may sing so happily and at other times they would dance as if they were fully mad and are not in this world at all or as if they are living in a different world.

> खं वायुमग्निं सलिलं महीं च ज्योतींषि सत्त्वानि दिशो द्रुमादीन् । सरित्समुद्रांश्च हरेः शरीरं यत्किं च भूतं प्रणमेदनन्यः ॥ ४१॥

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Kham vaayumagnim salilam maheem cha Jyotheemshi saththvaani dhiso dhrumaadheen Sarithasamudhraamscha Hareh sareeram Yeth kinjcha bhootham prenamedhananyah.

One should worship and offer obeisance to Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or Yedhooththama Uththamasloka Dheithyaari Achyutha Kesava Maaddhava Yesodhaanandhana Nandhasoonu Dhevakeesutha Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan Who is Bhagawaan Sree Hari or Bhagawaan Naaraayana or Param Purusha Who is The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan with the clear understanding and realization that nothing – Ether, Fire, Air, Water, Earth, The Sun and other Luminaries, All Living Beings, The Directions, The Trees and Plants, The Rivers, The Oceans, And anything One come across - is separate from Him. Whatever a True Devotee experience, he should consider it as an expansion of Bhagawaan Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan. Thus, seeing everything that exists in this universe as the Body of Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or Yedhooththama Uththamasloka Dheithyaari Achyutha Kesava Maaddhava Yesodhaanandhana Nandhasoonu Dhevakeesutha Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan Who is Bhagawaan Sree Hari or Bhagawaan Naaraayana or Param Purusha Who is The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan, the devotee should worship and offer obeisance and sincere respect to the entire entities and elements of the universe, as nothing but The Expansion of the Body of Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan.

> भक्तिः परेशानुभवो विरक्ति-रन्यत्र चैष त्रिक एककालः । प्रपद्यमानस्य यथाश्नतः स्यु-स्तुष्टिः पुष्टिः क्षुदपायोऽनुघासम् ॥ ४२॥

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Bhakthih Paresaanubhavo virakthi-Ranyathra chaisha thrika ekakaalah Prepadhyamaanasya yetthaasnathah syu-SThushtih pushtih kshudhapaayoanughaasam.

One who considers Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or Yedhooththama Uththamasloka Dheithyaari Achyutha Kesava Maaddhava Yesodhaanandhana Nandhasoonu Dhevakeesutha Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan Who is Bhagawaan Sree Hari or Bhagawaan Naaraayana or Param Purusha Who is The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan as his shelter, support, and protection would surely attain stable and steadfast devotion, direct experience of The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan, and detachment from all other things. And all these three things would occur simultaneously to a True Devotee of The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan. It is exactly the same way, as when a person is engaged in eating his meals, each bite would bring him all the three things like pleasure, nourishment, and relief from hunger simultaneously.

> इत्यच्युताङ्घिं भजतोऽनुवृत्त्या भक्तिर्विरक्तिर्भगवत्प्रबोधः । भवन्ति वै भागवतस्य राजं-स्ततः परां शान्तिमुपैति साक्षात् ॥ ४३॥

IthyAchyuthaangghrim bhajathoanuvriththyaa BhakthirvirakthirBhagawathpreboddhah Bhavanthi vai Bhaagawathasya Raajam-Sthathah paraam saanthimupaithi Saakshaath.

Oh, Pareekshith Mahaaraajan! Those who thus worship the Lotus Feet of Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or Bhagawaan Naaraayana Who is The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan according to the Bhaagawatha Ddharmma would certainly achieve stable and steadfast devotion on Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan, detachment to material possessions and material life, attain Eeswara Boddha or Thorough Knowledge about Eeswara, and besides all these they would be able to attain Aathma Jnjaana or Aathma Boddha and Aathmasaakshaathkaara or Transcendental Realization and attain Kaivalya or Moksha or Nithya Mukthi or Ultimate Salvation and reach Vaikuntta Padham.

राजोवाच

RaajOvaacha (Raaja or Nimi Mahaaraaja Said):

अथ भागवतं ब्रूत यद्धर्मो यादृशो नृणाम् । यथाऽऽचरति यद्ब्रूते यैर्लिङ्गैर्भगवत्प्रियः ॥ ४४॥

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Attha Bhaagawatham broo tha yedhddharmmo yaadhriso nrinaam Yetthaa charathi yedhbrootheyeillinggairBhagawath priyah.

