

Laghu - Bhāgavatāmṛta

Part-1

The Sweetness of Kṛṣṇa

Chapter-5

Discussion of the Parāvasthā forms

Text-438

prapañca-gocaratvena sā līlā prakatā smrtā |
anyās tv aprakatā bhānti tādṛśyas tad-agocarāḥ ||

The pastimes (līlā) visible to the material world (prapañca-gocaratvena) are called revealed or prakatā (sā prakatā smrtā). Those pastimes ~~no~~ invisible to the material world (anyās tv tad-agocarāḥ bhānti) are called invisible or aprakatā (tādṛśyah aprakatā).

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- The difference between the two types of pastimes is now described.
- Tad-agocarāḥ means invisible to the material world.

Text-439

tatra prakata-lilāyām eva syātām gamāgamau |
gokule mathurāyām ca dvāravatyām ca śārṅgiṇah ||

In the revealed pastimes (tatra prakata-lilāyām eva),
Kṛṣṇa (śārṅgiṇah) will come and depart (gama āgamau)
from Gokula, Mathurā and Dvārakā (gokule mathurāyām
ca dvāravatyām ca).

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- Śārṅgīnaḥ means “of the holder of the horn.”
- It is derived from śṛṅga (horn).
- The word śārṅga is formed like prājña from prajña, without changing the meaning.
- Śārṅgīn means “possessor of the horn.” (Pāṇini 5.4.38)

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- It would be inappropriate to describe Kṛṣṇa in Gokula with a bow, which is the other meaning of śārṅgin.
- Thus Kṛṣṇa is described as carrying a flute or horn in Vṛndāvana.

Text-440

yās tatra tatrāprakatās tatra tatraiva santi tāh |
ity āha jayatīty-ādi-padyādikam abhīkṣṇaśah ||

Though the revealed pastimes (yāh) become invisible (āprakatāh) after some time (tatra tatra), they exist with invisible form (tatra tatraiva santi tāh). This is stated (ity āha) repeatedly (abhīkṣṇaśah) in verses such as jayati jana-nivaso (jayatīty-ādi-padyādikam).

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- “The pastimes present within the universe will all be destroyed when there is a final dissolution. Thus the pastimes are not eternal.”
- This verse answers that argument.
- No, that is mistaken.

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- Though the pastimes are not visible in the universe,
the invisible pastimes are not destroyed.
- The mistake is like destroying a brāhmaṇa's śikha,
and saying the brāhmaṇa has been destroyed.