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E-Newsletter from Mukthi Nilayam

My Life is nothing but an offering ...

Gn this world, every human being has great power within them. The wisdom of a thousand Upanishads is within each human body, yet, we waste it on lower worldly matters, on dust. *Of what importance is it to me if I am Durga, Mahalakshmi and Saraswathi together? Of what use is this to me? How does it help me to know all these things? I want to purify myself and make myself a pure, beautiful, youthful, virginal offering to Swami. My life is only one of offering; I must offer myself to Swami.* I do not spend one moment of this life on any other matters. All is only for offering to Swami. Thus, I do not know who I am and do not want to know who I am.

I may know all the wisdom of the Upanishads, but who I am and the knowledge of the three kalas, of past, present and future, I do not want to know. I was very adamant when I told Swami not to give this wisdom to me. I do not want it.

I want to offer myself to Him. The peak of my Madhura bhakthi sadhana is I want to marry God and offer myself to Him. My life is offering only. Swami these are the things that You have indicated that I should write about.

Within each man there are a 1000 Vedas contained. Yet, man spends all his time and energy in pursuit of worldly matters. I do not want to waste one moment of this life. I am living only for God.

Swami, you told me before, 'You are Radha', then Shakthi, Durga, Saraswathi, Mahalakshmi. Finally, You said that I am all Shakthis in one, Adi Shakthi. What is all this? Of what use is it to me? I want You! Of what use is it



to tell, 'I am Shakthi, Mahashakthi', if I have not attained You.

Andal, Meera and Radha all performed Madhura bhakthi, but did not attain Totality. When Meera and Andal were here, there was no Avatar on Earth. Radha was in a state of Oneness. You descended and brought me here. I came from You. Thus, I cried in separation. I cannot see, talk or touch You.

Due to this, I took one vow. In this entire world, only we two should be and live. I want to marry God, but

not the Archa Moorty (deity) like Andal. I want to marry the Avatar Moorty. It is for this reason You have said we will come in the next Avatar and marry. You have proved that You alone married me. The Chitshakthi of God can never marry another.

I said that I must change this body and make it a young, beautiful, pure, virginal offering to You. This alone I must fulfill. As I am Prakrithi, these are my thoughts. I want to make this entire world pure, wholesome and beautiful and offer it to You. **My body is verily the universe; the changes that happen in this body will also happen in the world.** *I want to make this body virginal. This means that the creation should be born directly from God, pure and untouched. This is the peak of Madhura bhakthi.* No one can do this sadhana. It comes at the end of sadhana, the finishing sadhana. It did not come to me so easily!

All is through tears, tears, tears. Seventy-one years of one-pointed contemplation,

tears and yearning; these feelings change the Kali Yuga and bring the Sathya Yuga. Swami, I offer my life at Thy lotus feet. My life is an offering only.



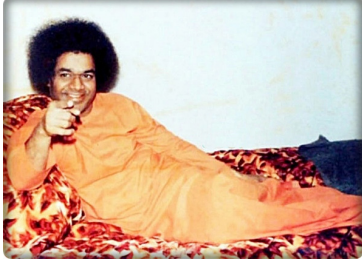
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Om Sri Sai Vasantha Saiesaiya Namaha

Vasantha Rasa, Prema Rasa & Mukthi Rasa

Swami, You are the Compassionate Rasa Avatar. Through Your compassion You are giving Yourself to all to enjoy. You are the Maha Avatar Rasa that all are enjoy-



ing. How many different enjoyments is this Sai Rasa giving? How many ways all are enjoying this Amrit Rasa. We cannot tell or write about this amrit experience. Every jeeva should realize Your Ananda Rasa at this time. The

glories and leelas of this God fill all with wonder. They are glorious!

You have descended in Kali as Avatar and are pouring compassion on all. You are bestowing experiences on all in the world. All enjoy Your Amrita Rasa in many different ways, but they consider the enjoyments of the world even greater. There are very few who taste the spiritual Amrita Rasa. Most only ask for coffee powder from the wish fulfilling tree, then go away satisfied.

