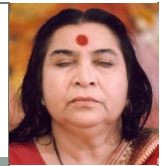


# COMPREHENSIVE LIST OF QUOTES ON AMERICAN PRESIDENTS, PART 7: FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT

FROM 10 TALKS OF HER HOLINESS SHRI MATAJI NIRMALA DEVI

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"If you are the collectivity, if you are Śhrī Kṛiṣṇa, then what are you helping? You are helping yourself! This is your own finger, if you help your own finger, you don't help it in a different way than you help other fingers! That means you become Collective Being, and you are.

People like Abraham Lincoln, as I said yesterday, and great people in this country established these great ideals of liberty. And the liberty, they said that uh, even Roosevelt once said that: "Poverty anywhere is a threat to prosperity anywhere."

What a great thing to say, to feel that, that oneness with others, that anywhere poverty is a threat to our prosperity!

All this collectivity has been expressed by your great men in this country, not only but the sense of responsibility because it is on your shoulders, the responsibility. Responsibility of making others the Self, realized. Is your responsibility. You are the responsible nation, you are responsible for the whole universe."

**1981-1005 Public Program (7th Day of Navarātri), Day 2, The Beauty that You Are, Venue 1, Unity (Church of Christianity), 2929 Unity Drive, Houston, TX, U.S.A. (Unity to be confirmed)**



"All our behavior has to relate to the whole. Even Roosevelt, I mean such a uh president you had, I would say, that he said that, "Poverty anywhere is a threat to prosperity everywhere." He could see that: "Poverty anywhere is a threat to prosperity anywhere." He could see this point at the level of poverty, I mean at so it's not so important poverty part, but he saw that: at least the poverty level he could see that."

**1981-1016 Public Program, Day 5, Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ, 18480 Nordoff Street, Panorama City (32 kms N-NW of Los Angeles), CA, U.S.A.**



"So if you still have ideas of your comfort and all that, you better leave them in Switzerland, in Paris, and in England, or America. Here you have come to take up in yourself is discomfort of this place. Thousands are living like this in much less conditions. Why are you so privileged to have all the comforts of life? Why should

you have all the comforts of life? Even Roosevelt has said that, "Poverty anywhere is a threat to prosperity everywhere." "

**1982-0127 Pūjā (English+Marathi), Quality of Life Has to Be Improved (Become Dedicated to Your Inner Quality of Your Spirit and Thankfulness towards God that He Has Been Kind to Give Us His Grace), Sholapur, Maharashtra, India**



"I think even the uh-uh-uh President Roosevelt said that: "Poverty anywhere is threat to prosperity everywhere." You see, he could feel the collectivity. He said so.

But Americans thinks [think], you see, no end of themselves and they think they are very great and they go on making mistakes and always side with wrong people. Because they are so confused and so complicated, always side with wrong people. They have com... compromises always with negativity."

**1982-0813 Talk to Sahaja Yogis, About the Future of Americans (The Good Side of America Is that Maximum Number of Seekers Are Born over There and America Must Be Saved), House, 48 Brompton Square, Knightsbridge, London, UK (other date 0831)**



**Śhrī Mātāji:** And in sixty years time. Who was before Truman?

American Sahaja Yogi: Uh, ahm ...

**Śhrī Mātāji:** Eisenhower?

**American Sahaja Yogi:** No, Roose... Roosevelt.

**Sahaja Yogi:** Roose...

**Śhrī Mātāji:** Roosevelt. I, no, no, ...

**Sahaja Yogi:** [unclear] four times.

**Śhrī Mātāji:** ... Roosevelt. Roosevelt. I, I, I was with Roosevelt. I remember Roosevelt also, ...

**American Sahaja Yogi:** Yeah.

**Śhrī Mātāji:** ... very well. Roosevelt was one great person, I mean very great. After Roosevelt, ...

**American Sahaja Yogi:** Hmm.

**Śhrī Mātāji:** ... horrible. It's going down and down. This Reagan is: he has no vision, he is [has] no higher feelings, nothing. You see, to combat Russia, you must have people like Mahātmā Mahātmā Gāndhī.

**1983-0527 Conversation with Sahaja Yogis, Before and During Lunch, Brighton Center, Brighton Center, Brighton Center, Brighton, East Sussex, UK**



**Śhrī Mātāji:** Even, I think Roosevelt once said, that -- of course he must said, he must have met real Indian women -- that, "An Indian woman, she is like a magnolia in an Indian forest." Of course, here the magnolias are useless but in, in Indian forest, even one flower in the forest, it is hidden, you can't see it, but you can smell it. The whole forest is fragrant.

**Sahaja Yogi:** Hmm.

**Śhrī Mātāji:** You can't see it anywhere, it's in, in one flower. You can know there's magnolia.

**1985-0705 Śhrī Bhūmī Devī Pūjā (the Pūjā with three sārīs for Śhrī Triguṇātmika), Holland Is the Holy Land of Europe, Huis (Manor) Overvoorde, Rijswijk (6 kms SSE of The Hague), Netherlands**



"I would say Roosevelt once said, that: "Poverty anywhere is a threat to prosperity everywhere." And when he said that, I think he understood the subtle thing. Anywhere in the body there is poverty, mean[s] that there is any disease, is a threat to the whole body.

But for that we are not yet there, we are not grown-up, we are still so insular, so insular."

**1985-0920 Public Program, Memorial Hall, City Hall, Sheffield, UK**



"Even Roosevelt, who was your president, once said: that, "Poverty anywhere is a threat to prosperity everywhere." He could see this point so clear ... clearly.

You see, all these sayings show us that this is a country of Virāṭ, where they talk of collectivity.

They have all the communications, which are important. Every sort of communication is important. But for Sahaja Yogis it has to be very subtle, very dynamic, very beautiful, very loving, very impressive, magnetic, Then only the communications will look [work] out."

**1989-0611 Śhrī Virāṭa Pūjā, We Must Talk of Sahaja Yoga, Camp Wonposet, Lennox Hill Road, Litchfield, CT, U.S.A.**



"See, even ... uh ... Roosevelt said that, "Poverty anywhere is threat to ... uh ... prosperity everywhere." So anywhere's, you feel in anybody, like Buddha was such a ... uh ... great king's son, everything and He saw a person suffering ... uh ... as a sick man and somebody dying, and the, all His comfort and all His ... uh ... complacency [snaps the fingers:] just disappeared. [Laughing:] And then He started thinking, 'What's this? Where am I?' "

**1991-0419 Public Program, Dvijah -- Twice-born, University, Sydney, New South Wales, Australia**



"He was a realized Soul and stood for collectivity. Roosevelt was another realized Soul who said, "Poverty anywhere is a threat to prosperity everywhere." "

**1998-08xx Comments related to America, days after Śhrī Kṛiṣṇa Pūjā, Cabella Ligure, Alessandria, Italy**

