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Words of Wisdom – From our Guruji



Master & Disciple

Once you are in love, fear will diminish totally. If you still fear you have to check whether the love is a presumption. Masters around the world are loved by the disciples & devotees. The masters also love them from the heart. In the process of love a tremendous respect arises in the heart of the disciples & devotees. The Master too feels in the same way. Then Masters play around and joke around with them. This is because of love. Love and Love is the only ingredient that

binds a Master with his disciples & devotees. Ofcourse the Master will stop you once you take things for granted and that too because of his love towards you all.

If you love and regard the Master in high esteem, you will also regard every one connected with the Master with equal reverence. That is why even the disciple should hold the other disciples in high esteem, since the other is also a disciple of the revered Master. So in a Guru Kulam, we learn to respect each other with reverence by keeping the Master always with love in our heart.

A Guru is more an institution. He is not just a person or individual. He comes down from his level of consciousness to make the other comfortable. That doesn't mean that he can be taken for granted. When anyone acts high handedly or takes him for granted, the personal touch which he maintained all along will cease. Ofcourse his prayers for him will always exist.

Any Master or a Sadguru is not a cheap commodity. Everyone should understand the value of the master in Guru Kulam. A Master is not a politician and doesn't go after numbers. Anyone who is being introduced to the group,

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should know the value of the Guru Kulam. So don't bring disrepute to your Master by behaving childishly.

LORD'S GRACE!!!

Upcoming Events

- ◆ 07/01/2017
Srinivasa Kalyanam
- ◆ 07/09/2017
Guru Purnima
- ◆ 07/27/2017 to 07/29/2017
Vriksha Bhairava
Kshetra Pradishta

Sai Amrutha Jyothi



RAM & RAHIM ARE ONE

Lord Sai is our Guru and the Instigator of all our actions, once we surrender to Him to tally. Baba assures His devotees that He will fulfill all their desires and that there will never be a situation of want in their homes.

One Mr. GopalRao Gunt wanted to celebrate Sri Ram Navami at Shirdi as a way of showing his thanks to Baba for blessing him with a son. It was also decided to celebrate the Muslim festival of URS on the same day. All arrangements were properly made. Haridas to sing the glory of Rama, Prasad preparation, drinking water supply and a cradle to keep Baby Rama were all ready. Sandal Palanquin procession for the URS was also made. Baba granted permission and even sent a garland for Haridas. During the celebrations, the red gulal powder got into Baba's eyes and Baba became angry and started

scolding everyone. This was taken as Baba's grace on their devotees. Das Ghanu continued the role of Haridas in the subsequent years and these two festivals are still celebrated at Shirdi.

During this time, the Masjid underwent the needed repairs. One day Baba saw the repair work and suddenly started pulling out the pillars. No one could reach nor stop Him. Tatya's head gear was pulled out and thrown into the fire! Bagoji was pushed away. Shama was pelted with stones! Later on, Baba calmed down and decorated Tatya with a decorative head gear. No one could understand the reasons behind it.

BOW TO SRI SAI

PEACE BE TO ALL!!

LIFE APPLICATIONS

- * Learn to respect traditions.
- * Accept and respect all religions as one.
- * Lord's actions have inner meaning and accept them as such.
- * Involve whole heartedly in religious activities and to your capacity.
- * Help in temple activities and renovations.

Sri Satchitananda SadGuru Sainath Maharaj ki Jai!



Saiamrutham — "God never leads us where he cannot keep us. His grace alone and always is sufficient in and any circumstance of life."

Tale of Three Fish

Anagatavidatha, Pratyutpannamati, Yadbhavishaya were three fish who lived in a pond along with their families. The pond was filled with life.

One day, two fishermen en route from their haul from some other pond noticed this pond. They were very excited to see that the pond is full of fish and since they had their hands full, they decided to come the very next day and fish here.

After listening to their conversation, Anagatavidatha and Pratyutpannamati told their friends and families to escape from this pond via an aqueduct. But Yadbhavishaya was not ready. He told them that since they were living in this pond from the days of their forefathers, he would not leave. He was also able to convince many of his kin.

