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During the Navadwip Dham parikrama, we can obtain darsan of the self-manifested deity of Lord Nrisimhadeva at Narasimhappalli, with the body of Hiranyakasipu on His lap and Prahlada Maharaja at His feet. Lord Nrsimhadev is very compassionate towards His devotees. We should therefore sincerely pray for His mercy so that all the obstacles on our spiritual path are removed and we can develop loving attachment for Gaura Dham, Sri Krishna Caitanya Mahaprabhu, Sri Sri Radha Krishna and Their Holy Name – Hare Krishna Mahamantra.

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## THE SIGNIFICANCE OF DEVOTION AT THE GAURA DHAM

by  
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Since 1999, Sri Gopinath Gaudiya Math, Mayapur, has been conducting an annual Navadwip Dham parikrama under the auspices of His Divine Grace Srila Bhakti Pramode Puri Goswami Thakur. Despite the dreadful impact of Covid-19 pandemic on us, approximately eleven months prior to the 535<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary of Sriman Chaitanya Mahaprabhu, my most worshipful spiritual master, His Divine Grace Srila Bhakti Pramode Puri Goswami Thakur and grand spiritual master, His Divine Grace Srila Prabhupada Bhakti Shiddhanta Saraswati Goswami Thakur encouraged us in spirit. The root of this encouragement to visit Sri Navadwip Dham on this very special occasion of Sriman Chaitanya Mahaprabhu was established by the previous Acharyas of our lineage.

From the Holy Scriptures, we have come to know that,

*ācārya dharmam paricarya viṣṇum  
bicarya tīrthāni vicārya vedan  
binā na gaurapriya pādasevām  
vedādiduṣprāpya padam vidanti*  
(Sri Chaitanya Chandramrita, verse: 22)

This means that the principles formed by the Acharyas are meant to teach the human race the art of serving the lotus feet of Lord Vishnu (Krishna). By carefully controlling one's mind and body, wandering around various holy places, and leading a life according to the Vedic regulations, one cannot attain spiritual satisfaction, which is possible only by the mercy of Sri Gauranga.

Perturbed by the thought that the Gaura-Dham parikrama might have to be cancelled due to the pandemic situation, I suddenly remembered the eminence of Gaura-Dham parikrama. On that very moment, the greed of acquiring the spiritual merits from the festival of Sri Gauranga Mahaprabhu and His associates in this Iron Age (Kali Yuga) blossomed in the corner of my heart.

In Srimad Bhagavatam (11:19:27), Lord Sri Krishna said “*dharmo mad-bhakti-krt prokto...*”. This means that, of all the religions, bhakti (devotion) to Lord Sri Krishna is the only true definition of religion (dharma).

According to the Vedic calculations, there are four Yugas, namely, *satya-yuga* (Golden Age), *treta-yuga* (Silver Age), *dwapara-yuga* (Copper Age) and *kali-yuga* (Iron Age). These four yugas together are called *catur-yuga*. 71 of such *catur-yugas* make one *manvantara*. 14 *manvantaras* make one day of Brahma (incarnation of Lord in the mode of passion). We can also say that one day of Brahma is also equal to 994 Iron Ages. In this Iron Age, in order to bestow the deprived vraja-prema (the love of Vraja), Lord Nandanandana Sri Kṛiṣṇa Himself descended upon this Earth in the form of Sri Krishna Caitanya Mahaprabhu. He appears in this munificent form only once in one day of Brahma. Lord Sri Krishna Chaitanya Mahaprabhu is nondifferent from Lord Sri Krishna and also His Holy Name is nondifferent from Him. In this regard Srimad Bhagavatam (12:3:51) says:

*kaler doṣa-nidhe rājann asti hy eko mahān  
guṇaḥ  
kīrtanād eva kṛṣṇasya mukta-saṅgaḥ  
param vrajet*

O king, although it is an ocean of faults, in this Age of quarrel (*kali-yuga*), it has the great quality that one can be freed from all the consequences of karma and attain pure love and unalloyed devotion at the lotus feet



of the Lord by chanting the Holy Name of the Lord Sri Krishna.

