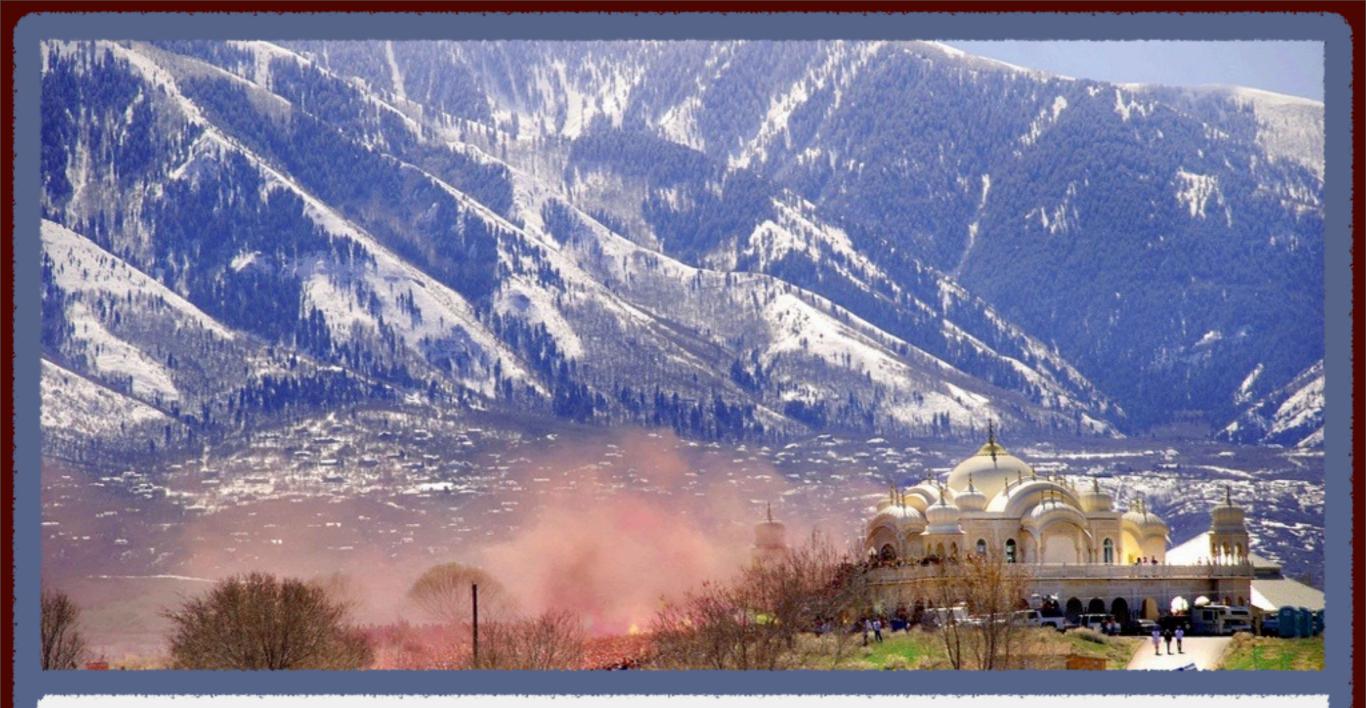


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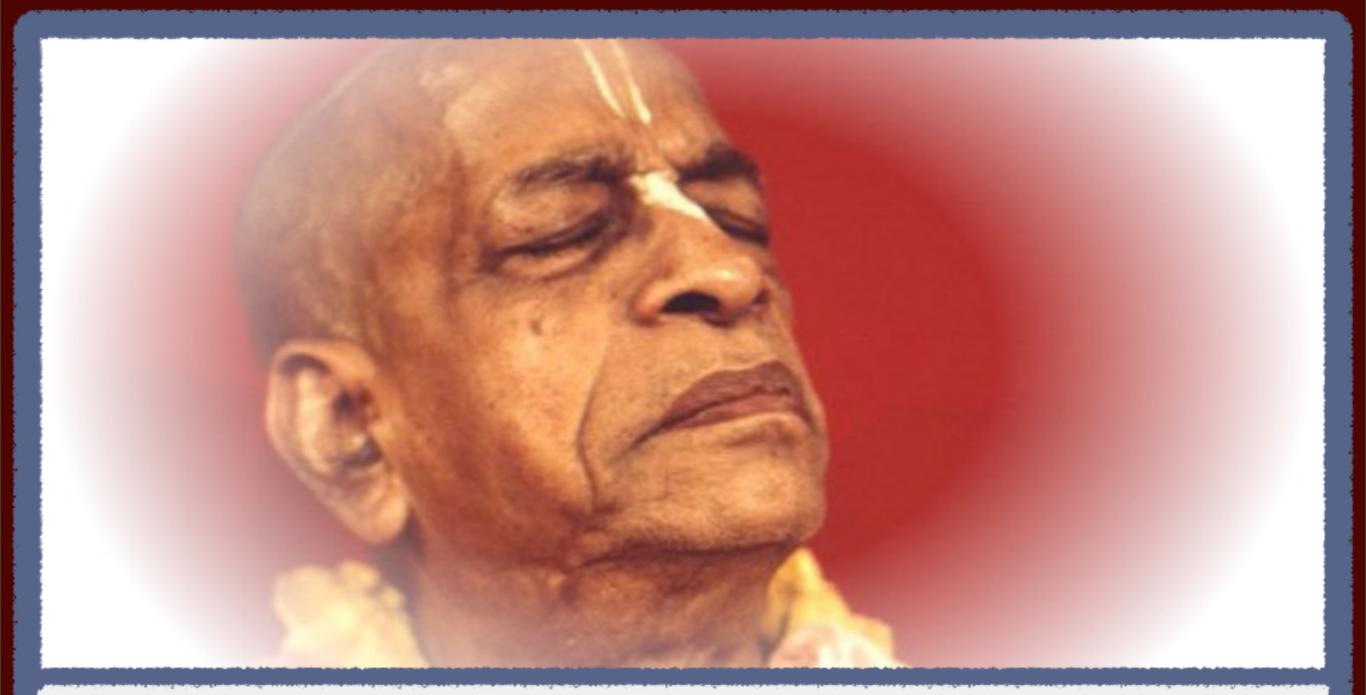
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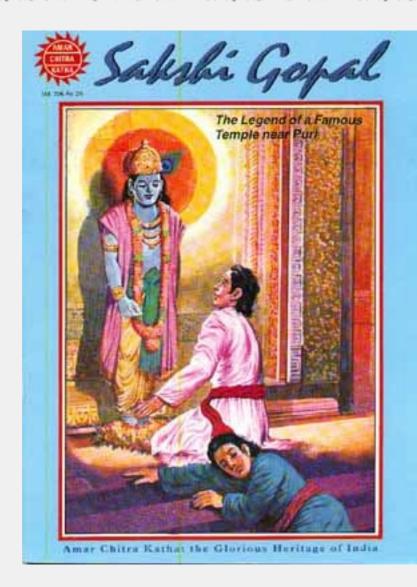
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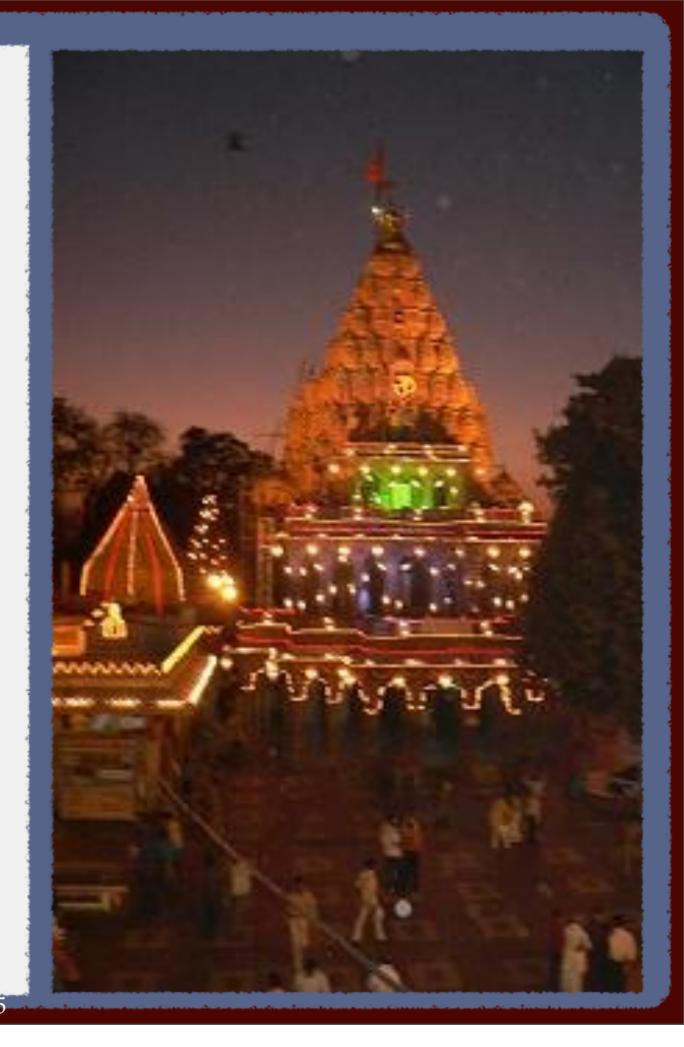
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Brahmins truthful

