

Laghu-Bhāgavatāmṛtā

-Srila Rupa Goswami

Part 1: The sweetness of
Kṛṣṇa

Chapter 5 :
Para-avasthas and Svayaṁ-bhagavān

Points from class discussion

Prahlada maharaja asked Nrsimha deva to forgive Hiranyakasipu. And Nrsimha deva in reply says that 21 generations have been purified.

But here we see Hiranyakasipu becoming Ravana in next life.

How do we understand?

Lord will definitely answer Prahlada Maharaja's prayers. But at the same time He also has to respond to the prayers of Jaya and Vijaya.

Nrsimha deva promises some amount of purification but that purification does not mean liberation or prema.

But if Prahlada Maharaja or any devotee prays to Nrsimha deva for the deliverance of a demon, then can Nrsimha deva deliver such a demon?

Yes, Lord Nrsimha deva is very much capable of delivering any demon.

If a devotee prays for a demon then Lord Nrsimha deva can give liberation and even give prema through kripa siddhi.

Sisupala had seen the form of Krsna earlier and also heard about his different names and his pastimes. Therefore his mind got absorbed in Krsna's names and forms.

But Hiranyakasipu and Ravana had not seen the forms of Lord Nrsimha or Lord Rama earlier.

But that is just co-incidence.

Even if a demon sees Krishna directly at the time when he is being killed by the Lord, still he will get liberation.

Why is it that vastu visesa feature of Lord Krsna acted only for Sisupala and Kamsa and not for others who saw Krsna like Duryodhana?

Kamsa saw Krsna as the cause of his death and Sisupala had hatred for Krsna - so they had some reason to think of Krsna. They thought of Krsna out of fear or hatred.

When they started thinking of Krsna, because of vastu visesa feature, their minds got completely absorbed in Krsna's names and form.

But other people like Duryodhana- they had no specific reason to think of Krsna- and they were self-absorbed.

Do the demons killed by Krsna get prema?

The demons killed by Krsna will get liberation- deliverance from the material world.

But they will not get prema.

Because how can devotees and demons get same destination! (clarified by Srila Rupa Goswami in BRS)

Is bhakti sukriti required to absorb favorably in any of the 5 ways mentioned in SB 7.1.31?

No.

Why would bhakti sukriti be required to absorb one's mind in Lord in hatred or fear!!