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**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** ...Hari. Then with this warning they sent again Prahlāda to their school.

Then they asked Prahlāda, "Where do you get this devotion to Hari? When your father came to test you, you told, the consequence, the result of all the learning is to learn devotion to Hari, you told. We have not taught you in that way." And then Prahlāda told,

*matir na kṛṣṇe parataḥ svato vā, mitho 'bhipadyeta gṛha-vratānām  
adānta-gobir viśatām tamisram, punaḥ punaś carvita-carvaṇānām*

[Prahāda Mahārāja said: "Because of their uncontrolled senses, persons too addicted to materialistic life make progress toward hellish conditions and repeatedly chew that which has already been chewed. Their inclinations toward Kṛṣṇa are never aroused, either by the instructions of others, by their own efforts, or by a combination of both."] [*Śrīmad-Bhāgavatam*, 7.5.30]

"You're safe, rest assured. You're not responsible for teaching me these devotional things. Where you get *matir na kṛṣṇe parataḥ svato vā*, it is not got from within, not come from within or from outside. Or by the combination of the self and outsider. It is 'All Rights Reserved', it can come only from the devotee. And you are not devotee so you rest assured that you won't be responsible for teaching me all this devotional education." There he told. "I got it from Nārada when I was living in the womb of my mother. He's my spiritual preceptor."

Hare Kṛṣṇa.

**Devotee:** \_\_\_\_\_ [?]

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** Hare Kṛṣṇa. You know Śrī Kūrma? Did not visit?

**Devotee:** Yes, I've been there. Yes, I did visit.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** Near Chika...[?] You visited?

**Devotee:** Right.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** Kūrma temple is not found in many places, as Nṛsimhadeva. Nṛsimhadeva temple is found here and there, everywhere.

**Devotee:** Yes, that's right.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** But Kūrma temple is only there, Śrī Kūrma. And *Śrīmad-Bhāgavatam* in the conclusion we find obeisance to Kūrmadeva. It is peculiar thing. So some say that some Andhra *paṇḍita* had some contribution in *Bhāgavatam*.

**Devotee:** I see. Because Śrī Kūrma \_\_\_\_\_ [?]

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** The mention of the obeisance to Kūrma is there, and Kūrma temple is only in Andhradesa, that place. *Grāvāgra-kaṇḍūyanān. Nidrāloḥ kamaṭhākṛter. Pāntu vaḥ. Bhrāmyad amanda- mandara.*

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** *Prṣṭhe bhrāmyad amanda-mandara-giri-grāvāgra.*

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** *Amanda-mandara-giri-grāvāgra kaṇḍūyanān. Nidrāloḥ kamaṭhākṛter bhagavataḥ śvāsānilāḥ pāntu vaḥ.* That when that Mandara giri was put for the churning of the ocean and it began to go down, to keep its flow in a proper level the Kūrmadeva had to go under that mountain. And when it was churning at that time, *bhrāmyad amanda-mandara-giri-grāvāgra-kaṇḍūyanān. Prṣṭhe bhrāmyad amanda-mandara-giri.* When it was moving round then that produced some itching sensation in the back of Kūrmadeva, and that itching sensation produced some sort of sleeping tendency. It was not a very furious thing, but it was very comfortable to Him. When the hill is moving on His back He felt a very pleasing sensation, comfortable sensation, and some sort of slumber attacked Him. And His breath, because He fell sleeping, so breath became little speedy, and that produced some wave in the ocean. *Nidrāloḥ kamaṭhākṛter bhagavataḥ śvāsānilāḥ pāntu vaḥ.*

And we crave the mercy to that breath of the sleeping tendency of Kūrmadeva to grace us, be graceful to us. It is in the conclusion of *Bhāgavatam* this *śloka* is mentioned.

