Part 2

Krsna's Eternal Associates

and their expansions

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Part 3

A Discussion on

merging of Jivas

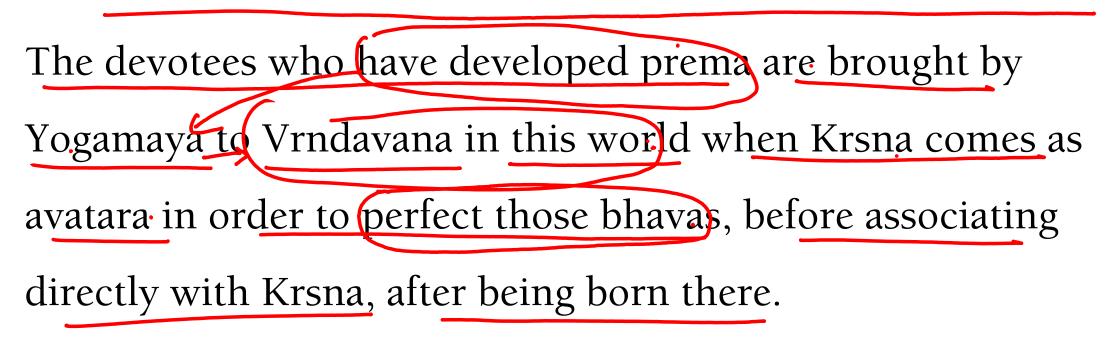
Before we discuss about merging of Jivas we need to know