O Supreme Personality of Godhead known as Lord Krishna, Your reputation is bright and illuminating. You have no beginning, for You are the beginning of everything. This is understood by pure devotees because You are easily accessible to the pure and truthful. Vrtrasura 6/9/45



Sakshi Gopal





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66% Americans said lying was all right, only 31 % agreed with the statement, "Honestly is the best policy." Political campaigns slander..Dr. Leonard Keeler, inventor of the lie detector machine, has tested 25,000 individuals and come to the conclusion that human beings are basically deceptive. No kidding?

How to be Honest in a Dishonest World

Lying is any intention to mislead

- Telling 1/2 a truth, a partial truth, is telling a whole lie
- Falsifying or concealing
- Sometimes you can lie without saying a word

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Boy who snuck in a 2 am, dad called out, "What time is it?" Coo cooed 10 more times

What Gita says about truth telling

- **1. Tell the truth completely.**
- 2. Tell the truth consistently.
- 3. Tell the truth lovingly.
- 4. Tell the truth tactfully.

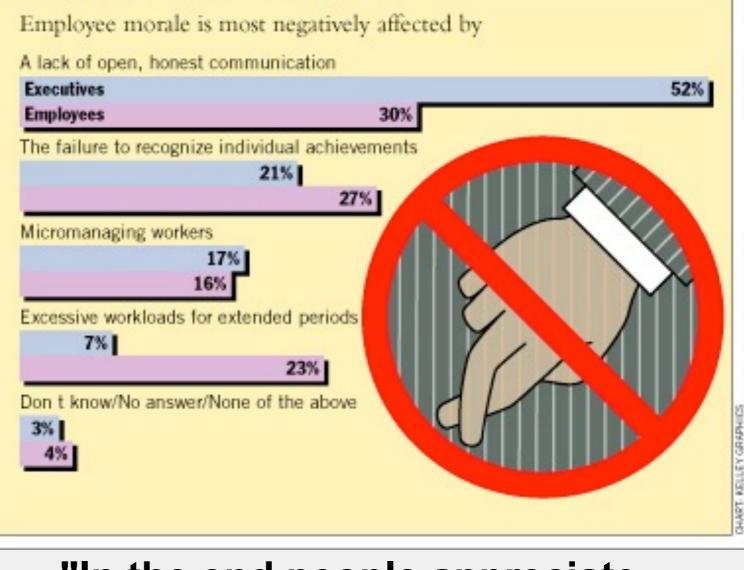
1. Tell the truth completely.

"Someone who holds back the truth causes trouble." You get into trouble by not saying what you mean and not meaning what you say.



"AS WE ALL KNOW, THE APPEARANCE OF HONESTY IS THE BEST POLICY "

Honesty Still the Best Policy



"In the end people appreciate frankness more than flattery."

