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MAHARAJI IN MIAMI, U.S.A. JANUARY 28TH, 2007



Prem Rawat, also known with the honouring title of 'Maharaji' has a unique ability to speak with simplicity about the deepest things ... With a brilliant sense of humour and incredible perceptiveness he has a unique talent to inspire people and help them see life from a fresh perspective, and also help them to find within themselves a feeling of freedom and contentment in any circumstances.

Maharaji began his long trajectory spreading the Knowledge of the Self in India, when he was just 6 years old. When he was 13 he began travelling to the west and nowadays - overcoming any type of barrier, such as economical, cultural, politic or religious - he speaks to people in conferences worldwide, presenting the message

about the possibility of attaining satisfaction and inner peace.

In this particular event - that took place this year in Miami (U.S.A.) - he spoke about the Knowledge of the Self to many 'premies' and aspirants.

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Thank you. I know why I'm here. And I'm here to talk about a reality that is so real, so incredibly real that it is beautiful. I'm here to talk about a joy that is so real, that it is not connected to yesterday, or tomorrow. Only in this moment called now. In the presence. I'm here to talk about a happiness. A happiness that is your happiness. Not dependent on anybody. Or any circumstance. Or any situation, but you.

I'm here to talk about a wealth that you have. A wealth. That is priceless. Priceless. You cannot sell it, and you cannot buy it. And because you have this wealth, you are the wealthiest person on the face of this earth. So what is all this? "A reality so real, it's beautiful; a wealth. . ." you know, ta-ta-ta. What is it?

Let me begin with this—this is a thought that I had. What makes a cow happy? A cow. Well, I've been around cows. And I can tell you one thing. What makes a cow happy is when a cow is being a cow. That's when the cow is the happiest. Just being a cow. When is an alligator happy? Being an alligator. If you took that alligator and put a diamond-laced chain on his neck, try to put lipstick on it, try to tie it down onto a very expensive—you know, maybe one of the ex-Napoleon's chair. Strap him down and say, "Look, you know, you look beautiful, you have lipstick on, it really brings out your lips, and you're sitting in Napoleon's chair." But the alligator doesn't really care about those things. Just wants to be an alligator. Do the alligator thing—whatever that alligator thing is. I don't know what the alligator thing is, but just doing the alligator thing. Then it is Happiest. A cat being a cat. A dog being a dog.

So the question for you is: what makes you happy? A cow being a cow is happy; a dog being a dog is happy; a cat being a cat is happy. An alligator being an alligator is happy.

What makes you happy? Now, before you jump off and say, "Well, this is what makes me happy." You know you've seen those commercials—especially in America where they've got. . . They're sitting on the beach, they've got their beer, they've got a fire, they're roasting some poor animal on it, and going, "It doesn't get any better than this." I disagree. I disagree, but this is what they, of course, want you to think, "It doesn't get any better than this." And before you answer that question of what makes you happy, keep one thing in mind! An alligator who's not dependent on anything else—just being itself—what was that made the alligator happy? The cat, being a cat—not dependent on anything else.

It would be a sad day if your happiness depended on someone else, or something else. Because if your happiness depends on someone else or something else, you're in trouble. Now your life is dedicated—not to enjoying happiness. Your life is now dedicated to having that person around who makes you happy, or preserving that situation that makes you happy.



That might answer some of the questions that people have about this world. "What are we doing in this world? What do we do in this world?" We try to preserve. We try to preserve all that that we think is good. That we like. That's what we do. The whole world is busy trying to make that happen. Trying to make that happen. Nobody's enjoying themselves because it's not important now—the enjoyment bit—what has become important now is to make sure that those circumstances are there. That those people are there.

How many parents there must be whose

children have grown up and they just wish that they could all come together the same way that one day that they all sat outside around that table and had that wonderful meal. And they laughed and it was good and.... And how many parents try to recreate that again and again and again—unsuccessfully. Because it's only this parent who's into it—not the kids. And the kids are, like, "Well, give me a break. You know, I have got my life, I want to have my life, I want to do my thing," and the parents are, "No, no, no. We're going to recreate that exact scene. Pictures on the wall. "Weren't we all having a good time. Let's do that again."

Is happiness, is the true joy—true joy—can the true joy be dependent on anyone else? Truest of all joys. The truest reality. Is it harsh? Or is it sweet? Which one? For those who have felt it, for those who have felt it, the truest reality is the sweetest reality. Because it's a reality that says, "I exist. I—I—am alive. That the most beautiful gift, the most incredible gift, this most incredible wealth of this breath is being given to me and I am conscious. I am aware. I have awareness. I have the capacity to understand. That I have not only a yearning to be happy, but I have the source of happiness within me." Both things.



Both things. See, we forget sometimes that both things are important. If you have food, but don't have hunger, without hunger, having the food is like, "Hm. Wait." But when you have hunger and you have food—when you have hunger and have food, "Ah. That's good." That is good. Both.

Having the yearning to be happy, having the yearning to be in peace and having the source of peace inside of you. A lot of people, when they ask me questions, they want to know about

peace. "So how do we get to it? Ta-da-da-da-da." "So where is it?" You know, "How can we get it?"



