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FROM THE SATSANGHS OF SAIBANISA JI

Shradha and Saburi

Sri Sai does not believe in any dress or customs irrespective of the cast, creed and religion. He takes into account only the clearness in the heart of the devotees. Sri Sai says, "My treasury is full, and I can give anyone, what he wants, but I have to see whether he is qualified to receive what I give".

Shradha is the Trust you should possess on Him. He will surely help you reach the destination of your dreams and ambitions. Your only prayer to Him is to let His graceful hands remain on you forever and feel safe and secure under His arm. Full faith in Sri Sai puts an end to anxiety. A childlike and abiding trust in Sri Sai is the best remedy to attain salvation.

Saburi is the patience you should have towards Him, for Him to bestow His blessings on you. Patience has to be an active phase of courage, hope, and enthusiasm that arise out of one's surrender to His predisposition. Such patience will reap a rich harvest of unique spiritual experience. A passive act of waiting because of lack of alternatives may not be considered as patience that Sri Sainath demands from His devotees.

SAI'S NEWS FROM TIME MACHINE

October 27, 1918:

A committee was formed to manage the worship of Saibaba's Samadhi, comprising of 15 members with Bapusaheb Butty as the chairman.

Nov 2, 1909:

KakaSaheb Dixit, fist arrived at Shirdi

November 12, 1969:

Trayambaka Rao of Ojar Village donated a statue of tiger to be erected at Shirdi, to commemorate the blessed incident wherein Shri Sai blessed mukti to a sick tiger.

SIGNIFICANCE OF MEDITATION

Significance of Colours seen in Meditation

(Source: Saidarbar.org)

Significance of Colours seen in Meditation

Red, White, Black, Blue and finally Saffron colours will be seen in the meditation. These colours represent the nature of the body.

Significance of Red Colour

The stage of a red aura in the meditation is the gross body. As the red stage progresses, body gradually became thinner and lighter. Fat will be reduced. Sometimes Prana would flow very quickly along with the nerves of the lower part of our back. Sometimes neck moves so vigorously making loud sound. This is Hatha Yoga process, affected by the Goddess Kundalini, in order to go up through the spinal column into the Sahasrara. Sometimes when our neck rotates, our chin would get in the juggler notch below the throat. This is called 'Jalandara Bandha'. When this takes place, the anus would be automatically drawn in and then released. 'Rakteswari' is the Goddess of Red-Aura.

Significance of White Colour

It is extremely beautiful. When we see this light, we get an unusual kind of a sleep in meditation. 'Shivatiswari' is the Goddess of the white flame. It is thumb size. The subtle body which shaped like a thumb is the means by which the individual soul experiences the dream state and enjoys some rest. It is the subtle body. It supports the gross or physical body. It represented by 'U', the second letter of 'Aum'. The individual soul in this body is called 'Tai Jasa'. Its seat is in the throat and white flame may be seen there in the vision.

Significance of Black Colour

White light is followed by Black light in the meditation. The Goddess in this colour is 'Krishnaeswari'. First we will see red, then white flame within red aura and the black light within the white flame. Our meditation will become stable only when we concentrate on the black light. During this period, we will see in deep meditation, a deep and terrifying darkness. After some time the red, white and black lights would come. In this stage, we will feel pain between the eye brows. In this stage both eyes would roll upwards and the pupils would spin like wheels. When eyes spin, we would feel the Prana moving gently between our throat and space between our eye brows. We will smell different sweet odors in this stage. Sometimes the people around us will also get sweet odor floating around us.

Significance of Blue Colour

We will see first red aura, then white flame, then the black light and finally the Blue Colour. When we see the Blue Colour, the condition of our body and mind and our ways of understanding will be changed. We feel more delight in ourselves, and will be filled with pure and noble feelings. When this colour seen, meditation will be subtle. When we see this colour, it is the highest stage we have to enter within Blue Pearl to inner self for full realization.

The Blue Colour is a great and holy pilgrimage centre. Jnaneswar Maharaj says: 'This radiant and scintillating and sublime Blue Colour can be seen directly in, meditation. If we want to see such a great and wonderful thing, our way of life and our habits must be the purest and the most holy. Then only we become worthy of it. Our association, our words, and our thoughts should be full of God. He who has seen the Blue Colour is the most blessed of all human beings.'

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SHIRDI SAI BABA'S SERMON

(Four Chapters on Shirdi Sai Baba by Dasganu Maharaj)

The four Chapters are Chapter 31, 32 and 33 from Shri Bhakta Leelamrut and Chapter 57 from Shri Sant Kathamrut.

This is in continuation from the last issue.

Sai Maharaj was a great yogi. One cannot narrate all his leelas, which are beyond human comprehension.

