

**Sri Caitanya-Sikñämåta**  
**Nectarean Teachings of Lord Srl Caitanya**  
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**Chapter - 3**  
**Vaidhi Bhakti**  
**Part - 3**  
**Avoiding obstacles in devotional**  
**service**

**Ten types of forbidden activity || 7.13.7 || || 7.13.8 ||**  
**NOD (11 - 20)**

- 1. association with the materialist;**
- 2. establishing unfavourable relationships;**
- 3. attempting huge projects;**
- 4. spending time studying different works and various philosophies;**  
**( not to be attached to the literature which**  
**discuss about conclusions different form SB)**
- 5. meanness;**
- 6. subjection to lamentation and other afflictions;**
- 7. disrespect to devatas;**
- 8. giving trouble to other living entities;**
- 9. seva and nama aparadha;**
- 10. tolerating criticism of the Lord and His devotee.**

### Association with materialist

Materialists are of six types:

1. Devoid of faith in the Lord no moral standards;(Atheistic immoral)
  - Perform sinful activities, create havoc in the world.
  
2. Morals but no faith in God;(Atheistic moral)
  - If there is no respect for God, moral codes cannot be followed properly.
  
3. Morals and faith in God - God is subservient to morality; (karmavadies)
  - God is non- existent
  - Temporary meeting of travelers at an inn.
  
4. pretenders and their followers ;
  - cheaters and cheated.
  - Do not accept the eternal nature of bhakti,
  - Have their own motives
  
5. impersonalists;
  - The highest truth is liberation
  
6. polytheists. (Demigod worshipers)

Association does not refer to

- being present in the same meeting,
- riding in the same boat,
- bathing at the same place in the river or
- buying goods in the same store.

Association means dealing with them in an intimate mood. (dadāti pratigāhēāti)

**Four types of unhealthy relations:**

1. with disciples
- Unqualified people as disciples for wealth and power
2. with associates
- non devotees many types of sinful habits will appear.
3. with servants
- Not beneficial to take servants unless they are devotees.
4. with friends.
- Non Vaisnava

**Give up enthusiasm for big endeavors in three situations.**

- If there are no funds project should not be attempted.
  - If a person's life is nearly over, they should not start a big project.
  - If the work requires a lot of help, and there is no way of getting assistance, then the work should not be attempted.
- If huge projects for temples, halls, or asramas are difficult to execute, then they should not be considered.



## Studying many scriptures

- To read small parts of large works without completing a full study
- Devotees should read a work thoroughly, otherwise they will become uselessly opinionated, professional debaters.
- Don't take pleasure in arguing.

## Miserliness

- There is miserliness of
  - o behavior,
  - o wealth,
  - o effort.

Behave properly with Vishnavas  
Give general respect and gifts to the brahmanas.

Properly clothe and shelter their dependents.

Take items from others for a suitable price.

They should pay taxes to the king.  
Devotees should show gratitude to benefactors, give food to the poor, medicine to the sick, and cloth to those suffering from cold weather.