## Laghu - Bhāgavatāmṛta

# Part-1 The Sweetness of Kṛṣṇa

Chapter-5

Discussion of the Parāvasthā forms

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#### **Text-458**

yathā tatraiva –

nandaḥ śva-putram ādāya pretyāgatam udāra-dhīḥ mūrdhny upāghrāya paramām mudam lebhe kurūdvaha

Also there it is said:

O Mahārāja Parīkṣit, best of the Kurus (kurūdvaha), Nanda Mahārāja was very liberal and simple (nandaḥ udāra-dhīḥ). He immediately took his son Kṛṣṇa on his lap (sva-putram ādāya) as if Kṛṣṇa had returned from death (pretyāgatam), and by formally smelling his son's head (mūrdhny upāghrāya), Nanda Mahārāja undoubtedly enjoyed transcendental bliss (paramām mudam lebhe). 10.6.43

tathā ca –
nāyam sukhāpo bhagavān dehinām gopikā-sutaḥ
jñāninām cātma-bhūtānām yathā bhaktimatām iha

There also it is said:

The Supreme Personality of Godhead, Kṛṣṇa (ayaṁ bhagavān), the son of mother Yaśodā (gopikā-sutaḥ), is accessible (sukhaāpah) to devotees engaged in spontaneous loving service (bhaktimatām), but He is not as easily accessible (na yathā) to mental speculators (jñānināṁ), to those striving for self-realization by severe austerities and penances (ātma-bhūtānāṁ), or to those who consider the body the same as the self (dehināṁ). SB 10.9.21

Gopikā-sutaḥ means he was born from the womb of Yaśodā.

## tathā ca tatra śrī-brahma-stave – vanya-sraje kavala-vetra-viṣāṇa-veṇu-lakṣma-śriye mṛdu-pade paśupāṅgajāya

There also, Brahmā in his prayers says (tathā ca tatra śrī-brahma-stave):

I offer prayers (naumi) to you the son of the king of the cowherd (te paśupa aṅgajāya), who wears garlands of various forest flowers and leaves (vanya-sraje), and is equipped with a herding stick (vetra0, a buffalo horn (viṣāṇa) and a flute (veṇu). You stand beautifully (lakṣma-śriye mṛdu-pade) with a morsel of food in Your hand (kavala). SB (10.14.1)

Paśupa aṅga-jāya means "unto the person born from the cowherd Nanda."

# Text:461-462 tathā śrī-yāmala-vacanam samudāharanti — kṛṣṇo 'nyo yadu-sambhūto yaḥ pūrṇaḥ so 'sty ataḥ param | vṛndāvanam parityajya sa kvacit naiva gacchati ||461|| dvibhujam sarvadā so 'tra na kadācit caturbhujaḥ | gopyaikayā yutas tatra parikrīdati nityadā ||462|| iti |

These persons quote (samudāharanti) the statement in the Yāmala (tathā śrī-yāmala-vacanam):

Kṛṣṇah), who was also born in the Yadu dynasty (as Vāsudeva) (yaḥ yadu-sambhūtah), being svayam bhagavān (burṇab), and superior to that Vāsudeva form (ataḥ param asty), never gives up Vṛṇdāvana (naiva vṛṇdāvanam parityajya) to go elsewhere (kvacit gacchati). There he always has two arms (dvibhujam sarvadā saha atra) and never four (na kadācit caturbhujaḥ). Eternally he plays (parikrīḍati nityadā) with the gopīs (gopyaikaya yutah) there (tatra).

• This idea that Kṛṣṇa never left Vraja at all (only his Vāsudeva expansion went) is not agreeable to the author.

• If this were so, then there would be no real pain of separation of the inhabitants of Vraja for Krsna, and his sending Uddhava to Vraja with a message, the inhabitants of Vraja going to Kurukṣetra to visit Krsna, and Krsna going to Vraja from Dvārakā to meet the inhabitants would be meaningless.

• One cannot resolve this issue by saying that because Krsna contains the catur-vyūha within himself, he can thus go to Mathurā (in catur-vyūha form) and then return to Vraja from Dvārakā, for this would contradict the statement of the Yāmala, which says that Kṛṣṇa never leaves Vṛndāvana at all.

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atha prakaṭa-rūpeṇa kṛṣṇo yadu-purīm vrajet | vrajeśajatvam ācchādya svām vyañjan vāsudevatām | yo vāsudevo dvibhujas tathā bhāti caturbhujaḥ

Actually Kṛṣṇah) in manifest form (atha pṛakaṭa-rūpeṇa) went to Mathurā (yadu-purīm vṛajet), hiding the fact that he was the son of Nanda (vṛajeśajatvam ācchādya), and maintaining that he was the son of Vasudeva (svām vāsudevatām vyañjan). There he sometimes has two arms (yah vāsudevah dvibhujas bhāti) and sometimes four arms (tathā caturbhujaḥ).

• The author begins to resolve the issue here.

• In presenting the issue, he describes the pastimes of Kṛṣṇa in Mathurā and Dvārakā. Kṛṣṇa covers up the fact that he is the son of Nanda to increase the bliss of his relatives in Mathurā.

• <u>He reveals (vyañjan) himself (svām) as the son</u> of Vasudeva (vāsudevatām).

tās tā madhu-pure līlāh prakaṭayya yadūdvahaḥ | dvāravatyām tathā yāti tām tām līlām prakāśakaḥ

Kṛṣṇa, protecting the Yadus (yadūdvahaḥ), performed pastimes in Mathurā (tās tā madhu-pure līlāḥ prakaṭayya), and then went to Dvārakā (dvāravatyām tathā yāti) and revealed pastimes there (tām tām līlām prakāśakah).

