

## ŚUKADEVA GOSVĀMĪ'S PRAYERS

नम ॐ विष्णु पादाय कृष्ण प्रेष्ठाय भूतले ।  
श्रीमते भक्तिवेदान्त स्वामिनिति नामिने ॥

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale  
śrimate bhaktivedānta-svāmin iti nāmine

नमस्ते सारस्वते देवे गौरवाणी प्रचारिणे ।  
निर्विशेष शून्यवादि पाश्चात्य देश तारिणे ॥

namas te sārasvate deve gaura-vāṇī-pracāriṇe  
nirviśeṣa-śūnyavādi-pāścātya-deśa-tāriṇe

श्रीकृष्णचैतन्य प्रभु नित्यानन्द ।  
श्रीअद्वैत गदाधर श्रीवासादि गौरभक्तवृन्द ॥

śrī-kṛṣṇa-caitanya prabhu-nityānanda  
śrī-advaita gadādhara śrīvāsādi-gaura-bhakta-vṛnda

TEXT 2.4.12

श्री शुक उवाच  
नमः परस्मै पुरुषाय भूयसे सद्बुद्धवस्थाननिरोधलीलया ।  
गृहीतशक्तित्रितयाय देहिनामन्तर्भवायानुपलक्ष्यवर्त्मने ॥ १२ ॥

śrī-śuka uvāca  
namaḥ parasmai puruṣāya bhūyase  
sad-udbhava-sthāna-nirodha-līlayā  
grhīta-śakti-tritayāya dehinām  
antarbhavāyānupalakṣya-vartmane

Śukadeva Gosvāmī said: Let me offer my respectful obeisances unto the Supreme Personality of Godhead who, for the creation of the material world, accepts the three modes of nature. He is the complete whole residing within the body of everyone, and His ways are inconceivable.

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TEXT 2.4.13

भूयो नमः सद्वृजिनच्छिदेऽसतामसम्भवायाखिलसत्त्वमूर्तये ।  
पुंसां पुनः पारमहंस्य आश्रमे व्यवस्थितानामनुमृग्यदाशुषे ॥ १३ ॥

bhūyo namaḥ sad-vṛjina-cchide 'satām  
asambhavāyākhila-sattva-mūrtaye  
puṁsām punaḥ pāramahaṁsya āśrame  
vyavasthitānām anumṛgya-dāśuṣe

I again offer my respectful obeisances unto the form of complete existence and transcendence, who is the liberator of the pious devotees from all distresses and the destroyer of the further advances in atheistic temperament of the non-devotee-demons. For the transcendentalists who are situated in the topmost spiritual perfection, He grants their specific destinations.

TEXT 2.4.14

नमो नमस्तेऽस्त्वृषभाय सात्वतां विदूरकाष्ठाय मुहुः कुर्योगिनाम् ।  
निरस्तसाम्यातिशयेन राधसा स्वधामनि ब्रह्मणि रंस्यते नमः ॥ १४ ॥

namo namas te 'stv ṛṣabhāya sātvatām  
vidūra-kāṣṭhāya muhuḥ kuryoginām  
nirasta-sāmyātiśayena rādhasā  
sva-dhāmani brahmaṇi raṁsyate namaḥ

Let me offer my respectful obeisances unto Him who is the associate of the members of the Yadu dynasty and who is always a problem for the nondevotees. He is the supreme enjoyer of both the material and spiritual worlds, yet He enjoys His own abode in the spiritual sky. There is no one equal to Him because His transcendental opulence is immeasurable.

TEXT 2.4.15

यत्कीर्तनं यत्स्मरणं यदीक्षणं यद्वन्दनं यच्छ्रवणं यदर्हणम् ।  
लोकस्य सद्यो विधुनोति कल्मषं तस्मै सुभद्रश्रवसे नमो नमः ॥ १५ ॥

yat-kīrtanam yat-smaranam yad-ikṣanam  
yad-vandanam yac-chravaṇam yad-arhanam  
lokasya sadyo vidhunoti kalmaṣam  
tasmai subhadra-śravase namo namaḥ

Let me offer my respectful obeisances unto the all-auspicious Lord Śrī Kṛṣṇa, about whom glorification, remembrances, audience, prayers, hearing and worship can at once cleanse the effects of all sins of the performer.

