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tubhyam mad-vicikitsayam  
atma me darsito 'bahih  
nalena salile mulam  
puskarasya vicinvatah [SB 3.9.37]

Translation:

When you were contemplating whether there was a source to the stem of the lotus of your birth and you even entered into that stem, you could not trace out anything. But at that time I manifested My form from within.

**Purport:**

The Personality of Godhead can be experienced only by His causeless mercy, not by mental speculation or with the help of the material senses. Material senses cannot approach the transcendental understanding of the Supreme Personality of Godhead. He can be appreciated only by submissive devotional service when He reveals Himself before the devotee. Only by love of Godhead can one know God, and not otherwise. The Personality of Godhead cannot be seen with the material eyes, but He can be seen from within by spiritual eyes opened by the ointment of love of Godhead. As long as one's spiritual eyes are closed due to the dirty covering of matter, one cannot see the Lord. But when the dirt is removed by the process of devotional service, one can see the Lord, without a doubt. Brahma's personal endeavor to see the root of the lotus pipe failed, but when the Lord was satisfied by his penance and devotion, He revealed Himself from within with no external endeavor.

Wonderful statement by the Lord, Krishna is wonderful and of

course His statement has to be wonderful. I don't have to say this separately and He is stating this to Brahma. He has just now taken his birth and he doesn't even know the source of his birth or who has given him birth. He has some lotus there and some stem there. Does this also have some source? Does this the Lotus which is this world, whether this universe has some source, whether I myself also have some source?

Vicinvatah as you were searching, as you were looking find out the stem by yourself you are breaking your brain this way and that way, we just got speculation, you are speculating

### **nalena salile mulam**

You even entered that nala- that stem and you kept going down into deeper into that stem but still mulam, you could not find the source of yourself. The lotus, you are searching for the source of that stem of which the lotus. You are trying to know this way, you are searching and you are trying to know but as all your attempts fail. And this is what happens all attempts, as attempts of Brahma failed who is the first person to take birth, anyone who follows in his footsteps before Lord has revealed knowledge unto him. Here is Brahma before he became realized Brahma before the knowledge was revealed unto him. By the causeless mercy of the Lord or primeval or not only the source of this existence also. He is also the source of all knowledge that exists.

### **tene brahma hrda ya adi-kavaye [SB 1.1.1]**

Brahma is also described as adikavi the poet. But he was just totally blank until the time Lord revealed all the knowledge unto him. So Brahma before and Brahma after. So the people are following to this day. This happened long long time ago they don't even have a clue, how long time ago? The world was created, the universe was created, and they have their own Big Bang Theory. So Brahma's all attempts to know his own source. Who he was? ki ami? And what is this world? What is the source

of this world? All his attempts, all his endeavors totally were failure.

### **atma me darsito 'bahih**

abahi? – from within; the word sounds like outside bahih means outside, when we attach 'a'- abahih that means beginning from somewhere to bahih outside, from within to outside. Like

### **abraham bhuvana loka [BG 8.16]**

From Vrndavan to Durban, avrndavna from Vrndavan to somewhere-abahih from within. From within, atma me darsito 'bahi? I showed revealed unto you atma me- unto you tubhyam. To you revealed things or knowledge from within and the points being made in the purport naturally are, this is the only way to know the Lord. And of course something that had also happened in between. Brahma was looking looking trying to understand and then he had heard before Lord reveal himself to Brahma prior to that there were instructions to this Brahma. He was very Jijnasu.

### **athato brahma jijnasa**

Brahma jijnasa. he was very curious, curious as he was running in the total darkness not knowing the source nothing. And then he had heard the words, he had heard two letters and then he put those two letters together and then it becomes a word two letter word one was ta other one was pa – ta- pa , ta-pa and then he got into business, oh! This is what I have to do. I have to do tapasya so as he heard these words he understood oh! This is what I should be doing. He did tapasya and that was devotion service that he had performed. He had followed the instructions of the,

