

16. Penances are performed by the Siddhas who desire to have a vision of Him. Yogic meditations and exercises are performed by Yogins who desire to have a vision of Him.

17. Vision of Śiva yields great fruits, endless wealth and foodgrains and the fructification of all sacrifices.

18. Śiva alone is the creator of the universe, the lord of all lores, the upholder of the primordial learning and the lord, the most auspicious of the auspicious.

19. Since you have not duly respected His Śakti, and since you are wicked, this sacrifice will definitely be destroyed.

20. Inauspicious results befall one when those worthy of worship are not worshipped and they are quelled when they are worshipped, since Śivā is the worthiest of all worship.

21. That Śakti is Śivā, Sati, the dust from whose feet is worn everyday by Śeṣa with his thousand heads.

22. Sati is the beloved of Śiva by meditating upon whose lotus-like feet for ever and by worshipping which Viṣṇu attained his Viṣṇu-hood.

23. Sati is the beloved of Śiva, by meditating upon whose lotus-like feet for ever and by worshipping which, Brahmā attained his Brahmā-hood.

24. Śiva is the lord, by meditating upon whose lotus-like feet for ever and by worshipping which the guardians of quarters—Indra and others attained their respective positions.

25. Śiva is the father of the universe. That Sati is the mother of the universe. O fool, they were not honoured duly by you. How can you attain welfare ?

26. Since Sati and Śiva are not propitiated by you, misfortune has befallen you. Miseries have attacked you.

27. Do you feel proud enough to suppose that you can attain welfare without worshipping Śiva ? That haughty pride will be quashed today.

28. I do not see anyone among these devas who will come to your assistance, since you are averse to the Lord.

29. If the devas were to come to your assistance, they are sure to be destroyed like moths by fire.

30. Let your face burn. Let your sacrifice be quashed.