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buddhimān – medhāvī sūk<u>smadhīś</u> ce<u>ti</u> procyate buddhimān dvidhā ||79||

Buddhimān means (procyate buddhimān dvidhā) "the capacity to absorb knowledge (medhāvī)" and "possessing fine intelligence (acuity) (sūkṣma dhīh ca iti)."

#### 12. Buddhimān – Possessing Fine Intelligence

tatra medhāvī, yathā —
avanti-pura-vāsinah sadanam etya sāndīpaner
guror jagati darśayan samayam atra vidyārthinām |
sakrn nigada-mātratah sakalam eva vidyā-kulam
dadhau hṛdaya-mandire kim api citravan mādhavaḥ ||80||

An example of the ability to absorb knowledge:

Mādhava (mādhavah), going (etya) to the house of Sāndīpani (sāndīpaner sadanam), His guru living in Avantipura (avanti-pura-vāsinaḥ guroh), in order to teach the proper method (jagati samayak darṣ́ayan) to those who desire knowledge (vidyārthinām), received (dadhau) all the knowledge (sakalam eva vidyā-kulam) in the temple of His heart (hṛdaya-mandire) after just one recitation by the guru (sakṛd nigada-mātrataḥ). How astonishing it is (kim apī citravan)!

#### 12. Buddhimān – Possessing Fine Intelligence

#### **SVCT**

- Samayam darśayan here means showing conduct, in other words, teaching.
- Amara-kośa says samayāḥ sapathācara-kāla-siddhānta-samvit: samaya means oath, conduct, time conclusion and knowledge.

#### 12. Buddhimān – Possessing Fine Intelligence

sūkṣma-dhīh, yathā —
yadubhir ayam avadhyo mleccha-rājas tad enam
tarala-tamasi tasmin vidravann eva neṣye |
sukhamaya-nija-nidrā-bhañjana-dhvaṁsi-drstir
jhara-muci mucukundaḥ kandare yatra śete ||81||

An example of having fine intelligence:

This Kālayavana (ayam mleccha-rājas) cannot be killed (avadhyah) by the Yadus (yadubhih). By running away from him (tad enam vidravann) into the dimly lit cave (tarala-tamasi), I will bring him there (eva neṣye). In that cave decorated with waterfalls (yatra jhara-muci kandare), Mucukunda is sleeping (mucukundah śete). When Mucukunda opens his eyes, being rudely awakened (bhañjana) from comfortable sleep by Kālayavana (sukhamaya-nija-nidrā), he will destroy this enemy with his glance (dhvamsi-dṛṣṭih).

#### 12. Buddhimān – Possessing Fine Intelligence

#### **SVCT**

- The cave is described as tarala-tamasi, shining and dark.
- How is that possible?
- That cave was able to reveal and hide the truth about objects (it hid the truth from Kālayavana and re-vealed the truth to Mucukunda).
- Or the meaning can be that the darkness of the cave became fickle or unsteady (another meaning of tarala) when Krsna entered (because of Kṛṣṇa's ef-fulgence or because of ecstasy).

### 12. Buddhimān – Possessing Fine Intelligence SVCT

- According to Viśva-prakāśa, tarala means unsteady, a sword, and the central jewel of a necklace.
- The mention of the water-fall indicates one of the many factors in creating a sound sleep.
- By the power of His yoga, this fine intelligence would manifest in Kṛṣṇa at the appropriate time.
- The verse illustrates that, just as the eyes have the ability to see fine detail, Kṛṣṇa's intelligence is capable of discerning things very minutely.
- Intelligence which immediately enters into the heart of a situation with correct judgment is called fine intelligence.

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13. P<u>ratibhānvitah</u> – Po<u>ssessed</u> with creativity

### IV - Kṛṣṇa as the Viṣaya Ālambana13. Pratibhānvitaḥ - Possessed with creativity

pratibhānvitah –
sadyo navanavollekhijñānam syāt pratibhānvitaḥ ||82||

Pratibhānvitaḥ (possessed with creativity) means (pratibhānvitaḥ syāt) immediate (sadyah), novel manifestation of ideas (nava nava ullekhi-jñānaṁ).

