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**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** ...dissatisfied, because His position is paramount, unparalleled position, above all. Lord Kṛṣṇa and His Name not only one and same, but Name is more gracious towards the fallen soul. So from some standpoint the Name of the Lord may be bigger, may be in respect of delivering the fallen souls, generosity. Just as Mahāprabhu, Kṛṣṇa, and Nityānanda Prabhu is more than Vṛndāvana *līlā*, Navadvīpa *līlā* is more generous, because we're fallen souls our necessity is there to raise us from this fallen condition. So the Name should not be thought that one of many purifying process. The highest aspect of Kṛṣṇa, and that has come to deliver us from all difficulties and also to give us the highest fulfilment our life - this Name.

Then another, if we've got any particular attachment in this material world, then we'll have to be very careful and to uproot that. Otherwise it is said that if there is anchor and there is rowing, the boat will just move around the anchor. So that must be taken off and the boat should be allowed to go wherever the Name may take me. There will be some transformation in my mental system. When I shall really go, taking the Name, it will create some transformation in me. And I must be open, not very much prejudice to any point, open. And wherever it will take me I shall be ready to go to that direction, from foreign to home. Back to God, back to home, where everyone as a guardian is awaiting to take care of my spiritual and real benefit.

And the last is that we should not think that that is a very grand, and awe, reverence is always there. No! It is very friendly, just like home, very friendly. They're always awaiting us to get, waiting with affection to receive me. So I should not be afraid that where should I be taken, that is unknown place? And whether I shall be able to live there or not, a new thing? No, not all this apprehension, that is quite home. When I shall reach there, "O, so long I was wandering in the realm where everything is bad, and everything is treacherous soil I was wandering. And this is so natural, so simple, so friendly, so affectionate. I have come here."

So we should take the Name with this spirit, avoiding the ten kinds of offences. And also there are *nāmābhāsa* - not real Name and neither *aparādha*, that can give up liberation from this bondage, but may not help entering into the domain of service. That *sāṅketyam*, *parihāsyā*, *stobha*, *helanam*, four kinds. *Sāṅketyam*, when I do something another thing comes in our memory, automatically it lives there. And *parihāsyā*, and when one is ridiculing, making merry joke, that is also, one may have *nāmābhāsa* but not real Name. It is not certain that the *nāmābhāsa* every time if we take in this way the *nāmābhāsa* will come, not sure, but may come, *nāmābhāsa*. We are, when we're in the, some may use it for some emblem. In the music also you can use the Name instead of that peculiar sound of the music. But all these things may produce sometimes *nāmābhāsa* and that may give liberation and not the real service of the Supreme Lord. We'll be outside, we may be out of this worldly attraction, but we may not have, we may get the passport but we may not get the visa, by *nāmābhāsa*. So we shall try to avoid that also.

So what should be the object when we take the Name? We want the service of Kṛṣṇa and His own persons, servants. That should be the aim of our life when we shall take Name. I want the service of the Lord and also His own paraphernalia. With this idea we shall take. Now you have got the Name, you bow down to the Vaiṣṇavas, give respect, and go to the temple and you count some two, three, four rounds, and then take *prasādam*.

**Devotee:** Jaya Om̐ Viṣṇu-Pāda Paramahaṁsa Parivrājakācārya Aṣṭottara-śata...

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** \_\_\_\_\_ [?]

**Devotees:** \_\_\_\_\_ [?]

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** \_\_\_\_\_ [?] There is one book named *Hari-Nāma-cintāmaṇi* by Bhaktivinoda Ṭhākura. There these ten kinds of offences and *ābhāsa* have been elaborately dealt. *Hari-Nāma-cintāmaṇi* by Bhaktivinoda Ṭhākura in Bengali. I do not know whether that has been translated into English, I do not know.

**Devotee:** Yes Mahārāja.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** But *Hari-Nāma-cintāmaṇi*, there it is dealt in elaborate way. If you're very particular you can try, if you have, you can consult that book. Hare Kṛṣṇa. Gaura Hari. Systematically, and in one place it is mentioned there very clearly. Gaura Hari bol.

**Devotee:** Jaya Om̐ Viṣṇu-Pāda Paramahaṁsa Parivrājakācārya Aṣṭottara-śata Śrī Śrīmad His Divine Grace Śrīla Bhakti Rakṣaka Śrīdhara Deva Goswāmī Mahārāja kī jaya!

**Devotees:** Jaya!

**Devotee:** Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja kī jaya!

**Devotees:** Jaya!

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** Nitāi Gaura Hari bol. Śrīmad Bhaktisiddhānta Saraswatī Goswāmī Prabhupāda kī jaya!

