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MASTER'S DIVINE WORDS

AFTER ANGER WILL FOLLOW GUILT... NOW YOU WILL FEEL GUILTY ABOUT YOUR BEHAVIOUR... YOU MAY APOLOGISE TO THE PERSON.... BUT THE APOLOGY WILL NOT BE TOTAL... IT WILL HAVE A RIDER.... YOU WILL JUSTIFY YOUR ANGER BY SAYING THAT THAT YOU SHOUTED DUE TO YOUR CONCERN ON THE PERSON..... EVEN YOUR APOLOGY LOOKS FARCE....

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THE WHOLE WORLD WILL BE A PARADISE WHEN WE SINCERELY WORK TO THE BEST OF OUR ABILITIES WITHOUT EXPECTATION OF ANY AWARDS OR REWARDS....DO NOT EXPECT ANYTHING IN RETURN.... JUST WORK... WORKING WITHOUT EXPECTING ANYTHING IN RETURN IS THE TRUE SPIRIT OF ANY SERVICE...DONT ASPIRE FOR JOBS.... ASPIRE FOR WORK... DO ANY WORK.... WORK...WORK....WORK... RELENTLESSLY WORK.... DON'T SEE ANY DIGNITY OF LABOUR..... JUST WORK.... DONT SAY 'THIS WORK IS NOT IN COMMENSURATE TO MY QUALIFICATION'.... THAT IS NOTHING BUT EGO.... THEN YOU ARE JUST QUALIFIED, CERTAINLY NOT EDUCATED....SERVICE TO THIS WORLD IS SERVICE TO GOD.... NO LAME EXCUSES.... JUST WORK....

~~~~His Holiness Sri V.V. Sridhar Guruji

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Upcoming Events

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- 12/14/2021 & 12/30/2021 Ekadasi
- 12/02/2021 & 12/16/2021 & 12/21/2021 Pradosham
- 12/02/2021 Masa Sivarathri
- 12/04/2021 Amavasya
- 12/09/2021 Shasti
- 12/18/2021 Pournami
- 12/16/2021 Karthigai
- 12/22/2021 Sankashtahara Chaturthi
- 12/27/2021 Ashtami
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THERE ARE SOME WHO FEEL THAT PRAYERS WILL SOLVE THE PROBLEMS OR HEAL THE WOUND....
IT MAY OR IT MAY NOT....
BUT IF YOUR FAITH IS INTACT, IT CAN DO WONDERS.... FIRST FAITH MAKES YOU STRONGER.... FAITH MAKES YOU TO ACCEPT THE REALITY AND LIVE WITH IT.... ONE HAS TO LIVE WITH SOMETHING TO TRANSCEND IT....
IF FAITH OR PRAYERS, YOU GO IN TO BECAUSE, YOU WANT YOUR PROBLEMS SOLVED, IT'S JUST BUSINESS WITH GOD.... GOD MAY OR MAY NOT ACCEPT YOU AS A PARTNER IN SUCH A COMMERCIAL DEAL....
TO ME FAITH OR PRAYER SHOULD STRENGTHEN YOUR RESOLVE TO HANDLE THINGS BETTER WITH CONFIDENCE...FAITH OR PRAYERS SHOULD BE WITHOUT ANY EXPECTATIONS....
OF COURSE SOME TIMES GOD SAYS 'SO BE IT' WHEN YOU PRAY WITH FAITH AND IT CLICKS....

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BHAGAWAN MEANS 'THE MOST BLESSED ONE'....
'MANTRA' HAS A WONDERFUL EFFECT.... WHEN YOU RECITE A 'MANTRA' ACCOMPANIED WITH UNCONDITIONAL FAITH, IT HEALS YOUR MIND AND TRANSCENDS IT TO YOUR SOUL, YOUR HEART AND VERY BEING....
IT MAKES YOU MORE A COSMIC BEING AND LIFTS YOU OUT OF YOUR MISERIES OF LIFE AS A HUMAN.... VARIOUS COSMIC ENERGIES SURROUND YOU AND WATCH YOU WITH AWE.... THIS ADDS TO YOUR AURA.... THEY ALL SEE LORD AADI NARAYANA IN YOU... THEY ARE IMMENSELY PLEASED WITH THE CELESTIAL MIRACLE.... THEY ALL BLESS YOU AND YOU TEND TO BECOME THE MOST BLESSED ONE.....'BHAGAWAN'....

