Tridandis vami Sri Srimad Bhaktivedanta Narayana Maharaja

A Room Darsana

Houston, Texas: May 15, 2006

Srila Narayana Maharaja listening to Tanya's questions

[While Srila Narayana Maharaja was in Houston, May 11-17, he gave darsanas daily, and was also on a prominent religious radio show. One of his darsanas was at the home of Srimati Vinodini dasi and Sriman Aruna Verma, where he stayed for one day. His Spanish disciple Jahnava dasi had brought her friend Tanya to meet him there, and. Tanya asked the following question:]

[Tanya] Am I to understand that by meeting you today, that my life will be completely transformed?

[Srila Narayana Maharaja:] Good question. Actually, you are not this body. This body is a bag of urine, blood, stool and other abominable things; and God has made it look very beautiful by covering it with beautiful skin. One day, however, you will have to become old, and it may be that you will have to use a stick at the time of walking. Moreover, after that you will have to give up this body, and you do not know where you will be going.

You have forgotten God, and only in this human form we can realize what is our relationship with God. You are an eternal servant of God. He is very beautiful and very powerful, with unlimited good qualities.

He has given all His power, beauty and qualities to His holy names: "Hare Krsna Hare Krsna Krsna Krsna Hare Hare, Hare Rama Hare Rama Rama Rama Hare Hare." You can chant these names in the night, in the day and in the morning, with or without mala (prayer beads). You can sing loudly, or softly in your heart. For these reasons, the Hare Krsna mantra is called the maha-mantra, or the great mantra, which includes all others.

You should not take wine, meat or other things like that. Meat means ME-EAT – whom I will eat, they will eat me. They will take revenge. From today, you should stop eating meat, eggs, wine and other things – and chant Hare Krsna. You will be happy. Guaranteed – you will be happy. Understand?

[Tanya:] Yes, thank you.



At the airport, leaving Houston. [Please note how the lady sitting next to Srila Narayana Maharaja has no idea who he is. While the devotees ask their questions and receive replies and blessings, she simply continues reading her book and receiving ajnata-sukrti (unaware spiritual pious credits)]