

KRISHNA THE SUPREME: BOGI YOGI SERIES PART TWO

Because you are My very dear friend, I am speaking to you the most confidential part of knowledge. Hear this from Me, for it is for your benefit.[BG 7.64]

The Object of this article as I had stated at the very outset of this series is : “I am not here to blaspheme him, don’t get me wrong, I just want to clear up the fact that Sai Baba is NOT God, neither in manifestation nor incarnation...”

Referring to the first comment post of Mrinali R. Rochlani on the article SAI in the Vedas (<http://gopalkeerty.wordpress.com/2007/12/21/sai-in-the-vedas/#comment-16>)

she says:

“Satya Sai Baba...he is a saint...he is God...he spread so much knowledge...n u know something it says in the Bhagavad Gita that well every time there will be cruelty in this world a saviour will be born...Shirdi ke Sai Baba(just like Lord Ram) was the saviour”

I am certain by this statement you are referring to the verse from **Bhagavad Gita, Chapter 4, Text 7, Transcendental Knowledge:**

*yada yada hi dharmasya
glanir bhavati bharata
abhyutthanam adharmasya
tadatmanam srijamy aham*

TRANSLATION

Whenever and wherever there is a decline in religious practice, O descendant of Bharata, and a predominant rise of irreligion—at that time I descend Myself.

In relation, the Words “*I descend Myself*” are particularly important, because here Krishna is Talking and referring to himself, therefore, Krishna being the original supreme personality of godhead, will descend, and will therefore still be The supreme personality of godhead. Satya Sai baba is not the supreme personality of godhead, or god, and therefore can not be referred to as the saviour of the age of kali.

“*Shirdi ke Sai Baba (just like Lord Ram) was the saviour*”

This statement is absolutely far from the truth, Lord Rāmacandra was the lord’s incarnation of the Satya yuga age, his prime purpose was to be the “perfect” or “ideal” person. In all of Lord Krishna’s Incarnations there were always many reasons for them, and lord Rāmacandra came with all his associates to show humanity what ideally they should be, he was the ideal husband,

ideal son, ideal brother and father, and also the ideal king. Luksmana was the ideal brother, Sita Devi the ideal wife and Lord Hanuman was also the ideal servant.

Krishna promises us in Bhagavad Gita, Chapter 4, text 8:

*paritranaya sadhunam
vinasaya ca duskrtam
dharma-samsthapanarthaya
sambhavami yuge yuge*

TRANSLATION

In order to deliver the pious and to annihilate the miscreants, as well as to reestablish the principles of religion, I advent Myself millennium after millennium.

In this verse lord Krishna is declaring that that he will advent every millennium, the word millennium should be understood to be one of the four yugas, or in other words the lord shall descend in each yuga, in this age of kali yuga, we can safely say Krishna advent has come as The lord Sri Krishna Chaitanya Mahaprabhu some 500 years ago, and also the next avatar is predicted in the Vedas as kalki who will be of a pearly white complexion, and who will bring about the destruction of the miscreants at the time of cosmic annihilation at the end of this kali yuga. Therefore again, sai baba can not be this saviour.

Which brings me to another point:

“the Bhagvad Gita doesn't mention Sai because Sai came a lot of years after the Bhagvad Gita was written”

If you did not notice my title of that article was, Sai in the Vedas NOT Sai in the Bhagavad Gita, nonetheless as I stated before, that lord Krishna's next avatar as kalki has already been predicted in the puranas, yet there is no mention in any of Satya sai baba.

“Sai is great n is a God ok... ..just like Shiv or Guru Nanak or Ganpati are”

Once again a very common misconception of the difference between yogi, guru, demigods and ultimately God. Lord Siva and Ganpati/lord Ganesh, are demigods, they are simply ministers of this universe having the Supreme Lord as their “president” the truth is that lord siva and the other demigods have no power independent of lord Krishna. They and Every single being in creational existence is by their eternal constitutional position servants of the lord, this includes great demigods as Bramha and Siva, and to be

able to be a servant of the lord is the greatest honour and the wish of every soul as the eternal servant of Krishna.

In The Brahma Samhita, Lord Brahma (the first created being, and the creator of this universe speaks the following prayers to lord Krishna the Supreme personality of godhead:

TEXT 43

*goloka-namni nija-dhamni tale ca tasya
devi mahesa-hari-dhamasu tesu tesu
te te prabhava-nicaya vihitas ca yena
govindam adi-purusam tam aham bhajami*

TRANSLATION

Lowest of all is located Devi-dhama [mundane world – the world we live in], next above it is Mahesadama

[Abode of Lord Siva]; above Mahesa-dhama is placed Hari-dhama [abode of Hari] and above them all is located Krsna's own realm named Goloka. I adore the primeval Lord Govinda, who has allotted their respective authorities to the rulers of those graded realms.

