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Once Nana arrived at Shirdi at about 12:00 noon and took Baba's darshan. Baba told Nana that He wanted to eat puran poli. Nana was reluctant at first, as it was way past 12:00 noon. He told Baba

that he would offer it the next day. Baba wouldn't agree to this and told Nana, "No matter how long it takes, I want puran polls today." Nana went and searched for a lady who was willing to prepare them for Re. 1/ - each. In the evening, he came to Dwarkamai with freshly prepared delicious puran poli and placed them before Baba. Baba, however didn't touch it, let alone, put a morsel in His mouth. After a while, He asked Nana to take it away as He had eaten.

Nana was vexed to hear this, as Baba hadn't eaten it, after all the trouble he had taken to get them prepared. He went to the Chawdi in a huff. Baba called him and told him to eat it, as He had already partaken of it. This happened twice.

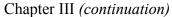
Then, Baba said, "You have been with Me for more than eighteen years. What have you learnt from Me? I've eaten your puran poli in the form of ants." Nana wasn't convinced. Intellectually, he knew that Baba was everywhere and in everything. But, it was hard for him to accept it. Then, Baba made a sign to him, and that was a secret, deep in his heart that nobody knew about. Nana then realized that He was indeed in his aatma and the aatma of ants and every living creature.

By Shri S.N.Huddar

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Gurur Brahma, Gurur Vishnu, Gurur Devo Maheshwara Gurur Brahma, Gurur Vishnu, Gurur Devo Maheshwara Guru Sakshat Parabrahmah Tasmai Shree Guraye Namah



Durwas Curses King Ambarish

He told him, "You do not know how to serve Shri Guru and hence you have to suffer from anxieties, pains and miseries. You should therefore, try to know Shri Guru by good actions and firm belief".

Namdharak - "My body is burning due to threefold fires in this earthly ocean. I am obsessed by sex, anger and temptation. So kindly take me in the boat of knowledge, steer it by the wind of kindness and thus give salvation to me".

Shri Siddha said, "You need not be anxious. You will surely be relieved of your miseries, engrossed in illusion and temptation, those who doubt the great power of Shri Guru, they have always to suffer from poverty and hardship. So give up suspicion. Shri Guru is an Ocean of Kindness. He will give you everything. Just as clouds give rain everywhere, similarly Shri Guru gives showers of kindness. As water is stored in the deep portions of earth and on the rocky place, so an individual attains Shri Guru's favor. Therefore worship Shri Guru wholeheartedly."

Namdharak - "My mind is clear now and I am anxious to listen to the life story of Shri Guru. Kindly tell me why Shri Guru took birth in Bharat?" Shri Siddha - "Oh! My good disciple, you have given inspiration to me. Shri Guru's life is like Kamadhenu. You will get all the four valor's or favors viz., religion, wealth, pleasure and salvation.

"Shri Hari and Shri Har have to come this Earth in the form of different species at different times for the benefits of their devotees. Three Murtis have three different characteristics - Brahma's Rajas, Vishnu's Satwa and Shiva's Tamas. But these do not exist separately.

"In former times there lived a King by name Ambarish. He observed Ekadashi fast (11th day of every fortnight dark and bright). He induced Shri Vishnu to come to Earth.

"In order to test Ambarish's Ekadashi Vrata, Durwas Rishi came to him as a guest. That day Sadhan Dwadashi was only for 24 minutes after Sunrise. Ambarish received the Rishi warmly, worshiped him and requested him to return soon for dinner finishing his morning bath and rituals.

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Namaha







Pujyasri B.V.Narasimhaswamiji, who visited Shirdi in the year 1936, collected authentic information about Lord Sainath from persons lived with Sai and wrote many books on Lord Sainath. All his works are authentic. One such book is SRI SAINATHA MANANAM. This book was published as early as in the year 1942 and the fourth edition came in the year 1945.

Sai Baba's Pledge

Little minds consider some as their own and others as strangers. To lofty souls, the entire world is their little family.

What merit is there in returning or doing good to those that are or do good to us? The (Sants) good, call him good (Sadhu) who does good to his enemies.

Sadhus, i.e.,the good are often suffering sympathetic pain at the pain of others. This indeed is the best woship of God who is the soul in all creatures.

Sai that ever lives near is easily accessible to the devotee. He is indeed the slave of his devotees. If he is pleased, everything is attained.

This worship of Sai is the thornless path or unafflicted way. He who rushes or runs with blind folded eyes here will neither fall nor stumble.

Most proper it is! This path pursued by (Sadhus) good people with noble nature making. Sainatha their highest goal is safe and free from fear of any sort.

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Wealth should be the means to work out Dharma





Ruthambhara prajnaya

Namaha



VISHNU SAHASRANAMA STOTRAM:

guruh gurutamo dhaamah satya satyaparaakramah | nimisho nimishah sragvi vachaspathirudaaradhih ||

gurur-guru-tamah: The foremost among the preceptors. Om gurutamaya gurave namah.

dhama:

- a) The Place of Residence.
- b) The Supreme Light.
- c) The Abode of all desired things. Om dhamne namah.

satyah: The Good. Om satyaya namah.

satya-parakramah: One of unfailing valor. Om satyaparakramaya namah.

nimishah: One whose eyes are closed (towards the enemies of His devotees). Om nimishaya namah.

animishah: One with eyes closed. Om animishaya namah.

sragyi : Adorned with the garland (vaijayanti). Om sragyine namah.

vacaspatih: The Lord of Speech. Om vacaspataye namah.

udara-dhih: One with vast knowledge. Om udara-dhiye namah.

Agranir gramanih sriman nyayo neta samiranah saha<mark>sra murdha vi</mark>svatma shasraksah sahasapat ||

agranih: One who leads forward. Om agranye namah.

gramanih: Leader of the hosts of angels. Om gramanye namah.