Such devotional endeavor is greater than *bhukti* (enjoyment) and *mukti* (liberation). It is also clear that besides devotional service, there is no other way to achieve the results of spiritual practice. On this topic, our previous Acharyas said:

*bhakti binā kono sādhan dite nāre phala  
sarva phala deya bhakti svatantra prabal*

According to this verse, one may also understand to what extent one can be benefitted from visiting Sri Navadweep Dham, the birthplace of Sri Caitanya Mahaprabhu and chanting in the association of pure devotees.

We come to know from Haribhakti Vilas (11:185):

*ūrthakoṭī sahasrāṅgi ūrthakoṭīśatāni ca.  
tāni sarvānyapnoti viṣṇonā mānukārtanāt*

Whatever pious credits one accumulates by visiting holy places thousands of times can be acquired by simply chanting the Holy Name of Lord Sri Krishna.

In Sri Caitanya Caritamrita we also find further details on the glories of congregational chanting in the association of pure devotees:

*sankārtan probortāk sī krsna caitanya.  
sankārtan jagye tāre bhaje sei dhanya.  
seita sumedhā ār kubuddhi sansār  
kali yuge nām jagya sarvajagya sār.*

Many times we see that people chant Hare Krishna Mahamantra just for fulfillment of their material gains, desires and to remove any obstacles. But the ultimate goal of chanting Hare Krishna Mahamantra is to get pure love of God (*prema*). Often we hear people say that “we have been chanting for a long time but why are our desires not getting fulfilled? Why are we not freed from

our material dangers yet?” The answer is that material problems can be solved by material means only. For example, a fire can be extinguished by spraying water upon it. Similarly, money can fulfill our material needs; however, it will not make us eternally happy. Truly, chanting Hare Krishna Mahamantra is the ultimate truth of *kali-yuga*. Material desires will automatically be fulfilled as a result of the devotee’s surrender at the Lotus Feet of Lord Sri Krishna.

In kali-yuga, times of quarrel, the Supreme Lord Sri Krishna Chaitanya Mahaprabhu, the personification of generosity over sweetness, has shown us the simplest way to attain Him by congregational chanting. Also, we know from a kirtan composed by Srila Narottam Das Thakur as:

*sri Gaura mandala bhumi jebā jāne  
chintamani tār hay brajabhume bash...*

By simply remembering the places where Supreme Lord Sri Gauranga Mahaprabhu, the propagator of congregational chanting of Hare Krishna Mahamantra had performed His pastimes, one can easily attain the ultimate abode, Goloka Vrindavan.

Our ultimate desire is to become eternally blissful. In order to fulfill this desire, Srila Sachidananda Bhakti Vinode Thakur has mentioned the following in one of his songs from the book Saranagati:

*tuwā-bhakti-pratikūla dharma jā’te roy  
parama jatane tāhā tyajibo niścoy*

We should carefully reject to visit those places where we see the contradiction of religiosity (dharma).

*tuwā-bhakti-bahir-mukha saṅga nā koribo  
gaurāṅga-virodhi-jana-mukha nā heribo*

We should not associate with or we should not even glance upon the face of those



people who are antagonistic to devotional service.

*bhakti-pratikūla sthāne nā kori vasati  
bhaktira apriya kārye nāhi kori rati*

We should not live in a place adverse to devotion and we should not desire for any work other than devotional service.

*bhaktira virodhī grantha pātha nā koribo  
bhaktira virodhī vyākhyā kabhu nā śunibo*

We should not recite any literature other than devotional books and should never hear any discourses adverse to devotion.

*gaurāṅga-varjita sthāna īrtha nāhi māni  
bhaktira bādhaka jṣāna-karma tuccha jāni*

We do not regard any place as Holy place, which is rejected by Sri Gauranga, we do not consider any *karma* or *jnāna* that impedes *bhakti* to be trivial.