Now, please explain to me or tell me in detail the Ddharmmaas followed by Bhaagawathaas or the Staunchest Devotees of The Supreme God Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan. How do they act or perform their duties of Ddharmma or Bhaagawatha Ddharmma in this universe for the benefit of the general public? What are all their traditions, customs, and practices? How do they speak? How do they act and behave? How can we identify those staunch devotees of Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or The Supreme God Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan who are the dearest to Him? How do they look and how do they talk and how do they act? Please explain all these in its order.

हरिरुवाच

HarirUvaacha (Hari or Harir Who is the Second of Nava Yogees Said):

सर्वभूतेषु यः पश्येद्भगवद्भावमात्मनः । भूतानि भगवत्यात्मन्येष भागवतोत्तमः ॥ ४५॥

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Savvabhootheshu yah pasyedh Bhagawadhbhaavamaathmanah Bhoothaani Bhagawathyaathmanyesha Bhaagawathoththamah.

One who is able to see in everything – all the entities and elements of the universe – the Soul of all souls Who is Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan in the same way as He is in Himself. Consequently, he sees everything in Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan and understands that everything that exists is eternally situated within Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan. That means One who is able to see everything as Supreme God and The Supreme God as everything is the Bhaagawathoththama or Best of all Bhaagawathaas or First-Class Bhaktha.

ईश्वरे तदधीनेषु बालिशेषु द्विषत्सु च । प्रेममैत्रीकृपोपेक्षा यः करोति स मध्यमः ॥ ४६॥

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Eesware thadhaddheeneshu baaliseshu dhvishathsu cha Premamaithreekripopekshaa yah karothi sa maddhyamah.

Hey, Nripa or Nimi Mahaaraajan! A Madhddhyama Bhaktha or Madhddhyama Addhikaari or an Intermediary Devotee or a Second-Class Devotee is One who offers love and devotional services to Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan and who becomes a sincere Friend and Associate of the Devotee of Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan and shows mercy and kindness to ignorant people who are innocent and disregards those who are envious of Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan.

> अर्चायामेव हरये पूजां यः श्रद्धयेहते । न तद्भक्तेषु चान्येषु स भक्तः प्राकृतः स्मृतः ॥ ४७॥

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Archchayaameva Haraye poojaam yah sradhddhayehathe Na thadhbhaktheshu chaanyeshu sa bhaktha Praakritha smrithah.

A Praakritha Bhaktha or a Third-Class or Lowest Bhaktha or Materialistic Devotee is One who engages in worshipping and offering Poojaas to a Achyutha Bhagawaan or a Deity in the temple but does not behave properly towards other Achyutha Bhakthaas or devotees of deities or people in general. Such Bhakthaas are worshipping God only for fulfillment of their own selfish motivation and materialistic gains. Such Praakritha Bhakthaas believe only in Bimbaaraaddhana or Worshipping Moorththees or Idols or Icons in a temple or other places of worship.

गृहीत्वापीन्द्रियैरर्थान् यो न द्वेष्टि न हृष्यति । विष्णोर्मायामिदं पश्यन् स वै भागवतोत्तमः ॥ ४८॥

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Griheethvaapeendhriyairarthtthaan yo na dhveshti na hrishyathi Vishnormmaayaamidham pasyan savai Bhaagawathoththamah.

Oh, Nimi Nripa! Now the Bhaktha Preddhaana or Best of all Devotees is the One who even while engaging his senses in contact with their objects, who sees this whole Universe as the energy of Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or Yedhooththama Uththamasloka Dheithyaari Achyutha Kesava Maaddhava Yesodhaanandhana Nandhasoonu Dhevakeesutha Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan Who is Achyutha Bhagawaan Hari Naaraayana or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan is neither repelled nor attracted or elated. He will always be immaterial. He sees and will see everything as Vishnu Naaraayana. He sees nothing other than Vishnu Bhagawaan anywhere at any time. He is the Uththama or Preddhaana or Sreshtta Bhaktha or the most Exalted and Highest Devotee.

> देहेन्द्रियप्राणमनोधियां यो जन्माप्ययक्षुद्भयतर्षकृच्छ्रैः । संसारधर्मैरविमुह्यमानः स्मृत्या हरेर्भागवतप्रधानः ॥ ४९॥

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Dhehendhriyapraanamanoddhiyaam yo Jenmaapayyakshudhbhayatharshakrichcchraih Samsaaraddharmmairavimuhyamaanah Smrithyaa HarerBhaagawathapreddhaanah.

