

is capable of doing with the human material is pronounced in the following stanza.

How does the devotee behold the Lord? He beholds Him as his own, even as the Gopis of Brindavan beheld Sri Krishna. Those milkmaids cared not for the cosmic powers of that Great Being. Krishna was their darling and they were satisfied with that. To the *Bhakta*, the Lord is his innermost Self and he is absorbed in that feeling.

— Sri Ramakrishna

What is the *Sreyas* expounded by the Lord? The elucidation comes :—

मन्मना भव मद्भक्तो मद्याजी मां नमस्कुरु ।

मामेवैष्यसि सत्यं ते प्रतिजाने प्रियोऽसि मे ॥ ६५

मद्-मनाः भव मद्-भज्-तः मद्-वाजी माम् नमस्-कुरु ।

माम् एव (इ-स्य) एष्य-सि सत्यम् ते प्रति-जा(ज्ञा)ने प्रियः असि मे ॥

*manmanā bhava madbhakto madyājī mān namaskuru ।
mām evai 'śyasi satyam te pratijāne priyo 'si me ॥*

मन्मनाः *manmanāḥ* with mind fixed on me भव *bhava* be मद्भक्तः *madbhaktaḥ* devoted to me मद्याजी *madyājī* sacrifice to me माम् *mām* me नमस्कुरु *namaskuru* bow down माम् *mām* to me एव *eva* even एष्यसि *ēśyasi* (thou) shalt come सत्यम् *satyam* truth ते *te* to thee प्रतिजाने *pratijāne* (I) promise प्रियः *priyaḥ* dear असि *asi* (thou) art मे *me* of me

Fix your mind on Me; be devoted to Me; sacrifice to Me; prostrate before Me; so shall you come to Me. This is My pledge to you, for you are dear to Me.

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Truth and God are identical. Whatever comes from Him must be Truth, even as what emanates