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Dedicated to and offered at the Holy Feet of 'Our Shree'. Kalki Avatar Parama Sat Guru Shree Gajanan Maharaj.

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Preface

'Our Shree' is Parama Sat Guru Shree Gajanan Maharaj, Kalki Avatar of Akkalkot, Shivapuri, India revered, loved and affectionately known as SHREE to devotees all over the world. SHREE graced our planet May 17, 1918 in Kharagpur, India (near Calcutta in West Bengal). Parama Sat Guru means Highest among Perfect Masters. Kalki means filth, uncleanliness, pollution. Hence, The Kalki Avatar is Avatar that comes to purify the planet and destroy pollution of all kinds and its harmful affects.

Around 1856-1857 Shri Swami Samartha came to Akkalkot. "Smartha' means powerful and the great sage known as the incarnation of Lord Dattatreya remained in Akkalkot 22 years till his Mahasamadi in the year 1878.

Guru Tradition of Akkalkot

Swami Samartha 1856 - 1878 Sadguru Balappa Maharaja 1878 - 1910 Sadguru Gangadhar Maharaja 1910 - 1938 Paramsadguru Shree Gajanan Maharaj 1938 - 1987

"Shree were given charge of Guru Mandir in Akkalkot, India in the year 1938. There were many important dates and events associated with Maharaj Shree's mission and here are just some of them.

In the year 1942 Shree was initiated with Tripuri Mantra by an invisible High Master.

In the year 1944 Shree had the vision of 'The Four Dogs'. The dogs were in a pitiful malnutrious state diseased and only skeletons. The four dogs represented the Vedas as do the four dogs often depicted sitting around Maha Guru Lord Dattatreya. The dogs showed the terrible state that present day Vedas had descended to and the all important need of their revival.

On September 21, 1944 Shree wrote the Vow on paper 'I WILL RESUSCITATE THE VEDAS' (3 times).

On the auspicious day of Vijayadashmi September 27, 1944 at 9.00 a.m. Shree repeated the same, 'I WILL RESUSCITATE THE VEDAS' aloud in the presents of His Master, none other than the Maha Eternal Master Lord Parshuram.

After repeating the Vow 'I WILL RESUSCITATE THE VEDAS', that afternoon in the same place in Guru Mandir the 'Divine Message' 'Sapta-Shloki (the Seven Verses) descended. The Seven Verses reveal the gist of the Vedas and also gives the means to carry out the Divine Mission. Verse seven reads: Yainva Daan Tapah Karma

Yajnya Daan Tapah Karma Swadhyaya nirato bhawet Esha ewa hi shrutyuktah Satya Dharma sanatanah

Purport: Be engrossed in the Fivefold Path of Yajnya, Daan, Tapa, Karma and Swadhyaya. This is the Eternal Religion (Eternal Principles of Religion) given through the Vedas.

In a letter written to Kantilal Patel of Mumbai in 1945, Shree gives 'VEDA-TATVA DASHAKA' (the Ten basic principles of Vedas). These ten basic principles later became known as the TEN COMMANDMENTS of Paraman Sat Guru Shree Gajanan Maharaj.

In the year 1969 a Maha Soma yajnya was performed at Shivapuri under the command of Parama Sat Guru Shree Gajanan Maharaj. The magnitude of the rare Soma yajnyas impact on the atmosphere effected changes all around the globe. If one looks back at that time we can see all the social movements and changes that began to take shape during this historical period of time.

Shree left the confines of Their earthly body and attained Mahasamadhi on December 6, 1987 at 8:45 p.m. Shree's Mahasamadhi seemed sudden and unexpected especially due to the fact that Shree was in good health and showed no signs of illness. Shree had been giving hints as this day was approaching but still the event seemed to catch everyone so unexpectedly.

Shree's wife and devoted life companion, Jaganmata Sharda, know as 'Vahini' and indeed our 'Spiritual Mother' gave up the body ten days after Shree. She had uttered the words, "I was his shadow. With Him my mission too is over."

In the year 1960 Shree gave the Divine Message to the atmosphere through Potdarsaheb. Shree said, "On the pretext of selling books we sent Potdarsaheb to all the four directions. We wanted to give a message to these four directions (East, West, North & South)." Other than Potdarsaheb nobody else could have fulfilled this task of conveying the message to all the four directions (as far as they stretched)."

When the time came for Satya Dharma (Eternal Principle of Religion), Five-Fold Path of the Vedas to go around the planet, Shree uttered the following words, "Carry Our blissful words to all peoples of the world." These words were for Vasant V. Paranjpe who shortly afterwards left India on June 20, 1972 and arrived in New York, N.Y. Vasant had no contacts in USA and very little money in his possession. Nonetheless from that humble beginning he carried the message of Satya Dharma tirelessly over the next 36 years to every continent. Shree Vasant Paranjpe completed the Mission of spreading Five-Fold Path of Vedas in all the continents of this planet. Having completed the Mission assigned to Him Shree Vasant left the body on December 30, 2008.

Most of the 'Sacred Words' of Shree contained herein were shared with the world through Bhausaheb Peshkar, Potarsaheb, Kantilal Patel, V.R. Nargundkar 'Tatya', Vasant V. Paranjpe and other esteemed devotees of Parama Sat Guru Shree Gajanan Maharaj. Our depth of gratitude to them is immeasurable.

Hope that "OUR SHREE" feeds and nourishes your spiritual hunger as it does mine.

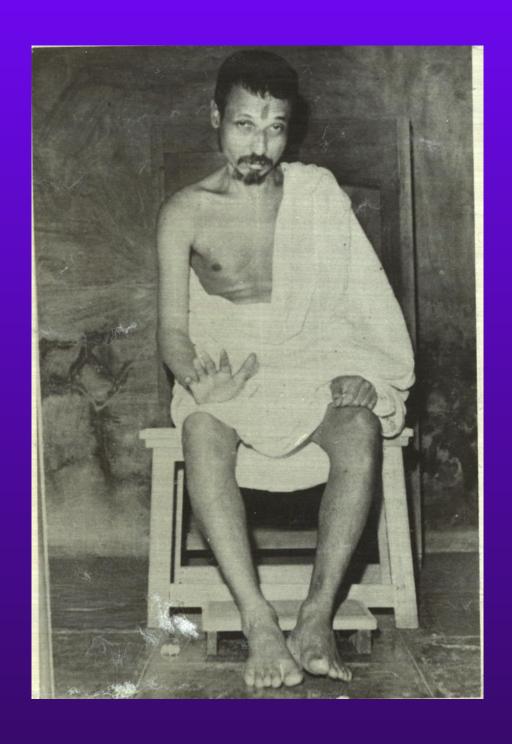
In THEIR Service, By THEIR Grace, Blake

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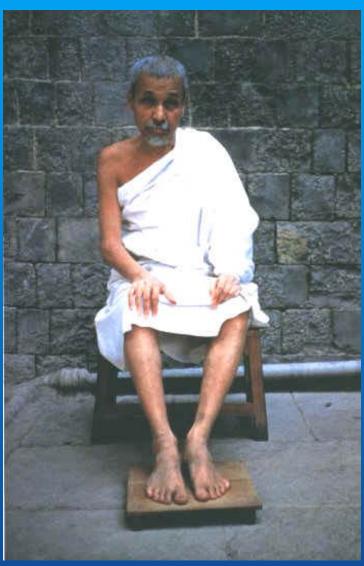
There are 52 'Pictures Messages' in 'OUR SHREE' and 52 weeks in a year. What a 'coincidence'. A possible suggested discipline would be to contemplate one week on each 'Picture Message'.



"I WILL RESUSCITATE THE VEDAS"

"Don't expect the change to come in a day. The wheels are set in motion. Changes will be there but they would be experienced slowly. Dharma is established but what you call practical change, takes time."

"Sapta-Shloki" 'The Divine Message'



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Yada srushtam jagat sarvam Tada lokapitamahah Chaturveda samayuktam Shashwatam dharmamadishat

4

Arsha grantheshu sarveshu Shruti pramanya mewacha Sarvatah saramadadyat Nijakalyan hetawe 2

Kim satkarma kim adhyatmam Yadi vijnyatu marhati Sarva sastreshu grantheshu Pramanam paramam shrutih

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Shushkawadaratah kechin Nanyadastiti wadinah Sarwe te wilayam yanti Mithya kalaha karinah

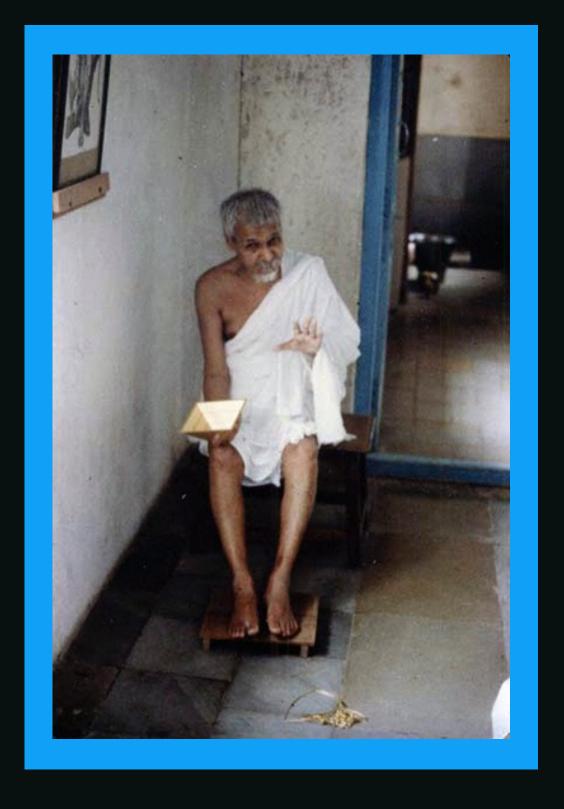
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Yajnya daan tapah karma Swadhyaya nirato bhawet Esha ewa hi shrutyuktah Satya dharma sanatanah 3