And I am telling them, "Look. Cool it! Peace isn't the problem. Peace is inside of you. I know that. And in fact, you know that. Problem isn't the peace. The problem is this other bit: Yearning." Standing in the middle of the farm where you've got tomatoes and you've got eggplant and you've got okra and you've got oranges and you've got peach tree, and you've got plum, problem isn't food. The problem is hunger.

You are looking at tomatoes, but not the same way as a hungry person does. Because to the hungry person, "Tomatoes!" And the person who isn't hungry? "What kind are they? Do you think they're a bit green? Can I touch one?" It's a different mindset.

And people are more interested, "Well, where do I get the peace?" In you. I'm not the first one to say that. Hundreds and hundreds and hundreds before me have made that call. "Peace is inside of you, peace is important. Peace is possible." Problem isn't the peace. The problem is, are we feeling the hunger for peace?

Now, why do I use the word, hunger? I mean, why don't I use the word, need? Why do I use the word, hunger? Let me draw the distinction for you. Somebody can actually make me feel like I need something when I don't. Like your Coke commercial? "The real thing." But if I am not hungry, nobody can make me hungry.

Hunger is something I have to feel and know. Why do I use the word, thirst? Somebody can flash something delicious in front of me, and I can say, "Boy, that. . . That's delicious." But thirst? Nobody can create it for me. Either I am thirsty, or I am not thirsty. Thirst, hunger, sleep. Somebody can tell me, "Oh, you're not really sleepy." Oh, yes, I am. And of course you all know when you

are not. You can lie in a bed, turn off the lights, right? And lie there awake. "Hmmm, hmmm." Either you are sleepy, or you are not sleepy. And when you are sleepy, what difference does it make where you are? You could be in an airplane—in the cockpit. You know, the two engines in the back just humming along. "Mmmmmmm-mmmmm; Hmmmmmm-mmmmmmm," and the air is still, and you are across the Atlantic, and there is hardly anybody to call, and you're just sitting there, just, "Hmmmmmm-mmmmm. Mmm-hmmm." I have seen the best of them go (gestures falling asleep). That's when I tell them, "Go take a break. Go in the back, you know, take a—go to sleep. Take a few minutes." - "Oh, no, no. I'm okay." - "It's okay! It's okay. This is a human thing. You are tired, you need sleep. Not a problem."

Things that are so innate to us—no influences. Innate. And the issue is your desire for peace. Your desire for that reality, your desire for that joy, unbiased. "Oops! Another word? Unbiased? What do you mean, 'unbiased'?" Yes, unbiased. Because the true reality is not whether you are rich or poor. No. The true reality isn't you are healthy or sick. That can change in one day. You show up at the doctor's and the doctor tells you, "Oh, yeah. You have AIDS. You're going to die." Next doctor, "Oops. Wrong medical result. You're going to live. It's okay." And one. . . One. . . One day, you were dying, "Oh, my God! I'm going to die." Next day, "I'm okay, I'm healthy."

And already with this "riches" business and "poor" business, we have seen that—one guy is really, really rich and the next thing you know, it's all gone. "Oops." That's not the reality.



What is the reality? That you are alive. Somebody might be sitting there going, "Well,

why kind of reality is that?" It's the only kind. The only kind—the only kind of reality, my friends that allows you to be rich and allows you to be poor. Allows you to shed a few tears and allows you to crack a smile. Allows you to dance, and allows you to sit still. Allows you to call others your own. Allows you to be an uncle, allows you to be a mother, allows you to be a dad, allows you to be an aunt. Because without that reality, there is no show. There is no show.

And that reality is simple. It's simple. What is unfolding every day is not your life. It's the drama in your life. You have to understand this. You really have to understand this. What is changing is not the book, it's the pages that are being flipped.



You – you came into this world and you will come into this world but once. How absolute is that? Extremely. Extremely. And it's happened. It took place. And that's when the book was opened, and the book opened. And now the pages are being flipped, and you're reading, and what is on this page? Some are your wants. You wish. Your wishes. "I wish things were this way; I wish things were that way."

Some are your desires. Everybody has a desire of some sort, somewhere, buried. There are some who wish, "I were taller." Some are, "I wish I was not so tall," and those ones that keep banging their heads against everything, "Wish I wasn't so tall." Those who are overweight wish, "I wasn't so overweight." Everybody wishes, "Well, I was better looking." Some people wish, "I wish I was born to rich parents, then I can do anything I want."

Everybody has a little wish, has a little desire. We read. And we try to make sense out of it. We try to make sense out of, "Why are things not the way I want them to be?" And there are people who turn to stars—literally. "Then Pluto was here, the, you know, Uranus was here—this was here, that was here, so that's why this is, you know, today is not your day."

And then there are people who are very scientific about it. "I'm a self-made person." Not really, your parents had a contribution. One time, I was driving somewhere and somebody said, "Oh, So and-So finally has come and started to listen to you. Because they never wanted to listen to you because they were—you know, they felt they were self-made person and they really didn't need help from other people."



I said, "Oh. So they were dependent on that part of it, which is that they don't need help from other people." You know? You still need the help from the farmer to grow the vegetables and the shopkeeper to make sure that they are available to you to eat. You still depend upon the person who cooks. You still depend upon the utensils to help you cook. You still depend upon the fire to cook your food. You still depend upon the faucet, that when you turn it on, water comes out. And all those people who make it possible. The water works department. You depend upon the pilots who take you where you want to go—not where they want to go, but where you want to go. They may all want to go home. Most pilots want to go home.