### **krishnam vande jagadgurum**

The original spiritual master Krishna personally became the spiritual master of Brahma , He had become the spiritual

master of Arjuna like that He is the original Spiritual master. So Brahma performed tapasya, that is devotional service. When the dirt is removed by the process of devotional service, tapa is also connected with tapa -the flame it's also explained tapatraya. So tapa the austerities create fire tapa or tapasya is fiery creates fire, Oh! He is fired up. This is when they perform tapasya of three kinds Krsna describes in Bhagavad Gita it's at physical level, vocal level and the mental level and it is purifying. The fire of tapa, it's purifying as you put gold into the fire all the impurities are removed and then gold become shining molten gold,

### **tapta kanchana gaurangi**

Tapta kanchana, in that prayer tapta not only kanchan Gaurangi Radhe, tapta kanchan why tapta kanchan, tapata is not only pure but it is more pure brilliant than the other kind of Gold. So as ta-pa is performed,

### **tapo divyam putraka yena sattvam. Suddhyed yasmad brahma-saukhyam tv anantam [SB 5.5.1]**

Very famous statement and we hear this verse from Bhagavatam, this is instruction of Rsabhadeva to his sons. So Prabhupada we were his sons and daughters. He always said, "You my American boys and girls sometimes he also said European, he never said Indian boys and girls, sometimes we felt little envious, all time you my American boys and girls. So whenever I read those letters what about me? [Laughter] So we are his children, so tapo divyam putraka so this is instruction of Rsabhadev Dev

to his sons and Prabhupada to his sons and daughters, this verse was repeated more frequently, most quoted verse. Someone has done the research. So tapo divyam -he performed tapa and again divya divya tapa. I mean there is no one in the world who does

not perform tapasya, even Rickshawala or Chai!! Chai!! at the train station all day. Lots of endeavors, lots of

inconvenience tapasya money money where is money, it's lots of tapasya and every endeavor there is tapasya. Austerities are there inconvenience is there but what kind of tapasya, tapo divyam. Immediately, ok you want to perform tapa make sure it is divyam- it is a transcendental tapasya.

Being in Vrndavan during month of Kartik and that has come to kind of an end. Last night devotees going on Vraja Mandal Parikrama and also performing lots of tapasya and for us that may be some kind of end but today also the beginning of the Gopis tapa. Gopis tapa starts from today. After Kartik comes Margashirsha. So in this month Hemanta next Sharad Ritu has come

to an end yesterday. In the first month of margashirsha, month after kartik Gopis they kept going every morning to Chirghat that time that ghat was not known as Chirghat but at the end of that month that became known as Chirghat because after one month endeavors and austerities going in the cold bitter early morning hours singing glories of the Lord. They would go there and they would do japa

**Oh! Katyayani Devi , nandagopasutam devi patim me kuru te namah [SB 10.22.1]**

Son of Nanda Maharaja may He be our husband patim mein kuru te namah , patim mein kuru te namah, they were chanting this japa and lots of austerities and Lord was pleased then that pleasure was expressed by the Lord by stealing the garments patim mein kuru te okay, here I am. So another festival is beginning which may last for another one month, Gopi's festival. So tapasya is yasmad suddhyed.

So when tapasya is transcendental then that brings about the purification the dirt is removed by process of devotional service. You become clean. Not only clean shaved, some devotees are shaved today, shaved up, one month is over. The forest was growing now they are shaved up clean from outside

and clean from inside. Inside cleaning is more important heart's cleaning soul's cleansing. So the tapasya, so the first instruction that Brahma received do tapa Tapasya tapo divyam. Rsabha Dev repeated, Srila Prabhupada is repeating one of the tapasya, it's just a thought going, so many thoughts.

Like a window of so many thoughts just floating. Kind of check keep check. But one thought kind of crossed my mind. One tapasya, austerity, is to stay together, to stay together as a family or bigger family, small family staying together is a tapasya big thing but if we could stay together and cooperate together with each other spread Krishna consciousness . This is one of the major tapasyas of this age of Kali. Get lost is a mantra in the west and America 'get lost' as soon as you have different ideas or other person have different idea, different idea could also there is one seminar each one is individual so having different ideas is natural. Prabhupada said, having little different idea and then there something else to be applied Unity in Diversity. You GBC men should come every year to Mayapur and one topic you should discuss every year, Prabhupada said 'Unity in Diversity' should be like a ongoing agenda amongst the other agenda topic, unity in Diversity, diverse nature, diverse endeavors but devotional services diverse varieties unity , see the Krishna connection , see Prabhupada connection and stay United. So this is the big challenge and takes lots of tapasya to stay together to share, to share Krishna people don't even like to share God or if your God is Krishna my God is Allah. You get lost immediately the World is divided people don't even like to share God in this age of Kali. What to speak of sharing other things so this is tapasya yes this is the challenge if we could solve.