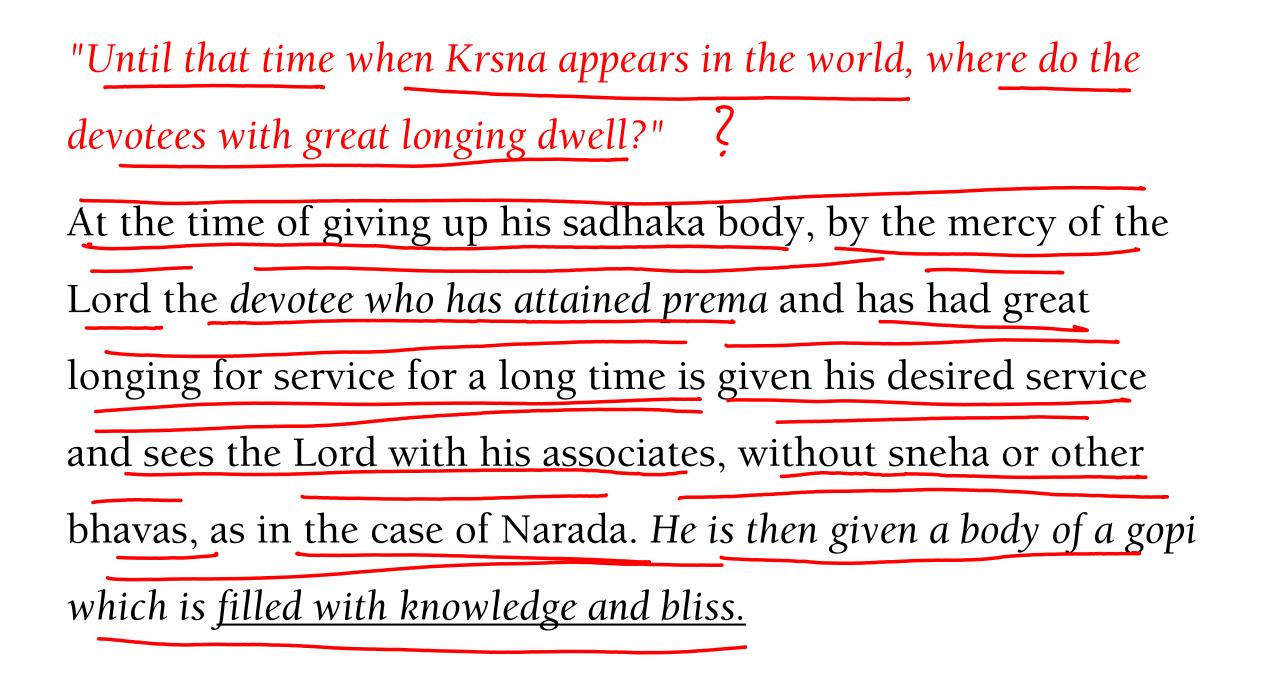
How and when does a sadhaka

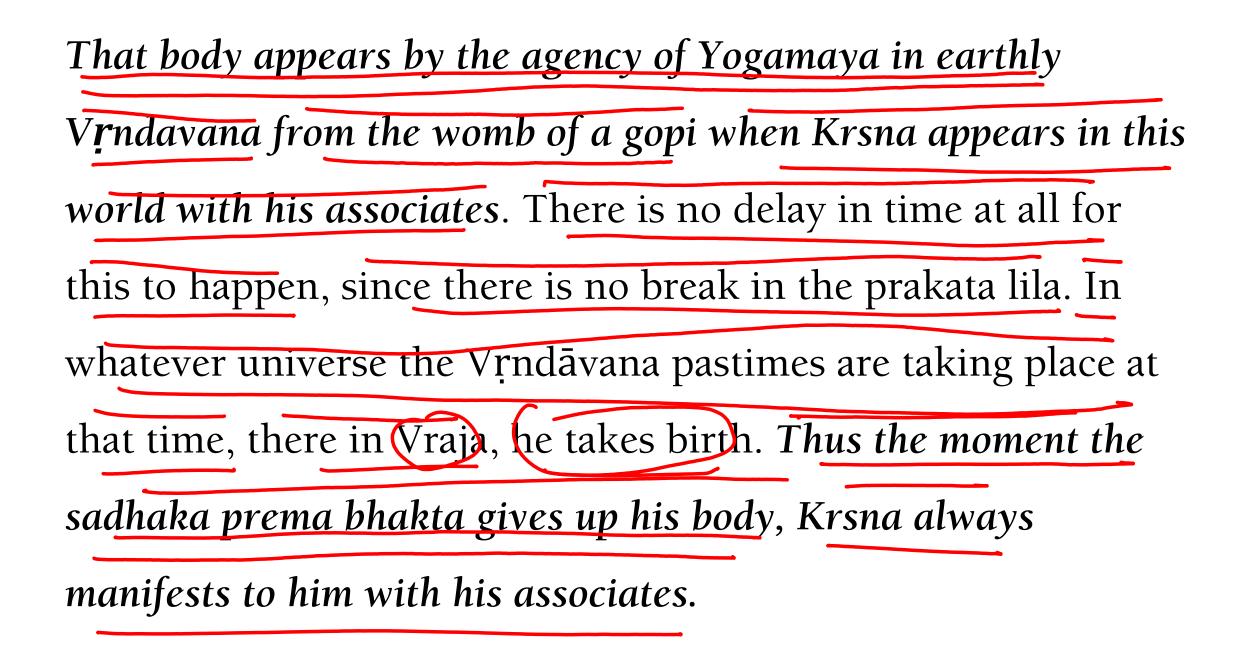
receive a spiritual body?

