

Metaphysical understanding and material abundance are of no avail to gain access to the Lord. It is pure devotion to which the Lord submits Himself. He who has *Bhakti* gains Bhagavan easily. A leaf and such like things are mere tokens of love.

The gruel offered by Vidura was accepted with pleasure by Sri Krishna. The flattened dry rice hesitatingly brought by Sudama was pulled out from him and partaken of with relish by Krishna. The dried fruits offered by Sabari were graciously accepted and eaten by Sri Rama. Lord Siva accepted the tongue-tainted venison and mouthful of water offered by the hunter Kannappa. *Bhakti* is all-in-all to the Lord.

What should the devotee do then? The Lord tells :—

यत्करोषि यदश्नासि यज्जुहोषि ददासि यत् ।

यत्तपस्यसि कौन्तेय तत्कुरुष्व मदर्पणम् ॥ २७

यत् करोषि यत् अश्नासि यत् जुहोषि ददासि यत् ।

यत् तपस्यसि कौन्तेय तत् कुरुष्व मद-अर्पणम् ॥

*yat karoṣi yad aśnāsi yaj juhoṣi dadāsi yat ।*

*yat tapasyasi kaunteya tat kuruṣva mad arpanam ॥*

यत् *yat* whatever करोषि *karoṣi* thou doest यत् *yat* whatever अश्नासि *aśnāsi* thou eatest यत् *yat* whatever जुहोषि *juhoṣi* thou offerest in sacrifice ददासि *dadāsi* thou givest यत् *yat* whatever यत् *yat* whatever तपस्यसि *tapasyasi* thou practiseth as austerity कौन्तेय *kaunteya* O Kaunteya तत् *tat* that कुरुष्व *kuruṣva* do मदर्पणम् *mad arpanam* offering unto me