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Freedom from comparison

Shibendu's father was conservative in respect of higher initiation as this may be a craving of the mind, the "I", which sustains itself through seeking. Seeking is agitation and agitation, anxiety, ache, agony, are the protective mechanism of that illusion "I". So he used to say: "Be patient with this first stage, let something happen in your consciousness. You are so restless, your whole being is reflecting all kinds of disturbances and yet you claim to have understood and done the first stage! Please be patient and look into the inner consciousness, see what is happening there and then come for higher Kriya".

Shibendu, on the other hand, is liberal. When somebody asked my father for higher Kriya, he would ask several questions. Shibendu says, "I am not an examiner in university, so why should I do it".

In fact, when some people come for higher Kriya, Shibendu clearly feels that they have not done anything, they are very cunning and they just want to carry on with their ego-pursuits. They are playing a game with themselves and with Shibendu.

So the question is: "When his father was conservative, why is Shibendu not?"

Shibendu is not a plastic flower. If he were exactly like his father, that is what he would have been, a plastic imitation of his father. In his body, there is an independent flowering. There is diversity between father and son, but that diversity is not division. Diversity is life, division is mind.

This liberal distribution of higher kriyas is not because of any lack of understanding which Shibendu's father had. There is full understanding, yet there is less conservatism. And father could afford to be conservative, because he stayed at one place, hardly moved anywhere. But Shibendu has this beautiful opportunity to be with the whole humanity all over the world. And then let this liberalism happen!

The essence of the message is the same, but the natural traits and circumstances of each body have altered the mode of delivery. What is being compared is not the Essence but the delivery! And comparisons are done by mind; therefore it always misses comprehension and thus gets trapped in conjectures.

When Krishna (Universal Intelligence) plays the flute, the Essence is the music (the message) that comes through the emptiness of the flute (the Sat Guru). The tune played may differ from one flute to another.

Listening to the music and seeing the beauty of different tunes requires that the listening is done without any comparison so that each note and tone can be really HEARD and enjoyed.

Remain in the freedom from comparison and in the energy of comprehension. From freedom and love, all action begins that is not the outcome of tension, contradiction, the search for self-fulfillment or the conceit of power. The ultimate has no symbol, is of no person, of no god! Understanding is a destructive flash, not a tame affair. It is this shattering that the "I" is afraid of and so one avoids it knowingly or unknowingly. This shattering lights the way for action and without that light there is no love.

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