

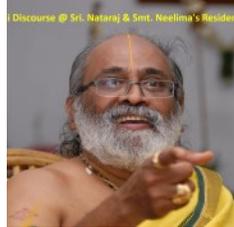


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Words of Wisdom – From our Guruji



AMRUTHA VAKKULU

Trust is just an accumulation of one's own expectations of the other over a period of time. Certainly expectations will be belied since a human is dynamic and keeps changing with changing circumstances. That's why wise people never trust anyone since they neither have any expectations of the other and are always in a non judgemental mode. Further they know very well that world is always dynamic and susceptible to change.

A person of mind will be full of fickleness. He cannot accept truth in it's virginity. He cannot accept because he feels he can manipulate it. A person of heart will be full of grace. He will accept truth in it's original form. He never will accept any distortion. He can easily spot untruth.

You belong to the indeterminate space called 'GOD'. Your body is just matter and belongs to 'earth'. Body does so many things for it's survival and pleasure and this has nothing to do with you. Stop identifying yourself with the body. Let the body continue to be quixotical. Don't worry about it, as it limits it's role to earth. I'm there for you. My whole effort through prayogams is to take you through this births and deaths. I was with you in the past. I'm with you in the present and I will be with you in the future too. I will not relent till you ultimately merge with the divine space of universal consciousness thy name 'NARAYANA'.

I Can't Think for You..

I Can't Walk for You..

I Can't Eat for You..

I Can't Decide for You..

BUT

I Can Pray for You..

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LORD'S MERCY

&

GRACE !!!

Upcoming Events

- ◆ 06/01/2019
Masa Sivarathri
- ◆ 06/03/2019
Amavasya
- ◆ 06/06/2019
Chaturthi
- ◆ 06/08/2019
Sashti
- ◆ 06/10/2019
Ashtami
- ◆ 06/13/2019
Ekadasi
- ◆ 06/14/2019
Pradosham
- ◆ 06/17/2019
Pournami
- ◆ 06/20/2019
Sankatahara Chaturti
- ◆ 06/23/2019
Sashti

Sai Amrutha Jyothi



**Blessing devotees with
Vishnu Sahasranamam,
Srimad Bhagavat etc.,
Vittal darshan to Dixit, Gita
Rahasya & Kaparde's family.**

In the age of Kali, charity has been placed as the highest order and of this, donating food is considered to be the best. Let us see how Sai cooked and distributed food to all. He personally went to the grocery store to buy the required ingredients. He then lit a stove and boiled water in two big vessels [Handi]. In one of them, He floated wheat balls and cooked meat in the other. He ground the masala powder and mixed as required. Sometimes, He would cook Ragi by adding buttermilk to make a porridge. He would stir with His bare hands in the hot vessel and then will distribute it to all equally. He would never force anyone to take the meat.

One time, He asked a Brahmin devotee, Dada Khelkar to go to the market to get meat but as Dada was getting ready, He stopped him from going. Another time He asked him to taste the mutton soup but stopped him at the last

minute. This practice continued for some time but once devotees started bring food, He stopped cooking.

Nobody knew whether Baba was a Hindu or a Muslim. One day when Nana Chandorkar came for darshan, Baba got angry with him for not visiting the Datta temple at Kobargaon.

After the afternoon arti, Baba would bless all and then go inside. Devotees would send the food they had brought as offerings. Baba would mix them all and after offering it to God, would share it with His devotees, to their satisfaction.

One time, after feeding Hemandpant to his full, Baba offered him a cup of butter milk and asked him to drink it saying he would not get a chance like this. Hemandpant complied with the order. Sai's words came true as He took Samadhi soon after in a few days. Let us thank Hemandpant for giving us this Satcharit, which contains so many sweet leelas of Sai.

**BOW TO SRI SAI
PEACE BE TO ALL!!**

LIFE APPLICATIONS

- * **Do not hesitate to do charity.**
- * **Food donation is the best offering to sai.**
- * **Share the food equally with all.**
- * **Never disrespect god, but visit temples whenever possible.**

Sri Satchitananda

Sadhguru

Sainath Maharaj

Ki

JAI!!!



Saiamrutham — "I Love devotion. He who withdraws his heart from the world and loves me is my true devotee and he merges in me like the river merges in the sea."

THE PRICE OF EGO

Shuddhapatta was a washerman in a village. He had a donkey to carry the clothes to be washed and dried clothes back. But the place he lived does not have a lot of fresh grass and the washerman could not spend time and money for its food. The donkey was very weak.

One fine day while he was wandering near the jungle, he came upon a dead tiger. At once, he came up with an idea. He brought the tiger skin to his house and cleaned it properly. He tied the tiger skin around his donkey and let him feast in his neighbor's barley field. Every villager scrambled to their houses and the donkey fed to his will and returned home. The washerman followed the same rule daily and made the donkey wander all around the village in tiger's skin. Slowly, the donkey gained its strength back.

The villagers were also baffled and could not do anything against the tiger that spoils their field, but does not attack their animals.