#### 13. Pratibhānvitaḥ – Possessed with creativity

#### yathā padyāvalyām -

vāsaḥ samprati keśava kva bhavato mugdhekṣaṇe nanv idam vāsam brūhi śaṭha prakāma-subhage tvad-gātra-samsargataḥ

yāminyām uṣitaḥ kva dhūrta vitanur muṣṇāti kim yāminī

śaurir gopa-vadhūm chalaih parihasann evamvidhaih pātu vah ||83||

(283) – An <u>example from Padyāvalī</u>

Rādhā said: O Kṛṣṇa (keśava), where do You stay (vāsa) now (kva bhavato vāsaḥ samprati)?

Kṛṣṇa said: O Rādhā, with bewitching eyes (mugdha īkṣaṇe)! Can you not see that I am wearing my cloth (vāsam) (nanv idam)?

Rādhā said: How crafty You are (śaṭha)! I am talking about Your residence, not your cloth (vāsam brūhi)!

Kṛṣṇa said: O Rādhā with natural sweet aroma (prakāma-subhage)! I am fragrant (vāsa) by touching your limbs (tvad-gātra-saṃsargataḥ).

Rādhā said: O cheater (dhūrta)! Where did You stay during the night (yāminyām uṣitaḥ)?

Kṛṣṇa said: How could I be stolen by the night (muṣṇāti kim yāminī), which does not even have a body (vitanuh)?

In this way (evam vidhaiḥ) may Kṛṣṇa (śaurih), who joked with Rādhā using tricky words (gopa-vadhūm chalaiḥ parihasann), protect you (patu vaḥ)!

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14. Vidagdhah – Aesthetic

#### IV – Kṛṣṇa as the Viṣaya Ālambana 14. Vidagdhaḥ – Aesthetic

vidagdhaḥ – kalā-vilāsa-digdhātmā vidagdha iti kīrtyate ||84||

One whose mind is absorbed (digdhatma) in the sixty-four arts such as dancing and singing (kala), and in various amusements (vilasa), is called vidagdha (aesthete) (vidagdha iti kīrtyate).

#### IV – Kṛṣṇa as the Viṣaya Ālambana 14. Vidagdhaḥ – Aesthetic

#### yathā -

gītam gumphati tāṇḍavam ghaṭayati brūte prahelī-kramam veṇum vādayate srajam viracayaty ālekhyam abhyasyati | nirmatī svayam indrajāla-paṭalīm dyūte jayaty unmadān paśyoddāma-kalā-vilāsa-vasatiś citram hariḥ krīḍati ||85||

Look (paśya)! Kṛṣṇa is composing songs (gītam gumphati) and dancing (tāṇḍavam ghaṭayati). He is making riddles (brūte prahelīkramam), playing the flute (venum vādayate), stṛinging garlands (srajam viracayaty), and drawing pictures (ālekhyam abhyasyati). He is making (nirmāti svayam) magical objects (indrajāla-paṭalīm) and winning at dice (dyūte jayaty) against persons showing pride (unmadān). Kṛṣṇa (harih), the residence of pastimes of unlimited arts (uddāma-kalā-vilāsa-vasatīh) is now enjoying His leisure (citram krīdati).

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15. Caturah – Clever

### IV - Kṛṣṇa as the Viṣaya Ālambana15. Caturaḥ - Clever

caturaḥ –
caturo yugapad-bhūrisamādhāna-kṛd ucyate ||86||

A clever person is one (caturah ucyate) who brings about a solution (samādhāna-kṛd) to many problems (bhūri) simultaneously (yugapad).

#### IV – Kṛṣṇa as the Viṣaya Alambana 15. Caturaḥ – Clever

yathā -

pārāvatī-viracanena gavām kalāpam gopāṅganā-gaṇam apāṅga-taraṅgitena | mitrāṇi citratara-saṅgara-vikrameṇa dhinvann ariṣṭa-bhayadena harir vireje ||87||

Kṛṣṇa (harih) gives bliss to all the cows (gayām kalāpam vireje) by composing cowherd songs (pārāvatī-viracaneṇa). He pleases the gopīs (gopānganā-gaṇam) by the movement of His brow (apānga-tarangitena). He brings joy to His friends (mitrāṇi) by heroic actions (citratara-sangara-vikrameṇa). All of these simultaneously give fear to Aristāsura (seeing how fearless Kṛṣṇa remains) (ariṣṭa-bhayadena).

#### IV – Kṛṣṇa as the Viṣaya Ālambana 15. Caturaḥ – Clever

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- Pārāvatī refers to particular songs composed by cowherds.
- The phrase ariṣṭa-bhayadena modifies all three of the previous phrases.