You wrote the following in the diary.

Vasantha Rasa - only those who receive this can enjoy.

Prema Rasa - this goes only to Swami, He alone can enjoy.

Compassion - through compassion all in the world get liberation and the whole world enjoys *Mukthi rasa*.

How much I have showered my Prema on You and the world is divided into three categories. My Prema Rasa only goes to You; it is only for You. No one can know. You alone can enjoy and experience the Prema Rasa.

Next, Vasantha Rasa is for those who know and fully understand who You and I are. They alone can enjoy and experience this.

Finally, all can enjoy Mukthi Rasam. This comes through compassion. Vasantha rasa means Jnana Rasa. Wisdom goes to those who enjoy this. Mukthi Rasa will go to all others. Yet, what is the use. They will enjoy for 1,000 years and then once again mingle in worldly rasa. Those who taste and experience Jnana Rasa are close to us. They are performing Virat Purusha Upasana. They will all come again and enjoy and experience in the Prema Avatar time.

Feelings decide our Next Birth

The feelings we have in our present birth decide the form we take in the next. All the feelings that have arisen in a person, both the good and bad, decide the body they will come in next birth. Thus, man is born and dies, born and dies.

It is only the one who changes himself fully can escape from the cycle of birth and death.

A boy wears a shirt. After two years, he has outgrown it. He goes to a tailor who takes all his measurements; his neck, shoulder, chest, the length of his arm. The shirt's length and breadth are according to how fat or lean the person is and reflects in the measurements. It is only after all this information has been noted that the shirt can be stitched by the tailor. It is in this way that our good and bad qualities and feelings of this life decide the place, time and our parents name and form in our next life. When we leave this body, all these measurements are waiting for us ready for our next birth. Thus we leave one body and enter a new body.



You are the Butter

Swami gave this Poem on 8th June 2010 in meditation.

In this desert life

*You have come as a living river
Never dry, You give new life
To hearts turned upside down.*

In the darkness of the world

You make all as heaven, Vaikunta.

*You are the butter I will come to eat,
God cannot live this Kali Yuga desert life.*

You came like the Ganges

And make all minds correct,

Giving new life to all.

You bring the Vaikunta to Earth

Removing all darkness.

You are the butter,

I will come as Prema Sai and eat.

Echoes of Devotion #1 - "Amma, You are Unique"

In April 2001, I had been to Germany on an official tour. There I happened to meet some sai devotees. During the course of our conversation about the glories of our Lord Sri Sathya Sai Baba, they asked me if I knew about Sri Vasantha Sai of Madurai. On my return to India, I came to know that Amma was in Coimbatore, which is also my hometown. Thus, I got an opportunity to meet our Beloved Mother. That was a red-letter day in my life and my journey with Amma started.

I was longing for a long time to know more about Swami's wisdom teachings. When I met Amma, I was so impressed about the wisdom part of Her writings. "Cutting and connecting" dragged me completely to Her fold. Whenever we contacted Her, She gave her thoughts on several aspects of life and our Lord. She never neglected us and this made us reach out to Amma very often and listen to her more and more.

It was a stage in our spiritual journey when we were caught in the trap of miracles and such miracle houses. It was Amma who made us understand the limitations of miracles in spiritual sadhana and thus by Her abundant grace, we came out of this successfully.

Our loving association with Amma grew from year to year. Amma started visiting Coimbatore and we were blessed to host Her many a times. During Her stay with us, She would patiently wait for us to come back to Her in the evening after work. We were ignorant enough to keep the Divine Mother waiting while we attend to the mundane worldly affairs. We were totally taken aback to see Her simplicity and Her intense sadhana during her stay with us. She used to wake up in the morning by 4 a.m and would never rest till 8.30 p.m. We would make excuses to have some break. But Amma would patiently wait for us and then continue to read Her manuscripts. Sometimes she would read twice or thrice the same chapter without any dilution in her concentration during the reading. She never observes any one during the reading. She totally merges. The second great aspect was that She would never ask for different

varieties of food would take a very small portion. She would often tell us with love and compassion not to waste time on cooking.

