

*To whose temple the Arch is starlit,
In whose temple the Sun is the image of gold,
To whose temple the Moon goes every month
And brings the message out every Full-Moon,
And whose message the Moon sings as a word of sixteen letters,
His religion I belong to, His temple I visit,
His name I utter, His glory I live in.
To Him I offer the lotus of my day,
To Him I offer the lotus of my night.*

These seed thoughts from the Spiritual Psychology meditations of Dr. Ekkirala Krishnamacharya give the note for the Lunar Messenger of the Circle of Good Will. The moon is the reflective principle and symbol of the mind. When pure and calm, it reflects impressions from higher circles. Especially the time of the full moon is conducive for higher alignment, if we are poised enough. The alignment of the sun, moon and earth in the sky helps experience the magic of the light of the soul and its manifestation down to the physical.

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VISTAS OF WISDOM 21: LORD KRISHNA

The Descent

When we read the books of the great Masters and initiates, we have the feeling that they speak to us directly. By bringing the divine beings to our mind, they give us their presence. With their subtle bodies they fill the space around us and give us the power to conduct activities of good will. They hope that we join them to fulfil the divine Plan.

The great seers can visualise the unfolding of the Plan. But sometimes when the Most High descends, this goes even beyond the vision of the Masters, and only by hindsight they understand it. An *Avatar* is a descent of the Cosmic Person, of the Omnipresent One; he incarnates to restore the Law and to establish it in the humans. *Krishna* is partly regarded as an *Avatar* but also not as an *Avatar*, because he is the Cosmic Person himself which embodies the totality of the cosmic, solar and planetary *Devas*, the synthesis of the universe. *Krishna* means the Unknowable One, the darkness, which is absolute light. To date, nobody could completely understand what he is. If, however, we read texts about his life, we can feel the bliss of his presence.

The birth of *Krishna* was unknown even to the cosmic intelligences and to most of the seers. The eastern scripture *Hari-vamsa* describes how *Narada*, the cosmic messenger, informs the sage *Parasara* that the Divine will descend on earth. And that *Parasara*, the then World Teacher, should conduct a ritual for seven days together with a group of Masters, for providing a body for the Lord with pure elements. The elements of the earth were not pure enough for the body of the Lord.

For seven days, seven Masters conducted a ritual with sounds under the leadership of *Parasara* living only on air the whole time. They prepared a luminous body of supernatural matter

into which *Krishna* descended. Through the negotiation of *Narada* and *Sanat Kumara* he descended as a principle from the musical plane of Neptune to the earth via Venus. He appeared to his future parents in his cosmic form and said to *Vasudeva*, his father: "After my birth bring me to a village on the other side of the river." Then his macro-form became very small and he entered into the body of the child which grew up in the womb of his mother *Devaki*. The parents were in prison because the maternal uncle, *Kamsa*, an embodiment of the power consciousness, wanted to kill the child immediately after its birth.

The doors of the prison were locked and guarded. *Vasudeva* did not think about it; he was a great initiate of a very high order and had complete trust. When the child was born, he took it into his arms and walked up to the door as if it were not there. The door opened; the guards had fallen into a deep sleep. The River *Yamuna* was turbulent and carried a high amount of water. There was heavy rainfall but not a drop fell onto the child. *Vasudeva* just went right through the river. He reached the other shore and put the child down at a village. In the same way he returned to the prison. There he came back again from this state of experience.

Krishna was born at midnight between the 19th and 20th of July in the year 3228 B.C., in the eighth descending moon phase of Leo. Therefore, his birthday is celebrated on the eighth descending moon phase of Leo. The descending moon phase means that the manifestation withdraws itself again. That means, the souls are guided from visibility to invisibility, to the hidden side of things. The work of *Krishna* is in showing the occult side of things and to introduce people into it. Thus, he teaches in the *Bhagavad Gita* that we continue to exist even when our body disappears and we are no longer visible.

Krishna grew up with his step parents *Nanda* and *Yasoda* as a cowherd boy; the cows are a symbol of the nourishing motherly nature. From childhood till the old age there were many attempts to kill him but he never cared about it. He continued doing what had to be done and from out of all situations he emerged victoriously. Throughout his whole life he remained playful like a child and he kept on doing supernatural acts by which he expressed profound wisdom. When he dropped his physical sheath during the morning hours of 18th February, 3102 B.C., he was 126 years old. This was the beginning of *Kali Yuga*, the dark age.

