

Chapter 5

Sadguru of Muli Captivated by Young Sadhu's Dhyān

The sadhus of Junagadh traveled from Ahmedabad to Muli for darshan. The leader of their group, Chaturbhuj Swami, had arranged this pilgrimage so the young swamis could have darshan of the various mandirs sanctified by Bhagwan Swaminarayan.

At that time, Harinarayan Swami resided in the Muli mandir. He was a disciple of Tadrupanand Swami, who had been a *paramhansa* initiated by Shriji Maharaj. As Harinarayan Swami had great affection for Balmukunddas Swami of Junagadh, he was delighted to meet these newly initiated sadhus from Junagadh.

During the spiritual discourses early the next morning, he asked these newly initiated sadhus of Junagadh, “What has Swami taught you in Junagadh?”

In reply, Gnanjivan Swami immediately sat in the *swastik-asana* and began to do dhyān. Harinarayan Swami experienced a sense of divinity in this young sadhu's dhyān. He was very pleased. Then, he asked them to sing some kirtans. Immediately, Gnanjivan Swami started singing. Hearing his melodious and powerful voice, Harinarayan Swami was even more pleased. He blessed young Gnanjivan Swami and told Chaturbhuj Swami, "You have prepared these young sadhus very well." Following this, he shared many incidents from the life of Bhagwan Swaminarayan.