*bhaktira bādhaka kāle nā kori ādar  
bhakti bahir-mukha nija-jane jāni par*

We should not appreciate anything opposing devotional service, we should reject even our relatives who are adverse to devotion.

*bhaktira bādhikā sprhā koribo varjan  
abhakta-pradatta anna nā kori graham*

We will give up any desires that impedes devotion, we should not accept any food from nondevotees.

*jāhā kichu bhakti-pratikūla boli' jāni  
tyajibo jatane tāhā, e niścoya vānī*

Whatever is unfavorable to Your devotional service, I promise to forsake all carefully.

*bhaktivinoda poḍi' prabhura caraṇe  
māgaye śakati pratikūlyera varjane*

Falling at the lotus feet of the Lord, Bhaktivinoda begs for the strength to relinquish everything unfavorable to pure devotion.



Sri Navadwip Dham parikrama and the appearance festival of Supreme Lord Sri Gauranga Mahaprabhu will take place with His devotees. So thinking that in this year of pandemic Covid-19, if we do not organize Sri Navadwip Dham parikrama and the appearance festival of Lord Sri Gauranga Mahaprabhu like we did in the previous years, then we will be depriving ourselves. So we have decided to conduct it this year as well. We know that whatever the Supreme Lord does is always beneficial for us. We don't know exactly what auspiciousness is awaiting for us after this pandemic, but everything happens by the wish of the Lord. Hence the devotees of Sri Gopinath Gaudiya Math could not resist from experiencing the mellows of devotion associated with this festival. Our human life will be successful if we become greedy for devotional service.

It's my humble request that despite of all the difficulties during Sri Gaura Dham parikrama, no one should stop chanting the Mahamantra in the association of devotees. Almost everybody is greedy for material benefit but greed for spiritual benefit is found very rarely. It is my prayer at the lotus feet of Sri Krishna Caitanya Mahaprabhu that may we always reside in Your holy abode, congregationally chanting the Holy Name in the association of Your pure devotees and eventually engage in the eternal service



of Sri Sri Radha Govinda in the holy abode of Goloka Vrindavan.

*By HDG Srila Bhakti Bibudha Bodhayan Goswami  
on the occasion of Navadvip Dham Parikrama and  
the Gaura Purnima Festival, 2021*

## **AVATARA-MAHIMA: GLORIFICATION OF LORD CAITANYA'S INCARNATION**

**By Srila Prabodhananda Sarasvati**

Now that Lord Gaura has descended to this world, the waves of the Holy Names of Lord Krishna are suddenly flooding this planet, and the hearts of the sinful conditioned souls, which were as hard as thunderbolts, have now become as soft as butter. Let me take shelter of that Lord Gaura.

Now that Lord Caitanya, whose heart is filled with mercy, has descended to this world, those living entities who had formerly never practiced yoga, meditation, chanting mantras, and spiritual activities, never performed austerities, followed any Vedic restrictions and studied the Vedas, or refrained from sinful activities, have become able to easily plunder the crest jewel of all goals of life.

Now that wonderfully powerful Lord Caitanya has descended to this world, the materialists, who had fallen into the raging river of fruitive deeds, have been rescued and are situated on the firm ground, even the great boulders have melted, and even those whose hearts were fixed in non-devotional yoga are dancing in the ecstasy of love of Krishna.

Now that the moon of Lord Caitanyacandra has revealed the path of pure devotional service, the materialists have given up talking about their wives, children, and material affairs, the scholars have given up debating the scriptures, the yogis have given up the trouble to control their breath, the

ascetics have given up their austerity, and the impersonalists have given up impersonalism. Now there is only the sweetness of pure devotional service. Now nothing else is sweet.

In every home there is a tumult of hari-nama-sankirtana. On every body are tears, hairs standing erect, and other symptoms of ecstasy. In every heart is the most exalted and sweet spiritual path that leads far from the path of the four Vedas. Now that Lord Gaura has descended to this world, All this has appeared.

