

# Srila Prabhupada is His Divine Grace

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One thing you may note also as a matter of etiquette. THE SPIRITUAL MASTER IS ADDRESSED AS HIS DIVINE GRACE, a Godbrother is addressed as His Grace, and any Sannyasin is addressed as HIS HOLINESS.

## HIS DIVINE GRACE IS ALWAYS CONSULTING KRSNA

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**Bali-mardana:** In other words, when you decide that someone is to be in charge of a particular temple does Krsna tell you that this person should be in charge.

**Interviewer:** Or do you by judging him say this person is qualified.

**Prabhupada:** YES, BECAUSE A DEVOTEE ALWAYS CONSULTS KRSNA AND HE GIVES ORDER.

**Interviewer:** IT'S A MORE DIRECT COMMUNICATION.

**Prabhupada:** YES. AND HE GIVES ORDER.

**Ramesvara:** Because intelligence, our philosophy is that intelligence comes from Krsna. So if I have some...

**Interviewer:** And your philosophy is that your daily necessities come from Krsna as well.

**Ramesvara:** Yes, try to understand. Suppose my intelligence sees that this person is qualified, that means Krsna has told me.

**Prabhupada:** NO, NOT NECESSARILY, KRSNA WILL TELL DIRECTLY. A DEVOTEE ALWAYS CONSULTS KRSNA AND KRSNA TELLS HIM, "DO LIKE THIS." NOT FIGURATIVELY.

**Interviewer:** Does that apply then to other kinds of decisions and other kinds of activities as well?

**Prabhupada:** EVERYTHING. BECAUSE A DEVOTEE DOES NOT DO ANYTHING WITHOUT CONSULTING KRSNA.

## HIS DIVINE GRACE SPEAKS AS KRSNA SPEAKS

Antya 5.71 -- One is forbidden to accept the guru, or spiritual master, as an ordinary human being (gurusu nara-matih). When Ramananda Raya spoke to Pradyumna Misra, Pradyumna Misra could understand that Ramananda Raya was not an ordinary human being. A spiritually advanced person who acts with authority, as the spiritual master, speaks as the Supreme Personality of Godhead DICTATES FROM WITHIN. Thus it is not he that is personally speaking. WHEN A PURE DEVOTEE OR SPIRITUAL MASTER SPEAKS, WHAT HE SAYS SHOULD BE ACCEPTED AS HAVING BEEN DIRECTLY SPOKEN BY THE SUPREME PERSONALITY OF GODHEAD IN THE PARAMPARA SYSTEM.

## DIFFERENCE IS SRILA PRABHUPADA SPEAKS WHAT KRSNA SPEAKS AND SO-CALLED GURUS HAVE TO JOG THE BRAIN TO GIVE ANSWERS.

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**Prabhupada:** So-called gurus, they are so-called gurus. They are not gurus.

That is already explained. If one does not speak what Krsna speaks, he is not guru. If you accept so-called guru, that is your misfortune. What can be done?

**Pusta Krsna:** Some of them will say some things that Krsna says, but they'll take from other places also. What is the position of such persons?

**Prabhupada:** He's MOST DANGEROUS. He's MOST DANGEROUS. He is

OPPORTUNIST. HE'S FINDING OUT CUSTOMER, SOMETHING HERE... ACCORDING TO THE CUSTOMER HE IS GIVING SOMETHING, AS THE CUSTOMERS WILL BE PLEASED. SO HE IS NOT GURU. He's a servant. He wants to serve the so-called disciples so that he may be satisfied and pay him something. He's servant. He's not guru. Guru is the master. You cannot disobey guru. But if you become a servant, you want to please the disciple by flattering him to get his money, then you are not guru, you are servant. Just like a servant pleases the master. He's not guru. He's servant. So our position should be servant, yes, but servant of the Supreme. So guru means heavy. You cannot utilize him for satisfying your whims. That is not guru.

ONLY ONE QUESTION—If they call themselves Divine Graces then why their words are not accepted by ALL SECTIONS of society just like Srila Prabhupada? If it is a fact that Krsna speaks through them than ALL of us would be QUOTING them just like we quote Srila Prabhupada because the words emanating from his lips come from Krsna—is it not?

Srila Prabhupada is QUOTED because: he is ACCEPTED as authority.

ALL GLORIES TO OUR BONAFIDE JAGAD DIKSA AND SIKSA GURU SRILA PRABHUPADA!