You know, you would think that after you become a pilot, you would want to go different places, but it's amazing. Pilots just want to go home. And in fact, there is a saying that—in the aviation field—"Oh, yeah. Those guys got into a crash because they had Got-home-itis." A disease where the pilot just wants to get home.

Dependent? Independent? Oh, we'd like to think we're independent, when we depend so much on so many. That's not the issue. In your independence, are you dependent upon you or not? It's a tricky question. I'm not taking a quiz. There are no points for it—this is a tool for understanding. How can I be dependent upon

myself when I don't even now who I am?

Who am I? Alligator knows who an alligator is. Cat knows who cat is. Dog knows, "I'm a dog." Human being goes, "Hm. Who am I?" With the biggest brain for body size. Who am I? Who am I? With very clear instructions: Know thyself. Who am I? Socrates said, "Know thyself." Who am I? To have the run of the earth—less the ocean—have the run of the earth, and the surface of the ocean, and the human being asks: Why am I here? What am I doing here? Who am I? What am I doing here?

Maybe. . . Maybe I will be the happiest if I can be me. Just be me. If I only knew who I was. Who am I? Things change. Things have gone on, things have changed. I remember a time in my life—I was very young. I didn't go to school. Play, play, play, play, play, play, play. And I was the youngest and I would get up really early in the morning—I couldn't wait to get up. I would be lying there, looking at the window so I could see the first tinge of light so I could dash out there. And to watch in this incredible amazement the dew. And the dew changing the color, and dew sparkling like diamonds, when the sun's first rays hit all this water, all this dew, all over the place.

Then I was put in kindergarten. And I remember crying and crying. My home was better. And then I remember I got used to it. See the change? I got used to it. I actually got used to it. And I traded getting up in the morning, watching the dew, for the kindergarten.



And then, I was enrolled in this Academy—St. Joseph's Academy, the school. And I remember crying, I didn't want to go there. It was new, it was

different. It was like all my friends were back in the kindergarten, you know, the other one. And I was there. And I exchanged that for that. And you get my message. It kept exchanging. Things kept changing. I kept exchanging. Changing / exchanging. Changing / exchanging. Changing / exchanging.

And in some of that, there were things that were not good. And they went, and there were things that were superb, and they went, too. Indiscriminate throwing out of stuff. And the only thing that has remained that has been constant has been the coming and going of this breath. And the only thing that has remained constant, is the desire to be fulfilled.

The desire to be fulfilled—even when I am fulfilled. When I am fulfilled, I still have the desire to be fulfilled, and when I am fulfilled, even more the desire to be fulfilled even grows greater. It's a tricky thing.

It's like love. When you don't love, there is no love. When you love, then you love even more. And then you can love even more. And then you can love even more, and you can love even more. And you can love even more.

A lot of people in this world think their objective in their life is to be fulfilled so that they don't have the desire to be fulfilled. That would be a sad day! When you fall in love with someone, you don't actually fall in love so that you can stop loving—do you? You fall in love so you can love even more. You can feel that love even more in your life. And that, that has remained constant, you know?



I was always the youngest—for me when I was growing up, I was the youngest, that was it. There was nobody really younger than me. That was all these adults, and me? I was the youngest. Now, I'm 49 years old. I'm going to be 50 this year. The only thing that this breath keeps coming, and it's a gift. And I accept. And I understand.



And it is true that I—when I am me, I'm the happiest. That doesn't mean when I'm alone—it has nothing to do with being alone. When I am me. Who I am. The one who breathes, and feels gratitude in his heart for being alive—this is me. Gratitude. A thankfulness. A thankfulness that I am alive. There are people who are too busy trying to figure out what's going to happen to them when they're not alive anymore. They are so busy trying to figure out what's going to happen to them when they are not alive anymore, that they have forgotten how to live. They are so possessed. "Am I going to go to heaven?" They are so preoccupied with the heaven after death, that they have forgotten the heaven on earth. Voluntarily. Voluntarily they walked out of the Pearly Gates.

Because there is a heaven. And this heaven that is the heaven on earth, you are fully equipped to take full advantage of it. This body that has been given to you. You can truly enjoy—enjoy. Do you remember I talked about a joy? That is so amazing. That is the joy.

And where is this heaven? It's not in some building. This heaven is in the heart of every single human being on the face of this earth. I mean, you know, when you talk about that power that created it—created us, really knew. Really knew us very well. So, you know, "If I create a heaven and it's a physical place, I know these guys will forget how to get there. Misplace the address. Get lost. Men, never stopping to get directions. I know what I will do. I'll place the heaven within them. So wherever they go, one thing they can't do is get lost."



And when you can experience that joy in your life, when you can understand the value of this breath, then you have truly begun to understand what life is. Right now you understand your responsibilities. Right now, you understand your—your chores. Right now you understand your duties. You don't understand life. And believe me, this world needs to understand what life is all about. So much energy is spent just to destroy. It's not even a joke. Destroy, destroy, destroy, destroy, destroy. So little, so little to bring peace to people.