**Devotees:** Jaya!

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** Śrīpad Bhaktivedānta Swāmī Mahārāja kī jaya!

**Devotees:** Jaya!

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** Bhakta vṛnda kī jaya! Hari Nāma Saṅkīrtana kī jaya! Navadvīpa Dhāma kī jaya! Chaitanya Sāraswat Maṭh kī jaya! Gaura Hari bol. Gaura Hari bol. Gaura Hari bol. Bhakta vṛnda Vaiṣṇava vṛnda kī jaya! Dāsānudāsa vṛnda. Gaura Hari bol. Gaura Hari bol. Nitāi Gaura Hari bol.

**Badrinārāyaṇa:** \_\_\_\_\_ [?]

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** *Dakṣiṇā*, if you have anything you may give as *dakṣiṇā*. And also you prostrate with mantram.

*om̐ ajñāna-timirāndhasya jñānāñjana-salākayā*

*caḡsur unmilitam̐ yena, tasmai śrī-gurave namaḥ*

["I was blind in the darkness of ignorance but my Spiritual Master applied the ointment of proper spiritual knowledge and thus opened my eyes. Unto him I offer my respectful obeisances."] [*Śrī Guru Praṇāma*]

Hare Kṛṣṇa. Hare Kṛṣṇa. Gaura Hari bol. Gaura Hari bol. Gaura Hari bol.  
Nitāi Gaura Hari bol. Nitāi Gaura Hari bol. \_\_\_\_\_ [?]

**Devotees:** \_\_\_\_\_ [?]

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** Nitāi Gaura Hari bol. Gaura Hari bol.

Śrī Kṛṣṇa-Caitanya, Prabhu Nityānanda, Śrī Advaita, Gadādhara, Śrīvāsādi Śrī Gaura-bhakta-vṛnda.

One thing I had forgotten to say, mention, when just after, beginning Hare Kṛṣṇa mantra you may chant,

Śrī Kṛṣṇa-Caitanya, Prabhu Nityānanda, Śrī Advaita, Gadādhara, Śrīvāsādi Śrī Gaura-bhakta-vṛnda.

That will help us a great deal in our progress towards Kṛṣṇa consciousness. Because this group, particularly came to distribute this to the fallen souls. So after attracting Their sympathy to us, then we shall try to enter into our *bhajan*, our attempt to take the Name of the Lord. The guardian of this campaign, this holy campaign of Name, Mahāprabhu came with His party to inaugurate, to push, and to deliver us by this divine medicine. So in the beginning we shall take Their Name, and as if with Their permission we shall begin taking the Name Hari. Nitāi Gaura Hari bol.

Śrī Kṛṣṇa-Caitanya, Prabhu Nityānanda, Śrī Advaita, Gadādhara, Śrīvāsādi Śrī Gaura-bhakta-vṛnda.

Nitāi Gaura Hari bol. Nitāi. Dayal Nitāi. Dayal Nitāi. Nitāi.

...

*[se kathā śuniyā āsiyāchi, nātha, tomāra caraṇa-tale]  
bhaktivinoda kāndiyā kāndiyā, āpana-kāhinī bale*

["O beloved Lord, impelled by hearing these words, Bhaktivinoda has come weeping to the shelter of Your lotus feet and is telling You his life story."] [From *Emana Durmati*, from *Śaraṇāgati*] [*The Songs Of Bhaktivinoda Ṭhākura*, p 9-11] [Verses 367]

Gaura Hari. Gaura Hari. Gaura Hari.

*nanda-suta jini caitanya gosāin, nija-nāma kari' dāna  
tārila jagat tumi-o yāiyā, laha nija-paritrāṇa*

["Śrī Caitanya, who is Kṛṣṇa Himself, the son of Nanda, has saved the world by generously distributing His own Holy Name. Please you also go to Him take the great privilege of accepting His shelter and attain liberation."] [From *Emana Durmati*, from *Śaraṇāgati*]

*nāma cintāmaṇiḥ kṛṣṇaś, caitanya-rasa-vigrahaḥ*

*pūrṇaḥ śuddho nitya-mukto, 'bhinnatvān nāma-nāminoh*

[The Holy Name of Kṛṣṇa is full of transcendental bliss. It blesses the devotee with all fulfilment, for it is non-different from Kṛṣṇa, the fountain source of all pleasure. Therefore it is also by nature the embodiment of all transcendental mellows. It is complete, pure, eternal and ever liberated from all material conditioning because the Name of Kṛṣṇa and Kṛṣṇa Himself are identical.]