Aspashtam cha kada spashtam Tatvajnana wiwechanam Anyaatra labhyate kintu Pramanam pramam shrutih

6

Nastikah wedanindakah Pakhandah wedadooshakah Été sarwe winashyanti Mithyachara prawartakah



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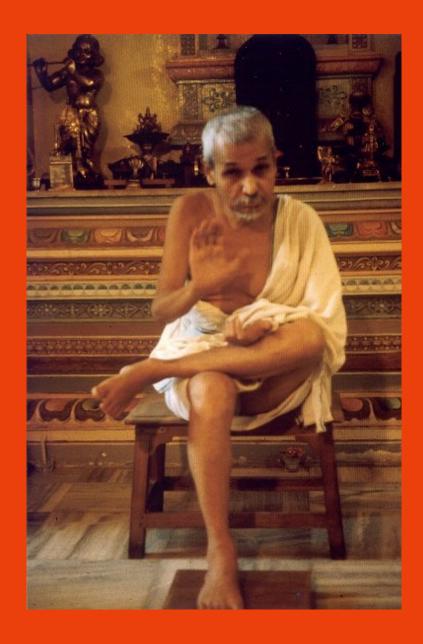
Purport:

Be engaged in Yajnya, Daan, Tapa, Karma and Swadhyaya. This is the eternal Satya Dharma as propounded by the Vedas.

VEDA - TATVA DASHAKA

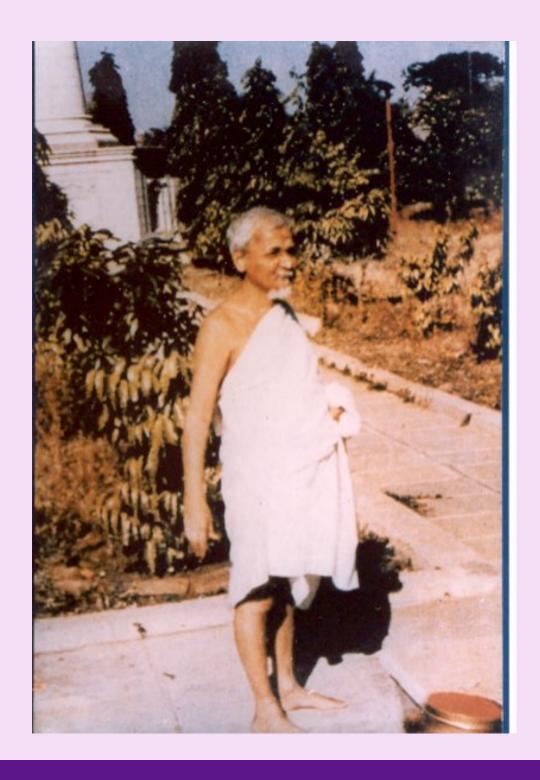
'The Ten Basic Principles of the Vedas'

- 1. SATYA (Truth)
- 2. AHIMSA (Non-Violence)
- 3. SARVABHOOTI DAYA (Compassion for all)
 - 4. SHIVSANKALPA (Best Resolves)
 - 5. DAATRUTVA(Generous Disposition)
 - 6. PAVITRACHARAN (Sacred Behaviour)
 - 7. BRAHMACHARYA (Celibacy)
 - 8. TAPA (Penance)
 - 9. SWADHYAYA (Self-study)
- 10. ISHWAR PRANIDHAN (Surrender to His Will)

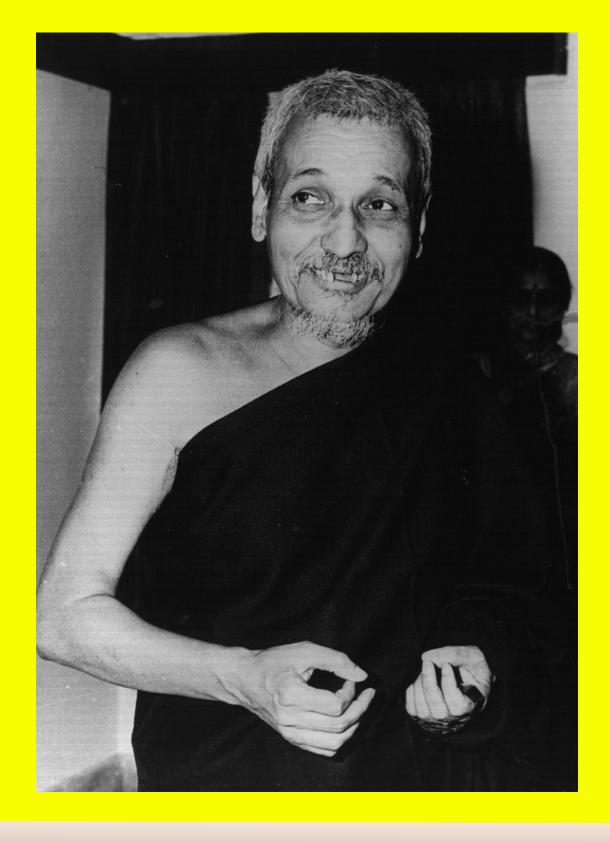




"WHATEVER THE ALMIGHTY EXPECTS FROM ME,
HE WILL CERTAINLY GET IT SO DONE BY ME. I
HAVE TOTALLY SURRENDERED MY EXISTENCE AT
HIS WILL. I AM CONFIDENT THAT THE ONE WHO
HAS MADE ME REALIZE MY DUTIES WILL ALSO
PROVIDE ME THE NECESSARY ABILITY TO
FULFILL IT!"

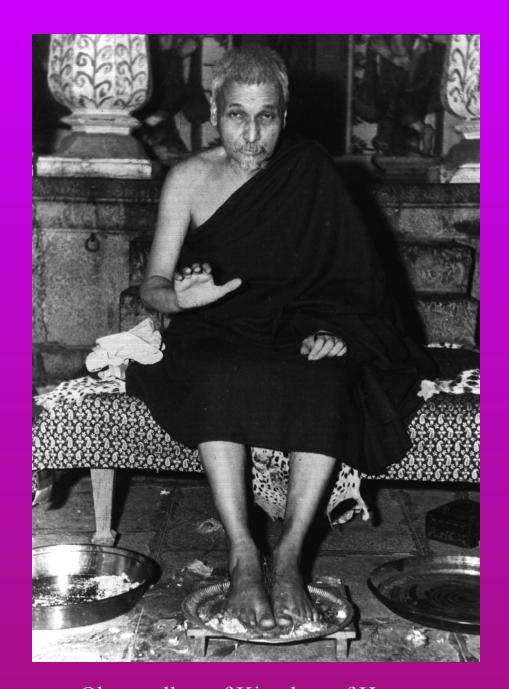


"Satya Dharma is the basic of all world religions. With all the other religions there is nothing wrong. The principles of Vedic wisdom are explained in different ways by different prophets in their own language and their own conditions and in their own country. Only the Vedas are the common and basic factor of all other religions. If one preserves the Vedic knowledge the other religions also will remain correct".

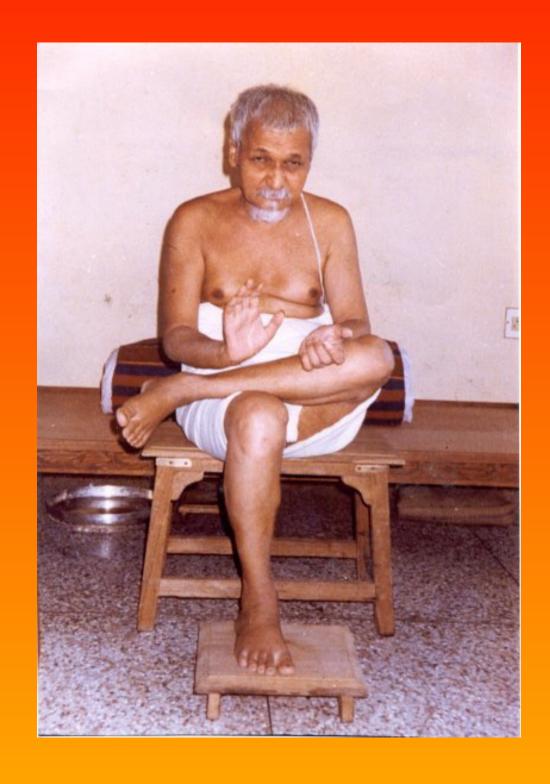


IS IT NOT THE DUTY OF YOU ALL TO CO-OPERATE IN MY WORK?

IN FACT, MY WORK IS YOUR WORK, IS NOT IT SO?

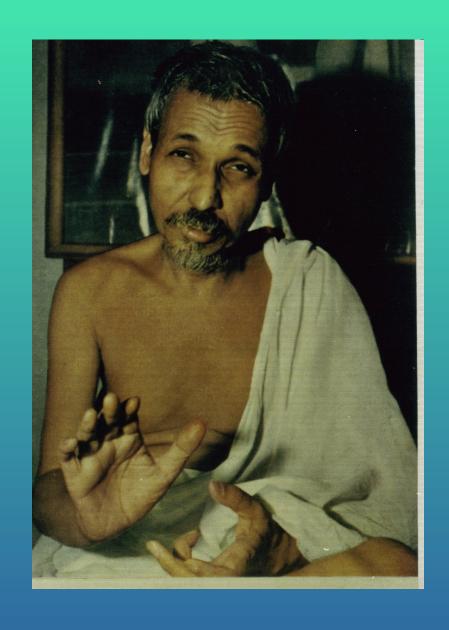


Oh travellers of Kingdom of Heaven travel on Fivefold Path
Path of Almighty Father
Path of Ancient Rishis
The Path of Holy Prophets.
Light, everywhere light.
No fear of day of judgment
No cares, no anxiety.
Bliss, ever Bliss.
Kingdom of Heaven
is near at hand now.
Oh, near at hand.