Our material body is subject to birth and decay or death. Similarly, our Praana or Life-Air is harassed by hunger and thirst, our mind is always anxious, or mind is always disturbed or agitated by anxiousness, our intelligence always hankers for that which cannot be obtained, and all our senses are ultimately exhausted by constantly struggling in the material nature for our sensual gratification. One who is not bewildered by the inevitable miseries of material existence, and who remains aloof from all of them simply by remembering the Lotus Feet of Yedhooththama Uththamasloka Dheithyaari Achyutha Kesava Maaddhava Yesodhaanandhana Nandhasoonu Dhevakeesutha Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or Bhagawaan Hari Naaraayana Who is The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan, is considered to be Bhakthaagresara or Agresara Bhaktha or Bhaagawatha-Preddhaana or the Foremost of all Devotees of Vishnu Bhagawaan. He sits at the peak of all Devotees.

> न कामकर्मबीजानां यस्य चेतसि सम्भवः । वासुदेवैकनिलयः स वै भागवतोत्तमः ॥ ५०॥

Na kaamakarmmabeejaanaam yesya chethasi sambhavah Vaasudhevaikanilayah sav ai Bhaagawathoththamah.

One who is always free from all fruitive activities, which are based on material lust, or One who is not worried of the results, whether it is good or bad or whether is virtuous or sinful, of his activities or One who performs his dutiful activities without desiring for any result as an offering to Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan and taken shelter at His Lotus Feet is freed from desire to enjoy material sense gratification. The seeds of lusty fruitive activities are virtues and sins. In whose mind those seeds do not grow or whose mind would be a desert to such seeds of virtues and sins, their minds and intelligence would always be stabilized and concentrated on the thoughts of Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan. Such Bhakthaas are called Bhaagawathoththamaas or Pure Supreme Devotee of Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan on the highest platform.

न यस्य जन्मकर्मभ्यां न वर्णाश्रमजातिभिः । सज्जतेऽस्मिन्नहम्भावो देहे वै स हरेः प्रियः ॥ ५१॥

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Na yesya jenmakarmmabhyaam na varnnaasramajaathibhih Sajjatheasminnahambhaavo dhehe vai sa Hareh priyah.

One who does not feel proud because of his birth in a high-class aristocratic family or because his austere and pious activities and does not take pride in himself; and One who does not enjoy a prestigious position in the society because his parents are highly respected members of the Varnnaasrama Social System of the Society and does not get infatuated with himself; he is or they are to be considered as the dearest or dear-most servant of servants of Yedhooththama Uththamasloka Dheithyaari Achyutha Kesava Maaddhava Yesodhaanandhana Nandhasoonu Dhevakeesutha Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan Who is Bhagawaan Hari or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan. They are Uththama Bhakthaas or Number One or First-Class Bhakthaas of Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan.

> न यस्य स्वः पर इति वित्तेष्वात्मनि वा भिदा । सर्वभूतसमः शान्तः स वै भागवतोत्तमः ॥ ५२॥

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Na yesya svah para ithi viththveshvaathmani vaa bhidhaa Sarvvabhoothasamah saanthah sa vai Bhaagawathoththamah.

A devotee who has given up the selfish conception by which One thinks: "this is my body, this is my property, that is not my body, and that is not my property, etc." and when he is not concerned with the pleasure and pain of his own material body and or indifferent to the pain and pleasures of others, he will be fully peaceful and satisfied. He considers himself simply as One among all other living entities of this universe who are all part and parcel of Yedhooththama Uththamasloka Dheithyaari Achyutha Kesava Maaddhava Yesodhaanandhana Nandhasoonu Dhevakeesutha Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan Who is Bhagawaan Hari Naaraayana or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan. Such a fully satisfied devotee is Bhakthaagrima or a crest jewel of Bhakthaas or Devotees.

> त्रिभुवनविभवहेतवेऽप्यकुण्ठ-स्मृतिरजितात्मसुरादिभिर्विमृग्यात् । न चलति भगवत्पदारविन्दा-ल्लवनिमिषार्धमपि यः स वैष्णवाग्र्यः ॥ ५३॥

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Thribhuvanavibhavahethaveapyakuntta-Smrithirejithaathmasuraadhibhirvimrigyaath Na chalathi Bhagawath padhaaravindhaa-Llevanimishaardhddhamapi yah sa Vaishnavaagrayh.