~~~~His Holiness Sri V.V. Sridhar Guruji
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BABA – IMPARTING BRAHMA-GNYAN

Once a rich gentleman came to Baba, seeking Brahma-gnyan. Baba expressed His happiness that this gentleman came to seek Brahma-gnyan. However, Baba upon testing and ascertaining that this gentleman is not really ready for realizing Brahma, proceeded to explain the essentials of Brahma-gnyan, as follows:

For seeking Brahma, one has to give first five things, i.e., surrender five things, viz. (1) five Pranas (vital forces), (2) five senses, (3) mind, (4) intellect, and (5) ego. This path of Brahma-gnyan or self-realization is as hard as treading on the edge of a razor. Baba then further gave a long discourse on this subject, the summary of it is:

Qualifications for attaining Brahma-gnyana or Self-realization

All persons do not see or realize the Brahma in their lifetime. Certain qualifications are absolutely necessary.

1. *Mumukshu* or intense desire to get free. He who thinks He is bound and that he should get free from bondage and works earnestly and resolutely to that end; and who does not care for any other things, is qualified for the spiritual life.

2. *Virakti* or a feeling of disgust with the things of this world and the next. Unless a man feels disgusted with the things, emoluments, and honors, which his action would bring in this world and the next, he has no right to enter the spiritual realm.

3. *Antarmukhata* (introversion). Our senses have been created by God with a tendency to move outward and so, man always looks outside himself and not inside. He who wants self-realization and immortal life, must turn his gaze inwards, and look to his inner Self.

4. *Catharsis* from (Purging away of) sins. Unless a man has turned away from wickedness, and stopped from doing wrong, and has entirely composed himself and unless his mind is at rest, he cannot gain self-realization, even by means of knowledge.

5. *Right Conduct.* Unless, a man leads a life of truth, penance and insight, a life of celibacy, he cannot get God-realization.

6. *Preferring Shreyas,* (the Good) to Preyas (the Pleasant). There are two sorts of things viz., the Good and the Pleasant: the former deals with spiritual affairs, and the latter with mundane matters. Both these approach man for acceptance. He has to think and choose one of them. The wise man prefers the Good to the Pleasant; but the unwise, through greed and attachment, chooses the Pleasant.

7. *Control of the mind and the senses.* The body is the chariot, and the Self is its master; intellect is the charioteer, and the mind is the reins; the senses are the horses and sense objects their paths. He who has no understanding and whose mind is unrestrained, his senses unmanageable like the vicious horses of a charioteer, does not reach his destination (get realization), but goes through the round of births and deaths; but he, who has understanding and whose mind is restrained, has his senses being under control, like the good horse of a charioteer, reaches that place, i.e., the state of self-realization, whence he is not born again. The man, who has understanding as his charioteer (guide) and is able to rein his mind, reaches the end of the journey, which is the supreme abode of the all-pervading, Vishnu (Lord).

8. *Purification of the mind.* Unless a man discharges satisfactorily and disinterestedly the duties of his station in life, his mind will not be purified and, unless his mind is not purified, he cannot get self-realization. It is only in the purified mind that, Vivek (dis-attachment to the unreal) crop up and lead on to self-realization. Unless egoism is dropped, avarice got rid of, and the mind made desireless (pure), self-realization is not possible. The idea that 'I am the body' is a great delusion, and attachment to this idea is the cause of bondage. Leave off this idea and attachment therefore, if you want to get to the goal of self-realization

9. *The necessity of a Guru* - The knowledge of the Self is so subtle and mystic, that no one could, by his own individual effort ever hope to attain it. So, the help of another person - Teacher, who has himself got self-realization, is absolutely necessary. What others cannot give with great labor and pains, can be easily gained with the help of such a Teacher; for he has walked on the path himself and can easily take the disciple, step by step on the ladder of spiritual progress.

10. *And lastly the Lord's Grace is the most essential thing*. When the Lord is pleased with anybody, He gives him Viveka and Vairagya; and takes him safe beyond the ocean of mundane existence, "The Self cannot be gained by the study of Vedas, nor by intellect, nor by much learning. He, whom the Self chooses, gains it. To him the Self reveals its nature," says the Katha Upanishad.