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If someone is critical, sever the relation. If you have a problem with an employee, or with spouse, better be honest how you feel, otherwise in the end it will explode, soda bottle..full of anger



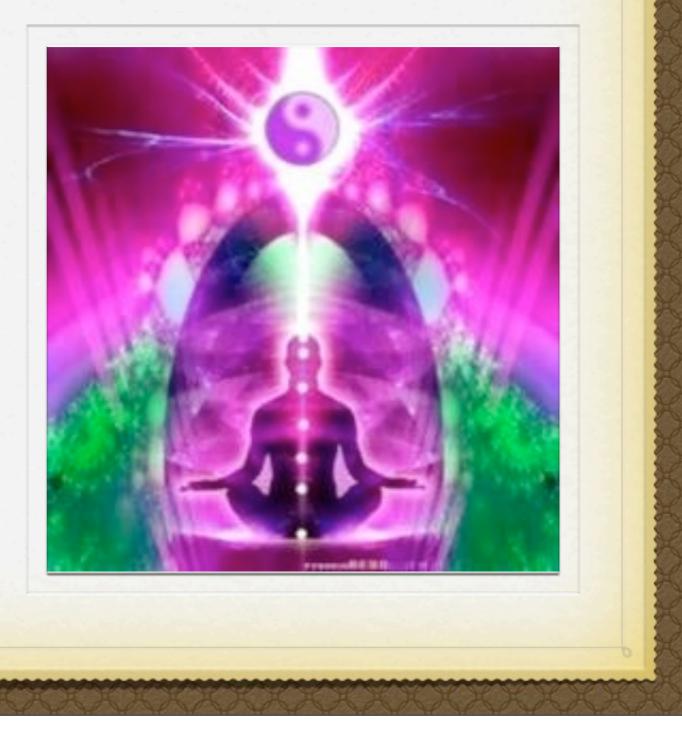
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"My country is the best country in the world"

Nationalism is an infantile disease. It is the measles of humanity. One planet indivisible, by God..isavasyam idam sarvam

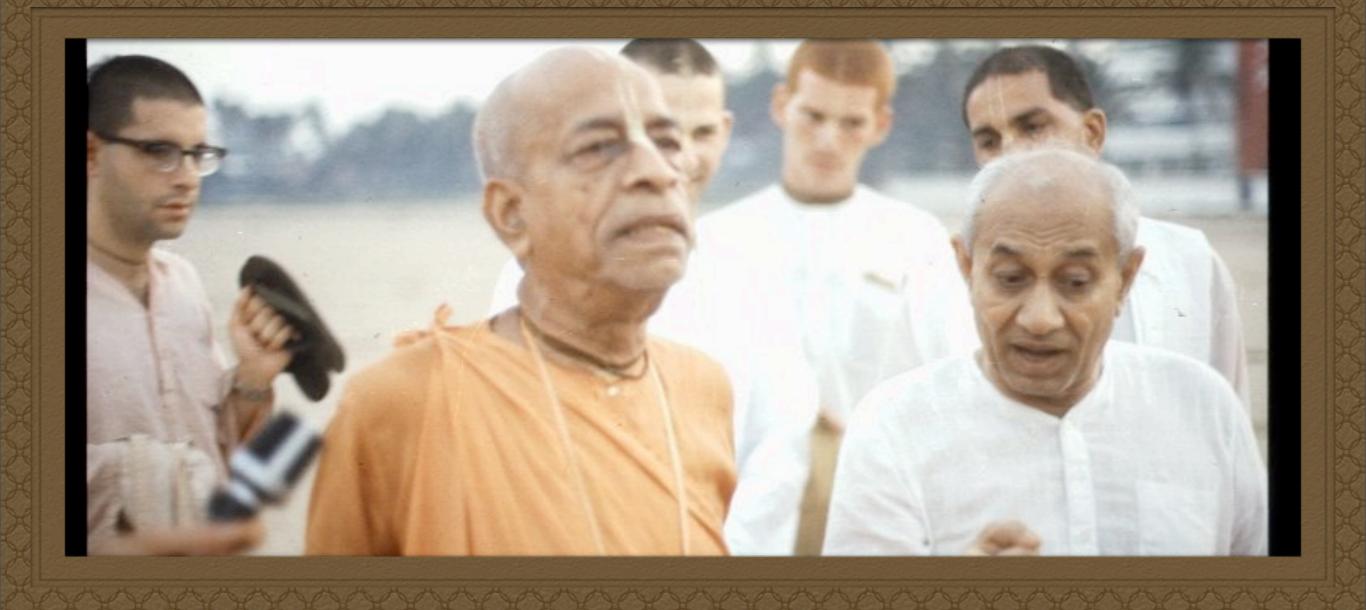
4 DEFECTS

* Tendency to cheat
* To be illusioned
* Make mistakes
* Imperfect senses



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Covered by 8 elements..Einstein, If we knew what we were doing we wouldn't call it research..



Dr. Patel: But really, sir, very learned people are doubtful about their learning, to tell the truth. I had my professor who was a Nobel prize winner in London, and he used to be very doubtful, everything, what he said. "It may be or may not be. Who knows? God only knows," Morning walk Dr Patel

2. TELL THE TRUTH CONSISTENTLY.

Being honest 80% of the time is not integrity. It's like the little boy who cried wolf

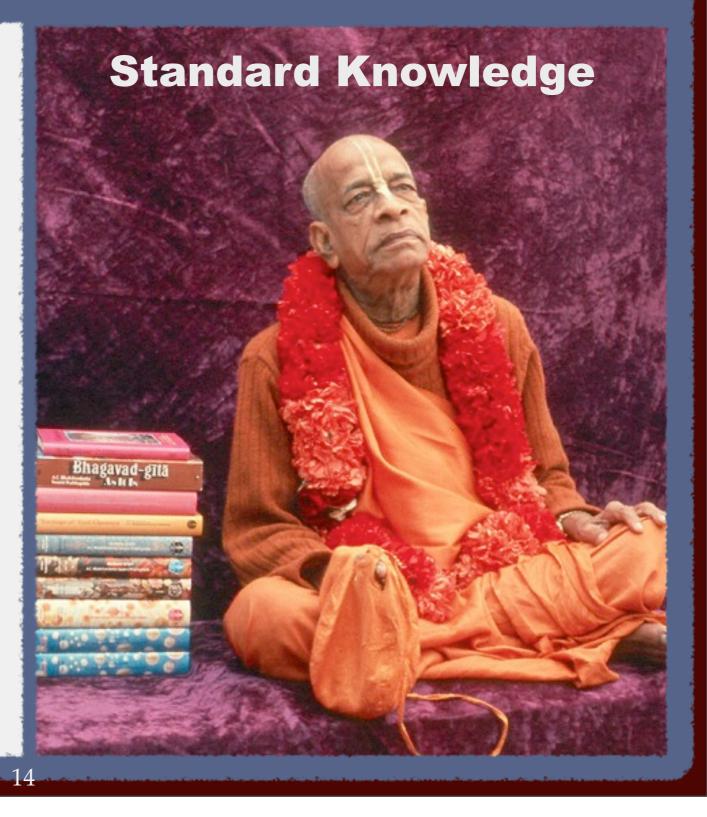


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Eventually you don't know whether the guy's telling the truth or not so you don't believe him at all. They may be telling you the truth 80% of the time but if they're not truthful all the time, how do you know if this is not in the 20% that's false