Here is a leela described to Chitambar by Dengale (the Sai devotee referred to earlier). Baba's bed was a wooden plank measuring 15 cm by 150 cm. The plank was suspended from the ceiling of the mosque (where Baba lived) by means of old rags. The mosque itself was in ruins so that even the lizards had deserted it. The plank hung so close to the ceiling that no one could sit upright on it - one could sit on it only by bending one's body like an arch. The plank was so fragile that it would give way if one just stepped on it. On such a bed Baba used to sleep keeping oil lamps burning on either side. Those who did not believe this went to the mosque to see for themselves and found to their amazement that the report was true.

Word of the miracle went round and people began crowding near the mosque at night to see it but of idle curiosity or just for fun. This annoyed Baba and one day he broke the plank to pieces and got rid of the nuisance. Soon Baba's fame spread far and wide and people came in hundreds to the mosque so that he might bless them and fulfill their worldly desires. Shirdi became a place of pilgrimage like Varanasi because of Baba and became known all over. As the soil derives its importance from the flower in bloom, the socket from the diamond studded in it, a piece of cloth

from the golden thread woven in it, so Shirdi became an important holy place because of Sai Maharaj.

Once Narayan Govind Chandorkar, known as Nanasaheb went to Shirdi for Baba's darshan, accompanied by Ramdas Haridas from Wai, Babu Nagarkar and Kangaonkar.

Ramdas Haridas was to perform a kirtan in Nagar the following day so he was impatient to leave Shirdi and told the others that they should leave with him immediately "Enough of this darshan " he said. "Let's hurry up and catch the train to Nagar", Baba told Nanasaheb to stay a while, have his meal at Shirdi and then go to Nagar. Hearing this Nanasaheb became relaxed and set about making arrangements for food with Kangaonkar. Ramdas on the other hand, restless as ever said to Babu Nagarkar, "I have to perform the kirtan in Nagar tomorrow; enough of this mad fellow. It is all right for Nanasaheb; he has plenty of money. I'll have to beg in the streets if I follow Baba. I cannot earn a paisa here. Let's go to the station and catch the next train to Nagar".

They left accordingly leaving Nanasaheb and Kangaonkar in Shirdi. Sai Maharaj then said to Nanasaheb; "Look at these people. In their selfishness they desert even their companions. Remember Nana, to take with you only such companions as will stick with you till the end of the world. A man's companion must be like fragrance to the flower." After both had their food, Baba said to Nanasaheb, " You may leave now but remember what I told you. There is still time for the train to arrive." Nana bowed down at Sai's feet and left for the railway station. There they found Babu Nagarkar and Ramdas waiting for the train. They had no food and were feeling hungry. Seeing Nanasaheb, they hung their heads in shame. In reply to Nanasaheb's query, Nagarkar said ruefully, "Today the train is late by three hours. We hurried to the station disobeying Sai and here we are dying of hunger, enjoying the fruit of our disobedience. You did the right thing, while we made fools of ourselves."

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THE DREAMS TRAIN

(Dreams Of Saibanisa after Undergoing Bypass Surgery on 17-5-1996)

Compiled by Saibandhu Raghu Raman Satulury

15-06-1996:

Sai appeared as a saint and said:

1. Marital life is not a hindrance for service of Sai. Mahlsapathi did justice to both at the same time. You also adopt the same procedure.
2. Some of the Sai devotees coming to you may come with bad intentions. Be careful in dealing with them.
3. Do not aspire to amass wealth in the name of Sai, lest you may encounter legal problems.

Conduct yourself as per the situational demands.

18-06-1996:

Sai appeared as an unknown person and said:

1. Speak about Sai philosophy to Sai bandhus with authenticity and by drawing examples with proofs. Sai's life is an open book.
2. Follow the principles of Sraddha and Saburi, which are like two wheels of a bicycle. Take the pains of going to the milk booth to fetch milk.
3. Try to look your wife also as a Sai bandhu so that gradually you get rid of passion.

Nothing in this World comes effortless.

DEVOTEES CORNER

Devotees Experiences

A great MIRACLE of Shri Saibaba happened at my home on thursday the 15th Oct 2009 during AMRITVANI-PATH between 11.00 to 12.00 noon. After the bhog to Baba the coconut in front of the Baba ji's photo was cracked automatically.

All the Sai devotees please have DARSHAN of the coconut. Below is the photograph of "THE GREAT MIRACLE" of coconut which was cracked. Please forward this message to other Sai devotees.



Ved Parkash from Ludhiana, (Punjab)
and my all Sai parivaar.

Om Sai Ram.