After the dissertation was over, Baba turned to the gentleman and said "Unless you get rid completely of your avarice or greed, you will not get the real Brahma". How can he, whose mind is engrossed in wealth, progeny, and prosperity, expect to know the Brahma, without removing away his attachment for the same? The illusion of attachment or the love for money is a deep eddy (whirlpool) of pain full of crocodiles in the form of conceit and jealousy. He, who is desireless, can alone cross this whirlpool. Greed and Brahma are as poles asunder, they are eternally opposed to each other. Where there is greed, there is no room for thought or meditation of the Brahma. Then how can a greedy man get dispassion and salvation? For a greedy man there is no peace, neither contentment, nor certainty (steadiness). If there be even a little trace of greed in mind, all the Sadhanas (spiritual endeavors) are of no avail. Even the knowledge of a well-read man, who is not free from the desire of the fruit or reward of his actions, and who has got no disgust for the same, is useless and can't help him in getting self-realization. The teachings of a Guru are of no use to a man, who is full of egoism, and who always thinks about the sense-objects. Purification of mind is absolutely necessary, without it, all our spiritual endeavors are nothing, but useless show and pomp. It is, therefore, better for one to take only what he can digest and assimilate. My treasury is full, and I can give anyone, what he wants, but I have to see, whether he is qualified to receive My gift. If you listen to Me carefully, you will be certainly benefitted. While sitting in this Masjid, I never speak any untruth."

Jai Sairam.

Reference: Based on excerpts from Shri Sai Satcharita

Do you know about our Unique and Special Vigrahams?

Unique/Special Vigrahams

When you are visiting the temple, you must be wondering why in certain altars mirrors are fixed on the back wall. When you walk past these altars, you must slow down and observe in the mirror – the murthi you see in the mirror is different than what you are seeing directly.
Our Guruji got these specially carved in granite, wood, pancha-loha (bronze) for different prayoga yagnas. Here's some information on such vigrahams:

Kurma Nayaki/Kurma Narayana:

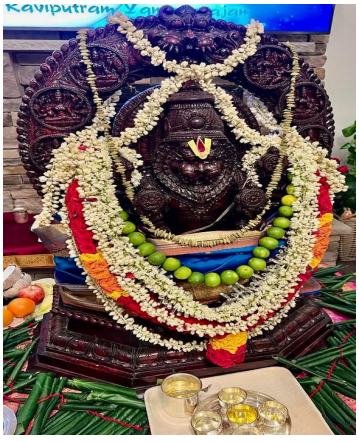
This is our temple's first vigraham, brought from India in 2008. This was specially designed and carved in wood. Having Narayana on one-side, and Kurma Nayaki (Mahalakshmi) on the other side. It was used as the Pradhana Vigraham at Maha Yagnam at Srikurmam. It was carved identically same, both front and back. The lower part of the vigraham is in the shape of turtle, and the upper body has human features. It depicts Kurma Nayaki (MahaLakshmi) in the front, and Narayana on the back. Kurma Narayana can be seen through the mirror. In its base we have Dasa avatar devatas, and on the arch (tiruwachi) Ashta Lakshmis are carved. In addition, we have Guruda, and Hanuman on either side.

Know your temple

Pancha-loha Lakshmi Nrusimha/Garuda/ Hanuman & Amrutha Narayan/Sri Devi/ Bhuma Devi: This is a Utsava murthy for the mula-vigraham (described above) that was made of granite. We will be taking this Utsava Murthy to our Yaga Shala, whenever we perform maha yagnams. This vigraham are beautifully sculpted out of pancha-loha (bronze material) and are a feast to look at.

Lakshmi Nrusimha Swamy/Garuda/Hanuman & Amrutha Narayana/Sridevi/ Bhuma Devi:
You will see Lakshmi Nrusimha Swamy along with Garuda and Hunuman on the front side, and in the mirror Sri Amrutha Narayana, Sri Devi, and Bhuma Devi are seen. There's Sudarshan Chakra in the middle. This vigraham is made of granite stone. Lakshmi Nrusimha, Amrutha Narayana together with Sudarshana chakra, adisesha and kurma are all carved as a single unit. The base of the vigraham has Ashta Lakshmis in the front, and Dasa Avatara devatas on the back.