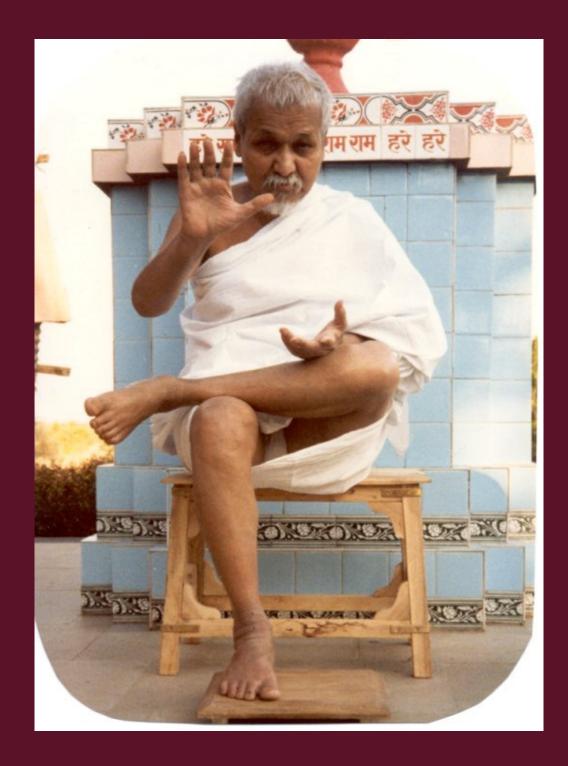
CONSIDER ME ONE OF YOUR FAMILY.

DO NOT TREAT ME AS A STRANGER BECAUSE I
AM ONE.
SAY I AM YOURS AND YOU ARE MINE!



The path which was revealed to us through divine legacy and is certainly MORE PRECIOUS THAN LIFE has been disclosed to you.

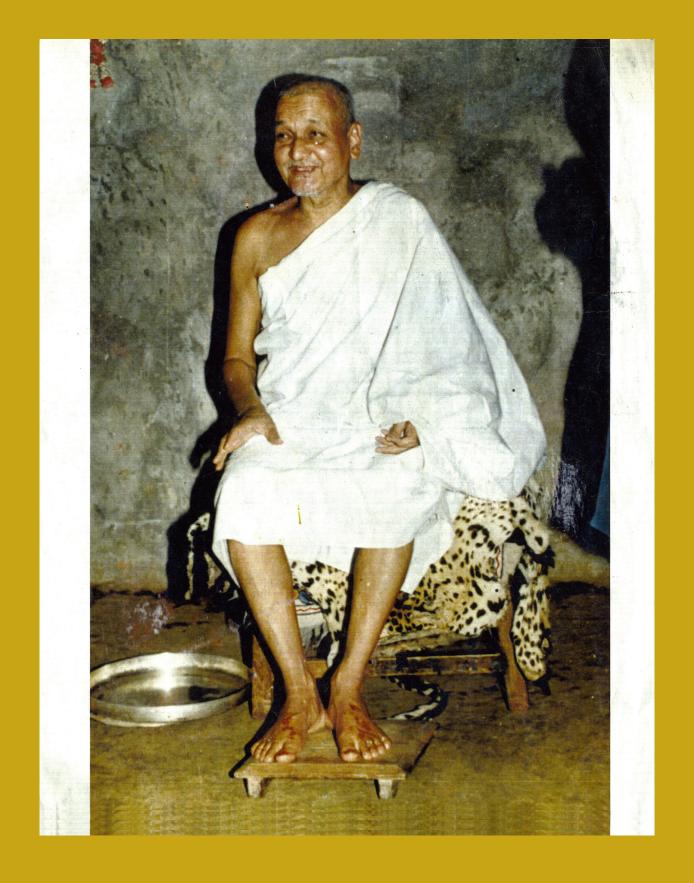




KNOW YOU WELL THAT WHENEVER ANYONE OF YOU REMEMBERS ME I AM PRESENT RIGHT THERE BESIDE YOU.



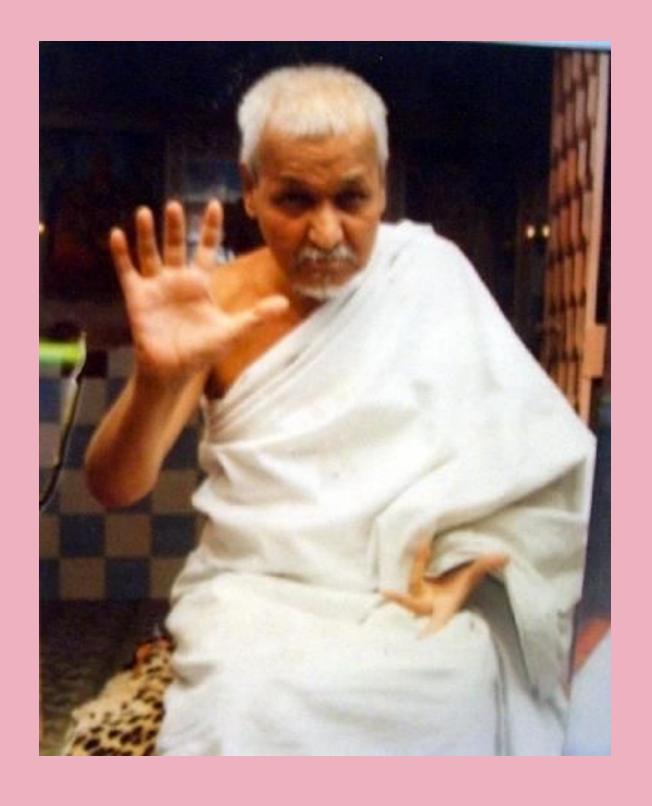
Know you well that the paths shown by me are the most proven experiences. It is not merely the bookish knowledge. Have faith in them. Let your love flow for me and be self-possessed.



UNBURDEN ALL YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES ON ME.



"An astrologer may be able to forecast the events in life but, he would not be able to change them. Sadguru alone can change your fate."



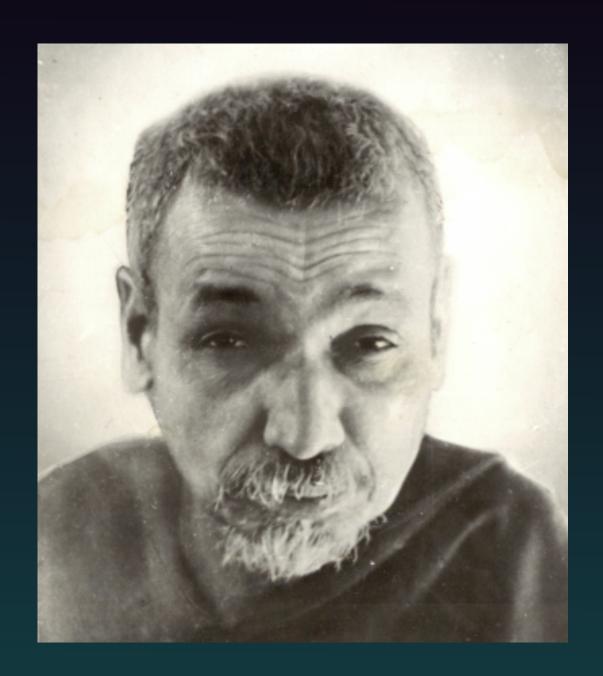
"THE IMPENETRABLE LINK OF THE UNION OF MY SOUL WITH THAT OF YOURS IS ITSELF CAPABLE OF ASSURING YOUR PROGRESS IN THIS AND THE NEXT WORLD!"



"THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN, THAT IS, HAPPINESS, PROSPERITY AND PEACE BE ESTABLISHED ON THIS PLANET. THIS IS MY ONLY WISH."

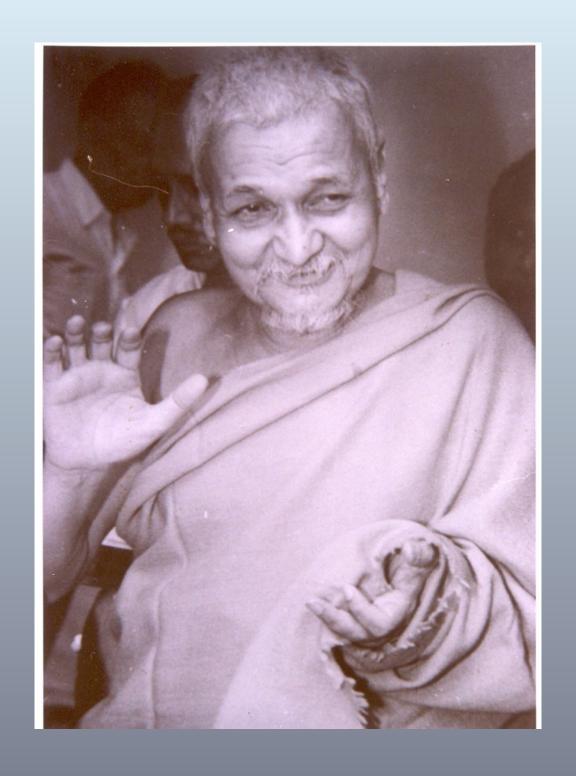


"Sadguru takes control over the mind of His diciple and guides him in his dream and vision. This is so, because knowledge is infinite and cannot be taught directly. The disciple progresses and gets experiences if he obeys the directives."