PRABHUPADA POSTMAN

Bob was fascinated by the philosophy and the books and classes, and from the very beginning he was amazed that Swamiji's teachings answered all his questions. He listened carefully and accepted: "It seemed like once I'd decided that he was telling the truth, I just accepted everything he said. Not that part of it was the truth and the rest of it I would have to think about." Lilamrta

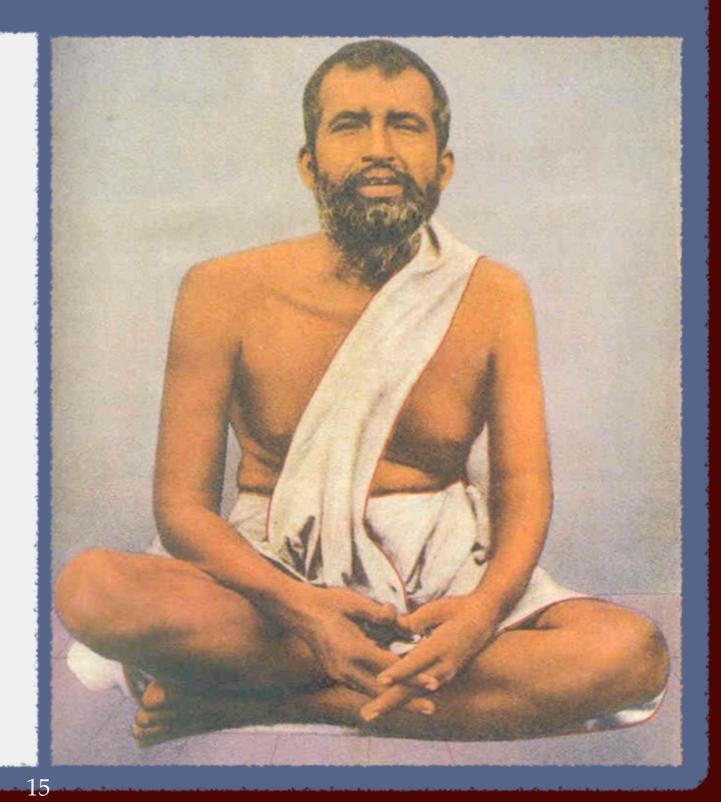


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Standard vedic knowlege, person bhagavat, book bhagawat...guide echoes Rand Macnally...

GOD?

Prabhupada: Eh? And he became God. By worshiping Kali. In the Bhagavad-gita it is said that "kamais tais tair hrtjnanah yajante anya-devatah": [Bg. 7.20] "Anyone who is worshiping other demigods, his intelligence is lost." And this man says that worshiping a demigod, goddess Kali, he became God. Just see. How much great Mayavadi he is! Where is the scriptura, where is in the, Vedic Sastra, that one becomes God by worshiping goddess Kali? Morning Walk



Sunday, May 1, 2011 Sai Baba

People who can't be trusted are destroyed by their own dishonesty

Lying sabotages success. It destroys relationships. It damages character. Krishna says don't do it. Tell the truth consistently. Every relationship is built on one word -- trust.

> Truth telling produces trust building.

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Nobody has a good enough memory to be a good liar. If you lie you have to remember what did you say to each person. If you tell the truth at all times you don't have to remember anything because you've always told the truth. If you are a dishonest person pretty soon you have no relationships, nobody can trust you.

Avyayam, Never Changing

The truth frees us because when we tell the truth we do not become entangled by trying to compromise with material situations, which are always changing. Because we know the Absolute Truth, which is, "God is great and we are subservient," we have a center for speech, thought and action and so are straightforward in all our dealings. By not becoming entangled in a chain of lies, we are set free.

BTG Truthfulness

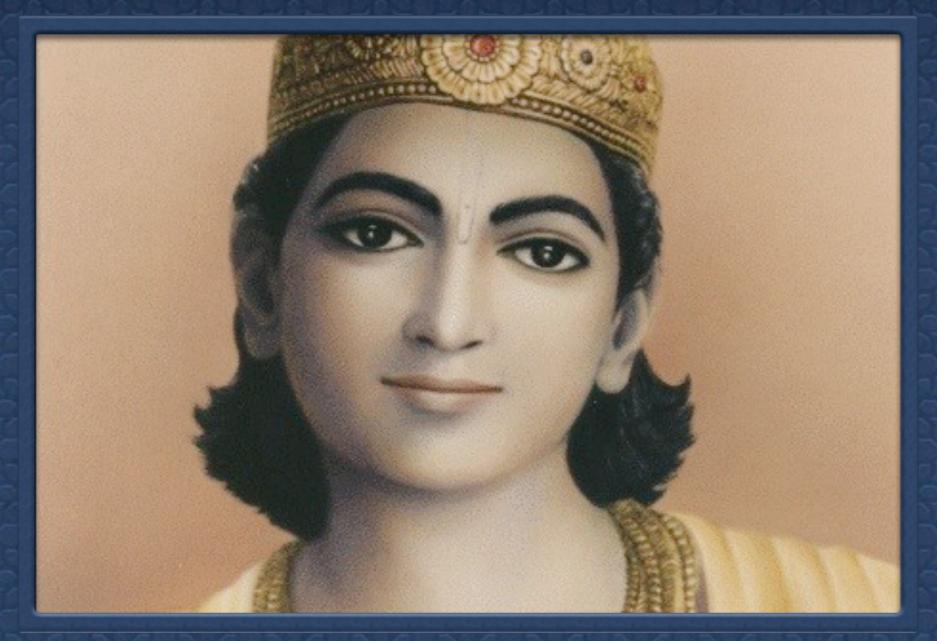
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If we always speak about Krishna, telling the Truth, never changes, age to age the same, we also never change, part & parcel