So undergoing all kinds of tapasya divya tapasya transcendental tapasya and of course tapasya is not just sitting down as soon as we talk of tapasya this is a run around and tapasya. We are reminded of hiranyakashipu

performing tapasya. He was in one place others performing tapasya in one place. The gopis they don't sit down but they are performing tapasya for

Krishna's pleasure undergoing so many inconveniences. So this tapasya is purifying and the dirty matter is removed and one comes out clean. Mr. Clean some politicians sometimes, he is Mr. Clean according to their standards some kind of Mr. Clean. So the devotees all Mr. Or Mrs. Clean. Your went to Vrndavan, performed tapasya for one month or some days now we have come out clean, they are coming out of Vrndavan clean. Vrndavan is clean coming in contact Vrndavan which is clean pavitram we become pavitra also. Vrndavan is nondifferent from Krishna, staying there some tapasya is there, it is purifying and the result is,

### **brahma-saukhyam tv anantam**

Unlimited joy comes as a result because we are connected with Krishna not only we get the joy unlimited joy. The source of that joy.

### **itidrk-sva-lilabhir ananda-kunde**

Try to understand this word. You know both the words only you have to put them together ananda and kunda ,kunda like Radha Kunda this kunda, Narada kunda so many kundas are there in Vrndavan. So for Vrajvasis, by these kind of lilas of the Lord stealing butter and lila that Lord performed Damodar lila iti- thus, drk-sva- like this lilam by these lilas ananda kunde he drowns the residents of Vrndavan in Ananda kunda, kunda that is filled with ananda. It's an ocean of bliss. Kunda full of bliss, sarovar full of ananda. So Lord was drowning everyone was swimming in the ocean of ananda. And that ocean of ananda that Vrndavan that Vrndavananda that harinam harinananda or that Krishna katha or Krishna katha ananda. That Prasad or prasadananda. Its welcoming us is inviting us. Please come, please come I am here eternally iavailable.

So the process is Srila Prabhupada is talking of some siddhanta here. What world follows is apasiddhanta,

### **apasiddhanta-dhvanta-harine**

Bhakti Siddhanta was known as someone who opposed Apasiddhant apa- siddhanta against siddhanta against the process, scientific process of God realization. So Prabhupada is talking about the siddhanta the process always stressing to devotional service, always stressing not only devotion while others are we find stressing devotion but Prabhupada did not stress devotion only he stressed devotional service. He did not describe or translated Bhakti as devotion but he translated Bhakti as devotional service. Devotion could be just sitting around, just sitting around that's what yogis do, yogis also sit around but time to get up as soon as you get up and then you run around for Krishna.

**kayena manasa buddhya kevalair indriyair api  
yoginah karma kurvanti sangam tyaktvatma-suddhaye [BG 5.11]**

Krishna is clarifying, yogis perform activities with their body, with their senses, with their intelligence with their mind, kayena manasa buddhya all that. So they are busy so they don't sit around when it's time for chanting of course they seat and chant and that's the best way to do, seat and chant there is time for seating also best you get out of chanting is when you seat down and chant of course if you are sleepy little bit sleepy you could get up get some passion going allow some passion transfer some passion. So devotional service is what Prabhupada always stressed. I also had the tendency of some kind of devotion when I joined I was into devotion I would like to seat down and do my devotion not always enthusiastic to take my briefcase and go down town Mumbai, Bombay making life members I would spend little extra time in the temple with my devotion doing devotion. So my president did not like this and soon he gave me the name, before Prabhupada could give me the name, he gave me the name



Samadhi Das, Samadhi Das [Laughter]. So then he got me out of samadhi, he disturbed my samadhi or got me into transcendental samadhi.