By this verse we can clearly see the demigod's position in relation to Krishna, the supreme personality of godhead. Also Srila Prabhupada writes in Brahma-Samhita purport:

“All the majestic attributes of Govinda, aggregating sixty in number, are fully present in His majestic manifestation, Narayana. Brahma and Siva are entities adulterated with mundane qualities.”

Man, male and female Devatas, Brahma, Siva, Narayana share many qualities. Krishna has qualities that are exclusive to Him. There are a total of 64 qualities of which the first fifty are in unlimited quantity in Krishna, and graded quantity in other gods and deities; man has them in limited quantity. Qualities from 51 to 55 are in unlimited quantity in Krishna and are deemed special to Brahma, Siva and other gods and goddesses. Listed between 56 to 60, Narayana has still higher qualities which are not shared by the preceding entities. Qualities listed between 61 to 64 are the exclusive domain of **Krishna, the Supreme Person**. This is a modified list as depicted in *Jaiva Dharma, Chapter 13*.

Qualities of individual souls, deities, Brahma, Siva and Bhagavan

Qualities of Krishna include all 64 of them.

1) Beautiful limbs; 2) All- auspicious qualities; 3) Beauty; 4) Radiance; 5) Strength; 6) Eternal youth; 7) Linguist; 8) Truth Sayer; 9) pleasing speaker; 10) eloquence; 11) Intelligent; 12) Learned; 13) good conversationalist; 14) connoisseur; 15) clever and dexterous; 16) Expert; 17) Gratitude; 18) Keeper of vows; 19) Knowledge of place, time and circumstance;

20) Seer through Sastric eyes; 21) Purity; 22) Self-control; 23) steadfast; 24) forbearance; 25) forgiveness; 26) Inscrutability;

27) Forgiveness; 28) equipoise; 29) Munificence 30) Dharma; 31) Chivalry; 32) Compassion; 33) respectful; 34) Amicability;

35) Modesty; 36) Shyness; 37) Saranagata Raksaka- Surrender-protector 38) Happiness; 39) protector of devotees; 40) Controlled by Prema of devotees; 41) Benefactor of all; 42) Tormentor of enemies; 43) Fame; 44) Beloved by all; 45) Partiality to Sadhus; 46) Enchanter of women's mind; 47) Worthy of worship by all; 48) All opulence; 49) Superior to all; 50) The Controller.

All these qualities are in unlimited quantity in Krishna and in a limited quantity in Jivas, Individual souls.

Five qualities are in Brahma, Siva and other Deities.

51) One's own divine form (Svarupa);

52) Omniscience;

53) Eternal Youth;

54) Being, Knowledge and Bliss (SatCitAnanda);

55) Possessor of all Siddhis;

The above 55 qualities are present in lesser amounts in Deities.

Lakshmipati Narayana has the following additional exclusive qualities.

56) Inconceivable great qualities and powers;

57) Myriad universes abide within His Body;

58) He is Bija or seed of all Avatars;

59) Giver of higher destination to those He killed;

60) Enchanter of the ones who attained the Delight of their souls.

The following qualities are in the exclusive domain of Sri Krishna not present in anyone other than HIM.

61) He is like the vast ocean with incessant waves of wonderful Lilas;

62) His adoration is Madhurya Prema (Sweet love and affection) showered by His devotees;

63) He enchants the three worlds with inimitable sounds of His flute;

64) The resplendent beauty of His transcendental form is enchanting to all mobiles and immobile forms.

Thus Sri Krishna is the Original Supreme Personality of godhead and cannot be compared to, nor stated equal to or less than any other being for He is the only absolute for all that is.

“i respect Krsna as much as i respect any other god...coz i am a true hindu”

That is another misconception of modern day hindus, as stated in Padma Purana under the ten offences to the holy name:

Sivasya sri visnor ya iha guna namadi sakalam dhiya bhinam pasyeta sa khalu

Translation: it is an offence to think that the names and qualities of the demigods like lord Siva are equal to or greater than Lord Krishna.

In other words her statement that she respects Krishna as much as any other God (referring to the demigods) is an offence in the sense that she is comparing Krishna to be equal to the demigods, which can not and should not be done.

In context of Sai baba being the saviour: *“he literally spread knowledge n lowered the differences between castes”*

Srila Prabhupada spread the essence and absolute truth of pure love of Krishna to both the high and low, he made no distinction between the saints and the crooks, he totally eradicated the caste system and gave us our varna and ashramas.