[*Bhakti-rasāmṛta-sindu, Pūrva-vibhāga, 2.233*]

*jayati jayati nāmānanda rūpam murarer  
viramita nija dharma dhyāna pujoyadhi yatna  
katham api sakṛdāttam muktidaṁ prāninām yat  
paramāmṛtam ekaṁ jīvanam bhuṣanam me*

[Sanātana Goswāmī says: "Let ecstasy in the service of the Divine Name be victorious. If somehow we can come in contact with that sound, *nāma rupaṁ murāreḥ*, then all our other activities will be paralysed; we will have no necessity of performing any other activity. Our many variegated duties will have no importance to us at all if we can achieve the service of the Divine Name of Kṛṣṇa."]

[*Bṛhat-Bhāgavatāmṛta, 1.1.9*]

*nikhila-śruti-mauli ratna mālā, dyuti nīrajita-pāda-parikajānta  
ayi mukta-kulair upāsyamānam, paritas tvām hari-nāma samśrayāmi*

["The acme of all the *Vedas*, the *Upaniṣads*, are like a string of transcendental jewels. The tips of the toes of Your lotus feet, O Holy Name, are eternally worshipped by the radiance emanating from those jewels. You are constantly worshipped by the great liberated souls (headed by Nārada and Śuka, whose hearts are reposed in complete absence of worldly aspirations). Therefore, O Name Divine, I surrender unto You in every time, place, and circumstance."] [*Nāmāṣṭakam, 1*]

Hare Kṛṣṇa. Hare Kṛṣṇa. Hare Kṛṣṇa. Hare Kṛṣṇa.

Tyutye sphrita rasanam nama gana na gata granthi se suba gati sutro jara pada \_\_\_\_\_  
[?]

Hare Kṛṣṇa. Hare Kṛṣṇa. Gaura Hari. Gaura Hari bol. Gaura Hari bol. Nitāi Gaura Hari bol.  
Nitāi Gaura Hari bol. Nitāi Gaura Hari bol. Gaura Hari bol. Gaura Hari bol. Gaura Hari bol.

**Devotee:** \_\_\_\_\_ [?]

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** Hare Kṛṣṇa.

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**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** ...he will take care of you all.

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** Of course, of course.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** Specially I request you to help him in his mission.

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** Yes.

**Devotees:** \_\_\_\_\_ [?]

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** But we're not prepared to let you just take your path of eternity lightly.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** It is His divine will.

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** Yes, ha, ha.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** What I feel, sometimes I give vent to that, of course His will.

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** Ha, ha. Hmm.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** The Absolute.

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** I wanted to ask some permission to go on *parikramā* or pilgrimage to Hāpāniyā today.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** Today?

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** Yes. Is it possible?

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** Yes.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** The car is there.

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** No, I want to go by foot.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** By foot, by train?

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** No, by foot.

**Devotee:** \_\_\_\_\_ [?]

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** I want a pilgrimage.

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** \_\_\_\_\_ [?]

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** \_\_\_\_\_ [?]

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** Who will go with you?

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** I don't know. I'm going...

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** If you go by train or by bus that is also \_\_\_\_\_ [?]

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** No, no, you can go by train to Hāpāniyā.

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** But inside I want to go by foot.

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** But inside I want to go by foot.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** Ah! You want to create an example? Ha, ha.

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** No, no, no. Ha, ha, ha. Before, I'm in South India before, and I go to the temple of Vyeṅkaṭesa [?] you know Balaji temple.

**Devotee:** Yes, yes.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** Who will guide you \_\_\_\_\_ [?]

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** \_\_\_\_\_ [?]

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** All right. He will manage. Hare Kṛṣṇa. Hare Kṛṣṇa. Gaura Hari bol. Nitāi Gaura Hari bol.

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** We were in London, I think Brajabehari, doing nicely. I see, when he's, when no interference...

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** His management is desirable there, effective.

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** Yes. If no interference.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** Aranya Mahārāja though he began, the starting, he did much. But he's little theoretical, is it? Eh?

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** Yes.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** Brajabehari is more practical?

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** Yes.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** Sāgar Mahārāja also likes his management. Absolute, not in consultation with Aranya Mahārāja?

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** No, not at the moment. At the moment it's difficult.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** The debt is there. Only what is paid so long that is only the interest. The amount of the interest, that is only paid, and the real value is still left, too be paid, about sixty thousand pounds.

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** Hmm. Yes. That's correct.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** And I was thinking either Yudhamanyu prabhu or yourself. Without that, that London Maṭh cannot be placed in real possession. \_\_\_\_\_ [?] pounds being raised.

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** Sixty thousand pounds being borrowed, loan.

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** Yes, mortgage.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** Any one of you if you do not take care then that is floating on the ocean.