The whole world is now suddenly flooded by the nectar waters of the ocean of pure love for Krishna. Now there is suddenly a great wonder of symptoms of ecstatic love never seen or heard of before. Now that Lord Krsna has descended in a form as splendid as gold, all this has suddenly appeared.

In the past, many scholars became extremely proud, thinking themselves the omniscient masters of all scripture, and many others thought they had become perfect by performing austerities or fruitive work. Sometimes, with an impure heart, someone would twice or thrice chant the Holy Names of Lord Hari. That was the past. Now that the moon of Lord Gauracandra has risen, everyone has attained pure love for Lord Krishna.

Now that the Supreme Personality of Godhead, whose lotus feet the demigods aspire to serve, and who bears the name Caitanya, has descended to this world, the very sweet nectar waves of pure love for Krishna are flooding the entire world. Who is a child now? Who is an old man? Who is a woman? Who is a fool? Who is fallen and unfortunate? Everyone has attained the same destiny. Everyone has attained the same sweet nectar continually tasted by those devoted to Lord Hari's feet.

Now that Lord Gauracandra, the master of the nectarean mellows of transcendental



love has descended to this earth, Siva, Narada, all the gods and goddesses, Lakshmi devi, Lord Balarama, the Vrsni dynasty, and the gopas and gopis of Vraja have all taken birth here.

Now that the golden complexioned Lord is distributing pure love of Krishna in this world, His servants, friends, and charming gopi lovers have all come to His lotus feet. They have now attained a priceless treasure of pure love of Krishna more valuable than anything they had possessed before.



Everywhere saintly men and women are laughing, the stonelike hearts of the materialists are melting, and the unlettered are eclipsing a host of learned atheist scholars. Now that the most wonderful and glorious Sri Caitanya has descended to this earth, all this is happening.

Formerly the intelligence of even the greatest scholars was blunted and crippled.

But now that Lord Caitanyacandra has mercifully descended to this world, who has not attained the most deep, exalted, splendid and sweet devotion to Lord Krishna?

Because they are very difficult to understand, Sukadeva Gosvami had only briefly hinted at the sweet amorous pastimes of Sri Sri Radha and Krishna in his description of the rasa dance in Srimad Bhagavatam. Now Lord Hari has descended to this world in a golden form to reveal the truth of these pastimes.

Some, headed by Uddhava, have attained the Lord's service, others have attained a glorious position like that of Sridama, others have become lotus-eyed girls in Vraja, and other very fortunate and intelligent persons have attained the lotus feet of Sri Radha. By the mercy of Sri Caitanya Mahaprabhu, what great fortune has this world not attained?

In the past when even the greatest philosophers presented a host of arguments to support their mutually conflicting views, no one could be certain that any one view was correct. But now that the unlimitedly splendid and powerful moon of Lord Gaurangacandra has risen, who is not certain that pure devotion to Lord Hari is the ultimate meaning and purpose of the Vedas?

Let me meditate on the wonderful splendor of the candramani jewels of Lord Gaurangacandra's toe-nails. That splendor is now drowning the entire universe in the sweet nectar ocean of pure love of Krishna.

Although in the past many pious and religious persons attained the great success of entering Vaikunthaloka, until the advent of Lord Caitanyacandra the world had never been flooded in this way with pure love of Krishna.

Even though a person may faithfully perform pious acts or render incomparable service to Lord Vishnu, his heart may still remain as hard as iron. By Lord Gauranga's mercy,



even a person more sinful than a cow-killer may flood the universe with a stream of tears of pure love for Lord Krishna. Oh, when this happens, who can measure the intense happiness felt by golden Lord Gauranga?

Sometimes, assuming the role of Lord Krishna, He dances with many graceful moves. Sometimes, filled with Radha's love, He calls out: "Alas! Alas! Alas!" Sometimes He becomes like a crawling infant, and sometimes He becomes like a cowherd boy. In this way the profoundly glorious Lord Gaura astonishes the entire world.