Amma always practices what She writes. Once during our visit to Mukthi Nilayam, we folded our hands and were taking leave. Amma stood up and did namaskar to all of us so humbly. Can anyone imagine this attitude? Mostly Gu-

rurus bless the devotees when they are departing. We were all so touched.

Amma never encourages sadhakas to ask about the future happenings of personal life. But when she hears about our problems through someone else, she always pleads with Swami to help us, without disclosing to us. Amma always says that if we ask about some issue then only that would be addressed by Swami but if we don't ask for anything, then it is Swami's responsibility to take care of all our problems. We were spellbound to listen to this.

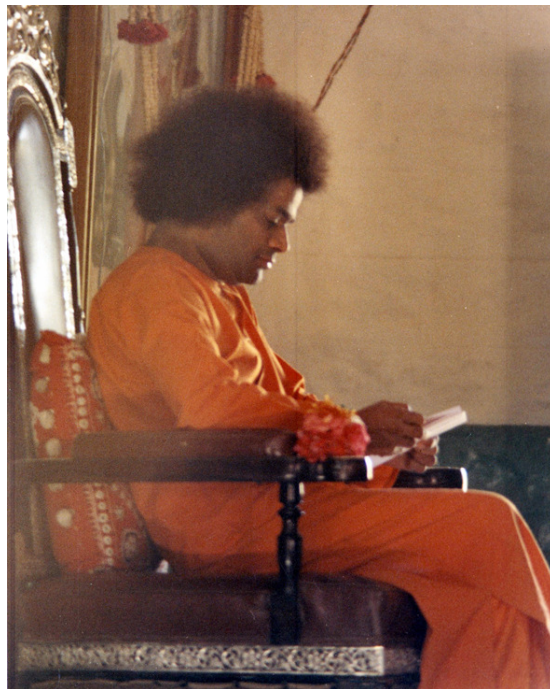
Even these days, Amma reads the manuscript for us during the weekly satsangs and always encourages us to do more vigorous sadhana and attain the Lord. Many a times at the end of the satsang,

we become teary eyed and are overwhelmed by Amma's love and grace. We are at our wits end as to how to show gratitude to Amma for all that She has done and is still doing, not just for ourselves but for everyone in this Universe.

Amma you are unique.

We can count the grains of sand on the sea shore but it is difficult to pen down Amma's sadhana for Swami. Our Beloved Swami Himself is perplexed to understand our Beloved Mother.

- MN. Rao, Coimbatore



Spiritual Q & A

“Amma, you always want to experience God in many new ways, why?”



When we make an offering to God all things are new, new fruits, fresh flowers etc. We select good ones without blemishes, all fresh and new. Flowers are without thorns. Only then do we make an offering. In the same way, I want to offer my body, young, new and fresh to God. It should be untouched.

A newly married couple is filled with happiness and joy. They communicate with each-other secretly with a special sign language. They are like newborn children, full of innocence. They do not know each other very well and so they enjoy happiness fully and express their love to each other freely. There is no place for other feelings. Love alone is there. The other bad qualities lie hidden within. That is why love is called 'blind'. They do not show anything else but love and do not see anything else but love.

Love means to spread Prema. My eyes never see the mistakes of others. This spreads Prema everywhere. When Prema pervades everywhere, it is called the Sathya Yuga. In Sathya Yuga, all will be on a permanent honeymoon. Love will never decrease. Since love is blind, I want to experience God in many new ways. When a newly married couple go on honeymoon, how many different ways they experience love? In the same way, I want to experience God in ever-new ways. I experience Him through my letters, poems, books, songs, yearning, crying, laughing; I am experiencing through many sacred ways. Swami is also revealing His feelings.