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sriman:

a) One who is endowed with wealth.

- b) One who is full of all glories.
- c) One who is radiant.
- d) The Lord of Mahalakshmi
- e) One who has Mahalakshmi in his vaksha-sthala.
- f) One who is endowed with all the powers. Om Srimate namah.

nyayah:

- a) The Just.
- b) Logical arguments (tarka) and lines of contemplation (yukti) that help us in arriving at the absolute experience. Om nyayaya namah.

neta:

- a) One who fulfills the requests of His devotees.
- b) One who manages or regulates the affairs of the cosmos. Om netre namah.

samiranah:

- a) One who performs acts which are delectable.
- b) One who controls all movements (e.g., breath) in beings. Om samiranaya namah.

sahasra-murdha: The thousand-headed.

visvatma: The very soul of the Universe; the very inner Essence in all living creatures. Om visvatmane namah. visvasya atma visvatma.

sahasra-akshah: The thousand-eyed.

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(SAI'S MESSAGE FOR LIFE FROM THE DIARY OF SAI.BA.NI.SA)

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It is better to stay cool and calm like a stream flowing through a valley rather than to be at the top of the mountain surrounded by fire.

Stories from "Chinna Katha"

Think of a plan

In one village a feud was going on for long between two groups of people for one reason or another. One resident of that village who had two acres of land was growing grapes and selling them for his livelihood. He did not belong to either of these fighting groups. But both the groups opposing each other came to this individual and they started pressurizing him to join their respective party. So, under compulsion he joined the party, which contained a larger number of evil-minded people. Few months later, the police along with all the other members arrested this honest fellow. As a result there was no one to look after his grape garden. The vines having no water for weeks shriveled and began to wither away. There was no fruit and, therefore, there was no income and enough food for his wife and children at home.

In the jail, this man used to get one post card every week from his wife. The rules and regulations of the jail were such that letters received by the prisoners would not be censured while letters posted by the prisoners would be censured. Once, his wife wrote to him: "You seem to be well looked after in the prison but have you thought of our miserable condition? Since you left home our grape garden is dried up and there is no one to till the land and prepare the land for the next crop. Nor have I any money to set the land right. Even now, the children and I are half starved. So, if you suggest some method by which I can get the dried up land soil tilled, only then I and the children will have something to eat in the near future at least. Please let me know."

As soon as he read the letter, he felt very sad. But he could hit upon a plan. He wrote to his wife thus: "Do not worry, I have not ever told you about a treasure trove, a vessel containing a lot of gold coins which I had put down below in the rut in our garden. You simply have to dig it up and make use of the coins". This letter had to be censured and the jail superintendent read it. He did not post the letter. He got together all the prisoners and told them to dig up the whole grape garden with a view to find the treasure trove. In a short time the entire garden was dug up. But they did not find any treasure trove.

On the third day there was a heavy rain and that year (grapes) yield was very good. The wife was very happy. She sold the grapes and got plenty of money. At the end of six months, the husband was released from prison. As soon as he came home she eagerly questioned: "How did you manage to send so many men to plough the land?" The wife had not received her husband's letter, so she did not know about his plan.

The husband replied: "Yes, by the grace of God I could think of a plan and make them believe about the treasure trove. Let us thank God."

What is the inner meaning of this story? This individual, this cultivator had 2 acres of land. Man has two inches of heart. In our heart there are two groups; the bad qualities and the good qualities. These two groups are clashing with each other. In between the Jiva, the householder and owner of the heart, the two parties did not seduce the first. But later he was pulled towards one group. Jiva has a wife - she is Nivritti and her children Pravirthi. Because the Jiva joined one group he had to be in jail. That is bondage. However, he realises that the field of heart had to be cleansed (ploughed) to find the wisdom - gold. To get that wisdom all the prisoners (those in bondage) have to dig the field of heart. After the process of digging and cleansing one reaps the harvest of bliss. So what is it that is essential? Purification of the field of heart by means of prescribed sadhanas.







Runa klishta dhana pradhaya

Namaha

SAI AMRIT VANI

Shri Sai Mahima

Japa tapa teertha gnyaan dhyaan, sab mil naahin Sai samaan | sarva vyaapak Sai gnyaataa, mana vaanchit praani phalpaathaa ||52||

"Singing his glory", " Doing penance", "Visiting Holy places", "Adhering to Path of knowledge", "Meditating" - All this together will not equal Our Sai Sai's knowledge pervades everywhere - a desireless person gets the real benefit (nirvana).

Jahaan jagat mein aavo jaavo, Sai sumir Sai ko gaavo | Sai sabhee mein ek samaan, sab roop ko Sai ka jaan ||53||

Wherever you arrive in this universe and leave,
Think about Sai and Sing His glory
Sai is present equally in all; Sai exists in all Forms

Mein aur mera kuch nahin apna, Sai ka naam satya jag sapna | itna jaan lehu sab koy, Sai ko bhaje Sai ka hoy ||54||

"I" and "Mine" - Nothing is Mine, Only Sai's name is a True & Real Dream Everyone should know this that whoever worships Sai & remembers Sai becomes one with Sai.

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Purusha Sooktam:

Tam Yajnyam Barhissi Pra-Ukssan-Purussam Jaatam-Agratah | Tena Devaa Ayajanta Saadhyaa Rssayash-Ca Ye ||7||

Meaning:

7.1: The First Divine Men were created as the Holy Water sprinkled with the Kusa Grass in that Yagya (Sacrifice of Creation).

7.2: The First Divine Men were the Sadhya Devas and the Rishis, Who were created by Him, the Deva (the Shining One, referring to Virat), Who performed the Yagya. (These Rishis were not human but divine Rishis like Saptarshis created directly by Virat).

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