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Articles from Devotees

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Thursday, 24 July, 2008

Sai agar tujh ko apni jindagi banaya na hota
duniya ki har kushi ko hamne yuin hi ganvaya hota
na main tujhe bholu na tu mujhe bhule sai
kash kuch aur tumnein mujhe rulaya hota
har sitam manjoor hai tera mujhe sai
kash kuch aur tune mujhe sataya hota
tujhe milne ki tamana mein jee rahi hoon sai
kash waqt aisa kabhi to aaya hota
thak chuki hai yeh nazren tere intejar mein sai
kash yeh sapna kuch der aur palkon pe sajaya hota
rutha agar tu to manaungi hazar bar tujhe sai
kash tune kabhi to hamein bhi manaya hota

-Sudha

(Posted from the archives fo SaiDarbar)

SURRENDER

Absolute surrender to Guru will cause both material and spiritual benefits Bhau-Raghuvira Bhaskara Purandhare was interviewed by Pujya B.V.Narasimha Swami ji on May 4, 1936 at Pune. Bhau was earning Rs. 35.00 per month in Bombay. He used to look after his mother and brother apart from his wife and children. Having heard of Baba through Dasganu Maharaj, he struggled to see Baba, He somehow collected money to go to Shirdi in 1909. At that time his six months old baby was having fever and his mother objected to his trip. Bhau persisted and left to Shirdi with full faith in Baba. The baby's fever vanished the moment, he set foot on Shirdi. His mother prayed to Baba to protect Bhau as he was a junior clerk. Baba told her that he knew Bhau for over seven hundred years and he was protecting him from his childhood and he will not take food without feeding him first. Bhau got angry easily and Baba implanted love in the place of Bhau's anger.

Because Bhau was suffering from staying in rented places, Baba directed him to buy a site and build a house. Bhau kept quiet as it was economically impossible for him. After repeated visits of Bhau, Baba told Bade Baba to question Bhau as to why he was not following his directions. After ascertaining his financial situation, Badebaba sent him to Rich Chandorkar and Kaka

Dikshit. After hearing his economic plight from Bhau, Chandorkar met Baba that they would build a house and give it to Bhau. Baba told him that there was no need for anybody to help him. Bhau has enormous funds in his durbar and that he was the only person competent to bless his devotee.

In Bandra where Bhau was staying, house sites became available at cheap rates. Without a document or interest, Bhau's friend gave him the required money and Bhau purchased the land and went to Shirdi, on Sri Rama Navami and looking after the control of the devotee crowds. Baba shouted that Bhau was not giving him any peace. Baba's was in anger that Bhau did not build the house before he went to Shirdi. Then he had a terrific headache. Some devotee told to Baba Bhau's condition. Baba kept quiet. Bhau understood that Baba is angry for his not building the house. So he came back with the headache, borrowed from his office at cheap rates and built a house. Immediately the headache vanished. He went to Shirdi but was feeling that the house was far away from office and he was leaving his family alone there. Baba told him that he personally will guard his family and need not worry on that count. This is how Shirdi Maharaj looks after devotees who completely surrender to him.

MRK, Phoenix, AZ, USA

(Posted from the Archives of SaiDarbar)

Letters from Devotees

SaiRam

I am really grateful to people making this website / web pages happening, all these man-hours contributed are donations made to this society for its well being and positive growth, Sai Baba shall be flourishing you all with his kindness.

My Regards & Best Wishes to All,

Om Sai Ram

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OM SAIRAM JAI SAIRAM

The Nine discourses of Shri Saibanisa ji is a true and biggest blessing to the entire mankind and it brings one closer and closer to our perfect master our God Samarth Sadguru Sainath Maharaj. I express my deepest gratitude and thanks to Shri Saibanisa ji for giving us the divine margdarshan thru these discourses and bless us. The way he has explained the meaning and essence of Sri Sai Satcharita is wonderful and cannot be expressed in words. Listening to it keeps you in complete bliss and takes you thru a spiritual journey and makes us feel so much closer to our Sainath Maharaj.

Shri Saibanisa ji is truly blessed and the best thing happened to all true Sai devotees. Saibaba speaks thru him and devotees benefit immensely thru his personal experiences with Saibaba. The comparisons made between Shiv mahapuran, Ramayana, Bhagvad gita, Guru gita and Sri Sai Satcharita is amazing and helps us believe completely that there is no difference between Sri Sai Satcharita and all these important grantha's. Sai Satcharita has the essence of all. Shri Saibanisa ji has very nicely explained us that Shri Saibaba is Lord Rama, Lord Krishna, Lord Shiva and Lord Maruti. With all the examples given in the discourses and the comparisons made in the situations and facts of Lord Shiva and Saibaba, Lord Rama and Saibaba and Lord Krishna and Saibaba is great and so true.