So, reluctantly half the fish in the pond left with them and the other half decided to stay with Yadbhavishaya.

Sure enough, next day the fishermen came and caught the fish in the pond, leaving none alive.

MORAL OF THE STORY

When danger is imminent, it is better to take immediate action, than to be sentimental and unwise.

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Services in the Temple

Priest's services like Yantra Puja, Gruha Pravesham, Satyanarayana Vratam, Pitru Karma, Seemantham, Upanayanm, Vahana Puja etc., are available which will be performed at devotees homes for their good health and prosperity. We also do archanas, abhishekams for all our deities.

Seva (Volunteering) opportunities are also available at the temple.

For more details please visit our website:

http://
www.sriamruthasai.org/
services/ or contact the
temple at 804-708-0867.

* HAPPY FATHER'S DAY * - Shriramya Madavane

HONOURING FATHER'S DAY

A good father is one who raises a child to become someone with an imprint of his father's values and wisdom. In ancient days, great kings would transfer all their wisdom about life and about a king's dharma and duties to their sons before leaving the kingdom to them and the son would follow in his father's footsteps and rule like him. When a son did something wrong, fathers used to immediately chide them, correct them and provide guidance on what was the right thing to do. Sons were ready to follow the father's order as they respected every word of their fathers. (Pitru vakya paripalana)

Nowadays we all love our daddy more than we respect him. Things have become totally non formal and we discuss anything and everything with him. Dads have become quite cool and are on par with the current trends too. Maybe its because they don't want us to become distanced from them because of a generation gap and a difference in thought and culture patterns. Its all very nice but only as long as the main dharma of the father-child bond isn't compromised. The poor dads of today have changed themselves to say ok to everything his child asks for and to everything his teenager does as he does not want his kid to think of him as old fashioned and stop spending time with him.

When his son says "Dad I'm going out for a few drinks with my friends" or when his daughter says "I'm going on a date with my boyfriend, will be home late today", I'm damn sure that the modern dad who texts back "ok have fun" is silently wishing he could stop it from happening. On the other hand, those traditional dads who advise their kids that certain things are wrong and society wont accept, are kept away by their kids and the kids start keeping secrets from their dad which greatly affects their relationship with him.

So where and how does one strike the balance? How to make sure your kid is friendly with you and has a close and strong bond with you and at the same time how to carry out your dharma as a dad to ensure the kid goes on the right path in life and to ensure his or her future isn't spoiled? Its by teaching them in a friendly way right from childhood on what you are ok with and what you aren't. Develop a strong sense of discrimination in the kid and ensure that his conscience helps you in doing your job as a dad.

As a dad you have the power to develop great ideals and great devotion in your child. I know dads who teach about God to their kids and ensure that the family prays together every morning. I also know dads who tell the kid that there is no God and you need to survive by your own efforts. One can find the difference in behaviour of both these children as they grow up. So it all lies in the father's hands. He needs to have those beliefs and follow those ideals that he wants his child to possess.

So as a son or a daughter, what can we do for our dad? Lets not do anything that puts him in a dilemma where he has to choose pleasing us by saying yes instead of following his dharma which would require him to say no. Lets not make him feel that we value our friends, our social life, our pastimes, and our opinions more than him so much so that if he disagrees with any of them, we will break away from him. No dad will shout at us because he hates us, its only because he loves us and he wants us to have a good life. Lets understand their intentions and give them the confidence that we are intelligent enough and matured enough to lead the right path and follow the right ideals in life.

In the future, when we stand as a father or a mother in front of our kids, we will remember our father and use his advice to us as the reference to guide our children. That's how the cycle has been running since ages, through generations of dads and sons.

Today lets wish Happy Father's day to our dads who raised us, our uncles who corrected us and bought us all that we asked for, our teachers who gave us education, our gurus who gave us spiritual wisdom, our ancestors who prayed and worked for our welfare, our sages and seers who transferred their wisdom to us and our God who protects us every minute and guides us from within.

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY TO ALL THE WONDERFUL DADS!!!
