

His Divine Grace Śrīla Bhakti Rakṣaka Śrīdhara Dev Goswāmī Mahārāja

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Bhakti Caru Swāmī: He's reminded about the GBC resolution that one should get the permission of the GBC to come to you.

Akṣayānanda Mahārāja: So remind him.

Bhakti Caru Swāmī: Some other senior devotees in the temple...

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: _____ [?]

Bhakti Caru Swāmī: [About one minute and twenty five seconds spoken with Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja]

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: Your will is the important thing, and not the hired money.

There is a *brāhmaṇa* who's mentioned in Jīva Goswāmī's book, quoted, a *brāhmaṇa*, a Jain, perhaps one *brāhmaṇa* he used to mentally... *devata*, Nārāyaṇa also, but mentally. So many things he mentally did, Lord. One day when he was going to offer this *paramāṇna* [sweet rice] suddenly a thought came in his mind that it's too hot to offer. Then mentally also, he put his finger into that imagined *paramāṇna*, whether it is too hot or tolerable. But he found the *paramāṇna* actually there, he's in meditation, there was a blister in the finger, the *paramāṇna* was so hot. But all imagination, but between imagination and the thing imagined, there is a relation, and imagination becomes too strong that it can produce things. All subjective, the will, our desire, that is the primary thing. What do you say?

Bhakti Caru Swāmī: One day, once something happened in GBC, they imposed some restriction on Haṁsadūta Mahārāja. So Haṁsadūta Mahārāja's comment was that, "If somebody comes and tells me that Kṛṣṇa has come here, He's in that street corner, so do I have to wait for the GBC's instruct order, or should I just run to Kṛṣṇa?"

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: GBC exists to promote devotion.

Bhakti Caru Swāmī: Right. Not to restrict it.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: Not to destroy, or to hinder, or to oppose it.

Bhakti Caru Swāmī: You said a very wonderful thing during the GBC, when some of the GBC came last October, you pointed out that the laws should be there to enhance the devotion, not to curb devotion, not to restrict or check the devotion.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: To promote, not to destroy.

Bhakti Caru Swāmī: Right. In the material platform the laws are there to restrict, but in the spiritual platform the laws are there to enhance.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: The law will stand as a servant, to help, not as a master.
_____ says, *sedu te pramadi hade paravyoma pade phili* [?]

“I’ll be thrown down in the world of law, by the will of law I’ll be thrown down there, from the country of free love.”

Bhakti Caru Swāmī: Does Paravyoma here mean Vaikuṅṭha Mahārāja?

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: Yes. Vaikuṅṭha Nārāyaṇaloka, Goloka, just lower portion of Paravyoma, and higher portion is Goloka and the lower portion of Paravyoma is Vaikuṅṭha Nārāyaṇaloka

sedu te pramadi hade paravyoma pade phili nahi jai vas vraja puri [?]

Vraja is spontaneous free love, no law, no necessity of any law. Law is serving from far away the *vrajavāsīs*. They’ve got their own law that is quite right. Hare Kṛṣṇa. Hare Kṛṣṇa.

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