The Dhevaas or Amaraas, meaning the Immortals, or gods like Brahma, Vishnu, Sankara, Dhevendhra, etc. are able to conquer their senses. Even

they are sought after and searching and still trying to know and realize Ajitha, meaning One Who is Unconquerable, or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan. They also have accepted unflinchingly the Lotus Feet of Yedhooththama Uththamasloka Dheithyaari Achyutha Kesava Maaddhava Yesodhaanandhana Nandhasoonu Dhevakeesutha Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan Who is Bhagawaan Hari Naaraayana or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan as their Life and Soul and they always worship those Lotus Feet with full concentration and steadfast devotion. Even if they get all the wealth, treasures, and auspiciousness of all the three worlds of the Universe or the benediction of ruling all the three worlds with all its opulence, they will not deviate their steadfast interest in offering devotional services at the Lotus Feet of That Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan even for half a moment. Such a Devotee of Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan is considered to be Vaishnavaagrya or the Best of all Vaishnavaas or Vishnu Bhakthaas and he is the Crest Jewel of all Vishnu Bhakthaas.

> भगवत उरुविक्रमाङ्घिशाखा-नखमणिचन्द्रिकया निरस्ततापे । हृदि कथमुपसीदतां पुनः स प्रभवति चन्द्र इवोदितेऽर्कतापः ॥ ५४॥

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Bhagawatha uruvikramaangghrisaakhaa-Nakhamanichandhrikayaa nirasthathaape Hridhi katthamupaaseedhathaam punah sa Prebhavathi Chandhra ivodhitheArkkathaapah.

The beautiful Toenails of the Lotus Feet of Yedhooththama Uththamasloka Dheithyaari Achyutha Kesava Maaddhava Yesodhaanandhana Nandhasoonu Dhevakeesutha Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan Who is Bhagawaan Hari Naaraayana or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan resemble the most valuable jewels. His Lotus Feet have performed innumerable heroic and valorous deeds as His pastime plays and sports. The effulgence emanating from those Toenails resembles cooling Moonshine, because it instantly relieves the pains and sufferings within the hearts of His pure devotees, just as the appearance of Chandra or Moon's cooling light relieves the burning heat of Soorya or the Sun. Hey, Mahaaraaja Nimi! Think of, how can in such instances, the mind of a pure and true Devotee of the Lotus Feet of Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan Who is The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan be affected or inflicted or corrupted with desire for sense gratification, and or by anger, and or by hatred, and or by envy, and or by any such negativities? No, a true and pure devotee of the Lotus Feet of Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan Who is The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva or by any such negativities? No, a true and pure devotee of the Lotus Feet of Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan Who is The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan would never be affected by any such negativities.

विसृजति हृदयं न यस्य साक्षा-द्धरिरवशाभिहितोऽप्यघौघनाशः । प्रणयरशनया धृताङ्घ्रिपद्मः स भवति भागवतप्रधान उक्तः ॥ ५५॥

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Visrijathi hridhayam na yesya saakshaa-Dhddhariravasaabhihithoapyaghaughanaasah Prenayaresanayaa ddhrithaangghripadhmah Sa bhavathi Bhaagawathapreddhaan ukthah.

All the Vedhaas and Saasthraas have proclaimed with certainty that One who worships and offers devotional services at the Lotus Feet of Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or Yedhooththama Uththamasloka Dheithyaari Achyutha Kesava Maaddhava Yesodhaanandhana Nandhasoonu Dhevakeesutha Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan Who is Bhagawaan Hari Naaraayana or The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan and taken shelter at His Lotus Feet and chants and recites the Holy Name of Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan or Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan with genuine love, even at the hardest and worst times of his life, is Bhaagawatha Preddhaana or the Top most Bhaktha or the supreme most Exalted Bhaktha. Vaasudheva Sree Krishna Bhagawaan is so merciful and compassionate that He will never give up such a devotee. Such a devotee would be able to attain Aathmajnjaanam and Aathmasaakshaathkaaram and Vishnu Saayoojyam or merge within The Supreme Soul Lord Sree Vaasudheva Sree Mahaa Vishnu Bhagawaan.

इति श्रीमद्भागवते महापुराणे पारमहंस्यां संहितायां एकादशस्कन्धे द्वितीयोऽध्यायः ॥ २॥

Ithi Sreemadh Bhaagawathe MahaaPuraane Paaramahamsyaam Samhithaayaam EkaaDhesaSkanddhe DhvitheeyoAddhyaayah

Thus, we conclude the Second Chapter - [Named As] ([NaaradhaVasudhevaNimiNavaYogiSamvaadhangal – BhaagawathaDdharmmam] [(Dhevarshi Naaradha Explains Bhaagawatha Ddharmma to Vasudhevar As Advised or Instructed By Nava Yogees to Nimi Mahaaraaja]) Of the Eleventh 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!