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Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: ...three in America.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: Three in America, another three in Europe.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: Three in Europe; six.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: One in India.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: India, one?

Śrīla Prabhupāda: Yes.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: India one, seven.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: Africa one.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: One.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: Eight. And one Australia, New Zealand. And one Canada...South America.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: South America _____ [?]

Śrīla Prabhupāda: Argentina. And Japan, which includes now Western United States, Ha, ha, ha, including Hawaii and Japan. Russia there is big _____ [?] I've got a student there. And they're very much strict about religious things. When I went to Moscow...

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: A reaction will come.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: The reaction has already come. They do not...

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: Sure to come; action reaction.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: So they found one of my *Bhagavad-gītā* in the Immigration so immediately called police. Then he examined and he allowed, "All right, it is all right." But they're not a very happy country, as advertised.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: What is happiness? God is happiness.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: But materially they're poor.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: *Janma-mṛtyu-jarā-vyādhi-duḥkha-doṣānudarśanam* [*Bhagavad-gītā*, 8.9]. So, they're poor in intelligence, it is *sattvic* intelligence, *janma-mṛtyu-jarā-vyādhi-duḥkha-doṣānudarśanam*,

so devoid of higher kind of intelligence. Scientific fineness, that is also in the jurisdiction of matter. And more subtle and subtler knowledge is possible.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: Now we are presenting through two of my scientific students, Doctors of Chemistry – the source of matter is spirit. This is our theory. Generally they believe that life comes from matter.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: Life comes from matter.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: But we are presenting, “No. Matter comes from matter.”

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: Apparently. But this is more appropriate. This is *Vedānta*.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: Apparently. Yes. *Janmādy asya yato* [Śrīmad-Bhāgavatam, 1.1.1]

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: I say that just as eczema in the healthy body, this material world is an eczema in the healthy body.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: Yes. Material atmosphere means diseased condition.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: Diseased condition, very negligent diseased condition, forming very negligent part of the whole. This material world where creation and dissolution is compulsory, that is a negligent portion of the real universe.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: *Ekāmśa*.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: Otherwise if a major portion of a body is bad, then that cannot stand. So the major portion of the universe must be healthy, wholesome one, and the negligent part is a diseased portion. That is the world where the misery lives.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: One fourth part.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: The possession of Satan. That is under possession of Satan. Satan means *vikṛta jñāna*, that is misunderstanding.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: Perverted.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: Misunderstanding is perverted understanding is Satan. Understanding is there, but it is perverted.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: *De ātma buddhi*. [Bhagavad-gītā, 18.37]

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: *De ātma buddhi*. Rather, the enjoying principle.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: Sense gratification.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: The enjoying mood; that is the basis of this. And the mood of renunciation, that is a buffer state, that is nothing. And the real life is a life of self dedication and service. And service

not of any part, or service not for any part which is like me. But for the whole, for the Divinity; as Kṛṣṇa says in *Gītā*:

*athavā bahunaitena, kim jñātena tavārjjuna
viṣṭabhyāham idam kṛtsnam ekāśena sthito jagat*

["But Arjuna, what is the need of your understanding this elaborate knowledge of My almighty grandeur? By My fractional expansion as the Supreme Soul of material nature, Mahā-Viṣṇu (Kāraṇārṇavaśāyī Viṣṇu), I remain supporting this entire universe of moving and stationary beings."]

[*Bhagavad-gītā*, 10.42]

Who lies, Whose bed is Infinite. Śeṣa-Nāga, Ananta, Infinite gathered together, and though He seems to have a figure, but that sort of figure which can contain many number of Infinite of our conception. Kṛṣṇa is a figure talking with Arjuna, a limited figure, but Viśvarūpa emerged from Him, how? A big Viśvarūpa emerged from a limited figure; so such limited figure He has got.

Vṛndāvana has been described as only thirty two miles, but Paravyoma which is to be understood as Vaikuṅṭha means infinite, many of the Paravyomas are accommodated there within that thirty two miles area, square mile area, or something like that. We must be conversant with that sort of understanding.

Any number of length of rope coming but always only two fingers less. Then another big rope added and again that two fingers less. This is all categorical principle we are to be acquainted with, then we shall go to read *Bhāgavatam* or...

Śrīla Prabhupāda: _____ [?]

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: _____ [?] How is it possible? *ag vigetar ananta svarup* [?]

In one figure He accommodates numberless figures, *ag vigetar ananta svarup* [?]