“he doesn't call himself “sathya sai baba” ...we call him this because he is”

I say this in terms of him calling or proclaiming to be God, or as noted Satya Sai baba. When Satya Sai first came to be acknowledged to the general public it was due to many of his articles and publications that ventured throughout the world full of his Direct words, as one article in the late 1969's or early 1970's in a Blitz paper Article, there was an article by Satya Sai Baba entitled “God is Indian” with the following extract:

'His contemporary avatara rests in the Trinity of Shirdi Baba, Sai Baba, and Prem Baba to come. So Satya Sai Baba, the second of the triple incarnation, asserted in the course of a marathon interview to add, **'In my present avatara, I have come armed with the fullness of the power of the formless God to save humanity.'**

In the last line of the extract he directly, himself, claims to be an avatar, and incarnation of God. Another of the extract:

"God is man and man is God. All of us have something of God, the divine spark, within us. All men are divine, like myself, with the spirit embodied in human flesh and bone. The only difference is that they are unaware of this Godhood."

The philosophy he is preaching "God is Man and Man is God" is that of a mayavada, and is therefore flawed, and not accepted by Souls on the path of perfection. Another of his mayavada philosophy is displayed here:

"[I am] armed with the fullness of the power of the formless God."

Mayavada philosophers believe that the lord is formless and unmanifest.

Bhagavad-Gita Chapter 7, Text 24: knowledge of the Absolute.

*avyaktam vyaktim apannam
manyante mam abuddhayah
param bhavam ajananto
mamavyayam anuttamam*

TRANSLATION

Unintelligent men, who know Me not, think that I have assumed this form and personality. Due to their small knowledge, they do not know My higher nature, which is changeless and supreme.

Prabhupada in a letter response to Sai babas Blitz article: **"Only the rascals and less intelligent class of men think that God is formless and when He incarnates, He takes a particular form.... So in this connection, the statement of Bhagavatam is especially important.** Brahmeti paramätmeti bhagavän iti sabdyate. Brahman is impersonal, Paramätmä is localized, and Bhagavän is the Supreme Personality of Godhead."

"n plz dont think ur anything better that these great saints...coz ur not...they have reached a very high stage in their spirutual journey...n well they know and understand the Bhagvad Gita far better than u or me..."

All yogis will endeavor and may succeed in getting to a very high stage in spiritual life, however Bhagavad-Gita, Chapter 7, Text 3, Knowledge of the absolute:

*manusyanam sahasresu
kascid yatati siddhaye
yatatam api siddhanam
kascin mam vetti tattvatah*

TRANSLATION

Out of many thousands among men, one may endeavor for perfection, and of those who have achieved perfection, hardly one knows Me in truth.

In this verse Krishna is talking about all the yogis that may endeavor through many years of austerity to reach the goal, which is Krishna, but through such a course of journey reaching the ultimate goal, which is to know, love and serve Krishna is impossible unless one takes to the path of humble and complete surrender unto the lotus feet of the lord. I do not deny Sai's extra human powers, but such powers is easily obtainable through this path of penance, and I claim that this was the path taken by Sai in his previous life, which was ultimately fruitless seeing as he is back in this material world.

Bhagavad Gita Chapter 18, text 66, The Perfection of Renunciation:

*sarva-dharman parityajya
mam ekam saranam vraja
aham tvam sarva-papebhyo
moksayisyami ma sucah*

TRANSLATION

Abandon all varieties of religion and just surrender unto Me. I shall deliver you from all sinful reaction. Do not fear.

Here Lord Krishna's message is very clear, that our only goal and purpose is to surrender FULLY unto Krishna by giving up everything else. Then there will be no more fears or worries, Krishna will deliver us.

Our mood should be as follows:

Song extracts from Bhakti Siddhanta Maharaja's Manasa Deho geho:

*mānasa, deho, geho, jo kichu mor
arpilü tuwä pade, nanda-kisor!*

TRANSLATION

**Mind, body, and family, whatever may be mine, I have surrendered at
Your lotus feet, O youthful son of Nanda!**

*sampade vipade, jivane-marane
däy mama gelä, tuwä o-pada barane*

TRANSLATION

In good fortune or in bad, in life or at death, all my difficulties have disappeared by choosing those feet of Yours as my only shelter.

As this article is just another add-on to my series: I would like to end it here, though there is so much to say, and I will say it in the follow up articles.

Just Chant:

Hare Krishna Hare Krishna Krishna Krishna Hare Hare

Hare Rama Hare Rama Rama Rama Hare Hare.

AND BE HAPPY!