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TEXT 2.4.16

विचक्षणा यच्चरणोपसादनात् संगं व्युदस्योभयतोऽन्तरात्मनः ।  
विन्दन्ति हि ब्रह्मगतिं गतक्लमास्तस्मै सुभद्रश्रवसे नमो नमः ॥ १६ ॥

vicakṣaṇā yac-caraṇopasādanāt  
saṅgam vyudasyobhayato 'ntar-ātmanah  
vindanti hi brahma-gatiṁ gata-klamās  
tasmai subhadra-śravase namo namaḥ

Let me offer my respectful obeisances again and again unto the all-auspicious Lord Śrī Kṛṣṇa. The highly intellectual, simply by surrendering unto His lotus feet, are relieved of all attachments to present and future existences and without difficulty progress toward spiritual existence.

TEXT 2.4.17

तपस्विनो दानपरा यशस्विनो मनस्विनो मन्त्रविदः सुमंगलाः ।  
क्षेमं न विन्दन्ति विना यदर्पणं तस्मै सुभद्रश्रवसे नमो नमः ॥ १७ ॥

tapasvino dāna-parā yaśasvino  
manasvino mantra-vidaḥ sumāṅgalāḥ  
kṣemaṁ na vindanti vinā yad-arpaṇaṁ  
tasmai subhadra-śravase namo namaḥ

Let me offer my respectful obeisances unto the all-auspicious Lord Śrī Kṛṣṇa again and again because the great learned sages, the great performers of charity, the great workers of distinction, the great philosophers and mystics, the great chanters of the Vedic hymns and the great followers of Vedic principles cannot achieve any fruitful result without dedication of such great qualities to the service of the Lord.

TEXT 2.4.18

किरातहूणान्ध्रपुलिन्दपुल्कशा आभीरशुम्भा यवनाः खसादयः ।  
येऽन्ये च पापा यदपाश्रयाश्रयाः शुध्यन्ति तस्मै प्रभविष्णवे नमः ॥ १८ ॥

kirāta-hūṇāndhra-pulinda-pulkaśā  
ābhīra-śumbhā yavanāḥ khasādayaḥ  
ye 'nye ca pāpā yad-apāśrayāśrayāḥ  
śudhyanti tasmai prabhaviṣṇave namaḥ

Kirāta, Hūṇa, Āndhra, Pulinda, Pulkaśa, Ābhīra, Śumbha, Yavana, members of the Khasa races and even others addicted to sinful acts can be purified by taking shelter of the devotees of the Lord, due to His being the supreme power. I beg to offer my respectful obeisances unto Him.

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TEXT 2.4.19

स एष आत्मात्मवतामधीश्वरस्त्रयीमयो धर्ममयस्तपोमयः ।  
गतव्यलीकैरजशंकरादिभिर्वितर्क्यलिङ्गो भगवान् प्रसीदताम् ॥ १९ ॥

sa eṣa ātmātmavatām adhīśvaras  
trayīmayo dharmamayas tapomayaḥ  
gata-vyālikair aja-śaṅkarādibhir  
vitarkya-liṅgo bhagavān prasīdatām

He is the Supersoul and the Supreme Lord of all self-realized souls. He is the personification of the Vedas, religious scriptures and austerities. He is worshiped by Lord Brahmā and Śiva and all those who are transcendental to all pretensions. Being so revered with awe and veneration, may that Supreme Absolute be pleased with me.