His advice to Gruhasthas, Sai's Philosophy and Hidden meanings are a must Listen for all & will benefit all of us in a great way. The way he explained about Sai Era which will last for 600 years and the same energy will take another form after 2518, is just great and amazing. He has not only convincingly explained us mythologically but also scientifically about one of Baba's eleven assurances that my bones will speak from my tomb and that I shall be ever active and my Samadhi will speak to you.

These Discourses are Sainath Maharaj's direct blessings to His devotees through Shri Saibanisa ji. I personally request and appeal to all Shirdi Sai Devotees to get their copies of the discourses CDs and feel Sai bliss and blessings.

My sincere thanks to Shri Sainath Maharaj and Shri Saibanisa ji for releasing these CDs which brings a great meaning and margadarshan in life for the spiritual growth and progress and also helps us lead a contented and happy materialistic life.

Thank you, Saibanisa ji for bringing us more and more closer to our God Shri Shirdi Saibaba

SHRI SACHHIDANAND SAMARTH SADGURU SAINATH MAHARAJ KI JAI

MAY BABA BLESS,

Best Regards,
Anand Joshi

SAI WITH CHILDREN

Dear Children,

This Issue's story is about how the support of God can lead anyone to success. While material resources are required to complete a task, faith in God is the most important component for completing any job.

Hope you enjoy this story!

See you next issue,
Sneha

God on your side - World in your hold

You may have accumulated riches, acquired deep knowledge and achieved health and strength. But, unless you have gained, in addition, a vision of the greatness of God, and an aspiration to be ever in the ecstasy of that vision, all that has been garnered by you is mere lumber. India has a great epic, the *Mahâbhâratha*, which describes a war between the Kauravas and Pândavas. The Kauravas had superior financial and military resources. They approached Krishna, the Incarnation of the Lord, for help; but they were content to receive from Him a large army and a huge quantity of hardware. The Pândavas sought from Him only His grace! The Lord agreed, He came over to their side, alone and unarmed! He held just a whip and drove the horses of Arjuna's chariot! That was all, but that was all that was needed for victory. The Kauravas were defeated to the maximum; the Pândavas won the empire and eternal fame.

If God is on your side, you have the world in your hold. This is the lesson driven home by the Hindu scriptures. "*Give up all bonds of right and duty; surrender unreservedly to Me! I shall guard you from sin and liberate you from that sad cycle of 'entrances' and 'exits' on the stage of life. You can remain ever in your own reality of eternal calm*", the Lord has assured.

Source: Chinna Katha

SPIRITUAL GEMS FROM SAI SATCHARITA

Chapter XXXIV

Greatness of Udi (continued)

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Harda Gentleman

An old gentleman of Harda (C.P) was suffering from a stone in his bladder. Such stones are generally removed by surgical operations and people recommended him to undergo one. He was old and weak, lacked strength of mind and could not think of submitting himself to surgical treatment. His suffering was soon to end in another way. The Inamdar (City Officer) of that town happened to come there at this time. He was a devotee of Baba and had always a stock of Udi with him. On the recommendation of friends, his son got some Udi from and mixing it with water, gave it to his old father to drink. Within five minutes the Udi was assimilated, the stone was dissolved and came out through his urine and old man was soon relieved.

Bombay Lady

A woman of the Kayastha Prabhu caste in Bombay always suffered terrible pain at her delivery. She was very much frightened each time she became pregnant and did not know what to do. Shri Rama-Maruti of Kalyan, who was a devotee of Baba advised her husband to take her to Shirdi for a painless delivery. When she next became pregnant, both husband and wife came to Shirdi, stayed there for some months and worshipped Baba and got all the benefit of His company. After some time the hour of delivery came and as usual there was obstruction in the passage from the womb. She began to suffer labour pains, did not know what to do, but began to pray to Baba for relief. In the meantime, some neighbouring women turned up and after invoking Baba's aid, gave her Udi-mixture to drink. In five minutes, the woman delivered safely and painlessly. The issue was still-born according to its fate; but the mother who got rid of the anxiety and pain, thanked Baba for the safe delivery and ever remained grateful to Him.

Sai Ram. Thus Sai and Sai devotees could help (or rather it was Sai who was helping through His devotees) through His udhi. This servant of Sai also experienced the benefits of udhi in his own case and could also help many others through the grace of Sadguru Sai. That Sai's grace alone is sufficient when udhi was not available will be seen in some other chapters. Sai Ram.

Bow to Shri Sai - Peace to be all

EDITORIAL

Jai Sai Ram

“Meditate on what you read and think of God.”

Dear SaiBandhu's,

Sai devotees may continue to write about their Sai-related activities, essays, articles or poetry and send to the email id editor@saidarbarusa.org. We shall put in our best efforts to include them in the upcoming issues of the magazine. Unless the author of the articles explicitly instructs not to publish his/her email id, we will publish them as a matter of routine practice.

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