# Śrīmad-Bhāgavatam

Canto Two

## With the Sārārtha-darśinī commentary

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# Canto Two – Chapter Nine

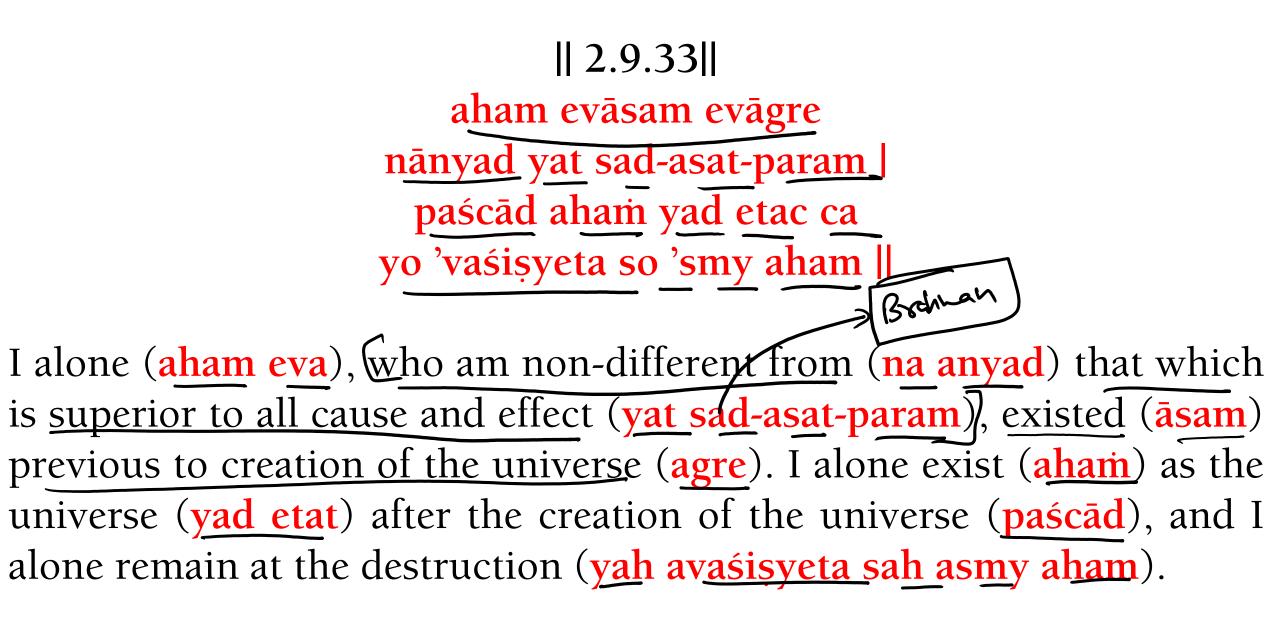
# Manifestation of the Bhāgavatam

## Answers by Citing the Lord's Version

# Section – VI

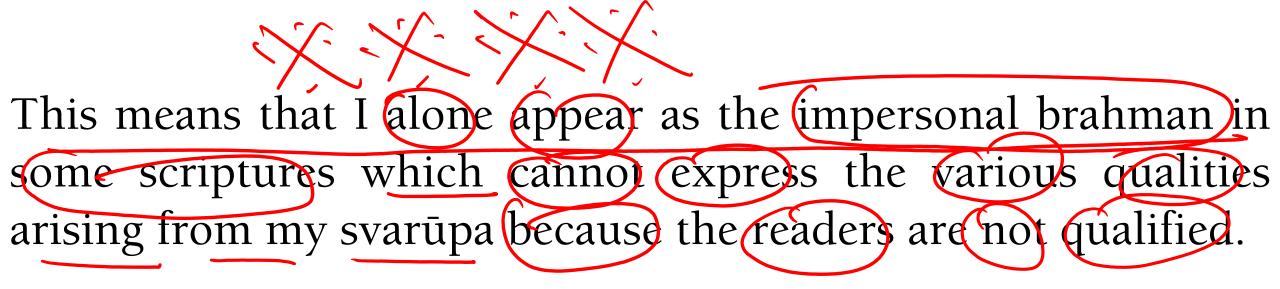
# Lord speaks Catuh Sloki Bhagavatam (33-38)

#### Catuh Sloki-1 – About the material and spiritual forms of the Lord



Sometimes it is said that only the impersonal brahman existed.

- In answer to this it is said in this verse that brahman which is superior to effect (sat) and cause (asat) is not different from
- me.



But you should know me, endowed with form and qualities because you have my blessings and mercy, as expressed in the previous verse.

"After the creation, that universe alone is observed and not you."

In answer to this the verse says, even after the creation, only I

exist.

I exist as Bhagavān in Vaikuņṭha and as <u>Paramātmā</u> within the universes, and as various avatāras such as Matsya at certain times.

"You are not the earth, devatās or the animals. Does that mean that you are incomplete?"

The verse answers.

I alone am this universe (etat) as a whole and composed of individuals.

# Because the universe is generated from my energy, it is my material form.

### You have asked to know about my spiritual and material forms.

This is the material form.

bhavān ekah śişyate 'śeşa-samjñah: you alone remain, and you are known as Ananta Śeṣa-nāga. (SB 10.3.25)

The word aham is repeated three times to define the Lord, who has a supreme form situated through all three phases of time, and endowed with form and qualities, and which is visible at creation and destruction as the inferior form of the world made of matter. Thus knowledge of the superior and inferior forms of the Lord has been explained. Brahmā should have realization (vijñānam) of the first, the superior, spiritual form.

This realization will occur when Brahmā can relish the sweetness of the Lord's form and qualities by prema-bhakti produced through hearing and chanting.

This will be explained in the fourth verse.