Echoes of Devotion #2: “My Dear Amma”

*My dear Amma,
My mind was still
Reading Your book
The heart was full
With your love and hope
I contemplated on your words
And there the Mukthi Star appeared
It said,
Dear child,
There is a hidden treasure in every heart
Seek it, find it, search for it
How?
If you cry, cry only for God
If you love, love God fully
If you live, live only for God
Where to begin?*



*First think of God,
Pray to God
Chant His name
How to proceed?
Go inside, do sadhana
Go inside, listen to His voice
Go inside, feel His love
The Goal?
To attain God is Dharma
To attain God is Prema
To Attain God is Sathya
Thank you Amma,
With your blessings
I will follow the light of the Mukthi
star
And reach the Goal
-Yamini*

You Pull Divinity from All

Swami said:

“You have always lived with God through your Prema, imagination and through meditation. Your only one relationship is with Krishna. Thus, you are ever with Him. Now let us look at my life. As a child, I lived with my family and relatives. Then I left family life and devotees came. All old devotees have gone and new ones have come. How many different devotees have come and gone over the last 80 years. None are permanent. How many lakhs of students have come and gone? Many have been close to Me, but they too have gone. No one is permanent. **Our relationship alone is permanent.** You show this is the only true relationship. You have proved we are together in every Avatar. Not only for the last sixty years that have passed, but now and in the future Avatar also it continues.

Now you write. This is permanent and imperishable, it is immortal. Why do you cry seeing all these temporary things? All the feelings of sadness, tears, laughter, all that you tell to the picture of Me comes back to you. You shower immense love on this form. The one-pointed Prema, yearning, tears comes to a cosmic level and shakes the Cosmic Divinity. This divinity gives replies to you...

*‘Sarovatahpaanipaadam tatsarvato ksisromukham
Sarovatahsrutimalloke sarvamavryta tisthati’...*

With hands and feet everywhere, with eyes, hands and mouths everywhere, with ears everywhere he

stands pervading all.

All these are giving replies to you. Whenever you open a book, an answer always comes. When you think of Me and cry to the ashramites, they console you. This is the all-pervading face, you see outside. They call ‘come here see this, see that’, This is all ‘Sarovatahpaanipaadam’, the all-pervading hands and feet. Because You are always yearning in thoughts of Me, the flowers, plants creepers, birds and peacocks all give messages to you. The fire, sky, earth, moon, sun and the God who is verily in all speaks with you. *Your tears and Prema pulls the divinity in all. It is in this way you change the world.* I give all saris to you. You always say I am giving to all, one, two, a few; but each sari that comes to you, you place on My padukas for blessings. The sari then gives a message from God to you; it talks to you. Each and every sari speaks to you in this way. This is how you pull divinity from all.”

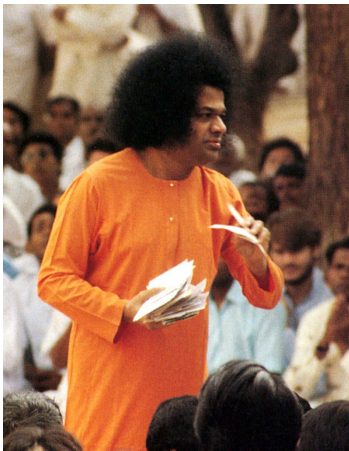
Amma says, “Now all is clear, it is You who has given this clarity. It is only Your form everywhere. My one-pointed devotion is pulling Your form from everywhere. This seems to be the one omnipresent form of God, Advaita, but it is not. It is Dvaita,

Your form.

I am coming to change the world. I cannot do this through Advaita. Only Your form is changing the world. It is for this reason Swami that You and I will come in the Prema Avatar. It is there only You and I will fully live together. This is not only in our physical forms, but through our feelings also. Our feelings enter in everyone and everything and all will experience and enjoy.”