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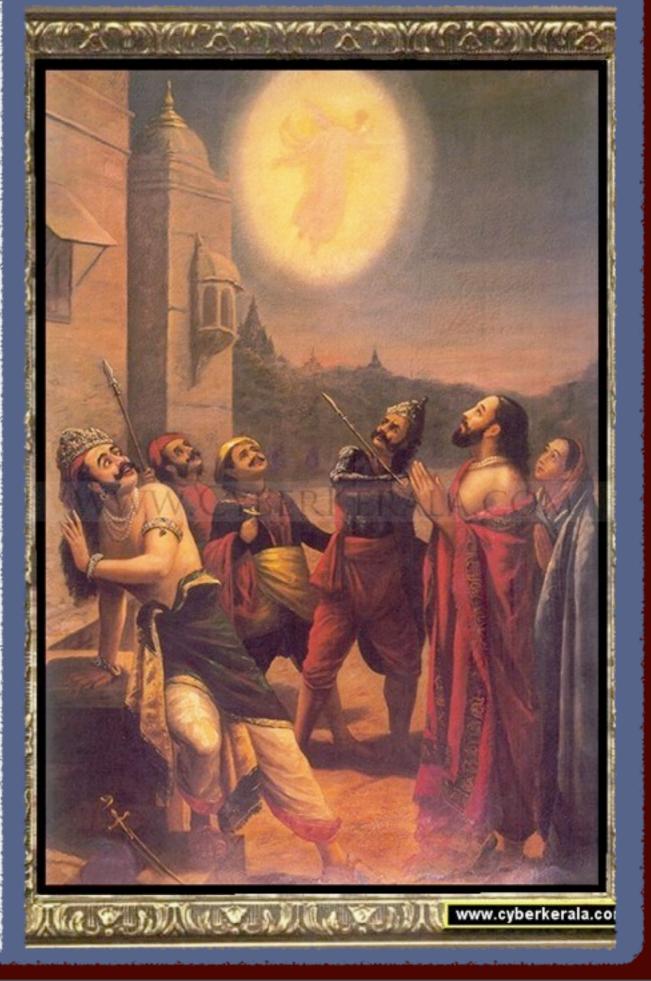
Soul remains the same, part of Krishna Knowledge remains the same..2 + 2 = 4



Words that do not describe the transcendental Personality of Godhead but instead deal with temporary matters are simply false and useless. Only those words that manifest the transcendental qualities of the Supreme Lord are actually truthful, auspicious and pious. SB 12/12/49



Never trust a politician



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Jeremiah Wright.. Those who are addicted to unrestricted sense gratification can never be truthful, nor can they be trusted with any faith. Kamsa did not keep promise to spare children

Kali Yuga

Because they are cheating. Satya bole ta mare lakta. There is a nice poet, he says that if you tell the truth, people will come with their logs to hurt you. And chuta jagat bolai): and if you bluff them, they will be very nicely follower. This is the position. Actually, this is the solution. It is not that "This Krishna consciousness movement which Bhaktivedanta Swami has started is a concocted idea." No. It is standard. This formula is to love God.

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SB 2/2/25

3. TELL THE TRUTH LOVINGLY.

But being honest does not mean being brutal. Don't use the truth as a club. Don't beat people over the head with it.



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People always perceive truth without love as an attack. It doesn't matter if it is the truth. They resist it, become defensive against it, don't want to hear it. Speak the truth in love. An old Arab proverb: When you shoot an arrow dip it in honey first. Ask yourself the question, Who am I trying to benefit from this? Am I trying

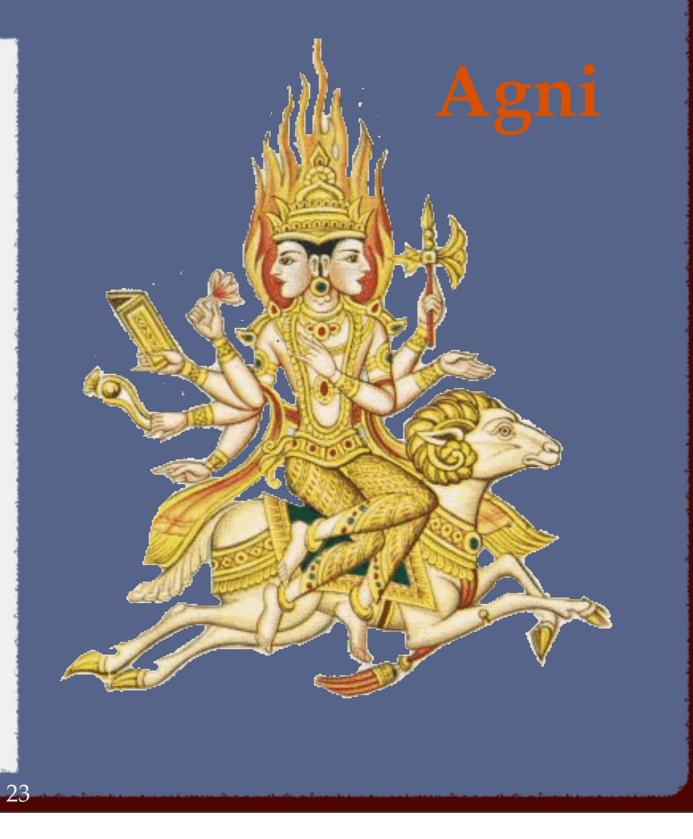
to change them so things will be easier on me? Or am I really sharing this because I really care about my friend and want them to be the best they can be.

4. TELL THE TRUTH TACTFULLY

Thoughtless words can wound as deeply as any sword. But wisely spoken words can heal:

Options:

Hurt or Heal Develop or Destroy Build or Tear Down Delight or Devastate



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Whenever you have a need to share a tough truth the solution is tact not deception. The truth sets you free. But when you speak the truth you must speak it completely, consistently, lovingly, and tactfully.

Austerity of speech consists in speaking words that are truthful, pleasing, beneficial, and not agitating to others, and also in regularly reciting Vedic literature. BG 17/15