*prṣṭhe bhrāmyad amanda-mandara-giri-grāvāgra-kaṇḍūyanān  
nidrāloḥ kamaṭhākṛter bhagavataḥ śvāsānilāḥ pāntu vaḥ  
[yat-saṁskāra-kalānuvartana-vaśād velā-nibhenāmbhasām  
yātāyātam atandritam jala-nidher nādyāpi viśrāmyati]*

["When the Supreme Personality of Godhead appeared as Lord Kūrma, a tortoise, His back was scratched by the sharp-edged stones lying on massive, whirling Mount Mandara, and this scratching made the Lord sleepy. May you all be protected by the winds caused by the Lord's breathing in this sleepy condition. Ever since that time, even up to the present day, the ocean tides have imitated the Lord's inhalation and exhalation by piously coming in and going out."] *[Śrīmad-Bhāgavatam, 12.13.2]*

Hare Kṛṣṇa. Gaura Hari bol. Gaura Hari bol.

Raoul [?] is the title in your province of the *kṣatriya*? Raoul [?]

**Devotee:** Raoul [?]

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** Raoul [?] means *kṣatriya*?

**Devotee:** No.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** Reddy [?] means cultivator class? \_\_\_\_\_ [?] Eh? Peasant?

**Devotee:** Today it doesn't mean anything.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** Anything? Raoul [?] title previously came from *kṣatriya* section.

**Devotee:** Raoul [?] It can be *vaiśya*, it can be *sūdra*.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** Oh, anyone, can be Raoul?

**Devotee:** Right.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** *Brāhmaṇas* are generally *Mīśra*, *niyogi*, *vaidiki*, all these things.

**Devotee:** *Brāhmaṇas* they usually have *śāstri*.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** *Śāstri*.

**Devotee:** *Acari*.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** *Acari*, *śāstri* also from the educational sense, and *acari* is the Rāmānuja Vaiṣṇava. *Acari*.

**Devotee:** In the south the *tilak* has three legs, two white lines, and one red line in the middle.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** Ah. That is Rāmānuja.

**Devotee:** Yes, Rāmānuja, yes.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** Rāmānuja. And this way that is Śaiva, or *smārta*, in this way.

**Devotee:** I see.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** The basna [?] Rudra basna [?]  
Hare Kṛṣṇa. Gaura Hari bol. What do you do in America? What service?

**Devotee:** I'm a computer engineer.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** Computer engineer. Another Bengali gentleman came few days back. India government invited him to open some sort of computer like business here, industry.

He came to see me and told that, "They gave a big estimation. I told, so much money is not necessary, so I can manage within this amount. But they did not agree. 'No, this money will be paid for this to found this sort of industry here.' Then I found," he told, "I found they want to blackmail, they will take my advantage and they will swallow the money. Then I told them no. I won't be able to do such things. I'm going back to America again."

From New York perhaps he came. Hare Kṛṣṇa. Bengali man, came from Badhisar [?] district, a disciple of Śrauti Mahārāja. He wanted me to go to America.

**Devotee:** I see.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** I told that even Swāmī Mahārāja wanted to take me there. I could not go. It is not possible for me to go to the foreign land, especially at this stage of my life.

Gaura Hari bol. Gaura Hari bol. Gaura Hari bol.

He told that, "My Guru Mahārāja, Śrauti Mahārāja, he wants to go there, but he does not know English, he's a good *paṇḍit* in Sanskrit, I know. So you will accompany him, and then it will be very laudable."

But in the meantime Śrauti Mahārāja has gone away. Hare Kṛṣṇa. Gaura Hari. Has taken *prasāda*?

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** \_\_\_\_\_ [?]

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** Is he in ISKCON, there, has come from there?

**Bhakti Sudhīra Goswāmī:** He's staying over there in Māyāpur.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** In Māyāpur?

**Bhakti Sudhīra Goswāmī:** Yes.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** And how many days you're to wait here?

**Devotee:** We have planned to leave today.

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** Today.

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**Bhakti Sudhīra Goswāmī:** ...conclusion of *Bhāgavatam*. Why was that sort of verse given?

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** In the conclusion we find, the Varāhadēva and other Avatāras also description in *Bhāgavatam*. Kūrmadeva's also. But near the conclusion we find Kūrmadeva's *śvāsānilāḥ pāntu vaḥ*.