Yogananda Nrusimha: This is the wooden vigraham that is very special, in the sense, the vigraham is identical on both sides, with Nrusimha sitting in yogic pose. At Ahobilam, there are Nava (nine) Nrusimha kshetrams. Yogananda Nrusimha is one these nine forms of Nrusimha. Ashta Lakshmis are located on the vigraha arch (tiruwachi). There's no mirror behind this murthi, you get to directly see both sides of this beautiful vigraham carved in rose wood.



Some Distance

Mother Earth has some distance,
With the sun, moon, and other planets for instance.
Therefore, there are seasons consistence.
Just some distance does wonders in this existence!

Relationships with some distance,
Roll with time in the path of least resistance.
Therefore, there are beings in coexistence.
Just some distance does wonders in this existence!

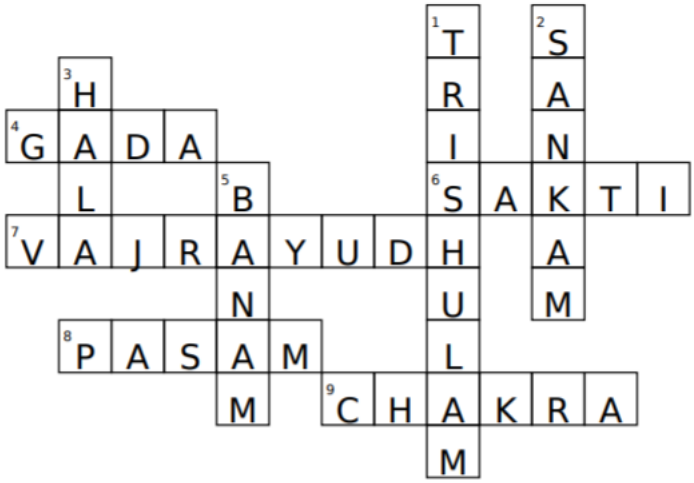
Can there be some distance,
With identities, whether big or pittance?
Therefore, this world can be in still resonance.
Just some distance does wonders in this existence!

Now, I need some distance,
Between my mind, flesh, and countenance.
Therefore, in me, Sadhguru coded his life essence.
No distance, just wonders in my life energy effervescence!!

Just for Fun—Tejaswi Dasari

Crossword Puzzle Solution

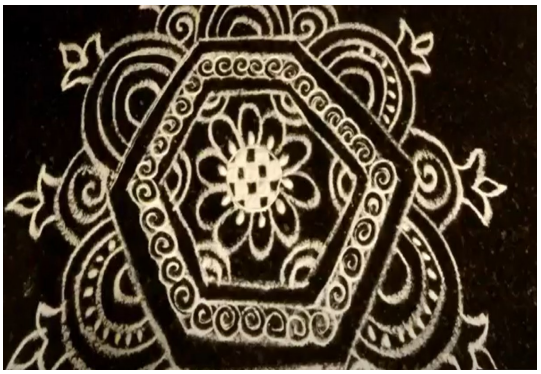
Deities and their weapons



Down:
1. Lord Shiva
2. Lord Krishna
3. Lord Balarama
5. Lord Rama

Across:
4. Lord Hanuman
6. Devi Durga
7. Lord Indra
8. Lord Yama
9. Lord Vishnu

Kolam—Sangeetha Sridhar



Do you want to know how to make this beautiful Kolam in the picture?

You can watch the process of making this Kolam on our Youtube page Sai Amrutha Jyothi or you can use this following link:

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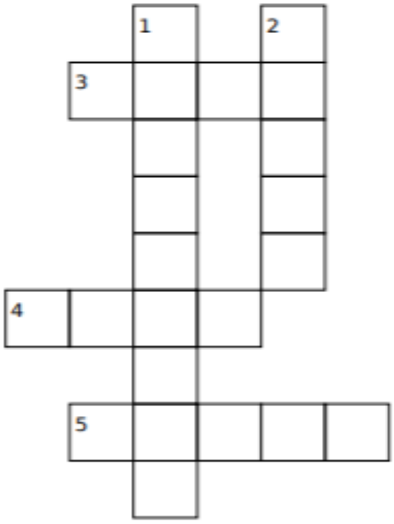
Hindu Mythology Twins



Down:
1. Shatrughna
2. Sahadev

Across:
3. Kusa
4. Yami
5. Agni

SPOT THE DIFFERENCES

Spot 6 differences between the 2 pictures

Source: Pinterest