One day when the donkey in the tiger's skin was roaming in a field, and the villagers were running away, a female donkey saw this donkey and brayed. This tiger skin donkey too brayed in reply and the truth thus came out. The villagers were angry with the washerman and he was made to pay for their losses.

MORAL OF THE STORY

ILL
GOTTEN
GRAINS
WILL
NOT
LAST
LONG

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SRIDHARAAMRITHAM

It is impossible for LOVE and DHYANA to be separated from each other. These two make one closer to realizing God consciousness.

SERVICES IN THE TEMPLE

Priest's services like Yantra Puja, Gruha Pravesham, Satyanarayana Vratam, Pitru karma, Seemantham, Upanayanam, 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.

FAITH

Faith is such a powerful word with a more powerful meaning. It seems to be not only easily understandable, but also easily attainable. But is it?

What is Faith? How do we attain it? How do we keep it? Sri Ramakrishna once said, “Unless a man is guileless, he cannot so easily have faith in God. God is far, far away from the mind steeped in worldliness. Worldly intelligence creates many doubts and many forms of pride—pride of learning, wealth and the rest”.

It is important to differentiate between childlike faith and blind faith. Men with blind faith have faith in only on thing, and they do not believe anything else. The religious fanaticism is usually caused by such blind faith. On the other hand, childlike faith is open and spontaneous.

Sri Ramakrishna used to recount the story of a milkmaid who was bringing milk to a priest for the pooja every day. However, she was always late, because she had to wait for the ferry to cross the river. Once hearing this reason, the priest told her, “With the name of God, you can even cross the Ocean. Why can’t you cross a river?” From the next day, the milkmaid arrived on time. Priest was surprised and asked her the reason for her promptness. She said, she was crossing the river by saying God’s name just as he had told her. The priest wanted to try this himself and tried to walk on the river, but started sinking. The milkmaid said, “You are saying the name of the God, but you are holding your clothes up so that they would not get wet”. The milkmaid had complete faith in his words, but he himself did not.

It is easy to think that we are faithful when things go well for us. But when things go in undesirable ways, doubt creeps up in our mind. Is God really there? Does He exist? Can He hear me? What is happening to all my prayers? Why is He not answering them? Sri Ramakrishna said, “The stone may remain in the water for numerous years, and yet the water will never penetrate it. But clay is soon softened into mud by coming in contact with water. So, the strong heart of the faithful does not despair in the midst of trials and persecutions, but the man of weak faith is shaken, even by the most trifling cause”.

Let us strive to have childlike and strong faith in Him.

SAIRAM !!!

A mother for you can be anyone. It is beyond age, gender or genetics, because being a mother is a symbol of unconditional love. A doctor gives life, a police officer gives protection, a judge gives justice, a teacher gives wisdom, a farmer gives food. Aren't they our mothers too!

Salutations to the divine mother of the universe, the source of all creation.

“Ya Devi Sarva Bhoothesu Maatru Roopena Samstitha

Namastasyai Namastasyai Namastasyai Namoh Namaha”

Salutations to Prakriti Mata(Mother Nature), Bhoo Mata(Mother Earth), Bharat Mata (India), Go Mata(Cow) and our own mother and to all mothers who have fostered and cared for me.

Your mother is the one who has done the greatest favour to you by giving your soul the opportunity to take a body and enter this world, so that you can have the experiences in your life to help your soul to learn evolve and reach its final goal.

Today is the day we must thank not only the mother who gave us this body, but also all those mothers from our previous lives. Many animals would have borne your soul for many months in each life and underwent the same pain of labour as a human mother. After living those lives that those mothers have gifted you, you would have earned your first opportunity for a human birth. Thank all those mothers who have carried you in their womb for nine months and underwent labour for you. They had also raised you in their previous life by feeding you their milk, giving you food, teaching you good values, showering you with love and hoping for your bright future.

If we really want to honour the pain and sacrifices of all those animals and human mothers, we must make sure that we only progress and do not regress in our spiritual journey. You should have the determination that you will not let anymore mother suffer that much so that you get another chance to learn what you could have learnt in this birth itself by a change in your attitude.

And finally, since you love your current mother the most, thank her immensely for giving you one more chance, that too a precious human birth in which she has raised you with so much intellect and may your growth in life make her proud of having carried you and given birth to a soul like you. You may be professional at your work place, grown up with your friends, an adult for the world, but to your mother, always be her little child.

That sweetness, innocence and love from your side will be an eternal gift to her and that is what she wishes from you as well.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

DR. ABDUL USMAN LATIF

During the early eighties, i used to visit Kashmir very frequently. I like the place - particularly, for its varied flora and fauna. I used to visit Hemkund Sahib Gurudwara (in Uttarkhand and relatively easy to travel to, from Kashmir) and Charar-e-Sharif often. Once, when I was there, I ran into Dr. Abdul Usman Latif. He was a great Sufi saint. He came to me and said, 'My son! God has destined that you should be a Sufi saint. Why don't you learn Sufism from me ?'

I was happy to accept the offer and learned Sufism from him.

"When the student is prepared to learn the teacher appears.

When the student is prepared to unlearn the Master appears and the teacher disappears."

