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Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: Coming down, not springing up here.

Devotee: Guru Mahārāja. Kṛṣṇa is like a well-wisher father. How a father can permit that the son fall down and be in contact with a dangerous situation? Father's always careful about to don't permit the son to fall.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: Father also does not like that the son will be of such nature that always lives under guidance. Just as one man takes his boy to teach him swimming, that he may not drown, so it's necessary to teach him swimming. So father wants that he may stand by himself. That is not injustice.

Free cooperation, not infringed, forced cooperation. There cannot be peace in forced cooperation, forced adjustment. So free cooperation, that sort of adjustment is peaceful and happy. You are to understand. If He forces us anything then we're reduced to stone. We must be allowed to live freely, and that free cooperation will give us peace, not forced.

Devotee: And Guru Mahārāja. This wrong path is very heavy because it's said in the *śāstra* that for the *jīva* to return to his constitutional position is very rare.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: This wrong path, in comparison with eternity it has no position. We're to take everything from the standpoint of eternity, however long path, no value. Which is very, very long time to you, that is a second to another's consideration. And what is a second of Brahmā, that many be a few months for us. So infinite is of such character. In time and space, in both cases it becomes true. Who is there?

Badrinārāyaṇa: Vidagdha Mādhava prabhu.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: Vidagdha Mādhava is going to Calcutta tomorrow to send him off?

Vidagdha Mādhava: If you like Guru Mahārāja I can go, no problem.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: Do you find it necessary?

Mukunda Mala Vilas: Do I find it necessary? No, it's not necessary. I can manage. It's all right. His service will be needed here. So I'll take your leave now Guru Mahārāja. Hare Kṛṣṇa.

Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja: Gaura Hari bol.

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