Wherever I go and I say to people, "What you need is peace," and they understand. You know that little example I gave you a little bit earlier, about people on the beach with, you know, some beverages open and sitting there with a fire roasting some kind of a creature going, "It doesn't get any better than this"? A lot of people won't understand that. One, they haven't seen that commercial. And, two, "What? Doesn't get any better than that? What does that mean?"

But when I say, peace, they will understand. Is this an accident? When I say, life, people understand. When I say, breath, people understand. The value for a person to recognize and understand the preciousness of this gift, of this wealth, is the same—whether they're in Japan, whether they are in Africa, whether they are in India. Whether they are in Australia. Because there are some things that are innate to all of us. We may look different, but we're not. We may talk different, but we're not.

The need to believe, we all have. We all need to believe. Especially when we don't know. We need to believe when we don't know.

I offer the possibility of knowing. Knowing you. So that you can be you. Because without you knowing you, you cannot be you, and if you cannot be you, you cannot be happy like the cat, and the crocodile, and the cow. It's important for you to know you, so that you can be as happy as you can be.

This is how simple it is. I know you came here, some of you probably wanted to hear the most sophisticated, mind-boggling thing there is. I'm sorry. It's simple. What you are looking for is in you. And that's not the issue. What you are looking for is in you. And that's not the issue. The issue is the thirst. The issue is the hunger. The day you will awaken that hunger inside of you, you will find what you're looking for.

Because maybe you pull into a gas station and you ask the attendant: Where is Rose Avenue? And I ask you a question, "Where do you want to go?" And you go, "No, no. Tell me where Rose Avenue is." And I'm saying, "No. Where do you want to go?" And you say, "I want to go to the flower shop on Rose Avenue." And I will tell you, "Sir, there is no flower shop on Rose Avenue. It's on Rose Street." Do you want to go to the flower shop? Or you want the Rose Avenue.



This actually happened. One time I went to this place—no, no. This happened in reverse, but it happened. I went to this place and I was going to have an event and there was an Avenue and there was a Street, and they put the address on the invitation cards as "Avenue," and where they really wanted to go was the Street. And so nobody showed up except a few people who were helping with the hall and so on and so forth. So we had the event anyway, and that was that.

In fact, the funny thing is, where the . . . where the address was, was a movie theatre and it

didn't show the cleanest of the movies! That was another little funny part to that story. So I'm sure that once people got there and they got in, that was it. They weren't going to come out to come and hear what I had to say.

But regardless of that, where do you want to go? People come to me and they say, "Well, I'm looking for this, and I'm looking for this, and I'm looking for this. And I say, "Where do you want to go?" Where do you want to go? I am familiar with this area. I am familiar with this area—just tell me where you want to go and I'll give you very simple directions to get there.

Too many people in this world are caught up in the logistics of street names. And they fight with each other. And they argue with each other, "No, it's not Avenue. It's Boulevard." Have they ever traversed those streets? Not a footprint. Nobody has walked on those boulevards since the day the cement was laid down. Because this is what it has become. The arguments are about the street names. And somehow, destination has been forgotten and street names have become important. And in the world of this heart, in the world of this inner-scape, destinations are important, not streets.



Awaken in you, then, the thirst to be fulfilled. And when that thirst is awakened, you will find your destination. You will find the destination.

There is a saying. Where there is a will, there is a way. Problem isn't the way, it's the will. One day, people are, "Yes. I'm looking for God. I want to—I want to see God." What? Beard? Eyes? Light? Void? A few particles? Planet? Palm tree? Mango tree? What? The God you're looking for is in all those things. So something that is in all those things—what does that thing look like that is in everything? Have you wondered? Have you wondered? What does that thing look like that's in everything.

Everything. Here. In you. You know? If you are clear on what you want to get to, best bet to look for it is you. Not somewhere out there. It's you. Because what you're looking for is within you.

What is the way? Not the problem. Ignite the thirst. Ignite the hunger for knowledge, for understanding, Don't become a parrot, "Polly want a cracker, Polly want a cracker." Because Polly does not understand what Polly is. So when all the parrots go, "Polly want a cracker, Polly want a cracker, Polly want a cracker, Polly want a cracker, Polly. . .," Polly doesn't have any idea what a cracker is. Because I . . . I . . .

We used to have parrots when I was growing up. And there was one parrot, "Well, Polly want a cracker?" You could stick a cracker in his mouth, you could stick a chili in its mouth. "Polly want a cracker, Polly want a cracker, Polly want a chili, Polly want a . . ." No. It was just anything, would stick it in its mouth. Didn't have the idea of, "Good morning." "Polly want a cracker." Figured he said, "Polly want a cracker," somebody will come and shove something in its mouth and be happy. Is that what a human being should be? "Polly want a cracker, Polly want a cracker. . ."

Know. Not repeat—know. Understand. That's your potential. That's one thing you can do. You can know. And you should know. You should be clear. This is your potential to be clear. And you should be clear.

So you have taken a little time in your busy schedule to hear about this. Some people are going to say, "I've heard this before." Good. You obviously didn't pay attention, you're hearing it again. Some people are like, "Well, I've never heard this before." Good! You finally heard it. So pay attention. And fulfill your possibility. Find out who you are so you can be who you are.

