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: Lord Chaitanya's Mission

Some words are changed for correct pronunciation.

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Lord Chaitanya Mahaprabhu instructed his disciples to write books on the science of Krishna, a task which his followers have continued to carry out down to the present day. The elaborations and expositions on the philosophy taught by Lord Chaitanya are in fact most voluminous, exacting and consistent due to the system of disciplic succession. Although Lord Chaitanya was widely renowned as a scholar in his youth, he left only eight verses, called shikShAShTaka. These eight verses clearly reveal his mission and precepts. These supremely valuable prayers are translated herein.

ಶಿಕ್ಷಾಷ್ಟಕಂ

ಚೇತೋ-ದರ್ಪಣ-ಮಾರ್ಜನಂ ಭವ-ಮಹಾ-ದಾವಾಗ್ನಿ-ನಿರ್ವಾಪಣಂ
ಶ್ರೇಯಃ-ಕೈರವ-ಚಂದ್ರಿಕಾ-ವಿತರಣಂ ವಿದ್ಯಾ-ವಧೂ-ಜೀವನಂ .
ಆನಂದ-ಅಂಬುಧಿ-ವರ್ಧನಂ ಪ್ರತಿ-ಪದಂ ಪೂರ್ಣಾಮೃತಾಸ್ವಾದನಂ
ಸರ್ವಾತ್ಮಸ್ಥಪನಂ ಪರಂ ವಿಜಯತೇ ಶ್ರೀಕೃಷ್ಣ ಸಂಕೀರ್ತನಂ .. 1..

Glory to the Sri Krishna sankirtana, which cleanses the heart of all the dust accumulated for years and extinguishes the fire of conditional life, of repeated birth and death. This sankirtana movement is the prime benediction for humanity at large because it spreads the rays of the benediction moon. It is the life of all transcendental knowledge. It increases the ocean of transcendental bliss, and it enables us to fully taste the nectar for which we are always anxious.

ನಾಮ್ನಾಂ ಅಕಾರಿ ಬಹುಧಾ ನಿಜ-ಸರ್ವ-ಶಕ್ತಿಃ
ತತ್ರಾರ್ಪಿತಾ ನಿಯಮಿತಃ ಸ್ಮರಣೇ ನ ಕಾಲಃ .
ಏತಾದೃಶೀ ತವ ಕೃಪಾ ಭಗವನ್-ಮಮಾಪಿ
ದುರ್ದೈವಂ-ಈದೃಶಂ-ಇಹಾಜನಿ ನ-ಅನುರಾಗಃ .. 2..

O my Lord, Your holy name alone can render all benediction to living beings, and thus You have hundreds and millions of names like Krishna and Govinda. In these transcendental names You have invested all Your transcendental energies. There are not even hard and fast rules for chanting these names. O my Lord, out of kindness You enable us to easily approach You by Your holy names, but I am so unfortunate that I have no attraction for them

ತೃಣಾದಪಿ ಸುನೀಚೇನ ತರೋರಪಿ ಸಹಿಷ್ಣುನಾ .
ಅಮಾನಿನಾ ಮಾನದೇನ ಕೀರ್ತನೀಯಃ ಸದಾ ಹರಿಃ .. 3..

One should chant the holy name of the Lord in a humble state of mind, thinking oneself lower than the straw in the street; one should be more tolerant than a tree, devoid of all sense of false prestige and should be ready to offer all respect to others. In such a state of mind one can chant the holy name of the Lord constantly.

ನ-ಧನಂ ನ-ಜನಂ ನ-ಸುಂದರೀಂ
ಕವಿತಾಂ ವಾ ಜಗದೀಶ ಕಾಮಯೇ .
ಮಮ ಜನ್ಮನಿ ಜನ್ಮನಿ ಈಶ್ವರೇ
ಭವತಾದ್ ಭಕ್ತಿಃ ಅಹೈತುಕೀ ತ್ವಯಿ .. 4..

O almighty Lord, I have no desire to accumulate wealth, nor do I desire beautiful women, nor do I want any number of followers. I only want Your causeless devotional service birth after birth.

ಅಯಿ ನಂದ-ತನೂಜ ಕಿಂಕರಂ
ಪತಿತಂ ಮಾಂ ವಿಷಮೇ-ಭವ-ಅಂಬುಧೌ .
ಕೃಪಯಾ ತವ ಪಾದ-ಪಂಕಜ-
ಸ್ಥಿತ ಧೂಲಿ-ಸದೃಶಂ ವಿಚಿಂತಯ .. 5..

O son of Maharaja Nanda [Krishna], I am Your eternal servitor, yet somehow or other I have fallen into the ocean of birth and death. Please pick me up from this ocean of death and place me as one of the atoms at Your lotus feet.

ನಯನಂ ಗಲದ್-ಅಶ್ರು-ಧಾರಯಾ

ವದನಂ ಗದ್ಗದ-ರುದ್ಧಯಾ ಗಿರಾ .

ಪುಲಕೈರ್ ನಿಚಿತಂ ವಪುಃ ಕದಾ

ತವ ನಾಮ-ಗ್ರಹಣೇ ಭವಿಷ್ಯತಿ .. 6..

O my Lord, when will my eyes be decorated with tears of love flowing constantly when I chant Your holy name? When will my voice choke up, and when will the hairs of my body stand on end at the recitation of Your name?

ಯುಗಾಯಿತಂ ನಿಮೇಷೇಣ ಚಕ್ಷುಷಾ ಪ್ರಾವೃಷಾಯಿತಂ .

ಶೂನ್ಯಾಯಿತಂ ಜಗತ್ ಸರ್ವಂ ಗೋವಿಂದ-ವಿರಹೇಣ ಮೇ .. 7..