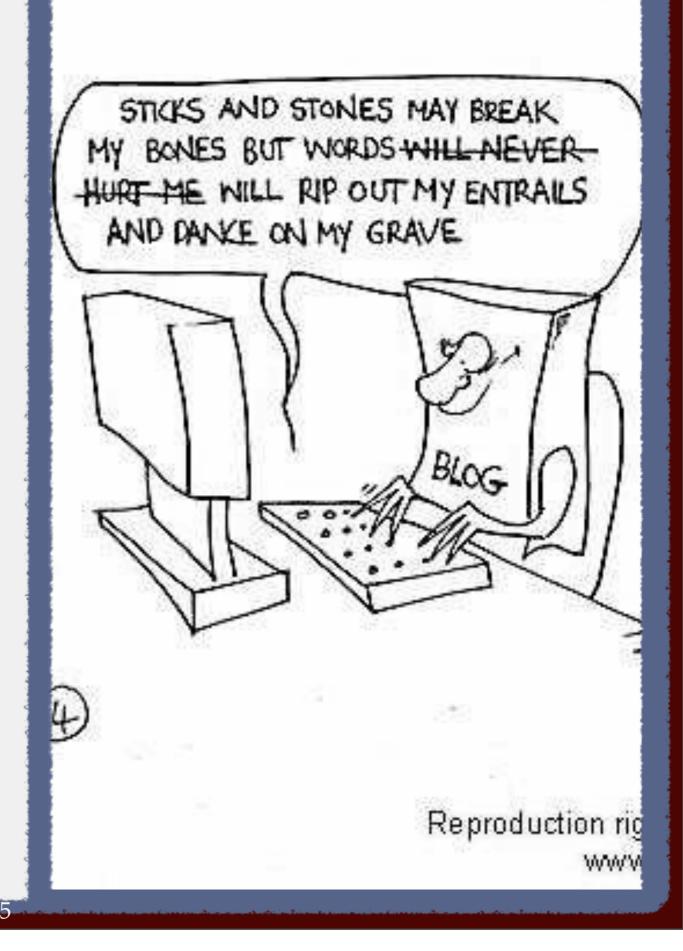
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Krishna addressed durodhone, best of the Kurus, my dear Arjuna.....

When you speak the truth in love and with tact you can learn how to make a point without making an

enemy. That's very important in saving your marriage, your relationship with your children, with people you work with.

Put your mind in gear before you put your mouth in gear



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"Intelligent people think before they speak." Contemplate before you communicate. Think it through. Plan your presentation. Choose the right time. Don't lay it on them as they're going to sleep at night. Don't do it when they're tired, fatigued, hurried.

Speak the truth completely, consistently, lovingly and tactfully.

Why don't we do that? Heart Problem

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The real problem is not my mouth but my heart. Why do we lie?

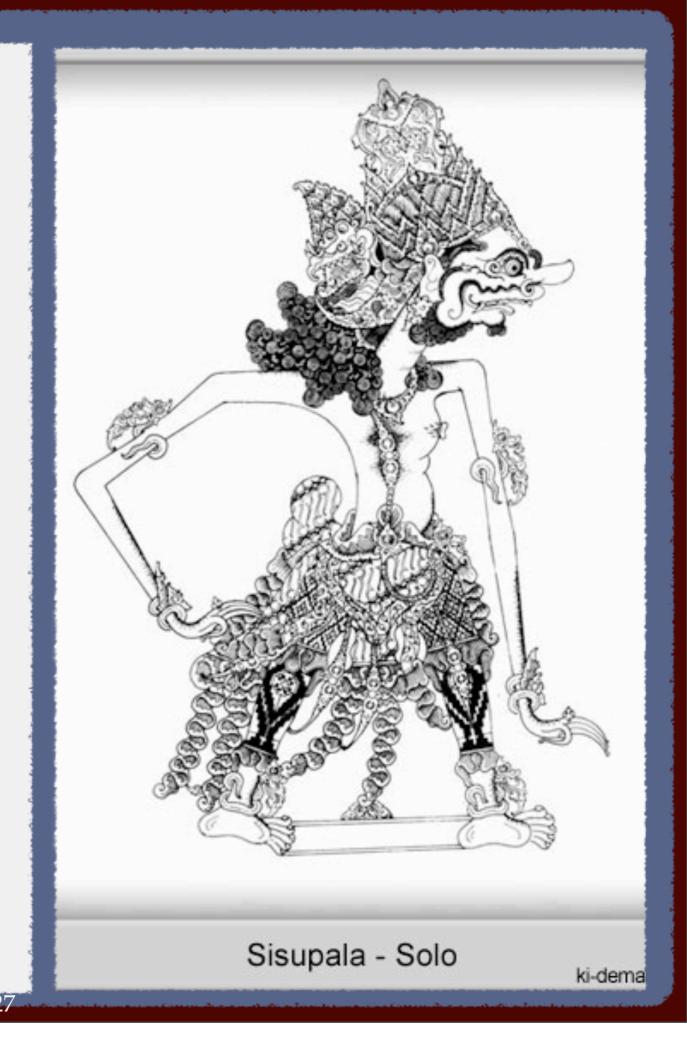
Augustine said there are eight different kinds of lies. Mark Twain said there were 869 different kinds of lies. How he got that I don't know. I've listed just five of them, What are the primary motivations for each of these lies?

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1. THE CRUELLIE

Motivation: Resentment

Slander



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You don't like somebody. They've hurt you. You want revenge. Politicians do this all the time.

Shyamantaka Jewel



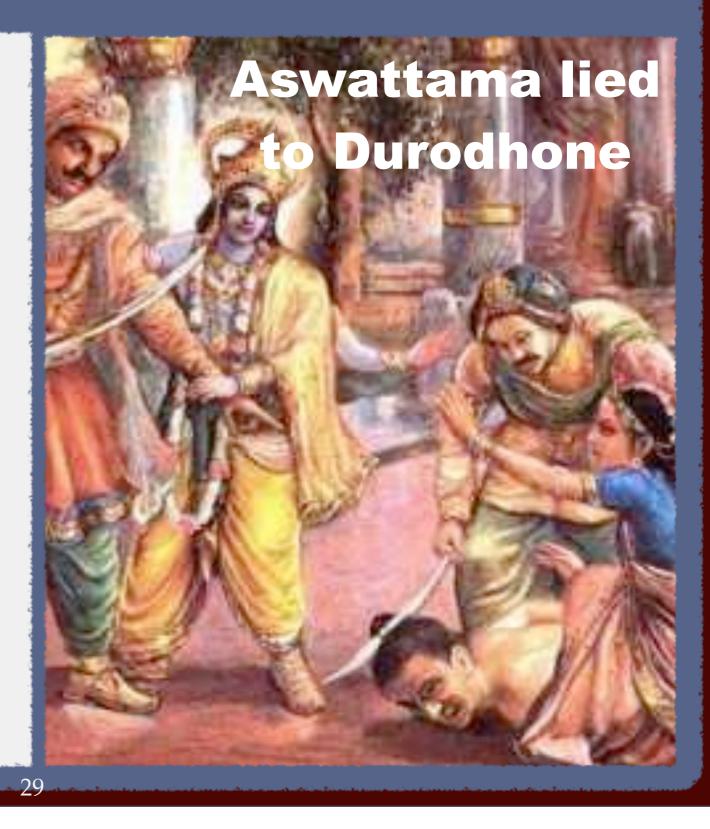
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Krishna suggested it be given to him, Krishna also was lied about by resentful people..revealed what was in their hearts, envy

2. THE COWARDLY LIE

Motivation: Fear

Go along to get along, peer pressure



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They're afraid that people won't think they're cool. Or when you don't have the courage to say "no". This is the kind of lie you tell to escape consequences. You're trying to protect yourself, prevent pain. "My dog ate my homework." Cowardly lie.