Whenever, wherever. Whether it is in the dark hours, pain, suffering. Be who you are so you can be happy. So you can be content. So you can find peace in this life. This is it. This life. And that is important. That is important.

Yes, you have many, many important things that you have to do. Place this one at the top. Place this one at the top. And then all that is to fall in place will fall in place. I thank you very much for coming this evening. I hope you have learned something, and enjoy .Enjoy this life. Thank you very much and goodnight. Thank you.

"PEACE NOW" - MAHARAJI IN LIMA, PERU. JANUARY 14TH, 1976



We have all gathered here so that we can listen to satsang*. The reason for that is because satsang really holds a very great importance in our lives. You see, I am supposed to go around this whole world and give premies** satsang, and inspire them to do satsang, service, and meditation. On one hand that's really beautiful, because that way all the premies get to have satsang, do service, and they get to have darshan***. But on the other hand, it's really impossible to inspire anybody. This Knowledge is so delicate, so fine, and so individual, that it becomes very, very impossible, very, very hard for anybody to inspire anybody. The reason is that every person has to individually understand the importance of this Knowledge. Only then can he inspire himself to do satsang, service, and meditation.

The practice of this Knowledge, the practice of this meditation, is not limited to a few hours. It is something which has to be constantly going on, constantly going on, constantly going on. And how constantly can a person give satsang? It's like we are travelling in an airplane and we are sitting all by ourselves. Well, at this point I don't think there is an airline that gives satsang while they are flying. Yet, even at that point, we should be doing meditation. But how can we?

* Conference about Knowledge

** People who practice the Knowledge techniques

*** The presence of the Master

So that inspiration has to be within inside of us. It has to be self-contained, so that even if we are in that airplane where they are not giving satsang, it becomes satsang to us. We give ourselves satsang - instead of letting mind give us "liesang". If you understand the meaning of "satsang", "sat" means truth, and "sang" means company. All our lives, mind has been giving us liesang, mind has been giving us the company of lie, the company of untruth, the company of what's false, what's fake in this world. But we need to be in the company of truth, we need to be one with that Knowledge, one with that truth, because that is our source. That is the main reason why we even receive Knowledge, so that we can be one, so that we can be totally connected with the source that we originated from.

Anybody who comes into this world, not only human beings, but even small animals, can get so lost. They can get so involved and so carry away. So there needs to be a constant reminding. Take the example of a baby. Premlata**** is just a baby right now, and she sometimes crawls off and starts doing things - like getting into flowerpot or pulling tissues off one by one. But it's okay for her, because somebody will come along and say, "Premlata, what are you doing?" and take the tissues away. Or if she is getting into a flowerpot, they'll say, "Come on, Premlata", and start playing with her.

But we have to understand that there is no point in our lives when we can say we are mature. We cannot really mature, we cannot really understand, because understanding is infinite. Therefore, even if we are a hundred years old, or two hundred years old, we are still babies. And considering the fact that we are two hundred years old and we are still babies, who is the person who keeps checking on us? Who is the person who keeps telling us not to do these things because these things are wrong? I don't mean just a box of tissues or a flowerpot. I mean, man goes out and does all these crazy things. And if we look at it from a really, really clear point of view, it's childish. He's really like a baby. He is always like a baby.

**** Premlata is the first daughter of Maharaji

Look how old civilization is, and where is man right now? He is still very confused. He is still trying to grow. People who have learned something say, "Well really there is no end to learning." Where do you draw the line and say, "I know everything"? "I know Maths," or "I know English"? No. It is constantly going on, and on, and on, and on, and on. It just keeps on going on. And those are very finite subjects. They originated from a very finite point and are only exercisable in this finite world. But even those subjects have a very, very long ending.

Usually, we go to school and after we graduate, we say, "Okay, we have finished our school, we have finished our high school, we have finished our college". But there are people who get into it so much that they keep studying all their lives. They keep studying, keep studying, keep studying, keep studying, and there is no end to it. Definitely there is an end to the books, but they just keep on going. It goes on for hundreds and hundreds of years. Knowledge is passed, understanding is passed, information is passed from one generation, to the next generation, to the next generation, to the next generation. And it keeps on expanding, it keeps on expanding, it keeps on expanding.

There was a time when there was only one testament. Now there are two testaments. And if today's man wants to really, really understand the whole span of the Bible, he not only has to read two testaments, he also has to read the other books that pertain to those two testaments that have been written by the authors of this time. From one it became two, from two to four, from four to eight, from eight to sixteen. It always keeps multiplying.

The Same Old Problem

So really, where is man today? Nowhere. He is still that same old baby. He still keeps repeating himself despite the fact that he is been told, "No, no, no." I'm not saying that you're like that. No. I'm just saying that I'm pretty sure that if you stop for a second and look at yourself from a very clear perspective, from a very clear head, you'll find you are like that, because everybody is like that. We keep on doing things that we are just not supposed to do.

That's the problem: we keep on doing things that we are not supposed to do. But I don't think it's very wise to just keep on telling people about

the problem. It's like if a doctor comes to you and says, "Oh, so you have a cut finger. Just a minute," and then he goes out, comes back again and says, "Oh, you have a cut finger. Just a second," and he goes out again and comes in, and says, "Oh! Your finger is bleeding," and then he goes out again, and comes back in and says, "Oh! Your finger is cut." Now, what good is that going to do to you?