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** Yes.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** And because the Vighraha has been installed there so it is not desirable that Vighraha will have to come on the street from His home. That will be a very ludicrous thing.

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** \_\_\_\_\_ [?]

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** You discuss amongst you.

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** What did you say?

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** In London temple it is thinkable about London temple we all...

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** From the starting Aranya Mahārāja is there so keeping his respect intact we may manage that it may be on the basis of some permanent. You discuss and try to reach to a conclusion, and then I shall express my desire also.

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** All right. I only see, when I first went to London in August, Brajabehari prabhu was doing very nicely. And the devotees in the temple, although they're young they're enthusiastic, when he's helping them, guiding them. And then Aranyadeva came, and then some difficulty came. And then many of the devotees in the temple they had some doubt about Brajabehari, they came to me expressing some doubt. I just, because you had sent one letter - "He should manage the temple" - so I supported his management. But it was difficult because, I don't say it as intentional, but with older *sannyāsīs* there it is not easy for Brajabehari prabhu to administrate, it's interference. I don't know if I make myself clear.

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** Yes.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** All right, you are to consult and come to a final decision.

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** But it is necessary, Mahārāja, if...

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** We have not yet heard anything from Aranya Mahārāja. We're getting reports from the other party from different sources. But Aranya Mahārāja side I have not yet heard anything. I shall hear and then I shall ask him some questions and then I may try to adjust how it may be peacefully managed. What's his demand I also want to know. And Badrinārāyaṇa prabhu he's acquainted with everything, is he there?

**Badrinārāyaṇa:** Yes Mahārāja.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** He knows more than I can. I do not remember everything, but he remembers everything, of incidence in his knowledge.

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** They're very enthusiastic to serve you.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** But favourable environment is necessary.

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** Yes, proper environment is necessary, yes. At the moment it's a little disruptive, the different influences.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** All right, I shall see.

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** As for my *sevā*, you would like for me to return to London and to continue to collect for Purī? Am I right?

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** \_\_\_\_\_ [?]

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** You have already started Purī collection, you finish that. In the name of Purī you began collection so you finish that.

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** Yes.

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** \_\_\_\_\_ [?]

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** In the meantime Purī collection of Yudhamanyu prabhu almost come to finish?

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** Not finished Mahārāja.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** Then when he will engage himself for London?

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** If you will engage for London, now, then Dayādhara Gaurāṅga prabhu can...

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** Afterwards?

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** No, now, Dayādhara Gaurāṅga prabhu can collect for Purī. And Yudhamanyu prabhu can collect for London.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** Yes. It may be done so.

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** It will be good?

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** As you like.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** And the Xmas period coming, so now the collection there will be better.

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** Yes. It should be better.

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** \_\_\_\_\_ [?] Up to Xmas, what collection will be for Purī...

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** For Purī. After that.

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** Maybe. After that both Yudhamanyu prabhu and Dayādhara Gaurāṅga prabhu can collect for London. Up to Xmas...

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** For London Maṭh. Yes.

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** Purī collection must be finished within three, four months.

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** Yes.

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** And then both parties...

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** When you have already begun, then that comes to finish, and then the London project will have to be taken up.

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** And all Vaiṣṇavas will see the London temple, within one year may be finished.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** Already both of you have undertaken Purī collection, let it be finished, and then the London project will be taken. All right.

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** Up to Xmas, whatever will be collection, that for Purī.

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** OK.

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** And then we try for London Maṭh. And London Maṭh is Guru Mahārāja's Maṭh. Understand?

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** Yes.

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** Then it's not necessary to oust the Deity in the full.

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** No, no, no. That cannot happen.

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** Ha, ha, ha. You are leaving. Ha, ha.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** Hare Kṛṣṇa.

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** Now Guru Mahārāja said now like that.

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** Yes. I understand. Sāgara Mahārāja also he's thinking to come to London, and while I'm collecting for Purī project we will begin to compile and edit the translation of *Prapanna-jīvanāmṛta*.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** *Prapanna-jīvanāmṛta*.

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** Yes.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** All right.

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** \_\_\_\_\_ [?]

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** \_\_\_\_\_ [?] Consider, consult with Sāgara Mahārāja and then I shall say.

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** Yes. That was my proposal. His proposal was he should stay in Navadvīpa for six months - he does not want to go to the West.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** Otherwise, when he'll be outside the other troubles will come and the translation work will be stopped.

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** Yes, yes, that is also there.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** So we can finish it here.

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** \_\_\_\_\_ [?]

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** I shall talk with him and then I shall say final.

**Dayādhara Gaurāṅga:** We have some problem with Deva-Nāgarī type setting. And so we were going to get together to try to work it out, because the difficulty was there. But we can do it later.

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