

Manah siksha verse 7 Bhajan Darpana by SBVT

How does bhava bhakti develops in the association of devotees?

3.7.19

By service to the devotees intense rasa of bhāva-bhakti to the Lord who is fixed in one form and destroys obstacles for the devotee appears and destruction of material suffering then takes place

3.7.20

Service to the devotees, those on the path to Vaikuntha who are constantly singing about the Supreme Lord is rarely achieved for those who perform little austerity

alpa - tapasah : It is very rare. - figure of speech (idiom)

Antya-līlā 16.60-61

3 things that are very powerful - Dust , water and Remnants

1.2.241

Ever since I saw symptoms of bhava, my mind has for some reason become so attached to the form of Krishna that I have no attachment to my family

Potency of serving the vaishnava

I will not take association till I get advanced devotee- wrong attitude!

rather than serving advanced devotee we keep serving ourselves

We forget how to serve

asta sattvika vikaras are not reliable symptoms of Bhava

We should not hide our anaemia of inability to serve saying I am not finding any pure devotee

Reliable symptoms

1. tolerance
2. never wasting time
3. detachment from sense gratification and the world
4. Humility
5. faith in Krsna's mercy
6. intense eagerness to receive prema bhakti
7. constantly chanting Lord's names
8. glorification of Krishna's qualities
9. desire to live in dhaam

Commentary
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Our desire for fame is like outcaste woman.
eating dog's flesh in my heart

Desire for pratiṣṭhā—distinction, fame, honor, position—especially in spiritual circles, just hangs in there.

we can't just have desire for honour without deceit

we don't think it is a problem because we feel we deserve it

tenacious, excruciatingly difficult to get out

serve the pure devotees of the Lord

Duryodhana
the emperor without any clothes

only means to drive this problem out

scientific process of how the transcendental, viśuddha-sattva potency in the heart of a pure devotee is able to penetrate our heart

pratistha nari sada kuvari - Madhavendrapuri story

Śrīla Kṛṣṇadāsa Kavirāja Gosvāmī says, "I am lower than Jagāi and Mādhāi.

Pure emotions of Krsnadasa kaviraja goswami

When desire for fame is there, deceit comes. because when we don't get it --> then we try to cheat

We face disgrace we don't deserve as a devotee

SBSST, "Better that am in the association of those who are pointing out my faults."

We have to do the right things and give right impressions.

we should be like minded and affectionate

Am I making him advance or suffer?

We have to see our intentions.

It should enhance his morale and enthusiasm