You go to him so he can patch it up, so he can do something about it. You don't go to the doctor just to be told that your finger is cut. You already know that. You can already experience that pain. You go to the doctor to be cured. And the Perfect Master, because he is a doctor of this mind, can cure this mind. That's why he doesn't just come to you and says, "well, you have got a mental problem," or "You have got a problem with your mind". No. He also offers you a medicine, a solution. And the solution is this Knowledge, which eventually - and not really eventually but instantaneously - starts affecting you.

Whenever this world has really been insane, really been afflicted with that problem, there was only one thing that ever worked. When Jesus came in this world, he revealed this Knowledge to people. And that was a long, long time ago. You know? Today, again, people have the same exact problem. Like I was saying in Orlando, the difference is that today we have air conditioning, while in the time of Caesar they used to have servants who had gigantic fans to cool them off. Today, we have Fanta and RC-Cola, and we can just go to a machine, put a peso or a dime in it, and get a Coke bottle or a Fanta bottle. Well, in that time, all they had to do was say, "Bring me a glass of water," and it would be there.

Time is such an interesting factor. And what it does to us is so interesting, because it just wraps around itself all the time and then winds and unwinds, then winds and unwinds, then winds and unwinds. You know? After a little while we all get sick and tired of that. After a little while it's unbearable; after a little while it's just too much; after a little while it's like...

Say you go to see a movie, and there is a scene in the movie where the good guy draws a gun and shoots the bad guy. There is only one bad guy and one good guy, and the movie is four hours long, and that's all they show; the good guy pulls the gun and shoots the bad guy, and then the good guy pulls the gun again and shoots the bad guy.



Or if we have a bad record, we put it on, and all of a sudden there is a scratch in it. It just goes, "kkrk", and goes back to the same thing. For hours and hours and hours and hours there can be just one word repeating itself. It just keeps on repeating, because no way is that record going to mend itself. That's when you have to go to it and give it a little assistance. That's the time when you say, "Oh, this is a bad record. I should take it back," or "Oh well, it's scratched, so I'll just move the needle over." Then you give the whole record player a little tap, it moves a groove over, and it's fine.

It's such a common thing in our lives. If you go to see a concert and this 300-piece orchestra, beautiful violins, French horns, trumpets, cellos, everything, keeps playing the same song, how interesting, how good is it going to be? After a little while we will just get bored and say, "Oh, come on, these guys have got to be crazy. What are they doing? They are playing the same song

again and again!" If we are very aggressive and we have a tomato, we'll chunk it at them. If we are not very aggressive, we will just walk out of the theatre.

That's so funny, when it's practically shown to us, and if it would happen, that would be our reaction. I mean, nobody goes to a concert to listen to the same song again and again and again. And you don't see a movie where the good guy pulls his gun and shoots the bad guy again and again and again, and the bad guy falls and the bad guy gets back up again and the good guy shoots him again and before you know it, the bad guy has got about 300 bullets in him and he's still not dead. That would be so ridiculous.

But if you stop just a second and really look at it, if you believe in Adam and Eve, well, from that day there has been cuckooness going on. If you believe the story of Noah's ark, there was a time when God said, "Well, everybody is nuts. Everybody is crazy. I got to get rid of everybody." And that was a very long time ago. And if you believe in evolution, ever since the time when man evolved, crazy things have been happening.

There has already been the first World War and the second World War, and I don't know about the third World War. It looks like that's coming too. It just keeps on going and going and going like that. If we were to put somebody in a room with a one-way mirror so he could not see outside but we could see him perfectly, and he was such a dumb guy that he kept on seeing that movie and he kept on listening to that record again and again and again, we would laugh at him. Well, why don't we laugh at ourselves? Because that's what we have been doing.

There's got to be an answer

But we never really stop and think for a second, imagine for a second, really see this whole situation and really evaluate it in our head. If we did, and there are a lot of people who have, that's all it would take. It just takes one little, little second, and the whole thing starts happening inside of us. That's when the whole search really begins. That's when we really start looking towards Knowledge, that's when we really start saying, "Yeah, man, this is not it. There must be an answer. There must be an answer to these problems." These problems have been created, and everything that's been created can be destroyed. What is not created cannot be

destroyed, but these problems, these situations have been created.

There was a time where there was no man, and there was nothing. Even nothing did not exist. There was just one omnipotent power that prevailed over everything. There was no distinction of one thing or another thing, it was just one thing. At that point where there was just that omnipotent power, there were no problems. So we definitely know that all the problems that exist in the world today have been created. And therefore, there must be a solution to them. Every problem is already followed by a solution. It's just for us to look, for us to understand.

So, premies, if we really look for a second into our hearts, truly within our hearts, and not freak ourselves out, we will find that one of the major problems that we have is our own mind. Our mind has become such a part of us, and it is a problem; it is that thing that has been creating so much mischief within inside of us. Therefore, we always need to keep that mind quiet, to keep that mind shut, to keep that mind out of the way. That is why, as I was saying before, we need to have constant inspiration within inside of us. It's like, we listen to satsang, and it's beautiful; but then we get towed away into the world. So we listen to satsang again, or we do meditation, and again it's beautiful; but then we get swept away into the world.