But all these appear to be real and it will be shown to them who have got real *śraddhā*. *Śraddhāmāyo 'yam loka*, the world of faith, and that is substantial, not imaginary. What we say to be concrete, that will be reduced to ashes and imaginary, it will evaporate. Both the material scientists as well as the *ṛṣis*, that this will evaporate one day, the Sun, Moon, everything, this will evaporate. But that subtle thing stands forever, *śraddhāmāyo 'yam loka*. The experience of the region of faith stands forever. And the world of experience is evaporating every second, being transformed, and dying every moment, every second dying. What is told to us to be the reality; that means dying every second, that sort of reality is given to us by the great apostles of the present universe, big scientists and big leaders of the knowledge world.

In India there is a saying, that once a big mountain, he or she, expressed that she will produce a child _____ She has got pain, just before producing child. Then the people thought, "Oh. What a big child must come. When the big mountain, she feels labour pain, then a big child must come." At last it was seen that a mouse was produced. So the big giants of the present world, so-called leaders of the scholastic world, they're producing like a mouse. That is a dying substance, in this form or that form.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: *Punaḥ punaś carvita-carvaṇānām* [Chewing that which has already been chewed]. [*Śrīmad-Bhāgavatam*, 7.5.30]

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: This is sure deception, a deception to the challenge to the real thinkers. They should abhorrently throw it out at once. This is in the boundary of *janma-mṛtyu-jarā-vyādhi* [*Bhagavad-gītā*, 13.9], throw it off.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: So I try to impress upon them this fact, that this Kṛṣṇa consciousness Movement is a challenge for this deception. They're simply deceiving.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: All sorts of deception.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: Yes.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: Even *Vaikuṅṭha*, *paravyoma bhedi bhedi* [C-c, *Madhya-līlā*, 19.153-4 ?]
Even if the selfish sort of calculation comes between the servitor and the object of service, then also it throws us down. In Kṛṣṇa consciousness, that sort of calculation is also absent. Where there is love there cannot be any calculation. It is autonomous, *anurāga*, can't but do. No sort of calculation of any benefit. The calculation disturbs autonomy.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: _____ [?] About our temple contemplation, it will be almost a skyscraper building, with four divisions _____ [?]
So how will it be depicted _____ [?]

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: It has already been described by Sanātana Goswāmī in *Bṛhat-Bhāgavatāmṛta*, after crossing Brahmaloaka.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: There is *Maheśa dhāma*, in between.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: As devotee, Śiva as devotee.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: Yes. Everyone is there. Śiva's devotional prayer is there, in fourth canto, about the four sons. What are their names?

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: *Devī dhāma* up to *Virajā*, *nirviśeṣa*, the last conception, or the highest conception of *Devī dhāma* is a bodily conception of *Virajā*, *prakṛti* ends there.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: *Kāraṇārṇava*.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: *Kāraṇārṇava*; then begins Brahmaloaka, the halo of the spiritual world.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: Effulgence. Yes.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: Spiritual world. And that is also somewhat *nirviśeṣa*. And then after crossing there, Śiva is on the other higher side, as well as he's on the lower side – that is differentiation on two sides is Śiva. This side also master of *Devī*, and this side also he's searching after something, and when the diferentiative world ends in Brahmaloaka, there also the Śiva as devotee, and this side Śiva is a *yogī*, he's searching after. And there, he's going to meet *Nārāyaṇa* to pay his respect.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: Both sides he's a devotee.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: Yes. This side he's not such a devotee but that is a pure devotee on the other side, *Vaikuṅṭha*.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: Sadāśīva.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: Sadāśīva, Mahā-Viṣṇu, on the other side, he's a devotee. *Vaiṣṇavānām yathā sambhuḥ* [Śrīmad-Bhāgavatam, 12.13.16] [also in the purport of Śrī Brahma-saṁhitā's verse 45]

Śrīla Prabhupāda: Mahā-Viṣṇu and Sadāśīva the same.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: Same.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: Advaita Ācārya.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: Advaita Ācārya, on the other side, and this side sometimes revolting. The other day I told a gentleman that Śīva is rather the leader of the opposition party. Ha, ha.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: Ha, ha. Yes _____ [?]

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: _____ In many a place, many demons are encouraged by him we find.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: But when Pracetāsas they met Śīva...