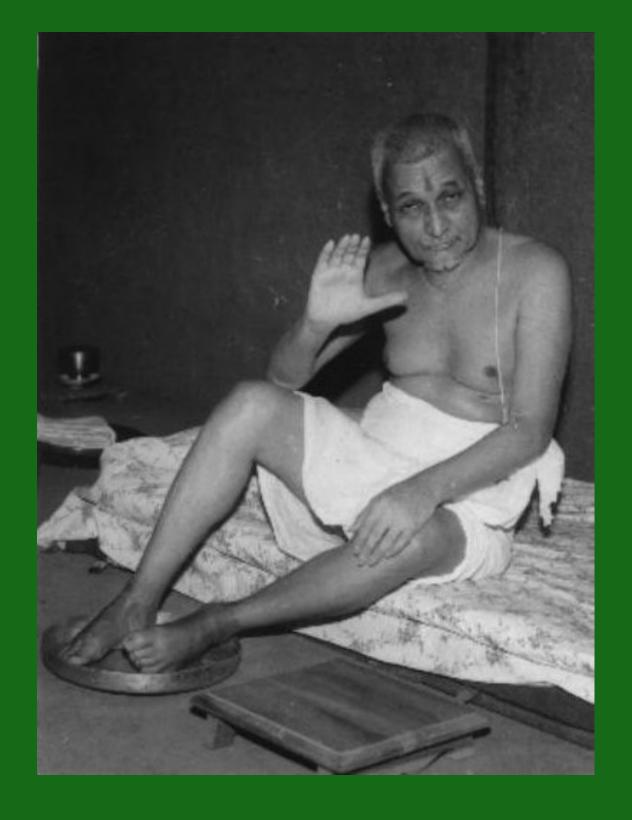


"Every person acquires a state, by virtue of his actions or deeds. If he is in a bad State, it is due to his evil deeds."

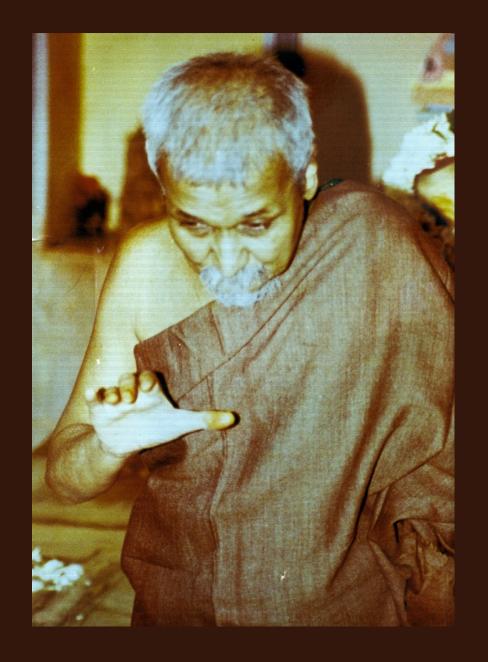
"It is not fair to blame the Almighty for one's difficulties, because one bears the consequences of one's own actions."



"IS THERE ANY EVIDENCE IN THE ANNALS OF HISTORY ABOUT THE FAILURE OF THE ALMIGHTY'S WORK AT ANY TIME IN THE PAST? UNFAVORABLE CIRCUMSTANCES TURNED FAVORABLE QUITE OBVIOUSLY?"



"Study of the Vedas, adoration of Vedas and obeying commands of the Vedas are rights based on equality. This is the teaching of Satya Sanatan Dharma (the Eternal Religion). The reason being the root of all religions of the entire world is the Eternal Religion. The Eternal Religion is the tree and all those religions and sects are its branches and sub-branches respectively."



Grace be with you all.

Oh travelers of

Kingdom of Heaven.

Light of the world has

descended on earth.

Divine light is spreading
throughout the whole planet.

Kingdom of Heaven is near at hand.

Blessed are who saw the light,

For they will enter the

Kingdom of Heaven

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Tryumbakam Mantra

I asked <u>ParamSadguru</u> ... "What is the meaning of <u>Tryumbakam Mantra?"</u>

MahaShree said:

"<u>Yajamahe</u> means 'I perform Yajnya - Agnihotra ... by performing which ...all the <u>three</u> layers ... (Tryumbakam) <u>Bhoohyu, Bhuvaha,</u> and <u>Swahha</u> i.e. <u>this world, the space</u> and <u>the beyond</u>

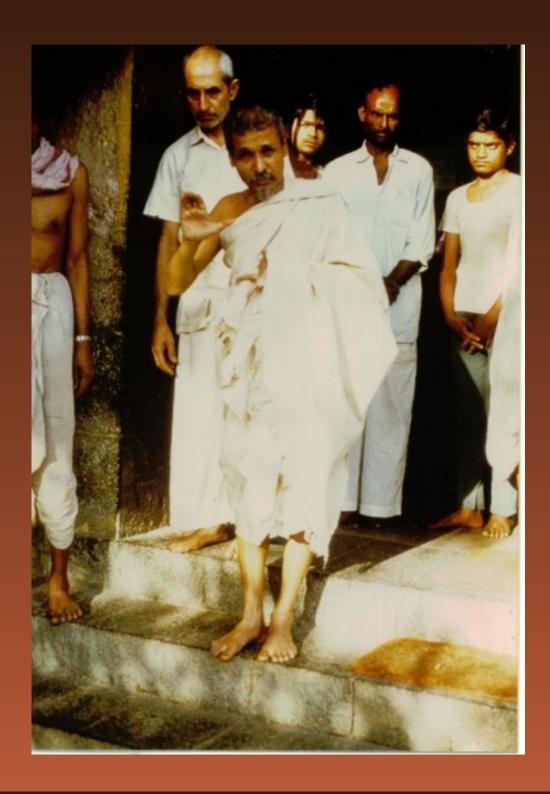
are induced with;

Sugandhim _ Removing the defective aspects

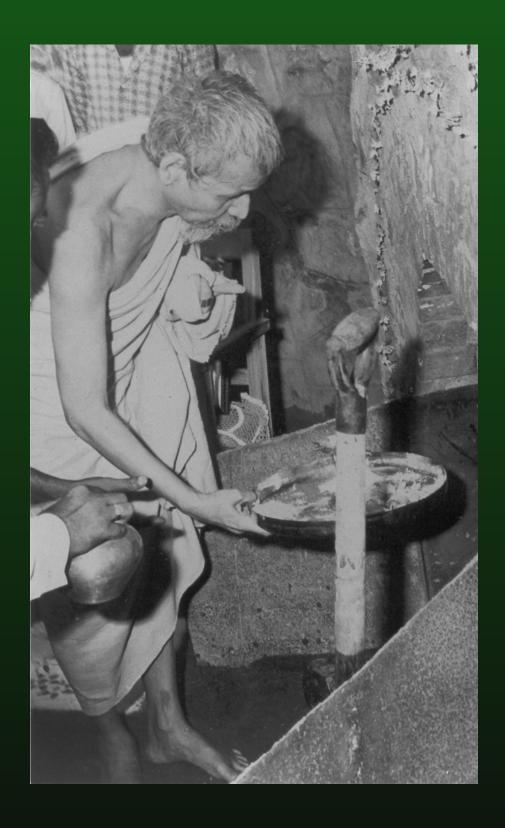
<u>Pushtiwardhanam</u> _ Resetting the cycle of nature;

By these efforts it may be easy to establish contact with ... The Almighty ... by whose Grace Alone ... I may ... be set free ... from the self-created bonds ... of my own previous Karma ... to lead me from death ... to Etermity.

This is Mrytyunya (Conquest of death)."



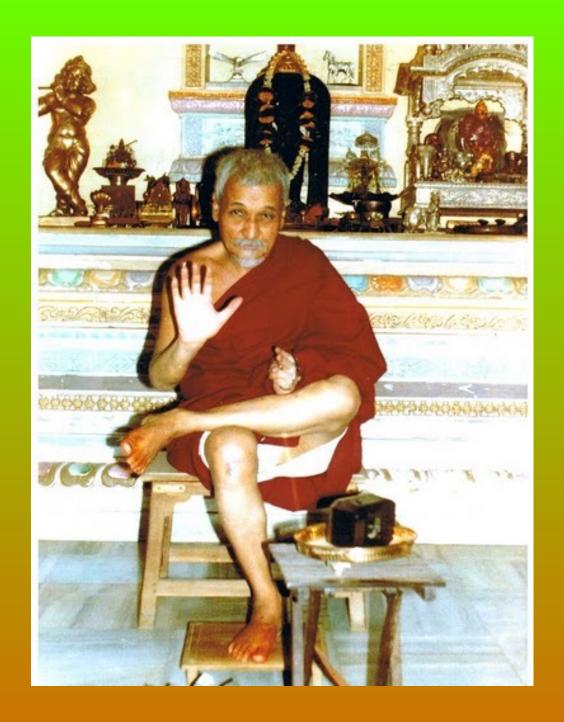
"Sadguru go even a step further and assure you that, if you take solace at Their feet, with firm determination, then you can even be elevated to the state of Chiranjeev Avatar, by Their Grace."



"The ultimate state is That State, where man loses all his wishes, desires, thirst and hunger; and he can remain eternally in the state of Divine Happiness. This is the ultimate aim of man."



"The word (due to one's action) originates from the fact that one has to destroy the mountains of one's actions or deeds. The word (as per one's destiny) is used instead. If everything is destined without recourse to the destruction of action, then the only thing that remains is "to weep" or to bribe the Almighty with Pedhas (sweets) and make demands of it. Everyone acquires his present state as an outcome of his past actions. Deities, Gods, Indra are all insignificant. They wait on a Siddha Purush (A person who has reached perfection). Only a Siddha Purush can eliminate Karma and therefore one should surrender to Him."