• Prakāśakaḥ means "in order to reveal pastimes."

• The suffix kah indicates an action which is the goal of another action denoted by the main verb. (He went to reveal pastimes).

• This is found in the rule tumun-ņvulau kriyāyām kriyārthāyām (Pāṇini 3.3.10)

tatrāviṣkurute vyūham pradymnākhyam tṛtīyakam | yato vyūha 'niruddhākhyas turyaḥ prakaṭatām vrajet

There he revealed (tatra āviskurute) the form of Pradyumna (pradymnākhyam), the third member of the catur-vyūha (tṛtīyakam vyūham), from whom (yato) the fourth member of the catur-vyūha (turyaḥ vyūhah) Aniruddha (aniruddhākhyah) appeared (prakaṭatām vrajet).

iti vyūha-catuṣkasya lokottara-camatkriyāḥ | vivāhādyāś ca bahudhā līlās tatraiva varṇitāh

In Dvārakā (tatraiva), the pastimes (lokottara-camatkriyāḥ bahudhā līlāh) of the four members of the catur-vyūha (iti vyūha-catuṣkasya) such as marriage (vivāhādyāh) were displayed (varṇitāh).

• Kṛṣṇa reveals himself as Vāsudeva in Dvārakā.

• Along with Balarāma as Sankarṣaṇa and Pradyumna and Aniruddha, they constitute the catur-vyūha.

vraje prakaṭa-līlāyām trīn māsān viraho 'munā | atrāpy ajani visphūrtiḥ prādurbhāvopamā hareḥ | tri-māsyāḥ paratas teṣām sākṣāt kṛṣṇena saṅgatiḥ

In the manifest pastimes on earth (prakaţa-līlāyām), the inhabitants of Vraja (vraje) experienced the pain of separation (amunā virahah) for three months (trīn māsān). However, at that time there (atrāpy) appeared (ajani) something similar to his presence to give them bliss (hareḥ prādurbhāva upamā visphūrtiḥ). Then, after three months (tri-māsyāh paratas), Kṛṣṇa met with them directly (teṣām sākṣāt kṛṣṇena saṅgatiḥ).

• How did Kṛṣṇa, enjoying in Mathurā, adjust with the inhabitants of Vraja whose very lives were dedicated to Kṛṣṇa? For three months they were submerged in the fire of separation.

• Even during that time, for three months, they maintained their lives by his visphūrti, by tasting the bliss of separation.

• <u>Visphūrti</u> means a special appearance, which was similar to his actual presence.

• The happiness generated by separation from him would cause an increased happiness of meeting with him later.

• This was the reason for the manifestation of separation in the inhabitants of Vraja.

• Then three months later, he came back to meet them through a sudden appearance.

#### āvirbhāvāgatibhyām sā dvi-prakārāsya sambhavet

Thus meeting with Kṛṣṇa (sā) is of two types (dviprakārāsya sambhavet): through unexpected appearance (after three months) (āvirbhāva) and through returning (many years later) (āgatibhyām).

#### tatra āvirbhāvah:

v<u>aiśeṣika-klamodreka-vivaśīkrta-cetasām</u> | preṣṭhānām sahasaivāgre vyagraḥ prādurbhaved asau

The sudden appearance (tatra āvirbhāvaḥ):

Out of great eagerness (vyagraḥ), Kṛṣṇa will unexpectedly appear (asau sahasaiva prādurbhaved) in front of his beloved devotees (preṣṭhānām agre) whose hearts (cetasām) have been extremely exhausted due to separation (vaiśeṣika-klama-udreka-vivaśīkṛta).

Sahasā means unexpectedly.

uddhavāt kṛṣṇa-sandeśa ebhir yad-avadhi śrutah | prādurbhāvas tad-avadhi syād vraje vana-mālinaḥ

Ever since (yad-avadhi) they heard (ebhir śrutaḥ) the message of Kṛṣṇa (kṛṣṇa-sandeśah) delivered by Uddhava (uddhavāt), Kṛṣṇa (vana-mālinaḥ) became present in Vraja (tad-avadhi vraje syād).

• How long after his departure did this appearance take place?

• Uddhava came to Vraja three months after Kṛṣṇa had departed.

From that time Kṛṣṇa became present.

vraje dvāravatī-sthasya prādurbhāvo muradviṣaḥ brhad-viṣṇu-purāṇādāv āsakṛd bahudhocyate

That Kṛṣṇa (muradviṣaḥ) while situated in Dvārakā (dvāravatī-sthasya) was also present in Vraja (vraje prādurbhāvah) is stated many times (āsakṛd bahudhā ucyate) in the Viṣṇu Purāṇa and others scriptures (bṛhad-viṣṇu-purāṇādāv).

vraje vihara-māne 'smin prādurbhūya harau tadā | bhavet tasya pure yātrā svapnavad vraja-vāsinām

After making his appearance (prādurbhūya) and performing pastimes (vihara-māṇe) in Vraja (aṣmin vraje), the inhabitants of Vraja (tadā vraja-vāsinām) took his previous departure to Mathurā (tasya pure yātrā) as some sort of bad dream (svapnavad bhavet).

• "After his sudden appearance and performance of pastimes, what did the inhabitants think of his going to Mathurā?"

Kṛṣṇa will never give us up and go elsewhere.

• The perception of his going to Mathurā was only a dream.