A form of molten gold delights my heart. On the shore of the salt-water ocean, that golden form plunges the entire world into the very sweet pastimes of Lord Krishna, who is the nectar ocean of love for the young gopis. Even in His childhood pastimes that golden form enchants the entire world.

On the pathways of whose ear had the wonderful words "pure love of Krishna" entered? Who had known the glories of the Holy Names? Who had entered the great sweetness of the forests of Vrindavan? Who had understood Sri Radha, who is filled with the most wonderful sweetness of the nectar of pure love for Krishna? It is only Lord Caitanyacandra who has mercifully revealed all this.

*Adapted from Sri Caitanya Candramrita by Srila Prabodhamanda Sarasvati, translated by Sriman Kusakratha das*

## **HARI! HARI! GAURAHARI!**

*by*

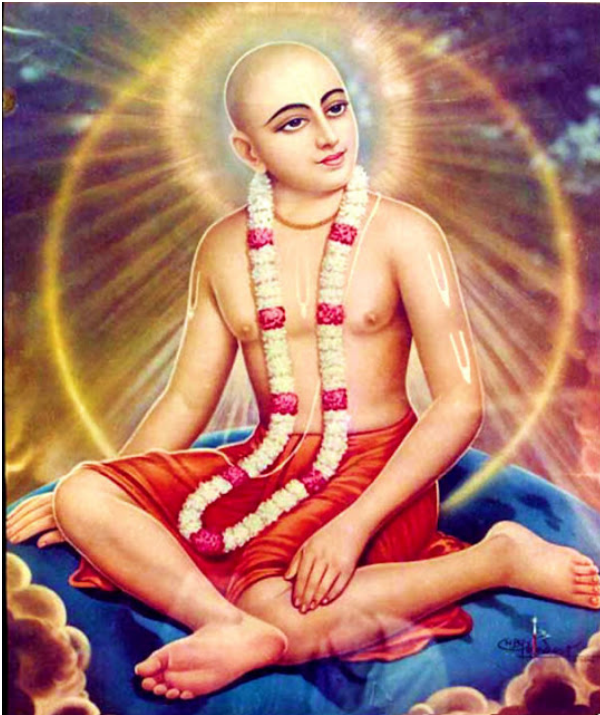
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The Supreme Lord, Bhagavan Vrajendra-nandana Krishna, appeared in Sri Dham Mayapur as Sri Gauranga, taking on the mood and complexion of Sri Sri Radha. He manifested His divine pastimes on this Earth for a period of 48 years only. In the Bengali

year 1407 (*Śakābda*), during the evening hours and during the occurrence of a lunar eclipse on the full moon day of the Bengali month Phalguni (*Phālguni pūṁimā*), the environment was filled with the chanting of the Holy Names of Lord Hari. Having choreographed a perfect environment for His appearance, Sri Gauranga descended in the midst of the resounding Holy Names as the son of Sri Jagannatha Misra and Srimati Saci Devi. In the Bengali year 1455 (*Śakābda*), Sri Gauranga performed His pastime of disappearance in Sri Purushottam Dham at the temple of Sri Totagopinatha, the soul of Sri Gadadhara Pandit (*gadādhara-prāṇa-nātha*). Sri Gauranga spent His first 24 years of life in Navadvip as a householder; He spent His final 24 years as a renounced saint (*sannyāsī*) in Nilacala (Jagannatha Puri). During His householder pastimes, He was always engaged in the blissful pastimes of congregationally chanting the Holy Names of Hari (*kīrtana-vilāsa*). During His pastimes in the renounced order, He spent the first six years sometimes in South India, sometimes in Bengal, sometimes in traveling to and from Sri Vrindavan in search of Krishna and in preaching the loving name of the Lord; He spent the final 18 years in Nilacala and drowned everybody in the nectar of the pastimes of divine love of Krishna (*kṛṣṇa-prema-līlāmṛta*). Sri Gauranga spent His final 12 years of those 18 years in Gambhira with His most intimate associates, Sri Svarupa Damodara and Sri Raya Ramananda, in tasting the mellow of separation from Krishna, which intensified day by day. That is why the householder pastimes of Mahaprabhu are known as the *ādi-līlā*, the first six years of His *sannyāsa* are known as the *madhya-līlā* and the final 18 years are known as the *antya-līlā*. Srila Kaviraja Goswami Prabhu wrote the *ādi-līlā* in accordance with Sri Murari Gupta Prabhu's writings and wrote the final pastimes (*madhya-* and *antya-līlā*) in accordance with Srila Svarupa Damodara Gosvami Prabhu's diary (*kaḍcā*) as well as in accordance with the divine words that