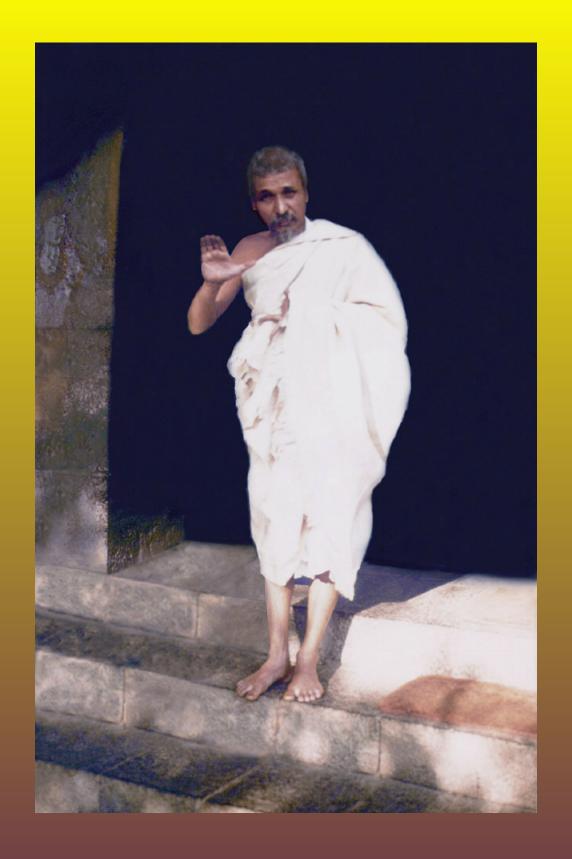
"At the moment I keep myself secret and will continue doing this for some more years. Therefore I do not talk with clear words to somebody and I do not want to speak in clear words. But if somebody comes who loves me above everything, then I lose control over my mind and talk all the secrets to him".



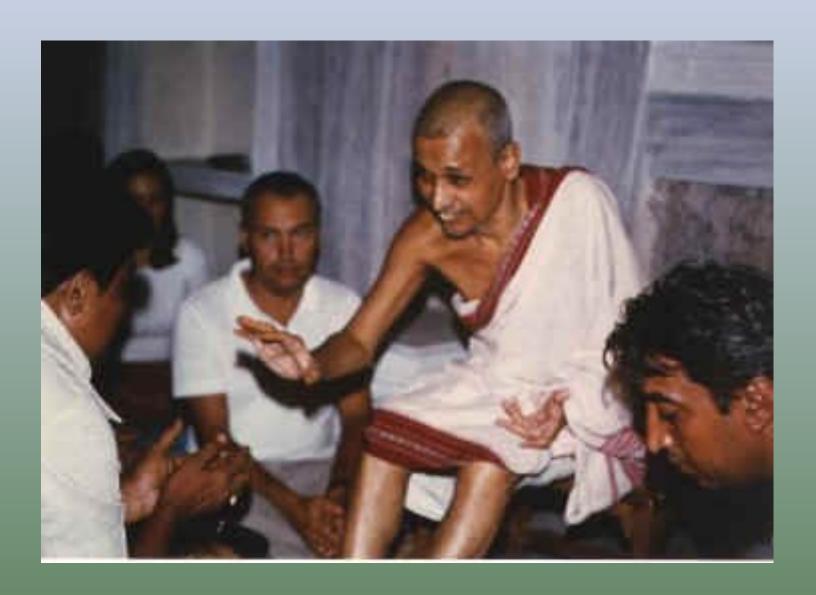
"A person is held up by the bonds of action. If one wants to eliminate Karma, one should devote oneself to Mantra Sadhana. When one devotes oneself to Sadhana, Sadguru does everything that is needful. This is the scheme of the Almighty. If one fails in one's duty and is not able to complete Sadhana, it is also the arrangement of the Almighty. There is the might of the Sadguru behind the Mantra."



"One who has taken to the path of salvation, automatically gets the material benefits also. One does not have to do anything special for this purpose. One, who is lured by the material benefits gets trapped, does not progress and remains far from salvation. One does not have to strive for material benefits. You have been provided with all the means. You do not have to look for the means."



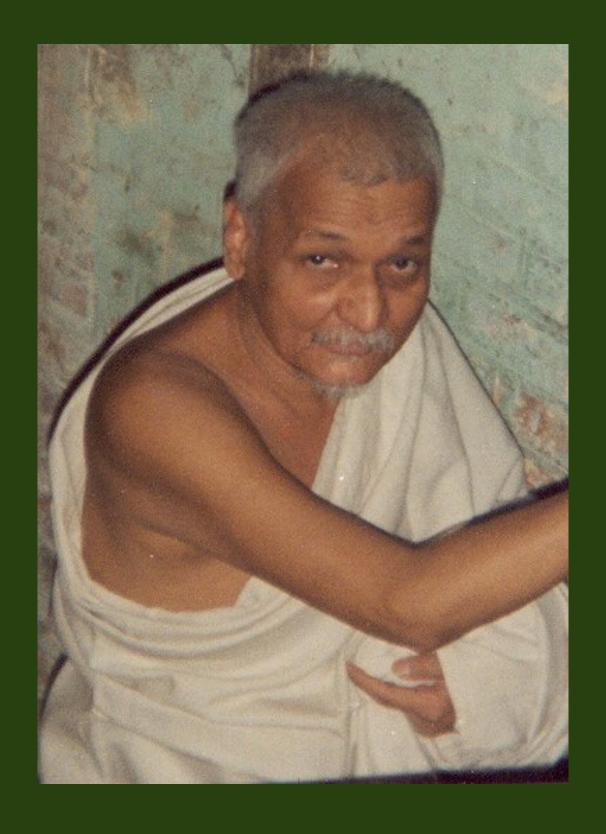
"Whatever the Lord wants me to do, He will use me as an instrument and fulfill it. I have my life surrendered completely to the Divine Will. Whosoever has given me my mission, He will be able to fulfill it through my body. He is the master, He can do it through my instrument. What is in my power is only my confidence.



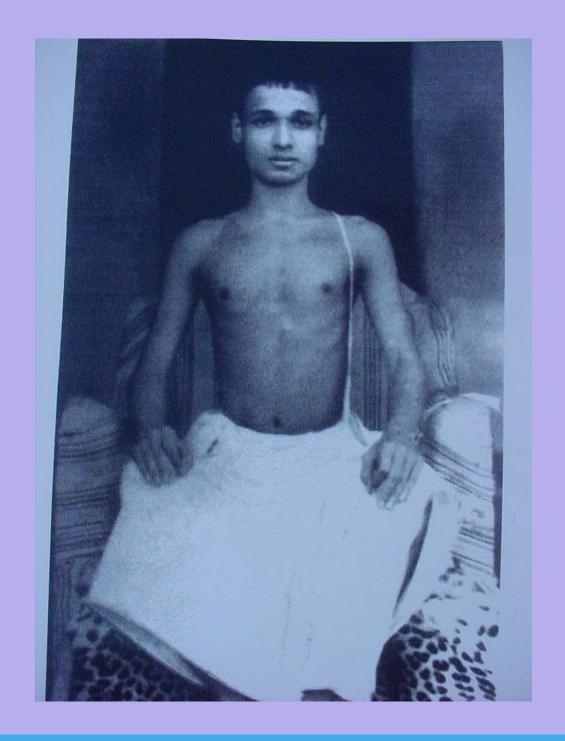
"Never take an oath. The Almighty is watching Even the walls have ears. They are witness to what is happening. There is a citation in the Holy Quoran, 'I am looking, I am listening."

"Never take an oath. You have to bear in mind, that if you take an oath, you have to abide by it. If you fail to keep your words, you will have to pay for it.

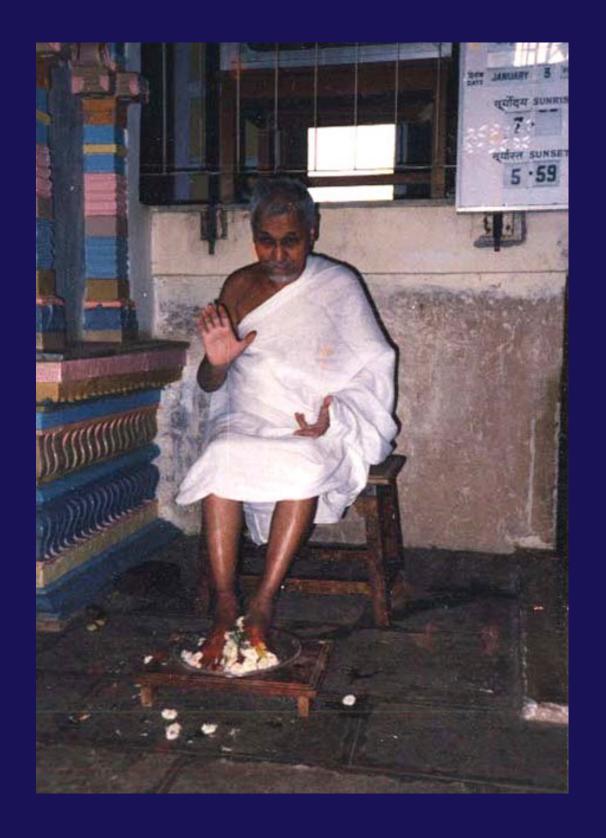
The Almighty is the doer. He is not the creator of your Karma, but, the Creator of the entire universe. He has made you conscious of the Sat and the Asat states. You have to bear the good and evil effects of your Karma."



"When we bless one with Our Grace. We first deprive him of everything. And then only We favour him with a boon."



