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KRISHNA'S SUPREME PURITY

There are two aspects of purity in persons who are considered pure: one is that they always remain pure and don't contaminate themselves, the other is that they purify everyone they come in contact with.

Krishna is the Supreme Pure in both of these ways. First of all, He Himself is never ever contaminated by anything impure. Secondly, He purifies all sinful souls who come in contact with Him. Krishna is pure like the sun. The sun never becomes covered by darkness or anything which could be considered impure, and purifies impure places by its rays. This is very very important for us to consider.

An example of someone who was purified by contact with Krishna was Dhritarashtra. At the end of his life, Dhritarashtra had been implicated in many acts that were not alright, sinful things. One of them was that he tolerated his evil son Duryodhana rising to power. Dhritarashtra could have intervened and avoided the battle of Kurushetra, but because he was totally entangled and overwhelmed, he was drawn to the side of injustice.

So, at the end of his life, Vidura approached him and encouraged him. He said: *»My dear brother, you can become free from all this just by fixing your mind on the lotus feet of Krishna, who is worshiped with beautiful, erudite verses by great sages and saints.«* And then he said: *»If one simply chants the Holy Name of Krishna, His Name will arise within one's heart like a powerful sun and immediately dissipate the darkness of ignorance.«*

Therefore, whatever condition we may be in, pure or impure, by coming in contact with Krishna – thinking of Him, chanting His Holy Name, ... – His purifying potency will act in such a way, that everything inauspicious is dispelled, just like darkness is dispelled when the sun rises.



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