emanated from the divine mouth of Srila Raghunatha Dasa Goswami Prabhu. Whatever Srila Dasa Goswami has spoken to Srila Kaviraja Goswami is in accordance with what he heard from the divine mouth of Srila Svarupa Damodara Goswami Prabhu and what he saw with his own eyes during the 16 years that he spent in Puri Dham. Srila Kaviraja Goswami Prabhu has written down the *Caitanya-caritāmṛta* in accordance with what he heard from Srila Dasa Goswami. Therefore, not even a single letter of the *Caritāmṛta* is speculation.



All of Srīman Mahāprabhu's pastimes (*ādi-*, *madhya-*, and *antya-līlā*) are completely filled with the practice of and preaching of the Holy Names of Krishna (*śrī-nāma-ācāra-pracāra*). By divine providence, on the occasion of the lunar eclipse during the evening hours of *Phālguni pūṇimā*, Mahāprabhu influenced all of the living entities to chant the holy names and He manifested His pastime of taking birth in the midst of those holy names. During His childhood pastimes, in the mood of a child, Nīmai performed the pastime of stopping His crying only upon hearing the holy names of Krishna, Hari, etc. All of the women and

friends took up chanting the holy names in order to stop the baby's crying. In this manner, upon the pretext of stopping His cries, Mahāprabhu ensured that all those who wanted to see Him would take up the Holy Names. The women themselves named Him 'Gaurahari'.

*ataeva 'hari' 'hari' bale nāṅgaṇa |  
dekhite āise yebā sarva bandhu jana | |  
'gaurahari' bali tāre hāse sarva nāṅ |  
ataeva haila tāṅra nāma 'gaurahari' | |*

(*Caitanya-caritāmṛta Ādi-līlā 13.24-25*)

Therefore, all of the women and friends said, "Hari! Hari!" All of them would laughingly say, "Gaurahari" and thus, His name became "Gaurahari".

*Adapted from Sanatana Sikanusarane by His Divine Grace Srila Bhakti Promode Puri Goswami Thakur*

## THE MOST MERCIFUL – SRI SRI GAURA-NITAI

Sri Gaura means 'the one with a golden complexion', also known as Sri Chaitanya Mahāprabhu and Sri Gaurāṅga. Nitai means 'the one who manifests and incorporates the eternal bliss'. Together, Gaura-Nitai have inspired, motivated and uplifted us, the insignificant creatures of Kali Yuga, in the love of Sri Sri Radha Krishna.

Gaur-Nitai are the human embodiments of Lord Sri Krishna and Balarama Themselves. Lord Balaram is said to be the direct expansion of the Supreme Lord, Sri Krishna Himself. They appeared together in Kali Yuga and taught us how to live by the teachings of Gita, which Sri Krishna taught in Bhagwat Gita. Krishna appeared in this form of Gaurāṅga to spread love all around him; to teach us how to preach about the Lord while He Himself becoming a devotee.