So devotional service not only devotion and by that devotional service Krishna reveals more unto that candidate who is performing devotional service and the glaring example is starting with the first person, at the beginning of the creation. So what was applicable to Brahma is also applicable to each one of us. From that day one, the day two there was no different application okay this is a day three now, same application and day four or next kalpa or next yuga or this is eternal process. Lord reveals Himself unto that devotee Brahma- the same process.

**cakhu-dan dilo jei, janme janme prabhu sei,  
divya jnan h?de prokasita**

So on behalf of that original spiritual master Sri Krishna His representative they give Cakshu dan, dan means donation. Eye donation camp, ISKCON is like a eye donation camp, doctors are eye doctors, donation camp. So caksu dan dilo jei, caksu – eyes dan donation.

**janme janme prabhu sei**

Because he gave me eyes I would like to serve him ‘janme janme prabhu’ I like to serve him life after life after life And if I did serve, what is the result,

**divya jnan h?de prokasita**

So we get the process of this devotional service. This is eye cleansing.

vishaya chariya kabe suddha ha 'be mana kabe hama herabo sri-brindabana

We are in Vrndavan, Narottam Das Thakur says Oh! When Oh! When would that day come that I will be able to stay in Vrndavan

Oh! I'll be able to see Vrndavan. Yet another transcendental Vrndavan. He thought he was not seeing and he wanted vision to see Vrndavan.

### **kabe hame herabo Sri Vrndavan**

But then he had, he knew I could see Vrndavan when I am clean vishaya chariya kabe shuddha habe mana. When my mind is clean suddha habe mana then I'll be able to see Vrindavan, it's right here again cleansing tapasya, devotional service, when we are purified then we are able to see Vrndavan . One of the famous statements of Sri Brahma.

### **premanjana-cchurita-bhakti-vilocanena santah sadaiva hrdayesu vilokayanti**

Brahma is not only the creator, chief architect engineer of this world but he is also the first acarya. So he is teaching us,

### **premanjana-cchurita-bhakti-vilocanena**

By devotional service, tears gliding down then seeing His,

### **santah sadaiva hrdayesu vilokayanti**

Devotees are always seeing the Lord within their hearts,

### **yam syamasundaram acintya-guna-svarupam**

Take the note otherwise if you are not performing devotional service not understanding and following devotional service in that pure line of spiritual masters and disciples then Krishna will be acintya will be inconceivable. As He was inconceivable for Brahma outside the authority or authoritative arrangement of the Lord. He was trying to understand Lord outside or even understand this world outside that process.

First time I read this verse immediately, when I was reading in between the lines that Brahma was trying to understand the

stem which is practically the whole universe inside that stem and the scientist also trying that's how they are called astronomers going with their sputnik this is same endeavor as Brahmas first endeavor.

Brahma was going the way he goes looking, finding and the scientists are also doing exact same thing. So as Brahma, it was a total failure at the part of Brahma understanding the universe length and breadth and the source of the universe. All such attempts would be also failures. Then I was thinking, if you want to say something wrong say it in the presence of some

learned devotees. The creation should also be described as Lila to the avataras are of various kinds and then Purusha avatar and then there is Maha Vishnu, Garbhodakshayi Vishnu, Kshirodakshayi Vishnu, and they are creating this universe. From Maha Vishnu comes the whole universe and further the detail creation is done by Garbhodakshayi Vishnu and some more details are added by Kshirodakshayi Vishnu. Like lot of times there is RCC Structure of a building first and then some interior decoration and then the plumbing and then the electrification and then this and that so these three Lords, three Vishnus this is there lila and they are creative, first universe is created then more things are added and some more things are added.

So this is the Lila of Vishnu, of the Lord. So to understand this Lila and part of this knowledge will be understanding this world, understand the universe, understand the source of the universe. How it was created by the Lord and whether there are other universes also. All this could be revealed unto you as soon as you surrender unto that creator.

As soon as you

surrender unto Vishnu and Krishna then only it is possible to understand the universe or how it was created or how these universes are there and lots of other things to be known are

made known. The world was created and the knowledge was created at the same time or knowledge always existed. And when the world was created knowledge was just made available. So all that

we need to know, we could know through the process of devotional service not through these so called scientific procedures. Their endeavors are according to the four defects of the mundane authorities they are,

**bhrama, pramada, vipralipsa, karanapatava**

These are the four defects of the mundane authorities including the scientists. Bhrama- that is making mistakes, pramada – madness, illusion, vipralipsa –cheating and karanapatava –defective perception.