*“Your tears and Prema
pulls the Divinity in
all. It is in this way,
you change the world”*

Only Love shown to God is Permanent



Swami said:

“You close your eyes and completely relax. Then you experience My darshan, sparshan and sambhashan. If you open your eyes you do not get it. Whatever you experience inside, is the taste, it is Ananda. When the eyes see a form, enjoyment comes. A flower is seen and then enjoyed. Whatever is seen through the eyes is enjoyment. Yet, if one wants to experience, this is only within. There is only happiness and contentment within. This is Sathyam This is permanent. All worldly relationships are not permanent. They do not give bliss. Teacher and student, parents and children, husband and wife, all these relationships only last for some time. Some happiness is felt, then separation. These relationships and love are not permanent. **The only love that is permanent is the love shown to God.**”

Om Sri Sai Vasantha Saiesaiya Namaha

CHILDRENS CORNER

Mother of Mine ...



PURE
HEART



Mukhti Ganesha
Remover of all obstacles



Become like a Sandalwood ...

Chandan is an auspicious pooja article along with kumkum and turmeric. A piece of chandan lends fragrance to those hands that extract the paste. This is the lesson we should learn from the chandan; we should only do good, even to those who may trouble us. A stick of sandalwood loses its form and becomes fine dust when it is powdered. In the same way we must live for God and help others sacrificing our ego.

A man that does not know the value of sandalwood would use it as fuel for fire. Another, who knows its worth, uses it in the yagna and makes it a sacred offering to the gods. In the same way, **this birth is not for worldly living; it is for attaining God.** Each and every one should make their life a yagna, an act of self-sacrifice. **We should make ourselves empty of all desires.**

If we do this, we become like the chandan which Swami will take and apply on His body. The life and heart of such a soul will be cool and fragrant like chandan.



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Turning Lust Towards God

Tulsidas was very fond of the company of women. Atmaram, tried to correct him and put him on the right path. The preaching and teaching of Atmaram transformed Tulsidas somewhat. After his marriage to Mumatha Bhai, he never wanted to be separated from her even for one day. Once the Muslim King of Delhi Badshah wanted some service from Tulsidas; but he would not go. The king then came and took Tulsidas with him. After this, the mother of Tulsidas sent her daughter-in-law back to her home. In the meantime, Tulsidas pleaded with the king to let him go. Tulsidas then returned to his home. When his mother told him that she had sent her back to her village, he immediately ran from the house.

At that time a great storm had formed. There was thunder, lightening, a heavy downpour and flooding waters. Mumatha Bhai's house was across the river, so Tulsidas had to cross over. At that time a corpse floated by. Tulsidas was so deluded by lust that he thought it was a log. He climbed on top of it and made his way across the flooding river. When he arrived at his wife's house, he found that the door was locked. He then saw there was a tree nearby with a rope hanging down. He quickly ran to the tree and climbed it using the rope. He then jumped through a window into the house.

Mumantha Bhai awoke and asked how he had gotten inside the locked house. Tulsidas told her he had used a rope that was hanging from the tree to climb through



the window. She then went to the window with a lamp and showed him that it was a snake he had climbed and not a rope! She said, "Oh poor man! Why have you got so much desire for this perishable body? If you showed just one thousandth of the desire you have for my body for God's feet instead, it is enough. This is the purpose of life. You ran to your wife desiring her body, and did not see the dead body, darkness, thunder, lightening, flood or snake. What is the purpose of birth? Is it to like women? Your purpose is God only."

Hearing his wife's words his eye of wisdom immediately opened and he renounced his home that night itself and went to Benares. Once there, he began to sing the glory of God's name. Not only this, but he composed the 'Rama Charitha Manas', as Tulsi Ramayana.

When his extreme lust was turned toward God, he was able to compose the Ramayana. This extreme lust is more powerful when you turn it toward God. He never cared about obstacles. If we show this one-pointedness to God, more power will come. If there is so much power in human love, then think of the power that is there in divine love. It is the power to bestow world liberation. *When we turn lust to God there is more benefit.* There is immense power in the mutual attraction between a man and woman. The love between a husband and wife or a man and woman, make them think one-pointedly about each other; their attention is never diverted to other things. It is through this one-pointedness that power comes. This is the example of Tulsidas. He shows the power of turning one-pointed feelings toward God.