*prṣṭhe bhrāmyad amanda-mandara-giri-grāvāgra-kaṇḍūyanān  
nidrāloḥ kamaṭhākṛter bhagavataḥ śvāsānilāḥ pāntu vaḥ*

It is mentioned in the Vedic literature that the scriptures coming from the breath of the Lord.

Purusasya nisyasya nisyasya idam [?] Scriptures are coming from the breath of the Supreme Entity.

And here is also the question of the breath. When some trouble between the Godly and non Godly, that is in a particular state. And to bring peace in this world Kūrmadeva's incarnation is necessary. And for their good that nectar is going to be, by churning, the kirodasamudra [?], the nectar is supposed to come out, the nectar. And for that purpose that sort of churning took place. And when that was being done then the trouble in the world was the cause of His soothing sensation.

And that He came to some subconscious region and from there the breath came, and with that came the scripture to give delivery to the world. So the object of the churning was to produce the nectar. And the nectar is represented in the highest sense in *Bhāgavatam*, *kathāmṛtam*. So the

*śāstra* means nectar, and it came from the breath of the Supreme Lord, and He was in the form of Kūrma. And from His breath came the scripture which in its ultimate position came to *Bhāgavatam* which is nectar, *amṛtam*. The source of *śāstra* is the breath of Kūrmadeva. And that came when there is some quarrel between the theistic, non theistic, from there that is the cause of *śāstra* coming in this world. And that *śāstra* came from His breath and it wanted to produce nectar, and that we find in *Bhāgavatam* now. The acme of His production from the holy breath, this *Bhāgavatam* to be traced there, it comes. The object of that churning was to produce nectar, and from His breath the nectar *Bhāgavatam* has come. It's origin to be traced there in the breath of Kūrmadeva. And when? The occasion is the quarrel between Godly, non Godly, theistic, atheistic, *śāstra* is necessary. And this has ultimately come to *Bhāgavatam*. That is the real nectar to save all the fallible mortals. But figuratively that was meant to produce nectar, and really it came from His breath, and now here is that nectar production of His, by His grace from His nostrils has come.

In that way we may harmonise. Ke?

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** \_\_\_\_\_ [?]

**Śrīla Śrīdhara Mahārāja:** So I shall take rest. Hare Kṛṣṇa.

**Bhakti Sudhīra Goswāmī:** Jaya. Bhakti Rakṣaka Śrīla Śrīdhara Deva Goswāmī Mahārāja kī...

**Devotees:** Jaya!

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[21:26 - 22:13, silence]

**Devotee:**

Hare Kṛṣṇa, Hare Kṛṣṇa, Kṛṣṇa Kṛṣṇa, Hare Hare,  
Hare Rāma, Hare Rāma, Rāma Rāma, Hare Hare.

Nitāi Gaura Hari bol. Nitāi Gaura Hari bol. Hare Kṛṣṇa.

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**Devotee:**

[22:44 - 30:17, bhajan ?]

[30:18 - 31:21]

Hare Kṛṣṇa, Hare Kṛṣṇa, Kṛṣṇa Kṛṣṇa, Hare Hare,  
Hare Rāma, Hare Rāma, Rāma Rāma, Hare Hare.

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**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** ...gaurāṅga vikar giridhārī jīu kī jaya!

**Devotees:** Jaya.

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** Om Viṣṇu-Pāda Śrīla Bhakti Rakṣaka Śrīdhara Deva Goswāmī Mahārāja kī jaya!

**Devotees:** Jaya.

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** Om Viṣṇu-Pāda Śrīla Bhakti Rakṣaka Śrīdhara Deva Goswāmī Mahārāja kī jaya!

**Devotees:** Jaya.

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** Om Viṣṇu-Pāda Śrīla Bhakti Rakṣaka Śrīdhara Deva Goswāmī Mahārāja kī jaya!

**Devotees:** Jaya.

**Śrīla Govinda Mahārāja:** \_\_\_\_\_ [?]

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