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16. Daksah – Expert

## IV – Kṛṣṇa as the Viṣaya Ālambana16. Dakṣaḥ – Expert

dakṣaḥ –
duṣkare kṣipra-kārī yas
tam dakṣam paricakṣate ||88||

An expert is a person (tam dakṣam paricakṣate) who does very quickly (yah kṣipra kārī) what is difficult to do (duskare).

#### IV – Kṛṣṇa as the Viṣaya Alambana 16. Dakṣaḥ – Expert

yathā śrī-daśame –
yāni yodhaiḥ prayuktāni
śastrāstrāṇi kurūdvaha |
haris tāny acchinat tīkṣṇaiḥ
śarair ekaikaśas tribhiḥ ||89||

An example from the Tenth Canto:

Lord Hari (harih) then struck down (acchinat) all the missiles and weapons (śastra astrāni) that the enemy soldiers threw at Him (yāni yodhaiḥ prayuktāni), O hero of the Kurus (kurūdvaha), destroying each and every one (tāny ekaikaśah) with three sharp arrows (tribhiḥ tīkṣṇaiḥ śaraih). SB 10.59.17

### IV – Kṛṣṇa as the Viṣaya Alambana16. Dakṣaḥ – Expert

yathā vā —
aghahara kuru yugmībhūya nrtyam mayaiva
tvam iti nikhila-gopī-prārthanā-pūrti-kāmaḥ |
atanuta gati-līlā-lāghavormim tathāsau
dadṛśur adhikam etās tam yathā sva-sva-pārśve ||90||

#### Another example:

"O killer of the Agha demon (aghahara)! Please dance (tvam kuru nrtyam) only with me (mayaiva yugmībhūya iti)!" Desiring to fulfil (pūrti-kāmah) this request by all of the gopīs (nikhila-gopī-prārthanā), Kṛṣṇa quickly produced (tathā asau atanuta) a multitude of gopīs and Himself going to a suitable place and performing the dance (gati-līlā-lāghava ūrmim)--but in such a manner (yathā) that each of the gopīs (etāh) without doubt (adhikam) saw Him (tam dadṛśuh) at her side alone (sva-sva-pārśve).

## IV – Kṛṣṇa as the Viṣaya Ālambana16. Dakṣaḥ – Expert

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- Adhikam here means "undoubtedly."
- They saw Him at each of their sides without doubt.

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17. Kṛtajñaḥ – A Grateful Person

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kṛtajñaḥ – kṛtajñaḥ syād abhijño yaḥ kṛta-sevādi-karmaṇām ||91||

A grateful person is one (kṛtajñaḥ syād) who acknowledges (yaḥ abhijñah) others who have done service (kṛta-sevādi-karmaṇām).

## IV - Kṛṣṇa as the Viṣaya Ālambana17. Kṛtajñaḥ - A Grateful Person

yathā mahābhārate —
rṇam etat pravṛddham me
hṛdayān nāpasarpati |
yad govindeti cukrośa
kṛṣṇā mām dūra-vāsinam ||92||

An example from the Mahābhārata (5.58.21):

Draupadī cried out (kṛṣṇā cukrośa) "O Govinda (govinda)!" though I was situated far away (māṁ dūra-vāsinam). That crying out (etat) has created an ever-increasing debt (pravṛddhaṁ ṛṇam) which does not leave My heart (me hṛdayān na apasarpati).

17. Kṛtajñaḥ – A Grateful Person

#### yathā vā –

anugatim ati-pūrvam cintayann ṛkṣa-mauler akuruta bahumānam śaurir ādāya kanyām katham api kṛtam alpam vismaren naiva sādhuh kim uta sa khalu sādhu-śreṇi-cūḍāgra-ratnam ||93||

#### Another example:

Though Jāmbavān (rkṣa-mauler) had offended Kṛṣṇa (implied), the Lord (śaurih), remembering (cintayann) his service (anugatim) in the past during the time of Lord Rāma (ati-pūrvam), married his daughter (ādāya kanyām) and gave him great respect (akuruta bahumānam). Since the well-bred (sādhuḥ) never forget (na eva vismaret) what little service is rendered to them (katham alpam kṛtam api), what then can be said of Kṛṣṇa (kim uta sah), who is the head jewel among all well-behaved persons (khalu sādhu-śreni-cūdāgra-ratnam)?