



Diwali Puja Talk (Excerpts) - Eight Aspects of Mahalakshmi, UK, 1980 1109

So today is the day when you have to promise and pray that it is brotherhood and sisterhood will be established ask for it, that this will be established (on the sort of Jerusalem) and you will be surprised that when this is established Lakshmi is established.

Now for Mahalakshmi has eight aspects:

1. **Adya Lakshmi** means Mahalakshmi

2. **Vidya Lakshmi** - is the art of Sahaj Yoga, which you know. That is vidya. The rest is all avidya. How to raise the Kundalini; how to awaken all the deities; how to cleanse yourself; how to cleanse others. All the knowledge; all the science about that is called as vidya: the Lakshmi of that. Lakshmi is the grace, is the grace. The awareness that is gracious. The awareness that is gracious.

So that Lakshmi should be with you, not only to know the vidya, you know that, but to have grace about it. The way people do things, for example: some people will just go on. All that kind of a nonsense you do. Sometimes the way we go on working [on themselves], and I'm giving a lecture, and people are just working out. All that is most disgraceful and disgraces (ungracious).

3. **Soubhagya Lakshmi** - means 'good fortune'. The Lakshmi that gives you good fortune in every way. Like She gives you good fortune in money, in your living, in your food, in every way. Any good fortune is given through God. It's only God who gives good fortune. If you get money say in the racecourse, that's bad fortune because that will be lost next day or you will go to the pub to be free. But if you get the real one, then you create something out of it which is blissful and great: is Saubhagnya Lakshmi.

4. **Amruta Lakshmi** - Amruta means the thing that does not die. In this world the Lakshmi exists as your wealth. Now the wealth that does not die, which is that wealth? Is the Spirit. So, the grace of the Spirit is the Amruta Lakshmi. Grace of the Spirit is the Amruta Lakshmi. The rest of the things all will die out. And whatever is done through the Spirit, to please the Spirit, is the Amruta Lakshmi, for example: loving others. Loving others has a different meaning in the symbolic way as you people understand it. Loving means giving; doing without any expectation. Just doing and enjoying it. The greatest is giving vibrations. That is Amruta. Vibrations do not die. That's the Lakshmi of the Amruta.

5. **Gruha Lakshmi** - You all know the Gruha Lakshmi

6. **Satya Lakshmi** - [as] I told awareness. She is the one who has given you awareness. Awareness is Lakshmi's character. Satya means the truth. As you rise in your awareness, you know the truth. Now what is the truth? What is the truth? What are we aware of?

You are aware that you are the instrument of God and that He is working through you. You are aware of that because it's flowing on your central nervous system. This is the truth of which you have to be aware. What is the other truth? Is who are you? That you are the Spirit. And the third truth is, who am I? And the fourth truth is who is God? What is your destiny? If they become your awareness, then you have got Satya Lakshmi.



7. Bhogya Lakshmi - 'Bhoga' means the one by which you enjoy, by which you enjoy. I mean it's like the whole ocean of joy is around you and you are like a bird who cannot drink it.

Only through the grace of Bhogya Lakshmi, you can enjoy that. So, the Spirit, though it is manifesting, you are not enjoying your Spirit – even that. Anything that you see — say you see a flower — you should be able to enjoy. You cannot enjoy because there is thought. Anything you do [if] there is thought, you cannot enjoy. When the Spirit is flowing you get complete enjoyment. Actually, I should say, I am the enjoyer of it.

8. Yoga Lakshmi - The Lakshmi's power which gives you Yoga. Lakshmi supports your power of yoga by giving you awareness. The power by which you take to yoga is all combined as Yoga Lakshmi. Like your affluence: you are not satisfied, and you want to have Yoga. The dissatisfaction you get till you have got yoga is coming from the Yoga Lakshmi. So, Yoga Lakshmi is the power which gives you or takes you to your grace, by which you go to yoga: that's Yoga Lakshmi. Means the kind of a satisfaction that you seek is manifested in you through this power of Yoga Lakshmi. And then once you have achieved your yoga, you get the grace. Lakshmi is the grace. So, you get the grace of a saint. You should have the grace of a saint. You should look like a saint. You are a saint. I think better write it on your mirrors, "We are saints. We are men of God. We have to behave like saints. We are saints." You are, no doubt. You are men of God, no doubt, but you have to turn your faces this way.

So, this is the Yoga Lakshmi. For example, a person who has got Yoga Lakshmi doesn't quarrel like a madcap. If he quarrels or dominates someone in a foolish way, then he's still lacking that Lakshmi point. There's a grace about it, the whole way of talking. How you talk to a saint? All right.

One more thing I have to say just before we start doing the thing [is] that around the Lakshmi you know is the Void. And though the Lakshmi in a situation where there is negativity, She runs away, She is frightened. She is a frightened Deity. She is very sensitive. She doesn't like any negativity. As soon as the negativity comes in, She runs away. In the same way those people, those great saints who were born on the Void, have said that "Those people who try to frighten Lakshmi are the people who are irreligious," in the sense they drink. Those people who drink, in the third generation lose their Lakshmi completely. You can see the results now: those who used to take one peg (30 ml of alcohol), now are sitting in the pub the whole night. And that's what it is that, once these things enter into your family or household, they start corroding your Lakshmi.

That's why we have to understand that Lakshmi is very, very sensitive to this point. And Lakshmi is extremely sensitive to fanaticism, extremely sensitive to fanaticism. Any kind of fanatic ideas you have got, She will run away. She can't stand fanaticism. As soon as fanaticism will settle down into any country, it will start becoming poorer and poorer. Any kind of fanaticism about religion is to be avoided.

Jai Shri Mataji!

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