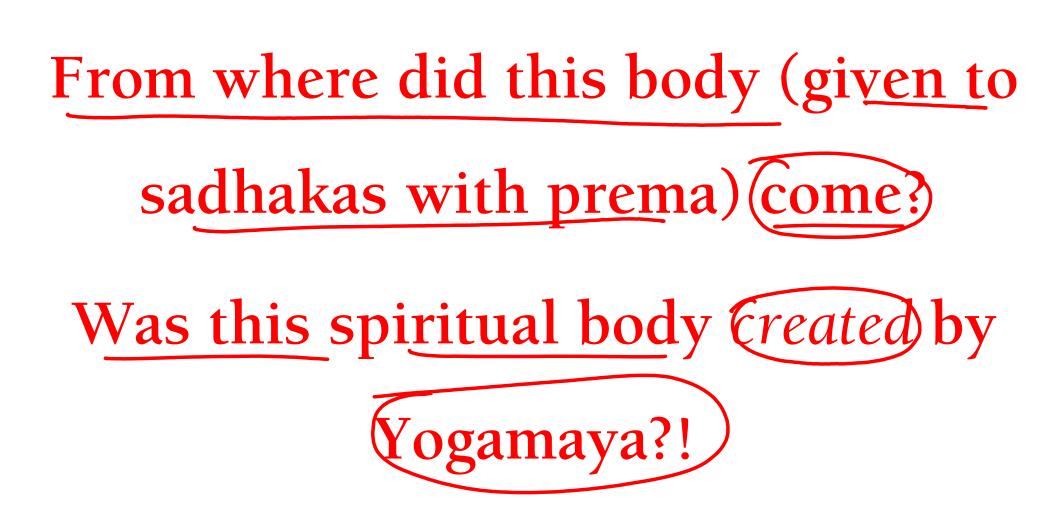
Raga Vartma Chandrika (SVCT)

This discussion here is specific to Raganuga Sadhakas but relevant









Priti Sandarbha – Anuccheda 10

(context of discussion is 5 types of liberation)

vasanti yatra purusah

sarve vaikuntha-murtayah

ye 'nimitta-nimittena

dharmenārrdhayan harim

"In the Vaikuntha planets all the residents are similar in form to the

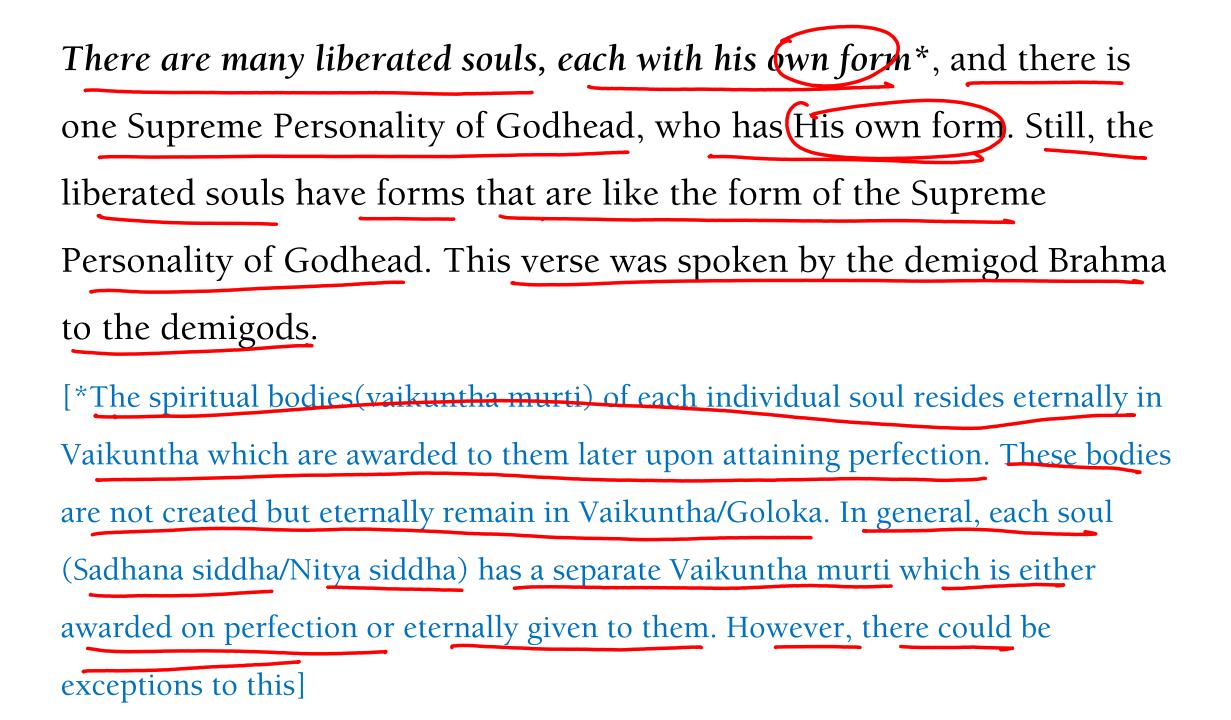
Supreme Personality of Godhead. They all engage in devotional service

ot the Lord without desires for sense gratification." (SB 3.15.14)