Krishna's Mission

Krishna stated that he keeps coming down whenever there is an imbalance of the positive and negative forces, to restore the equilibrium. His mission culminated in the war between the five Sons of Light and the hundred Sons of Darkness. The sons of the blind king were the cause of the great *Mahabharata* war. *Krishna* tried to avoid the war through negotiations. When it was not possible to ward it off, *Krishna* used the event of war for a reorientation of the nation. He said, "I will take part in the war but I will not fight." He participated as the charioteer of *Arjuna's* chariot and as his advisor.

When *Arjuna* fell into despondency just before the battle, *Krishna* initiated him with the teaching of the *Bhagavad Gita* and cleared the confusion in the personality of *Arjuna*. He gave this sublime teaching in the shortest form, maybe in 18 seed words. They were not given as a long seminar - the adversaries would not have waited so long. When *Vedavyasa*, a great initiate, tried to explain these seeds with his vision, they resulted in 18 chapters with 700 verses.

Krishna gives the highest lesson in the last chapter, the 18th: "Leave aside all that you know and take refuge in Me totally. I shall function through you and liberate you from all your conditioning. There is nothing better than this." *Arjuna* submitted himself totally to the Lord and hence could carry out acts which are not possible even to divine beings.

Vedavyasa is not the real name of this seer of highest knowledge but a title. His name is *Krishna Dvaipayana*, the one from the Blue Island. This island is a centre in the universe from where he descended with *Krishna*. He is also called *Krishna* because at this time *Krishna* came down in three bodies. The one is the *Krishna* whom we know as *Krishna*; the other is this individual, *Vedavyasa*. And the third aspect is known as *Draupadi*, the wife of the five Sons of Light. She incarnates the Lord in his dimension as beauty and power. When *Vedavyasa* wrote the *Bhagavatam*, his vision had become more subtle than at the time when he wrote the *Mahabharata*. Thus there are subtle differences between the scriptures.

His Etheric Body and His Presence

At his departure, *Krishna* left his etheric body on earth, for the welfare of the earthly beings. He handed over the light

body to *Maitreya* and installed him as the World Teacher for the *Kali Yuga*: To carry out the Divine Plan during this age, *Maitreya* would be ably assisted by others among whom *Maru* and *Devapi*, whom we know as Master *Morya* and Master *Kuthumi*. Ever since, the Plan is being carried out through teaching and healing under the guidance of *Maitreya*. The community of the Enlightened Ones is called "The Hierarchy". *H.P. Blavatsky* unveiled the secret of the light body or the "white robe", which is made available if required and thus helped *Buddha*, *Jesus Christ* and *Adi Shankaracharya* in their huge tasks. The organisation of the World Teacher Trust was named after the World Teacher, and members are those who follow his path.

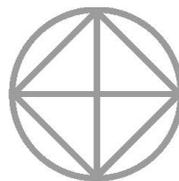
When *Sri Krishna* gives his presence, we hear it as flute music resounding in the brow centre. The brows are like two mountains, and in the valley in between we hear the OM as the enchanting flute music. We can visualise the light and the sound in the form of the Sun in the brow centre. When *Krishna* and his friends were still very young, they went together with the cows to the fields. To his friends it was everything to be around him. They played with him, listened to his flute music and fell into trance. They were so intensely in his presence. Even the animals gathered around him in ecstasy when he played his flute. *Krishna* made the minds of all those around him disappear and they experienced him inside and outside.

When *Krishna* left the earth, *Uddhava*, a childhood friend, wanted to go with him but he could not. However, he asked *Krishna* to muse with the flute music. While *Krishna* was leaving his body through a casually shot arrow, *Uddhava* was searching for the flute music. He found it in his inner and at the same time saw *Krishna* as a five year old boy. *Krishna* explained to him that this is his subtle form. At that moment, *Uddhava* received an initiation and realised the state of deathlessness.

He reached *Krishna* through his devotion, *Bhakti*, whereas *Maitreya* reached *Krishna* through *Yoga*, knowledge. Through their devotion, the *Gopis* also continuously lived in the presence of *Krishna*. With the grace of *Krishna*, *Uddhava* works on earth in his etheric body and trains the aspirants in the path of devotion. Through him also the mantra "*Hare Krishna*" came to light.

Lord *Krishna* is a wonderful principle which still enchants the people to this day. It is nothing Hindu. His Light of highest incandescence is described as the absolute Light beyond colour which can only be conceived as deep blue. For this reason *Krishna* is also called the "blue boy". The visible blue colour is only a deception of the eye and an unsolvable mystery of the depths of space from which everything comes and which always stands untouched by anything.

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