O Govinda! Feeling Your separation, I am considering a moment to be like twelve years or more. Tears are flowing from my eyes like torrents of rain, and I am feeling all vacant in the world in Your absence.

ಅಶ್ಲಿಷ್ಯ ವಾ ಪಾದ-ರತಾಂ ಪಿನಷ್ಟು

ಮಾಂ-ಅದರ್ಶನಾನ್ ಮರ್ಮ-ಹತಾಂ ಕರೋತು ವಾ .

ಯಥಾ ತಥಾ ವಾ ವಿದಧಾತು ಲಂಪಟಃ

ಮತ್-ಪ್ರಾಣ-ನಾಥಸ್ ತು ಸ ಏವ ನ-ಅಪರಃ .. 8..

I know no one but Krishna as my Lord, and He shall remain so even if He handles me roughly by His embrace or makes me brokenhearted by not being present before me. He is completely free to do anything and everything, for He is always my worshipful Lord unconditionally.

ಇತಿ ಕೃಷ್ಣದಾಸಕವಿರಾಜವಿರಚಿತಂ ಶಿಕ್ಷಾಷ್ಟಕಂ ಸಂಪೂರ್ಣಂ .

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ಚೇತೋ-ದರ್ಪಣ-ಮಾರ್ಜನಂ ಭವ-ಮಹಾ-ದಾವಾಗ್ನಿ-ನಿರ್ವಾಪಣಂ

ಶ್ರೇಯಃ-ಕೈರವ-ಚಂದ್ರಿಕಾ-ವಿತರಣಂ ವಿದ್ಯಾ-ವಧೂ-ಜೀವನಂ .

ಆನಂದ-ಅಂಬುಧಿ-ವರ್ಧನಂ ಪ್ರತಿ-ಪದಂ ಪೂರ್ಣಾಮೃತಾಸ್ವಾದನಂ

ಸರ್ವಾತ್ಮಸ್ಥಪನಂ ಪರಂ ವಿಜಯತೇ ಶ್ರೀಕೃಷ್ಣ ಸಂಕೀರ್ತನಂ .. 1..

ನಾಮ್ನಾಂ ಅಕಾರಿ ಬಹುಧಾ ನಿಜ-ಸರ್ವ-ಶಕ್ತಿಃ

ತತ್ರಾರ್ಪಿತಾ ನಿಯಮಿತಃ ಸ್ಮರಣೇ ನ ಕಾಲಃ .

ಏತಾದೃಶೀ ತವ ಕೃಪಾ ಭಗವನ್-ಮಮಾಪಿ

ದುರ್ದೈವಂ-ಈದೃಶಂ-ಇಹಾಜನಿ ನ-ಅನುರಾಗಃ .. 2..

ತೃಣಾದಪಿ ಸುನೀಚೇನ ತರೋರಪಿ ಸಹಿಷ್ಣುನಾ .

ಅಮಾನಿನಾ ಮಾನದೇನ ಕೀರ್ತನೀಯಃ ಸದಾ ಹರಿಃ .. 3..

ನ-ಧನಂ ನ-ಜನಂ ನ-ಸುಂದರೀಂ
ಕವಿತಾಂ ವಾ ಜಗದೀಶ ಕಾಮಯೇ .
ಮಮ ಜನ್ಮನಿ ಜನ್ಮನಿ ಈಶ್ವರೇ
ಭವತಾದ್ ಭಕ್ತಿಃ ಅಹೈತುಕೇ ತ್ವಯಿ .. 4..
ಅಯಿ ನಂದ-ತನೂಜ ಕಿಂಕರಂ
ಪತಿತಂ ಮಾಂ ವಿಷಮೇ-ಭವ-ಅಂಬುಧೌ .
ಕೃಪಯಾ ತವ ಪಾದ-ಪಂಕಜ-
ಸ್ಥಿತ ಧೂಲಿ-ಸದೃಶಂ ವಿಚಿಂತಯ .. 5..
ನಯನಂ ಗಲದ್-ಅಶ್ರು-ಧಾರಯಾ
ವದನಂ ಗದ್ಗದ-ರುದ್ಧಯಾ ಗಿರಾ .
ಪುಲಕೈರ್ ನಿಚಿತಂ ವಪುಃ ಕದಾ
ತವ ನಾಮ-ಗ್ರಹಣೇ ಭವಿಷ್ಯತಿ .. 6..
ಯುಗಾಯಿತಂ ನಿಮೇಷೇಣ ಚಕ್ಷುಷಾ ಪ್ರಾವೃಷಾಯಿತಂ .
ಶೂನ್ಯಾಯಿತಂ ಜಗತ್ ಸರ್ವಂ ಗೋವಿಂದ-ವಿರಹೇಣ ಮೇ .. 7..
ಆಶ್ಲಿಷ್ಯ ವಾ ಪಾದ-ರತಾಂ ಪಿನಷ್ಟು
ಮಾಂ-ಅದರ್ಶನಾನ್ ಮರ್ಮ-ಹತಾಂ ಕರೋತು ವಾ .
ಯಥಾ ತಥಾ ವಾ ವಿದಧಾತು ಲಂಪಟಃ
ಮತ್-ಪ್ರಾಣ-ನಾಥಸ್ ತು ಸ ಏವ ನ-ಅಪರಃ .. 8..
ಇತಿ ಕೃಷ್ಣದಾಸಕವಿರಾಜವಿರಚಿತಂ ಶಿಕ್ಷಾಷ್ಟಕಂ ಸಂಪೂರ್ಣಂ .

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