Jiva Goswami commentary

Here "nimitta" means "result", and "animitta" means "without cause". These two words together mean, "without the desire for material sense gratification". "Dharmena" means "by devotional service to the Supreme Personality of Godhead". Here the word "vaikuntha" means "the Supreme Personality of Godhead". "Vaikuntha-mūrtayah" means "numberless forms of the individual souls who reside in Vaikuntha and who are manifest from tiny fragments of the effulgence of the Supreme

Personality of Godhead.



Example from Srimad

Bhagavatam for

Sadhaka receiving Vaikuntha



Narada boy receives Vaikuntha Murti

Srimad Bhagavatam 1.6.27 SVCT Commentary -

....at the exact time of giving up my material body, the time of receiving my spiritual

body as an associate also occurred.

Srimad Bhagavatam 1.6.28 SVCT Commentary -

At the time of being made to accept a body which was suddha-sattva (suddhām)

because it was not a material body and because it belonged to the Lord (bhāgavatīm),

my material body (pāñca-bhautikah) fell away.

The use of the verb form hitvā (giving up the material body) in this case indicates

simultaneously giving up the material body while receiving the spiritual body.

Q. Are there instances of sadhana siddhas merging into the bodies of Nitya siddhas? Answer by HHBSM (never heard of it. Q. Srila Visvanath Chakravarti Thakur explains in Raga Vartma Chandrika how raganuga Sadhakas of Madhurya bhava take birth as Gopis in Bhauma Vraja. But in case of Raganuga Sadhakas who follow Nanda and Yashoda in order to perfect their bhava will merge in the body of Nanda <u>and Yashoda to experience</u> the Vatsalya or they take birth as elderly Gopis separately? Answer by HHBSM : not mentioned anywhere

Additional Information on this concept

nitya-siddha kṛṣṇa-prema 'sādhya' kabhu naya

śravaņādi-śuddha-citte karaye udaya

SYNONYMS

nitya-siddha—tternally established; kṛṣṇa-prema—love of Kṛṣṇa; sādhya—to be gained; kabhu at any time; naya—not; śravaṇa-ādi—by hearing, etc.; śuddha—purified; citte—in the heart; karaye udaya—awakens.

"Pure love for Krsna is eternally established in the hearts of the living entities*. It is not something

to be gained from another source. When the heart is purified by hearing and chanting, this love

naturally awakens.(CC Madhya 22.107)

[*Such pure love is eternally established in heart of such Vaikuntha murti of every jiva (not the

current material body since it is not eternal. Hence, it is not to be gained from another source.