3. THE CONCEITED LIE

This is when you lie to impress. You're trying to create an image or cover up low self-esteem so you brag.

Motivation: Insecurity



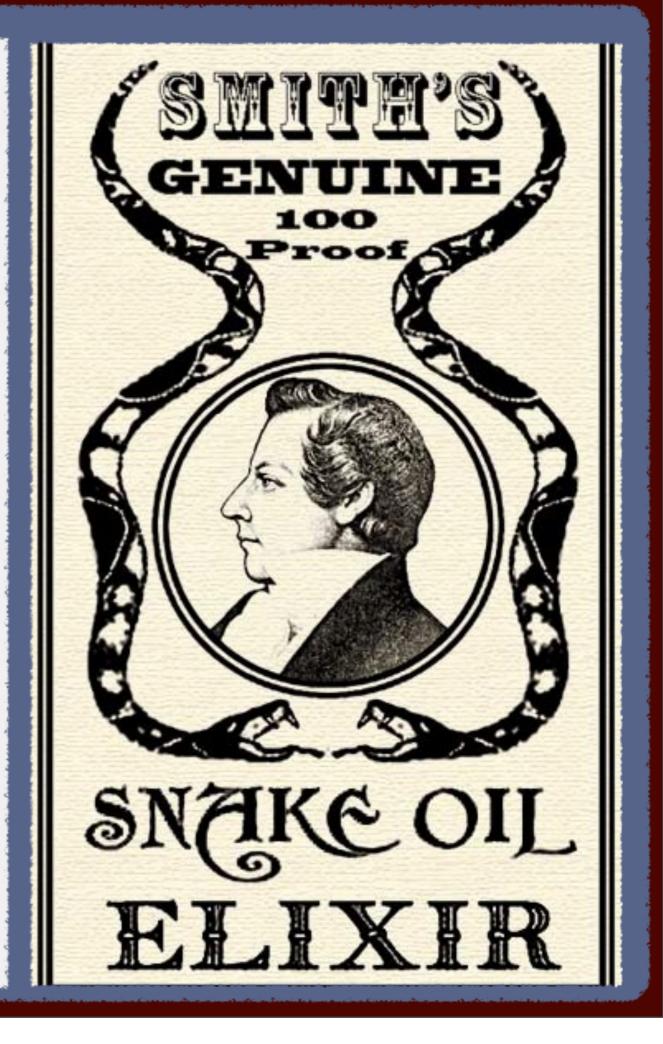
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Bragging and lying are first cousins. They go together. When you exaggerate and prop yourself up that's a conceited lie. What comes off as pride and ego, when you pull away the layers is a very frightened, insecure person. This is the kind of lie we use when we try to hide our hurt. If somebody has hurt us real deeply and you say things like "That doesn't bother me" when it does. That's a lie based on insecurity.

4. THE CALCULATED LIE

This is the kind of lie used to manipulate other people. We want our way. When we think I need to get what I want to get when I want to get it.

Motivation: Selfishness, Greed



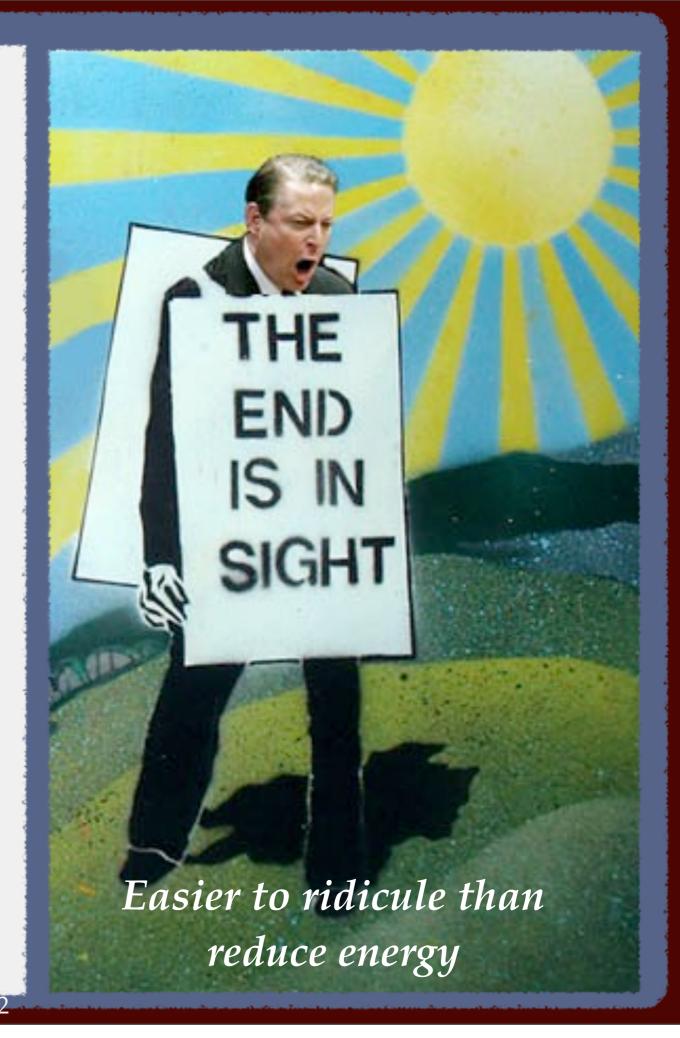
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It can be motivated by greed or selfishness. This lie says, "This is what I want therefore I'm going to do whatever it takes to get it even if it means lie." Con men use this lie all the time. If you love money you will use a calculated lie to get it.

5. THE CONVENIENT LIE

Do you kids ever ask you to explain something and you don't want to take the time and you didn't want to get involved and just said something, a convenient lie. Because it takes time to explain.

Motivation: Laziness, Dipomacy



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Or you don't want to get involved with something so you tell the officer, "I didn't see anything" when you really did. Or when you're too busy to check the facts you tell something you haven't really checked up on and it may just be false gossip. Did you know that to steal something is a crime. But to receive stolen property and pass on stolen property, is a greater crime than the actual crime of stealing it.

