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Bhajana Darpana
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O mind meditate on

Kṛṣṇa as the lord of my leader, Śrī Rādhikā
Śrī Rādhikā as his most dear object of love.
Śrī Lalitā as her incomparable friend
Śrī Viśākhā as the foremost guru distributing the teachings of love
Rādhā-kuṇḍa and Govardhana as givers of the sight and love of Śrī Śrī Rādhā-Kṛṣṇa

RDG guides the practitioner on the mutual relationship between spontaneous devotional service and amorous transcendental love of God

## Commentary by Srila Sacinandana Swami Maharaj

RDG goes deep into his heart and gives us the full picture of Vṛndāvana.

RDG an elderly very thin figure.

He cannot tolerate the separation from Rādhā and Kṛṣṇa,
wants to give us instruction how to attain success.

Calls Kṛṣṇa moon next to him is Rādhikā. Yamunā, sādhakas are like cakora birds, Vision of our sampradaya - whatever Rādhārāṇī experiences, we will also experience. Ex:BSST

We enter the divine couple's association only by recommendation.

Rūpa Manjarī, will bring that sādhaka to Lalitā.

Ex: Maharaj also got recommendation

Recommendation is considered not very great in material circles

Lalitā.

She is the intimate friend of Rādhā.
wipe off the droplets of perspiration from Rādhā and Kṛṣṇa.
some inclinations towards Rādhā arranges a meeting
She is so dear to them that she controls them.
No one ever says, "No," to Lalitā

When we are in vṛndāvana-dhāma we need to behave properly so that Rūpa Manjarī and Lalitā can give us a recommendation! Viśākhā, the śikṣā guru who teaches all the arts required.

If you love them, you trust them.
Whatever they say, you do.
Ex: HH Sachinandan M BB Govinda Svāmī

We should remember Rādhā-kuṇḍa and Govardhana, day and night.

We need to Enhance Faith

Maharaj stays for one month in Vrindavan every year

Faith is valuable commodity. we need to protect it

## **Powerful Meditation**

The holy dhāma is special because everywhere Kṛṣṇa has placed his lotus feet.

On Kṛṣṇa's lotus feet there is rati or love.

His feet are soft, fragrant, and full of the honey of love.

If we just stay in that sacred land, we will also get some love for Kṛṣṇa.

Rādhā-kuṇḍa reveals darśana of the divine couple. Kṛṣṇa bhaktas always meditate on the ideal surroundings for service to the Lord.

> Vision of our sampradaya Story : Minister from Bharatpura

ŚP: "Persons who are constantly engaged in the transcendental meditation of seeing Kṛṣṇa, internally and externally, by thinking of him playing the flute and entering the Vṛndāvana forest, have really attained the perfection of samādhi."

## Commentary by Urmila Devi Dasi

Bhaktivinoda shows us a practical way to follow RDG's instruction to meditate.

Rāgānuga-bhakti means to emulate the mood and service of particular devotees who exemplify one's desires.

In order to do so,

one must deeply mediate on those devotees to gain an understanding of their inner and outer disposition and actions.

There is unlimited individual variety in the spiritual world, each jīva has a unique relationship with Kṛṣṇa.

There is infinite diversity.

Ex: Devotees in a parental mood meditate on Rohiṇī more than Yaśodā,

Each devotee on the rāga-mārga meditates on a suitable form of the Personality of Godhead with his associates who are in a similar mood to oneself, along with their specific places of pastimes.

Certainly, everyone regardless of mood meditates to some extent on Rādhā,
Kṛṣṇa, Lalitā, Viśākhā, Rādhā-kuṇḍa and Govardhana.

Those in the mood of friendship meditate mostly on Kṛṣṇa, Balarāma, Subala, and Ujjvala and their pastime places The identical devotees of Vraja and Navadvīpa simultaneously attain to the pleasures of service in the realm of Kṛṣṇa and Gaura.

One jīva who has three simultaneous identities Ex: Viswamitra

Govardhana serves all the varieties of devotees, fulfilling all their desires.

At Govardhana everyone meets to celebrate festivals and to seek shelter.