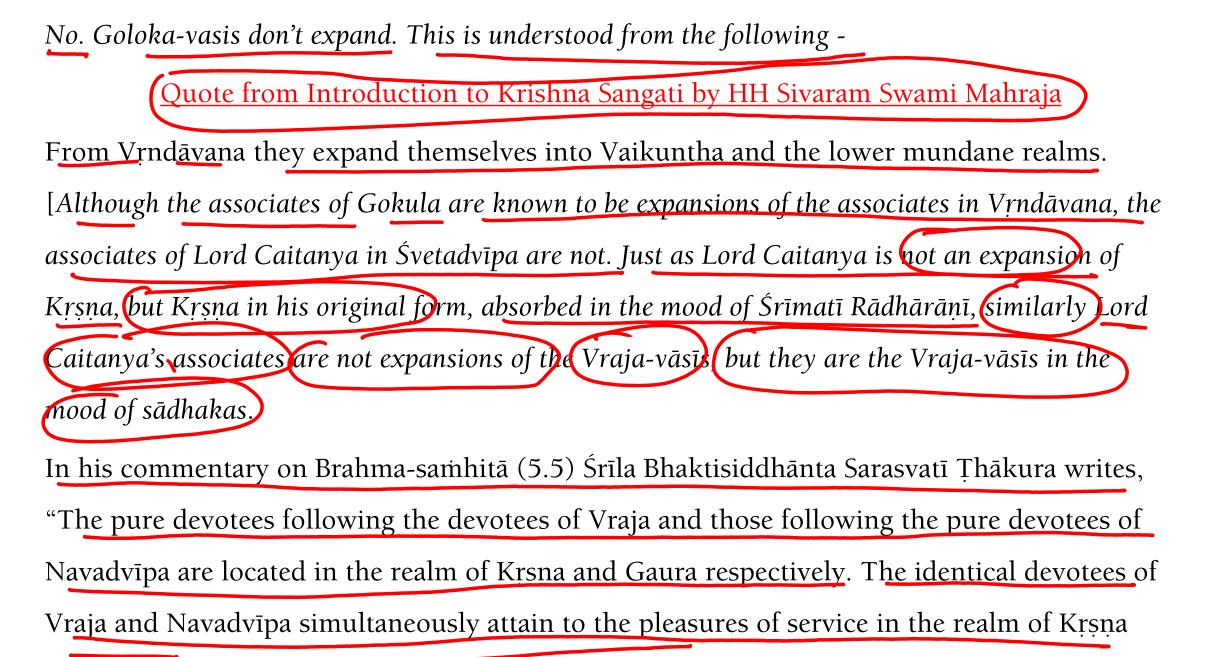
What is the meaning of Lord Krsna's

associates appearing as associates of

Lord Chaitanya?

Do the Goloka-vasis expand as amsas

in Chaitanya Lila?



and Gaura.] [it seems that they receive two vaikuntha murtis]

Q. Each personality has his separate spiritual body as explained in

Priti sandarbha by Jiva Goswami. Should we understand that Sadhana Sidhhas and Nitya Siddbas eternally don't remain in one spiritual

body(vaikuntha murti)?

Answer by HHBSM : some exceptions in Caitanya lila.

Q. So, in general each sadhaka will receive a separate vaikuntha murti, which is eternally existing, as per his sadhana?

Answer by HHBSM : yes. but those who worship Caitanya and Krsna can take two forms in the two pastimes.

Can a Sadhaka merge in the



Gaura-ganoddeśa-dīpikā

(93) Rcīka Muni's son, Brahmā Mahātapaḥ, and Prahlāda Mahārāja as Haridāsa

Ţhākura,

(159) Saibyā-gopī and the Goddess Sarasvatī as Dāmodara Paņdita,

(176) Vīrā-devī and Dūtī-devī as Śivānanda Sena

Q. Are these personalities Nitya siddhas and their expansions in one

body or different personalities?

Answer by HHBSM : some looke like nitya siddhas and others not.

[Sadhaka merging in the body of Nitya Siddha seems possible only for pastime purposes and not eternally]

Can a Nitya Siddha eternally

remain merged in the body of

another Nitya Siddha?

No specific reference but it seems that generally they have separate Vaikuntha murtis but this could happen

during particular pastimes. Ex: Ramananda Raya is the incarnation of Lalita-gopi, Arjuniya-gopi, and Pandava

Arjuna (Gaura Ganoddesa Dipika). All these 3 personalities are Nitya siddhas.

Can a Sadhana Siddha

eternally merge in the body of

Nitya Siddha?

Summary – Part 3

- Generally, each Siddha(Sadhana siddha/Nitya siddha) has a spiritual body(vaikuntha murti) separate than another. (Priti Sandarbha)
- Upon reaching prema Yogamaya gives the Vaikuntha murti to a perfected sadhaka.
- Pure love is eternally established in heart of such Vaikuntha murti of every jiva (not the current material body)