"A rich man does not have to show that he is rich. But, those who are not rich, have to put up a show. You should be what you are. It is absolutely improper to go beyond your means just to put up a pretense. You should not do things merely to get recognition as a rich person."



"Man does not progress because of the influence of previous births on his thoughts. We showed him the Glory of Yoga and offered a boon, he reverted back to his original condition. This is because of the influence of previous births."

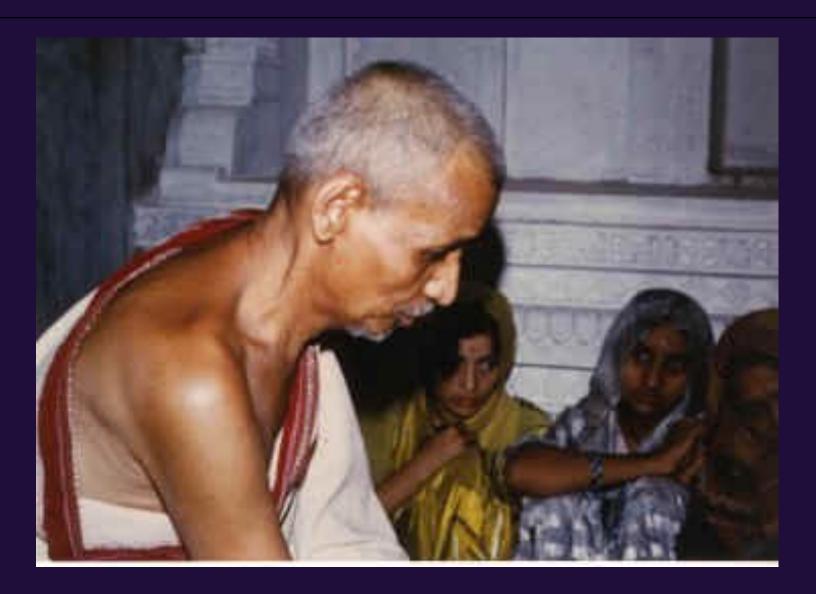


"Sadguru has reached complete oneness with the Almighty. One cannot draw a line of distinction between the stage of Almighty and that of Sadguru. Their union is total."

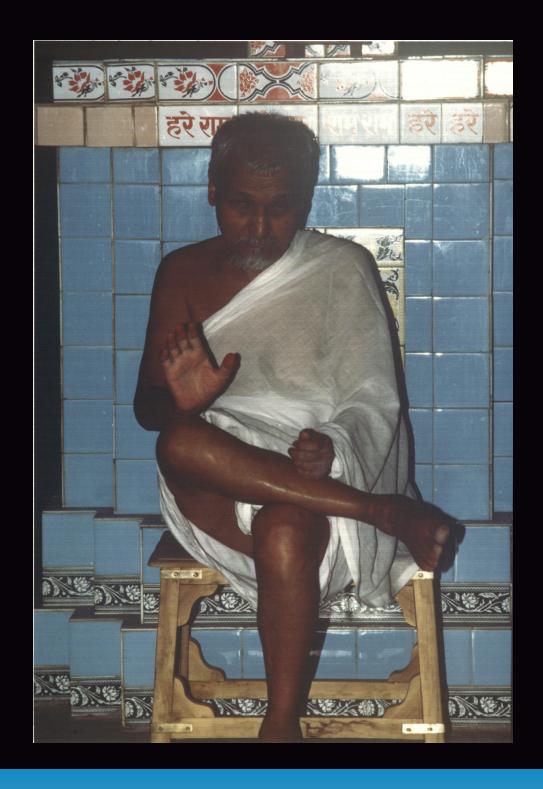
"If you, therefore, prostrate to sadguru, it is prostrating to the Almighty. This is essentially the difference between Guru and Sadguru. Sadguru is the one, who has acquired the (true) state."



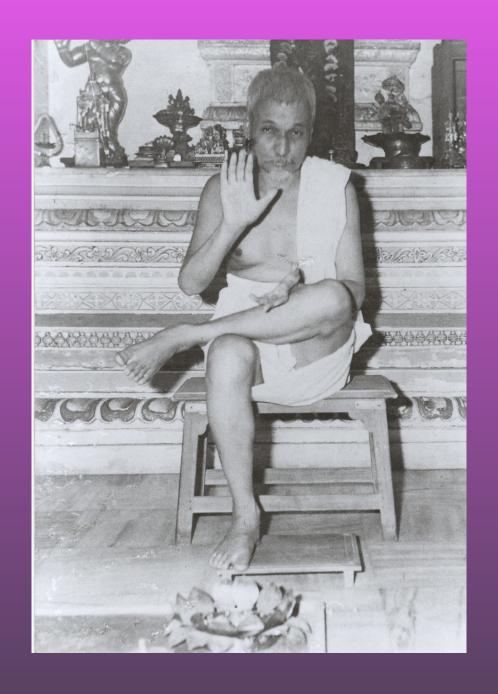
"If we ask people to follow all the rules which We are practicing, nobody will come to Us. The restrictions should come from Within. You should not do a thing, which you feel is incorrect."



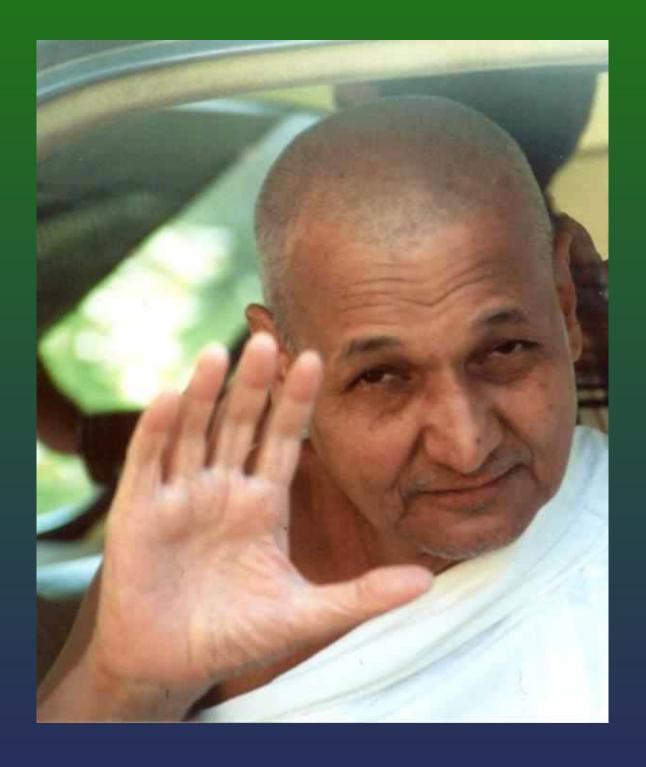
"You should maintain secrecy about your Sadhana. That way, it becomes powerful. You should not let anybody know. The chanting of Mantra should be practiced likewise. The books are imperfect. How can a person, who has neither seen IT nor experienced IT be able to write about IT? When you experience That State and you are in That State, you will be able to acquire knowledge of any thing, about which you think. You do not have to read. You can recollect from Vedas and books."



"One must have a mind, if one wants to experience anything in life. For listening to music one needs a singer. If one wants to taste Shrikhand one needs Shrikhand. But once, one has acquired That State, one can experience anything without the presence of the concerned things. But, one considers everything worthless. After acquiring Self-realization man has no desires."



"IF YOU HABITUALLY SPEAK THE TRUTH, THEN WHATEVER YOU UTTER WOULD ALSO TURN OUT TO BE THE TRUTH. THE DEMANDS OF DHARMA ARE RIGOROUS. BEFORE YOU TALK, YOU MUST CAREFULLY WEIGHT YOUR WORDS. IF YOU HABITUALLY SPEAK THE TRUTH, THEN WHEN YOU SPEAK, THERE IS THE POWER OF THE ALMIGHTY BEHIND YOUR WORD.



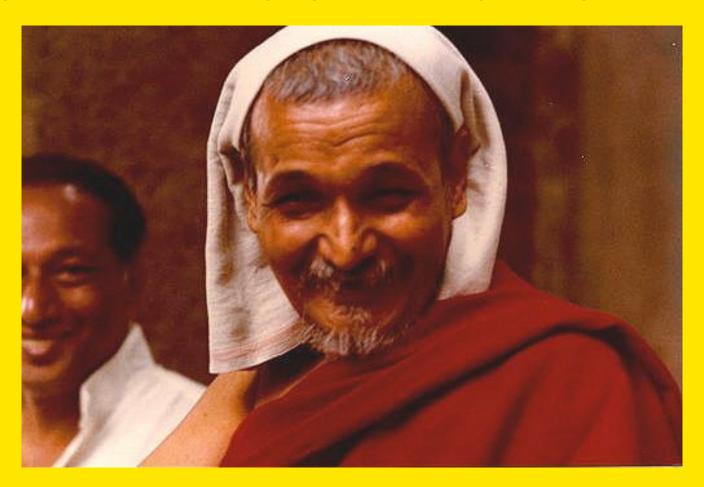
(The saint does not talk, but does whatever he wants to do. A mean person talks quite a lot and does nothing.)

"In the autumn, there is only thunder, but no rain. But during monsoon, the rain carrying clouds pour, without thunder."