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: That is that Śīva, devotee Śīva. Markandeya also in *Bhāgavatam*, Markandeya worships Śīva but that is the devotee Śīva. It is clearly mentioned in *Bhāgavatam* Markandeya is worshipping Śīva but that Śīva is the pure devotee.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: Pracetāsas and Śīva met in this material world or in the spiritual world? They met in the material world.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: I can't remember that particularly. But Śīva this side also Śīva and *nirviśeṣa*, on the lower side of the *nirviśeṣa* is also Śīva, and the higher side of the *nirviśeṣa* is also Śīva. Then Nārāyaṇa.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: Here he's Bhūtanātha, leader of the atheistic classes.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: Atheistic class. And his paraphernalia is Nandi, Vareṅgi, *bhūta*, *preta*. And his eldest son is Vinayaka (?) the leader of the misguided Binayaka? Gaṇeśa, and not proper *nayaka*, *vikṛta nayaka*. *Vinayaka nikapa mordhava su prabhu* [?]

That are protected by Kṛṣṇa and they throw their...

Śrīla Prabhupāda: But in *Brahma-saṁhitā* [verse 50] Gaṇeśa is described *vighnānasya*.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: *Vighnānasya* but with the help of Nṛsimhadeva on his *kumbha*.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: Oh, ha, ha, ha, Oh yes, I see, on his head. *Yat-pāda-pallava-yugam vinidhāya*.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: Only with the help of His lotus feet he's able to – otherwise he's *vinayaka*.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: Ha, ha, ha, ha. Gaṇeśa.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: _____ [?]

Śrīla Prabhupāda: Misleader.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: Misleader. Misguider, Gaṇeśa, his eldest son, and he gives his support, Śiva. Just as C.R. Das he encouraged Subash Bosh and other members of _____ Party, but he himself worked a little common person.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: Yes. So, Satsvarūpa Mahārāja, how do you like this place?

Satsvarūpa Mahārāja: Very transcendental.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: Hare Kṛṣṇa. _____ Where is Srūtakṛti?

Śrīla Prabhupāda: Here is Srūtakṛti.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: His health, you are to arrange what will be...

Śrīla Prabhupāda: Srūtakṛti wants to serve you, provided you go with us to U.S.A. Ha, ha, ha.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: Ha, ha, ha, ha.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: He says, "If Mahārāja goes with us then I shall take care of him."

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: In another life, ha, ha, it may be possible.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: Ha, ha, ha, ha.

[Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja and Śrīla Prabhupāda now speak Bengali (?),
and laugh a lot, for just over six and a half minutes.]

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Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:

*ūrdhva-mūlam adhaḥ-sākhā, aśvatthaṁ prāhur avyāyam
chandāmsi yasya parṇāni, yas taṁ veda sa veda-vit*

["The holy scriptures proclaim that this material world is like an unchangeable Banyan tree with its roots facing upwards and its branches down, known as an Aśvattha (transitory) tree. Its nutriments are the Vedic aphorisms, which are represented by its leaves. Whoever knows this tree in this way is a genuine knower of the *Vedas*."] [*Bhagavad-gītā*, 15.1]

Śrīla Prabhupāda: Fifteenth Chapter.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: The cause of this world is connected with the upper world, *yas taṁ veda sa veda-vit*.

[More Bengali (?) for about three minutes]

Independent of matter, in clear introspection, the spirit can see spirit, can feel spirit; but matter cannot feel matter. _____ The matter presupposes spirit. Whatever you will ascribe to a fossil, it presupposes consciousness. This is his colour, this is *tyāga*, this is this, this is this, that means...

Śrīla Prabhupāda: Consciousness studying fossil.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: Consciousness in a degraded state sees fossil.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: Yes.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: Consciousness in *śraddhā*, *tarottama* is there, *śraddhā*; himself, then superior soul...

Śrīla Prabhupāda: And the super-most.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: ...and in the ultimate reality, Kṛṣṇa, all-love, all-good, all-beauty; that realm. Individual consciousness can live in, and move in, in the land of beautiful, in the land of divine love. Anyone having any conception of beauty and love, which is the prime cause of the universe, he cannot like anything in this world than that. *Raso 'py asya, param dṛṣṭvā nivartate*.