Dreaming we're awake

When I was in New Caledonia, I went to this beach, and it was really beautiful and clear. I walked into the water, and it came about to here. I was standing, I was fine, I was looking under the water, and then all of a sudden there was a rip tide. The water started coming and pulling me towards the ocean, for just a second it was like, "Wow, this is a little bit too much." Then the water went away, I walked towards the beach, and it was ok, it was fine. That's what happens to us. But it happens so slowly, so gradually, so quietly, that we don't even notice it - until boom, all of a sudden one day we say, "Where am I? What's happening?" Then we look around and say, "Oh brother, I have really come a long ways off. This is more that I thought."

It's like that example of a girl who was sun-bathing on an air cushion, and floating on the waves. The waves were bringing her in and out and in and out, and all of a sudden she crossed

the waves and she was in the ocean. She had fallen asleep, but after a little while she wakes up and she is in the middle of nowhere. She can't see the land, she doesn't know where she is, and she doesn't know how to head back, because in the whole process, she was sleeping.

There is a movie that the premies put together in Denver called "Dreaming we're awake." It's a very, very subtle statement. If we split up the words and really understand the meaning of each one, we'll understand. We are in a stage of dreaming and we consider that as being awake. So we have to really rely on this Knowledge. And not only because there is no other solution. Well, actually there is no other solution, but it's like, "Well, let's take our chance." No. it's nothing like that. Knowledge is a for sure answer to this problem. It's just that we, as an individual, have to make an effort. Lord Krishna says that if somebody walks one step to me, I'll walk a thousand steps to him.



I came from Los Angeles to Rio and this is such a tour. I went to Buenos Aires, then to Mendoza, and now I'm here. I have travelled a long ways to come here. But your house could have been next to this hall, or your house could have been upstairs from this hall, with a satsang program being held here, and if you were up there, there could have been no contact, no communication. But when you come into this hall and you listen to satsang, there is a lot that happens. So even one step is a lot. And one step in our life is to realise this Knowledge - which is a lot. Look at it, what other choice do we have? It's not like there are 450 knowledges and we can go to any one of them and say, "Okay. This will give me salvation." No.

Peace Now

There are a lot of people who come to me and say, "Maharaji, would this Knowledge liberate me?" I say, "Well, what do you mean 'liberate' you?" Then they say, "Would it send me to heaven?" I just look at them like, "Have you got a guarantee that there is a heaven and there is a hell?" If you do, then maybe I'll stamp it for you and I'll say, "Okay. You will go to heaven," or "You will go to hell." But since there is not a guarantee, we need peace now.

If we go to a shop and pay 200 or 300 dollars for a suit, and the guy says, "Bye-bye! See you next lifetime. I'll have the suit ready for you then," how would we feel about that? We would probably just laugh and say, "Ha-ha-ha, very funny. I want my suit." But this is what we are trying to do. We need peace now. The problem is with us now, and we need the solution now.



That's why we need that constant inspiration. And the only way we can really have that constant inspiration is if we do satsang, service and meditation. It's so beautiful, like a three-cylinder car. I remember a time when mechanics

used to say that there cannot possibly be a five-cylinder car. How would it run? Well, now there is a five-cylinder car. So this is just as a three-cylinder car. There is one thing that keeps us busy, and there is one thing that keeps on inspiring us. There is satsang, there is service and there is meditation. Alone, by themselves, they mean very little. But when you add them together, it equals infinity; it equals what we waited for all our lifetime, what we wait and wait and wait and wait and wait and wait for; what so many people have given their lifetime searching for; what all the scriptures are trying to indicate, what we have always wanted, the solution to our problem. Satsang alone: I don't know how much good it can do for you. Or service alone: I don't know how much good it'll do for you. Or meditation alone: I don't know how much good it'll do for you. It'll do some good, but when you add those three things, I am very sure the total of those three things is what you want, what you have been looking for. So really, every premie just has to realise for himself.

Realise you need it

Today I was looking through my schedule. Now this is my first tour in South America, but I must have given thousands of satsangs in my life. Some premies have been to a lot of them, and they never get tired of it, because it is a constant inspiration. It inspires them to go on. It's a boost. It's like a flash. You only need that flash for one picture. You don't need it on all the time, because if that picture turns out perfect, you can store it and have it for a very long time. That's what satsang is, and we need satsang. But before satsang can really do us any good, or before we can really start respecting or understanding satsang, we have to experience the need for satsang, the importance of satsang.

You can go into the market and buy everything that there is. But you don't. Why not? Why don't you just go to the market and buy everything? The reason is you only buy what you need. And out of that need, you only buy what you think is important. In the same way, this is a very, very important factor in our lives. If we do not understand the importance of satsang, then satsang seems like a lecture, with a very loudmouth somebody who just keeps on talking. But satsang is a lot more than that. So we have to individually experience the need for satsang, and when we do, then it automatically becomes very beautiful.