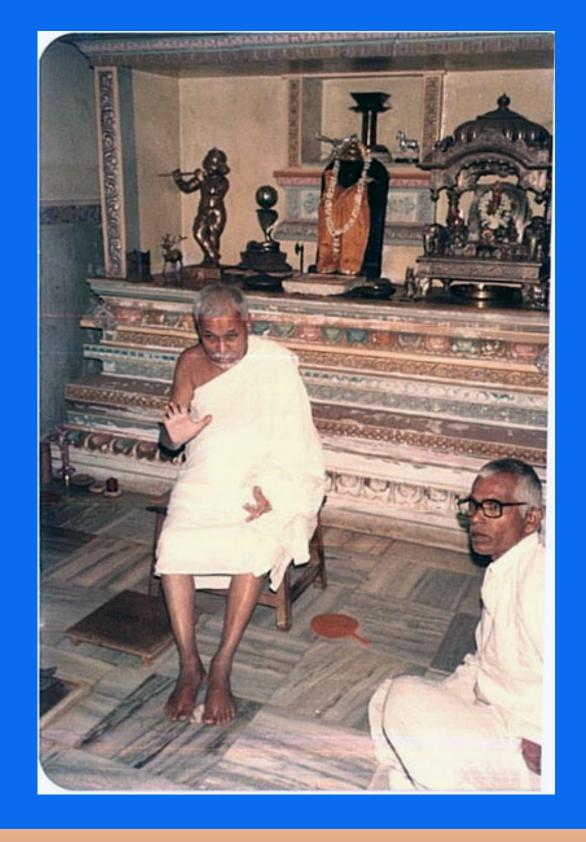


"Two persons with similar nature or habits come together. A cine-lover and a drama-lover cannot come together. Two people, who like to listen to the praise of the Almighty come together. Similarly, people having the same desire come to the Yogi and they are the devotees."

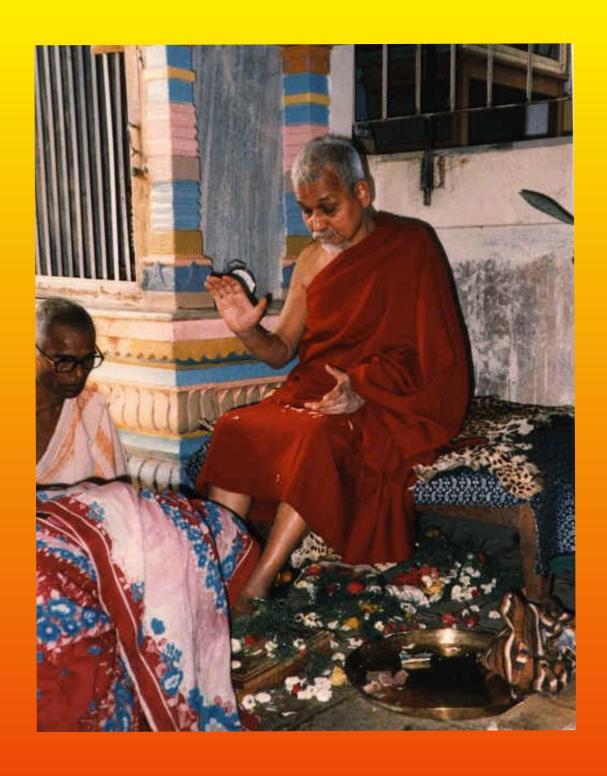
"The cobra uses the same sensory organ -the eyes- for hearing and seeing. Likewise, the Yogi sees and hears with his eyes. The cobra has a jewel on his hood. It emits light. When he sees it, he is delighted. He turns around to get this pleasure. But when he turns, the light also turns elsewhere. The cobra turns again, so also the light. The cobra travels zig-zag, but he never gets the light."



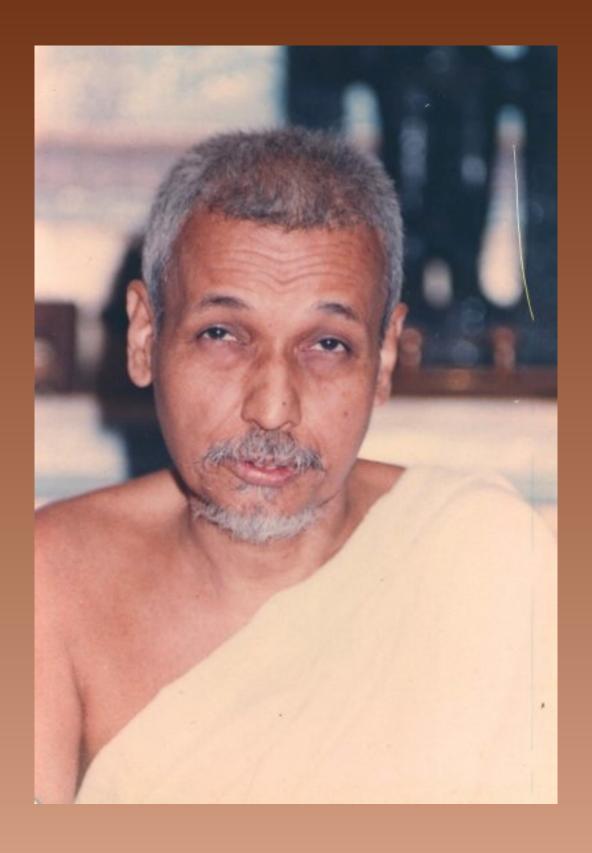
"The cobra lives as long as he likes. When his body gets old and he feels it would not work, he voluntarily molts to rejuvenate. Likewise the yogi is immortal. He can live as long as he wishes, or he can discard his body at his wish. However, he enjoys eternal happiness. He enjoys this pleasure of light. He emits light through his head. Its intensity is many times more than that of the light from the jewel in the hood of the cobra. This is similar to a tubelight becoming ineffective in broad sunlight. The cobra is then attracted to the Yogi. He holds his hood over the head of Lord Shiva, because he enjoys the pleasure of the light. This gives him much more pleasure than could have been obtained from his own emanation. This can be considered as the Ganges."



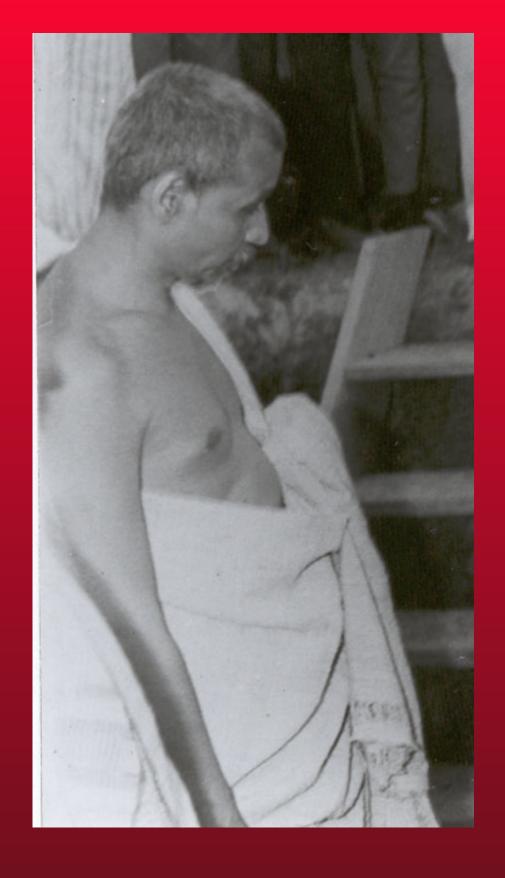
Ganga absolves sins; the moon, distresses; the Kalpataru, poverty; but the Glorious Person absolves all the three --- sins, distresses and poverty."



"A moment lost, is lost forever. One should use every moment of one's life. The tick of the clock tells that the time is running out."



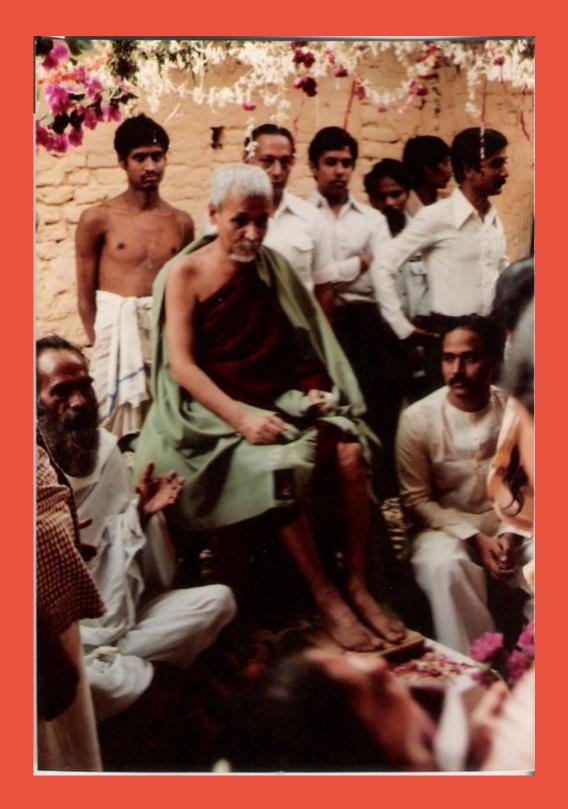
"You cannot get True Knowledge by merely reading the books. It cannot come from outside. It is not to be obtained from the books. It has to come from within - the heart, hence this Yogic transformation".