**isvarera vakye nahi do? a ei saba (CC Adi 7.107)**

According to Krishna Das Kaviraj, this is from Caitanya Caritamrita. These four defects you do not find in the vakya, the statements of the Aryas. Those who are knowledgeable, the devotees Vaisnavas the acaryas coming in the disciplic succession in them. In their statements these four flaws are not found. But they are found in all other authorities. So called authorities. So all that we need to know, human being is need to know that knowledge is made available

yannehasti na kutrachit

I came across another statement; this is Vyasdev speaking, Vyas uvacha. He says if there is anything or it's an indirect statement everything we need to know.

**vedais ca sarvair aham eva vedyo**

**vedanta-krd veda-vid eva caham [BG 15.15]**

Everything, I have to be known by the studies of the Vedas, I am the compiler of the Vedas that is Krishna that's Vyasdev compiler. So he has included all the knowledge complete

knowledge is there then he says,

### **Yadihasti tad anyatra**

Something that is not here then it is nowhere else something that is not here, something that is not in vedas, puranas all the Vedic text compiled by Srila Vyasdeva, Bhagavad Gita, Srimad Bhagavatam if it is not there it is not to be found anywhere else don't even look the other way. Look beyond these sources everything you need to know is right in here. Something that is not here not to be found anywhere else not in scientific generals not in Bible not in Quran not, here not there. Everything you need to know is right here.

Just Chant Hare Krishna okay seat down seat down chant Hare Krishna and study the scriptures or hear from the scriptures and you will be knowledgeable. You will be the best scientist in the world one who knows this Science is a scientist Prabhupada was a scientist that scientist was Bhakti Siddhanta, that scientist was Baladeva Vidyabhushan was that scientist.

Sastra , sastra is called science and sastragya one who knows the sastras is a scientist. Sastragya the knower of the sastras is a scientist all our acaryas are the genuine scientists. And as soon as they begin chanting you know all about cosmology all about astronomy. Not only you know about this one universe you know all about other universes which are all around this

universe there is no other way even if you have a telescope may be you could see many things.

But everything from this universe there is no way you could see something that other universe exist. There is no way you could see. So this is Karanapatav the sense perception is defective. So the knowledge acquired by with the help of some senses or they try to make senses more powerful microscopic increase the power of the eyes and increase the power of the

ear. But there is a limit ten times, hundred times, thousand times but there is a limit but there is much more still more only microscope you could use is sastra caksusa see through the eyes of the sastras. See through the eyes of Srila Prabhupada's books and then you see this is the telescope, this is the telescope you see through and you don't have to endeavor much you just chant hare Krishna dance little take prasada and better do hear Bhagavatam before prasadam, chant, dance ,little philosophy take prasada and you become most knowledgeable human being the members of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness are most knowledgeable members on this planet. Even our new bhaktas know more than big big scientists. The truth exists you just have to accept.

### **sarvametadritam manye yanmaam vadasi keshava**

This is the process, Arjuna said to Krishna he had been hearing now 9 chapter and this the 10th chapter. Oh! Keshava wahatever You are saying is truth and I accept it. I accept this as a truth not that you again make the experiment with the truth. We had a big politicians amongst the or saint amongst the politician in India and he wrote a book the title of the book was "My experiments with the truth." And Prabhupada commented you don't make experiments with the truth. So Prabhupada ' you don't make experiment with the truth you expect the truth and you become knowledgeable. So what has been given by Krishna us given to Brahma first and in that line coming down through the disciplic succession 5000 years ago there was a need to put this in writing because our memories were not good memories.