It's the same with service. We all work, so what's so special about service? But when we understand the importance of service, it makes a whole world of difference. It becomes really beautiful. We start to see, "Yeah, I need this, I want this, I want to do service." The same thing for meditation. When we really understand the importance of this Knowledge, we really realise Knowledge and see the importance in our life, that, "Yeah, man, we really need Knowledge," then we start doing meditation.

So, see the importance of all those things and then practically implement them in your life, because you need them. I can advise you to a certain extend, but after that, it's totally up to you. It's up to you to really realise the importance and to implement it in your life, to take to heart the advice, and really understand the importance of Knowledge, satsang, service and meditation. If you don't then you will just be that premie who comes because he doesn't want to join the Rotary Club or the Lion's Club, or who likes music and nice air-conditioned halls, so he takes a drive every evening to the ashram*. You'd be surprised but there are people who do that. Just because they like the ashram, they go there. It doesn't mean anything to them to go there; they don't

even have Knowledge, nor do they intend to have Knowledge.

So really realise and understand. What I am saying may mean nothing to you right now, but maybe somewhere along in your life you will feel the necessity of it and then you'll remember my words, you'll be able to really see what I am talking about. Really understand and open yourself up to this Knowledge, because it's really beautiful. Just open yourself to satsang, really open yourself to this meditation, really open yourself to serve. Because without that, we really can't call ourselves premies. So, just realise. Because everything is there. The whole scenery is there, it's just for us to go and take a picture of it. And when we do we capture it, it's beautiful.

So, understand. Because this is the time. We can put off just about everything till tomorrow, but not Knowledge, not the aim of our life. We can't just say, "Okay, We'll do meditation tomorrow." No. If we understand what it means, then we've got to do it. We've got to really do it, and really understand.

Thank you very much, and blessings to all the premies. ♥♥



* Ashram: Center for practising Knowledge

POEMS OF MIRA BAI AND KABIR

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This Human Existence

This human existence
is not on and on.

Who knows what bore fruit
to receive this precious body.

It grows little by little
and shortens breath by breath..

Once gone
it does not return.

The worldly tide is rough
it's waves are relentless.

Reach the other side
in the boat of Knowledge.

In the world's game
even victory is failure.

Every saint has said
life is a sort-time gift.

Only God is ours

In this whole world
only God is ours, no one else.

I have looked everywhere
nobody else is truly ours.

I have lost my attachment
to family and friends.

I let go status and wealth
I enjoy the company of saints.

When I see a seeker
I feel uplifted.

This world
only brings me down.

The king send a cup of poison
I drank it and danced.

Why should I worry?
What it meant to happen, will happen.

Without God only sorrow

Without God, all the Herat feels
is anguish and sorrow.

This world is a garbage pail
it has no taste for truth.

It criticizes the pursuit of God
while involved in stupidity.

Without Master
It never experiences clarity.

It remains trapped
in up and down.

Join holy company
don't waist life.

When Mira found her Master
she realized joy.

My Beloved

Oh king! I do not
enjoy your company.

In your palace are no saints.
All your people are shallow.

I have no use for jewellery
or fashion, I live simple.

I don't want make-up or eye-black
our ties are no more.

I am in love with the Lord of Life,
I have found my Beloved Krishna.



POEMS OF KABIR

**Of Elixir**

Where old, age and death don't prevail,
where none do here of someone's death,
let's go to that land, says Kabir,
where the Healer-Creator doth dwell.

Free from attachment and Maya
at God's feet Kabir did prostrate
in the skyey clime made His seat,
seeing this Time did lament make.

Sojourn and rest under the Tree
that bears fruit around the whole year
there is cool shade and fruits profound,
and over which birds play and twitter.

He whom the Master doth protect
no one ever his death can cause
not a minor hurt can him hurt
though men of the world are his foes.

Of Holy Company

The company of the righteous
others sorrows doth mitigate,
while company of the unrighteous
is grief for all the triad ours eight.

The world is much similar to
a cell where there's soot all around,
that devotee deserves the praise
a spotless escape who has found.

This body has become a bird,
where it likes it flies, says Kabir.
Man eats the fruit of whatever
kind of company he doth keep.

Of Master the Deity

No kin equals a true Master,
no donor equals a wise man,
no well-wisher's equal to God,
no caste is equal to God's men.

Accustomed to go in the rear
of the Scriptures' convention band;
forward, I met a True Master
who placed lamp of light
in my hand.

One whose Master's blind, stone blind
is the disciple being taught
the blind pushing ahead the blind,
into a well both of them fall.

Deluded again and again,
man-moth falls on the Maya-flame,
with the Master's wisdom, says Kabir,
one or two manage to escape.

One who couldn't have a True Master,
for him precept is incomplete;
The disciple in faquir's guise
begs door to door
(banters Kabir)

Of remembering God

In sorrow all remember God
but in happiness nobody;
who remembers God in happiness
why should ever sorrow there be?

Oh! How sad for him who's asleep!
In his grief he doesn't wake to weep,
one whose dwelling is in the grave
in full ease he never can sleep.

Why art thou asleep? Says Kabir,
greatly thy sleep may thee damage;
when time maketh thundering sound
even Brahma's throne starts to shake.

Master and God stand side by side.
when God's in the sulks, says Kabir
to the Master for shelter goes,
but when Master is in the sulks
in no way the helper is God. ♥♥

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