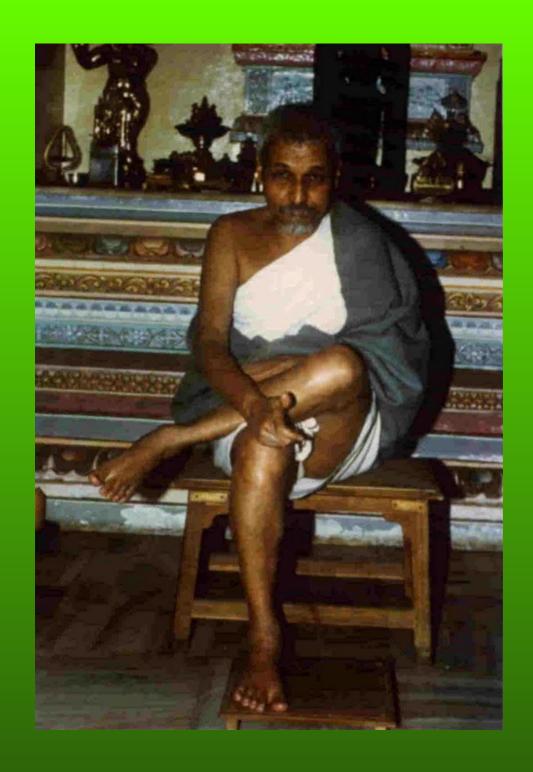
"The ultimate stage of salvation is beyond description. Words cannot describe IT. IT is beyond intelligence. If someone boasts of acquiring IT by virtue of his knowledge it is just not possible. It needs the blessings of Guru."



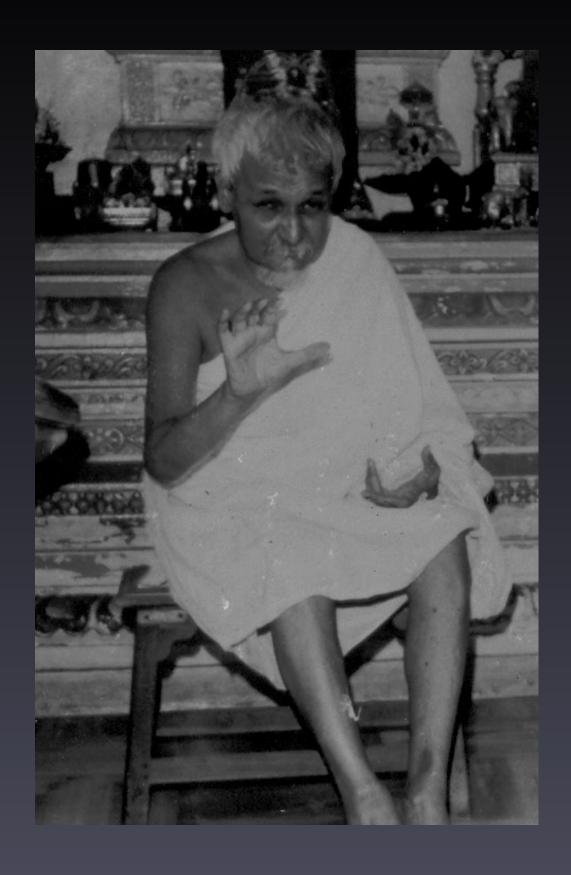
"Everybody has to uplift himself by his own Karma. No book is enough for right guidance. No book is complete. And if you study as many books as you want about other religions, they are of no value as long as you do not experience the presence of GOD. Religious books cannot do more than to prove the existence of GOD. So many things are still left to do. Only the Vedic literature can describe the Almighty Power and keep one on the way. After sometime the Vedic religion will be the world religion. Opposite to the Vedic literature all religious sects and opinions are limited to certain geographical conditions or certain individuals. This is the reason why they are not complete or suit only for certain circumstances. Only the Vedic religion is complete and eternal".



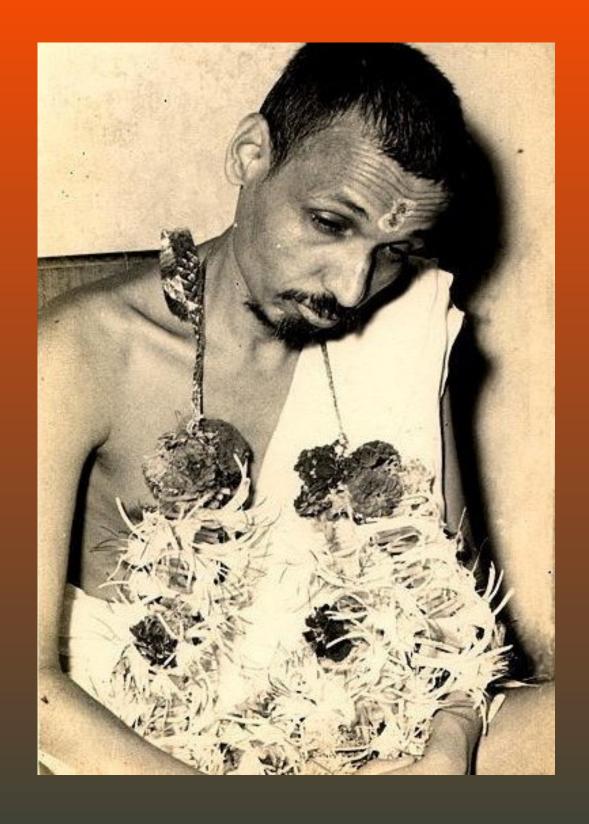
"When a tin plate has a hole, the ray passes through it. If you look through the hole you can see the Sun directly. There is no hindrance in between. Likewise, when you prostrate your head on the holy feet of the complete incarnation of the Almighty - it in nothing less than prostrating to Lord Vishnu Himself!"



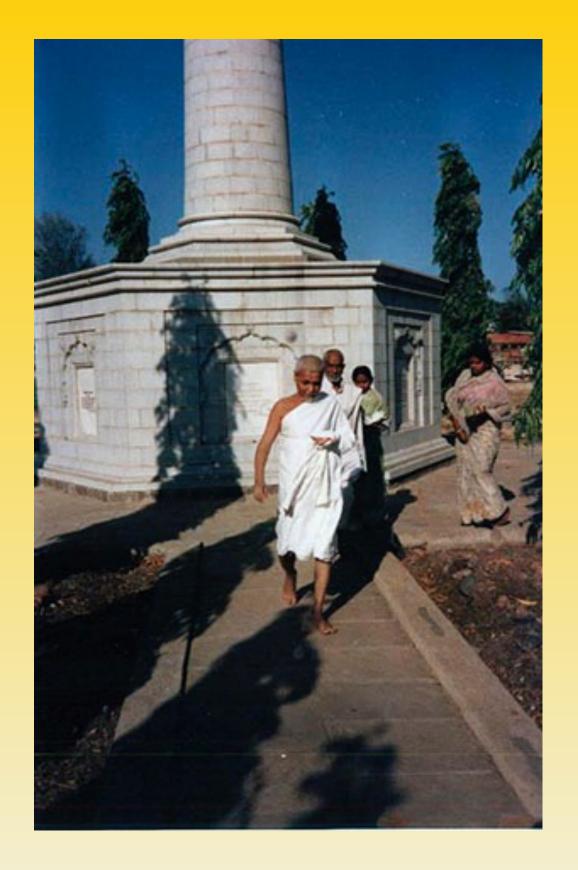
"I am sitting here and waiting to give, but nobody comes to ask for something I want to give. Ask something from me which has eternal value and will bring you self-realization".



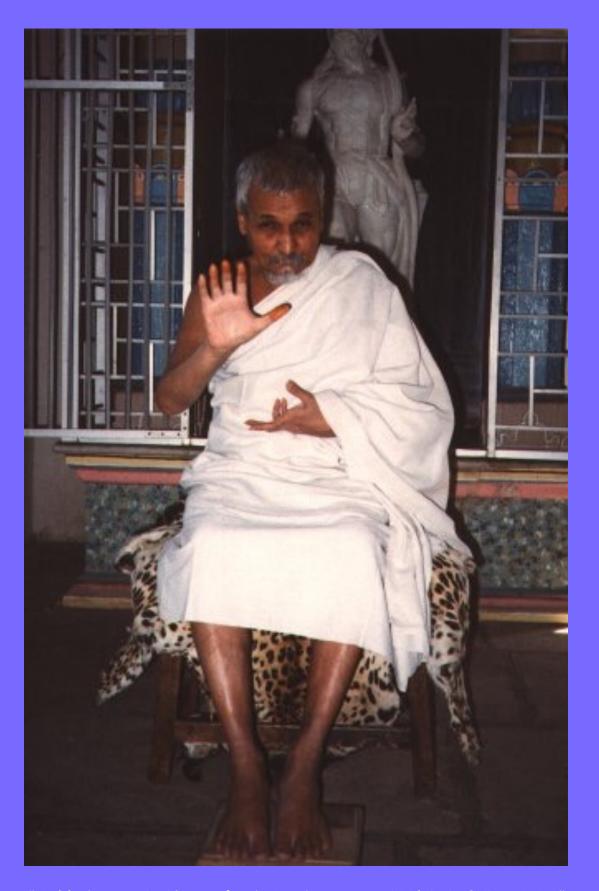
"People come to US to get relieved from worldly bondage. If they do not obey US, they have to take birth again."



"There is only one single Divine Power and the Yogis call IT with different names. The Divine Power can appear to a devotee. Suppose somebody sits there and is concentrating on the Divine Power, it can appear in this form. In Bhagvad Geeta it is stated: "I appear to a devotee in that form in which he sees me".



"Sadguru has no expectations. Without any return in any way whatsoever, He can bestow that Vision. He does not expect service from anyone. But, if He asks somebody to do a certain job, it is actually a golden opportunity offered to him."



"FOLLOW THE PATH SHOWN, WITH COMPLETE DEVOTION." DUTIFULLY CARRY ON THE DIVINE WILLED ASSIGNMENT THAT HAS COME YOUR WAY". CONCENTRATE ALL YOUR ENERGIES MAINLY ON THE THOUGHT AS TO HOW THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN CAN BE ESTABLISHED EVERYWHERE." "SEE ME EVERY DAY IN THE SACRED FIRE WITHIN WHICH I DWELL." HAVE COMPLETE AND UNFLINCHING FAITH IN ME."