So then Vyasdev compiled these sastras they were in sanskrit or Bengali and we don't know these languages. Prabhupada was instructed in English Language you translate in English language so Prabhupada did that in English language then to us, his Guru Maharaja said in English language then our Guru Maharaja Prabhupada said in as many languages as possible including Chinese and Russian and Dutch and French and almost

in 100 languages now this truth is being translated, being spoken and being remembered. This truth in Bhagavad Gita, Bhagavatam, Chaitanya Charitamrita isoupanisad Bhakti Rasamrita Sindhu , this knowledge was not there just some how are you ? What is the rate of this? And some health businesses and how is that planet what type of climate and this kind of nonsense and some relative knowledge here and there the whether climate, the books are all about politics, lots of politics and some kind of modern art and lot of gossip. But the truth being translated for the first time in the Known history, the history that we know, in all possible languages. Now you could hear Krishna in your own language Krishna is speaking to you in your own language otherwise the knowledge was kind of sealed or stored in sanskrit and so ahead of us is a book marathon of Srila Prabhupada.

Ahead is Book Marathon, some of you will be leaving or even if you are here. Let's distribute this knowledge, lets distribute the truth, lets share the truth, Satya mayeva jayate and of course the only truth prevails all others after 100 years after 150 years then world comes to knows- that scientist he said but it's a bogus thing or half-truth. The Darwin in few years some people are getting fired up in few years' time the hundred and fiftieth anniversary of Darwin's whatever he proposed, whatever papers he wrote Darwin's Theory of evolution was first presented hundred and fifty years ago. In few years 150th year and the world is getting ready and you would be amazed and I am amazed. Even in India land of Bhagavatam few people they the samarta this some kind of saktavesh avatar something this Darwin, he really fooled people around the world including Indians.

They have been studying this Darwin's Theory of evolution. That in the beginning there was amoeba what about Brahma. First person created in the world was Brahma full-fledged, he had four heads not just one celled animal or species full-fledged four headed brainy. Brahma it's the first creation,

first being Brahma of course vaisnavas never believed, knowledgeable people students of Bhagavatam but others imitating the west they got into that and the Britishers they were incharge of this country. They got that kind of education going and we also we also agree we don't understand whenever you agree like Nandi and then but then scientist are coming to realize no! No! They are talking about to the intelligent design. There is someone behind this creation and the.

So it's an intelligent design not that just happened by chance and big bang so they are coming with another theory but it is called intelligent design theory and that would last for some time which makes little sense to us because intelligence implies a personality if they keep going intelligent design. Prabhupada said oh such a beautiful flower who has made this? What an intelligent person has made this plastic flower. And then you go to the garden and you see so many beautiful flowers then you should be asking the same question what a beautiful flower which intelligent designer has made this? Krishna has made this, Krishna's nature, Krishna has made this.

So from the intelligent theory if they could go forward they could do conclusion then that intelligence that supreme scientist is most intelligent person. So that would be the progress also so some heading in that direction is going on but then in the meantime 150 years are lost people were taught Darwin threw the light of darkness does that makes sense or no sense , he was supposed to throw some light. Prabhu could you throw some light on this meaning I am not able to see or understand this particular point or whatever please throw some light on this.

Means please explain or reveal the truth throw some light so instead of throwing some light this Darwin threw some darkness on the truth or covered the truth and in the process billions of peoples were misguided all the universities teaching all these nonsense speculation is the topic. Speculation and



that's not the way only way is perform tapasya, devotional service get connected with the knowledgeable people on this planet and they are devotees of Krishna and acaryas and the book of knowledge is Bhagavatam when the world was engulfed in the darkness of this age of Kali. Lord created Bhagavatam and it is described as brilliant as sun , Bhagavatam is brilliant more brilliant this is more brilliant than sun, brilliance of the sun. The sun would be just like a candle so that we have reached Bhagavatam we have reached Bhagavan, we have reached his abode we are very close just around the corner from the Lord it's just the matter of just sticking to this and pushing on and spreading this truth each one of us we owe this obligation you do as I did Prabhupada said. So let's make this big endeavor of spreading the truth and making people knowledgeable and happy this is the only way there is no other way there is no other way there is no other way, only way is the way to Prasadam hall [Laughter] only way.

Okay it's little late so we will stop here and you take prasada and keep coming keep coming keep coming and finally when give up your body finally come and stay here eternally is that okay. This is the way.

Krishna Balaram ki jai  
Srila Prabhupada ki jai!!