[*viṣayā vinivartante, nirāhārasya dehinaḥ
rasa-varjaṁ raso 'py asya, param dṛṣṭvā nivartate*]

["Although the person of gross corporeal consciousness may avoid sense objects by external renunciation, his eagerness for sense enjoyment remains within. However, inner attachment to sense objects is spontaneously denounced by the person of properly adjusted intelligence, due to his having had a glimpse of the all-attractive beauty of the Supreme Truth."] [*Bhagavad-gītā*, 2.59]

All his charm has vanished as soon as that type of *rasa*, that *rasa* of that quality has got a little awakening in his heart. Everything;

*yad-anucarita-līlā-karṇa-pīyūṣa-vipruṭ-, sakṛd-adana-vidhūta-dvandva-dharmāvinaṣṭāḥ
sapadi gr̥ha-kuṭumbaṁ dīnam utsr̥jya dīnā, bahava iha vihaṅgā bhikṣu-caryāṁ caranti*

["The transcendental *līlā* of Śrī Kṛṣṇa is great nectar for the ears. Those who relish just a single drop of that nectar even once have their attachment to material duality totally ruined. Many such persons have immediately given up their futile homes and families and have come to Vṛndāvana like a free bird out of a cage. Becoming totally detached from their material life, those devotees have taken up the path of renunciation and have accepted alms just to maintain their lives on this plane. In this way they continue to search for Him, the all fulfilment of life."] [*Śrīmad-Bhāgavatam*, 10.47.18]

[Bhakti Nandan Svāmī's, *Śrī Bhakti Rakṣaka Bhajana Madhuri*, p 26-7]

Yad-anucarita-līlā-karṇa-pīyūṣa-vipruṭ. A drop of nectar of Your pastimes, *līlā*, when it has entered any ear, then all things drawn into ashes to him. *Yad-anucarita-līlā-karṇa-pīyūṣa-vipruṭ, sakṛd-adana-vidhūta-dvandva-dharmāvinaṣṭāḥ.* He's independent of *dvandva dharma*, that is *rāga-dveṣa* or this conjugal life, both. A permanent partner in conjugal life, that seems to be redundant to him, without Kṛṣṇa. So *dvandva dharma* as well as – *dvandva dharma* means *rāga* and *dveṣa*, all vanished, *dvandva-*

dharmāvinaṣṭāḥ. Sapadi grha-kuṭumbam. And what is the after effect? Very soon he leaves everything, *dīnam utsṛjya dīnā*, he himself poses himself to be a very poor one and leaves his present paraphernalia, and they also, without him, think themselves very poorer. In this way, *bahava iha vihaṅgā bhikṣu-caryām caranti*, just as a bird from this tree to that tree moving, he also in quest of Kṛṣṇa from here to there, there to here, in this way, with Kṛṣṇa at heart. And sometimes they come in a particular stage to organise for the *jīva* to help them to go to that realm.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: So, what is your advice, shall I fly like young or retire? Ha, ha.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: Ha, ha, ha. *Ānukūlyasya saṅkalpaḥ* _____
_____ *yukta-vairāgya* _____ [?]

Śrīla Prabhupāda: (Speaks Bengali (?) for about twenty seconds)

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: As much as you can accommodate yourself for them you may do.

(Śrīla Prabhupāda and Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja speak Bengali (?) for about two minutes,
with the occasional English sentence)

Śrīla Prabhupāda: One intelligent boy, you have heard his name, George Harrison, he's one of the - or the greatest - musicians at the present moment of the world. I think so. Yes?

Devotee: Yes.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: George Harrison, so he's becoming, he's very intelligent, so he's becoming interested. And recently he has given us a house in London which is fifty five *lākhs*, which is worth two hundred thousand pounds. Two hundred thousand pounds ordinarily it is forty *lākhs*, and in the market value because the pound is selling in India thirty twenty eight – at least twenty five, in that way...

(Bengali spoken for just over five minutes)

We are solely depending on our books.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: _____ [?]

Śrīla Prabhupāda: _____ [?]
_____ [?]

Bhaktivedanta Book Fund Account. Five thousand dollars he takes advance, deposit, and take my orders. So I gave him order - books worth fifty two thousand dollars, advancing five thousand. And they gradually supplied to India, and from U.S.A we gradually, little by little we paid, so that became the asset of books. And I advised them that you go and present these books to respectable gentlemen to become a member, and they'll become. And actually that plan became successful. Now the same members, they've not only paid eleven hundred, now some of them they're paying eleven thousand. Recently one gentleman belonging to the Bila(?) family, they came to our Calcutta centre – in how many motor cars they came?

Devotee: Seventeen.

Śrīla Prabhupāda: Seventeen motor cars, the whole family, and after seeing the Deity they presented a cheque for eleven thousand rupees. So by Kṛṣṇa's grace money is coming. There is no scarcity, and they're spending here in Māyāpur. So with that five thousand dollars, whatever our asset is in Indian now, that is from five thousand.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: So you have proved also that capital is on the other world, capital is also...

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