Sri Gaurāṅga is said to have appeared in 1486 A.D., in Mayapur, Navadweep and acted as His own devotee, while Nityananda





appeared in 1474 in Ekachakra village of West Bengal, India. Gauranga Mahaprabhu is not only an embodiment of Sri Krishna, but also the epitome of Sri Radha's love for Krishna. He came here in this lowly world, disguised as a devotee and displayed the joy of Krishna consciousness. He didn't kill anyone, neither corrected anyone nor criticized them, instead swam in the joyous waves of Krishna bhajans and kirtans alongside everyone, to make them realize the true nectar of happiness which is irreplaceable and everlasting. He preached and practiced "Hare Krishna Hare Krishna Krishna Krishna Hare Hare, Hare Rama Hare Rama, Rama, Rama Hare Hare".

The mercy of Gaur-Nitai is explained in Chaitanya Caritamrita, where it is said, "once pronouncing the name of Krishna, one demolishes all his/her sins which lead to development of Krishna *prema*; and once the heart is filled with love, it pounds hard, speech falters, one sweats profusely and eyes can't stop watering. When we chant His Holy Name with such sincerity and devotion, struggles cease to exist without even trying. But, if one continuously mutters Krishna's name and is still not moved to tears, his/her sins are so prominent that they prevent the seed of love for Krishna from sprouting. By chanting the name of Gauranga and Nityananda, one can indemnify their offences. After that, one shall experience ecstasy in *hari-nam*. So, we say Gaura-Nitai are so benevolent and magnanimous. Without their worship and blessings, one shall leave the thought of liberation.

Gaura Purnima is a Vaishnava festival to celebrate the appearance of such supreme personality Lord Caitanya on this Earth. The full golden moon refers to Caitanya's golden complexion and his divine aura. We should worship Him and sing His glorifications. Sing Krishna bhajans and make delicacies to celebrate His appearance. We must beg for His mercy, without which Krishna bhakti might be nectar-less.

Lord Krishna in this form of Lord Gauranga distributed His topmost love for the supreme personality of god, without discrimination of male, female, caste and country, educated, uneducated, rich or poor. He gave this love to everyone in the form of Hare Krishna Mahamantra. Whoever chants Hare Krishna Mahamantra in a humble mood, accepting the disciplic succession of Sri Caitanya Mahaprabhu, will definitely get this love of god without any doubt. The goal of chanting Hare Krishna Mahamantra is eternal association and service of Sri Sri Radha Govinda in Golok Dham, which the Lord had never distributed before in any of His forms, for a long time. This time Gauranga Mahaprabhu distributed this supreme love without discrimination. So we should be grateful to Him.

I pray to everyone, to bless me and follow my bhajan under the guidance and shelter of my Gurudev. I urge you all to experience this bliss and take shelter of a pure devotee- a spiritual master and under his shelter and guidance practice your bhajan to get the supreme love, which was exhibited in this world by Caitanya Mahaprabhu Himself.

Gauranga Mahaprabhu with the grace of golden light within him, raises up both His arms in the air and says "Give up criticizing vaishnavas, and take shelter of the Holy Name."

*anindaka hai je sakrt Krishna bhaje, satya satya muni tare uddharibo hele*

"Verily I say, that I will immediately deliver anyone who is free of fault-finding tendencies, worships Krishna, even just for a moment" (*Caitanya Bhagwata Madhya 19.214*)

My sincere obeisance at the feet of the supreme divine couple Sri Sri Radha Krishna, Sri Gaura-Nitai and my Gurudev, Srila Bhakti Bibudha Bodhayan Goswami Maharaja.

By Raseshwari Devi Dasi



**VAISHNAVA FESTIVALS: MARCH – APRIL 2021**

Date	Festival
28 March	Sri Gaura Purnima - Divine appearance of Lord Caitanya Mahaprabu
2 April	Appearanc day of HDG Srila Bhakti Rakshak Sridhar Dev Goswami
5 April	Appearanc day of Srila Srivas Pandit
8 April	Papa Vimochani Ekadashi
17 April	Appearanc day of Sri Ramanuja Acharya
21 April	Sri Ram Navami
27 April	Basanta Rasa of Lord Sri Krishna; Rasa Yatra of Lord Sri Balaram; Appearance day of Srila Syamananda Prabhu

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