MOON LANDING

"What is your opinion," in, I think, San Francisco, "about this moon expedition?" So I asked the reporter, "Shall I flatter you or shall I tell the truth?" So he said, "Tell the truth." "Simply wasting time and money, that's all." This is the truth.



"Would you like to enjoy life? Do you want a long life and happiness? Keep from speaking evil and telling lies."

The heart of the issue is the issue of the heart -- if my heart is filled with resentment then I'm going to find myself telling lies. If my heart is filled with fear and worry then I'm going to find myself telling cowardly lies. If my heart is filled with insecurity then I will find myself easily telling conceited lies. If my heart is filled with selfishness I will end up telling calculated lies to get what I want. If my heart is filled with laziness I will find myself telling convenient lies.

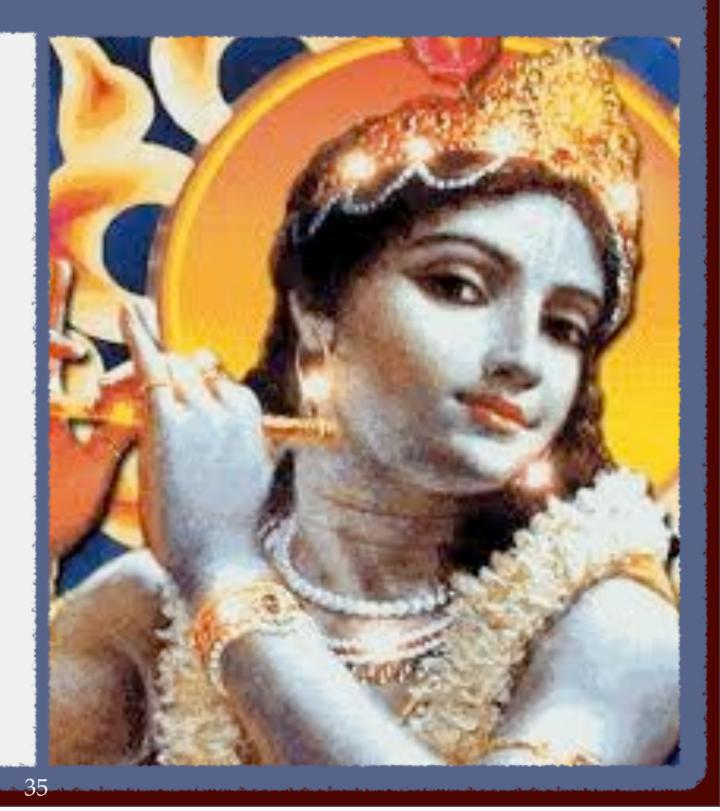
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Portuguese traveller in India found no one who would tell a small lie to save his land, property or even life. Means no resentment, content, no fear, no insecurity, no greed, no laziness

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WHAT'S THE SOLUTION

What is in your heart is going to come out of your mouth Srnvatah sva katha Krishna suhrt satam, truthful devotees Get a new heart, Krishna specializes in heart transplants



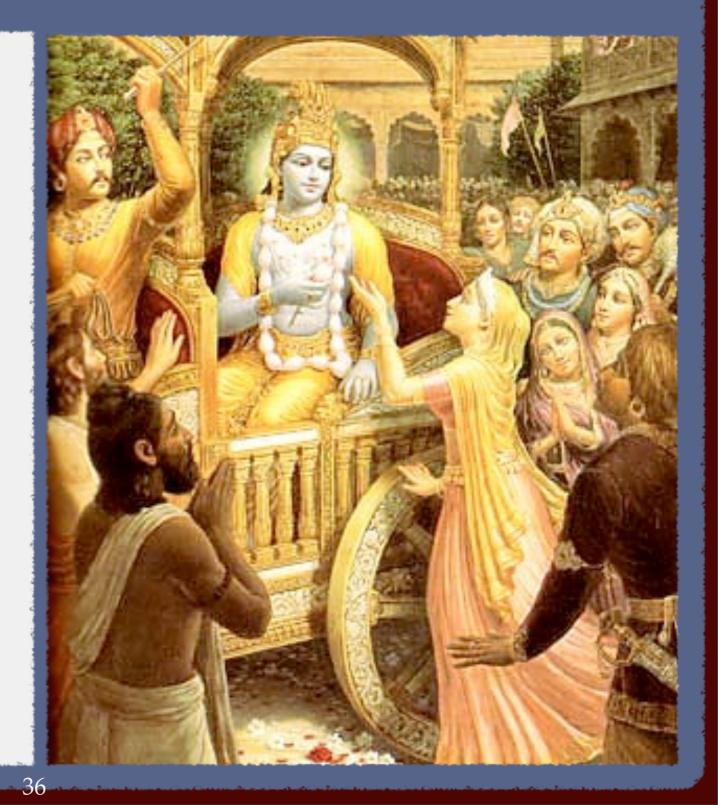
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Let me fill your heart with love instead of selfishness and joy and peace instead of hate and confidence instead of insecurity and energy and power instead of laziness. Krishna is the truth & The closer you get to Krishna the more you're going to love the truth and speak the truth, the more you're going to live the truth.

KRISHNA'S PROMISES

Kunti sons would all come home.

"Sun may become cold, moon hot, ...



How do I break this habit of lying?

The beginning of honesty is the confession of dishonesty. That's the starting point. If you really say, "I want to be a person of integrity. I want to break this bad habit I've got of either cruel lies and gossip, cowardly lies, or conceited lies or bragging. I want to break this habit, starting with first saying "Krishna I'm a liar. I admit it." How many lies does it take to be a liar? One. I'm a liar and I admit it and I ask You to give me the power to change and put a new heart in my chest.

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Character vs. Pretension

 It won't happen overnight. But He will begin to replace the deception with truth as you begin to let Him more and more control your heart. You do that by making a choice and saying, Krishna help me to be more interested in character than in pretension. Pretension is role playing. Character is what you really are. Pretension is about what you want everybody to believe. Character is what you are in the dark. Pretension is trying to impress people. Character is what impresses God. Character lasts for eternity. When you say "Krishna, I'm more interested in character than pretending", then you'll tell the truth no matter what because you know in the long run it's building character. You ask God to help you, put a new heart inside of you.

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HARE KRISHNA HARE KRISHNA KRISHNA KRISHNA HARE HARE HARE RAMA HARE RAMA RAMA RAMA HARE HARE

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