TEXT 2.4.20

श्रियः पतिर्यज्ञपतिः प्रजापतिर्धियां पतिर्लोकपतिर्धरापतिः ।  
पतिर्गतिश्चान्धकवृष्णिसात्वतां प्रसीदतां मे भगवान् सतां पतिः ॥ २० ॥

śriyaḥ patir yajña-patiḥ prajā-patir  
dhiyām patir loka-patir dharā-patiḥ  
patir gatiś cāndhaka-vṛṣṇi-sātvatām  
prasīdatām me bhagavān satām patio

May Lord Śrī Kṛṣṇa, who is the worshipable Lord of all devotees, the protector and glory of all the kings like Andhaka and Vṛṣṇi of the Yadu dynasty, the husband of all goddesses of fortune, the director of all sacrifices and therefore the leader of all living entities, the controller of all intelligence, the proprietor of all planets, spiritual and material, and the supreme incarnation on the earth (the supreme all in all), be merciful upon me.

TEXT 2.4.21

यदङ्घ्र्यभिध्यानसमाधिधौतया धियानुपश्यन्ति हि तत्त्वमात्मनः ।  
वदन्ति चैतत्कवयो यथारुचं स मे मुकुन्दो भगवान्प्रसीदताम् ॥ २१ ॥

yad-aṅghry-abhidhyāna-samādhi-dhautayā  
dhiyānupaśyanti hi tattvam ātmanaḥ  
vadanti caitat kavayo yathā-rucaṁ  
sa me mukundo bhagavān prasīdatām

It is the Personality of Godhead Śrī Kṛṣṇa who gives liberation. By thinking of His lotus feet at every second, following in the footsteps of authorities, the devotee in trance can see the Absolute Truth. The learned mental speculators, however, think of Him according to their whims. May the Lord be pleased with me.

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प्रचोदिता येन पुरा सरस्वती वितन्वताजस्य सतीं स्मृतिं हृदि ।  
स्वलक्षणा प्रादुरभूत्किलास्यतः स मे ऋषीणामृषभः प्रसीदताम् ॥ २२ ॥

pracoditā yena purā sarasvatī  
vitanvatājasya satīm smṛtim hr̥di  
sva-lakṣaṇā prādurabhūt kilāsyataḥ  
sa me ṛṣīṇām ṛṣabhaḥ prasīdatām

May the Lord, who in the beginning of the creation amplified the potent knowledge of Brahmā from within his heart and inspired him with full knowledge of creation and of His own Self, and who appeared to be generated from the mouth of Brahmā, be pleased with me.

TEXT 2.4.23

भूतैर्महद्भिर्य इमाः पुरो विभुर्निर्माय शेते यदमूषु पूरुषः ।  
भुङ्क्ते गुणान् षोडश षोडशात्मकः सोऽलङ्कृषी<sup>1</sup> भगवान् वचांसि मे ॥ २३ ॥

bhūtair mahadbhir ya imāḥ puro vibhur  
nirmāya śete yad amūṣu pūruṣaḥ  
bhuṅkte guṇān ṣoḍaśa ṣoḍaśātmakaḥ  
so 'laṅkr̥ṣīṣṭa bhagavān vacāṁsi me

May the Supreme Personality of Godhead, who enlivens the materially created bodies of the elements by lying down within the universe, and who in His puruṣa incarnation causes the living being to be subjected to the sixteen divisions of material modes which are his generator, be pleased to decorate my statements.

TEXT 2.4.24

नमस्तस्मै भगवते वासुदेवाय वेधसे ।  
पपुर्जनमयं सौम्या यन्मुखाम्बुरुहासवम् ॥ २४ ॥

namas tasmai bhagavate  
vāsudevāya vedhase  
papur jñānam ayaṁ saumyā  
yan-mukhāmburuhāsavam

I offer my respectful obeisances unto Śrīla Vyāsadeva, the incarnation of Vāsudeva who compiled the Vedic scriptures. The pure devotees drink up the nectarean transcendental knowledge dropping from the lotuslike mouth of the Lord.