Do you have a Little Time?

3 April 2011

As I am crying so much, Swami gave the following divine poem, 'Who is Vasantha Sai?'

*Do you have a little time
To know about Vasantha Sai?
She's a soul true and simple
In a world full of lies.*

*She's the queen of the king,
Who owns everything:
Heaven, ocean, human beings,
All creatures belong to him.*

*She has come for me
And has come for you
To teach us penance
For lasting peace.*

*She has come to pave the path
That leads to eternal truth
She has suffered every pain
Just to wash away our sins.*

*She has come for a mission
Of Universal Liberation,
We can seek the Lord's passion
By her very own compassion.*



*Vasantha of Lord Sathya
Is Radha of Krishna
Andal of Ranganatha
And Sita of Lord Rama.*

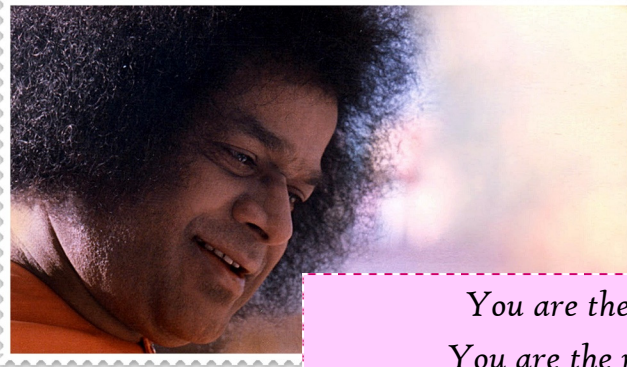
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You're
the
Doctor!

You are the doctor
You are the medicine
Your nectarine name that I drink
Let it never slip from my tongue
Shower Your Grace;
Let it always remain on my tongue
I surrender at Your Golden Lotus Feet
You are my refuge
Oh rare nectarine Sai
I surrender



Echoes of Devotion # 3- "Swami IS the Stupi"

I am in Prasanthi Nilayam and it is the summer of 2000. Swami has "reserved" the best seat in the Sai Kulwant Hall for us. He leaves His Divine Abode and comes towards my direction, while staring at me. I was swept off my feet. "Where are you from?" He asks. I cannot understand...My mind is empty. "Where are you from", "Where are you from?" I nodded at the person next to me for help. "From Greece! From Greece, my Lord!" He nods. Without even thinking... "May I Kiss Your feet, My Lord?" He nodded again telling me to proceed. Oh Lord! How fortunate I am ! I fell on His feet with all my force (and I have a lot of force)... "Oh my God", I thought. "He will fall" I couldn't be more wrong... I felt as if I fell on a pillar; a solid and a strong pillar, yet surprisingly tender and soft. It didn't hurt at all. A thought entered my mind instantaneously: **Swami turned into a pillar that unites the earth with the sky!** How strange!!! I kiss His Divine, Sublime, Lotus Feet. I lost track of time...I heard a voice telling me: "Now, get up. More people are waiting to take Padnamaskar" I get up, completely dazzled...I find myself hugging some Japanese people, without even understanding why. The Japanese told me that Swami entered



one of the Departments of the Anantapur University dancing in an enchanting way. Much later, I had the thought that the way He danced resembled Krishna dancing with the Gopis and the Gopas... I was in ecstasy for a long time. Yet, the question remained...*Swami was transformed into a pillar*, how strange...For five years, this question echoed in my mind. I asked every person I knew: Swami's students, sevadals, people from the Sathya Sai Organisation. Nobody knew the answer. This question was meant to be answered five years later, when I went to Mukthi Nilayam for the first time. It was at that time that we were told that a stupi was to be constructed. **Stupi would unite earth and Vaikuntha by disseminating Amma's feelings everywhere.**

So five years before Stupi was constructed, Swami showed me how *He, Himself is the Stupi. He is this pillar, He is the antenna that accepts and disseminates Amma's feelings...*

Amma and He are one

- Galatia, Greece

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