

DAILY JAPA INSPIRATIONS



COME BEFORE KRISHNA WITH
GENUINE HUMILITY AND HE WILL
EMBRACE YOU IN HIS ARMS AND
FREE YOU FROM KARMA.



GETTING OFF THE TREADMILL

Have you ever asked yourself what you could do in your japa to attract Krishna? I'm serious. The Lord can be attracted by one quality, and that is humility. But humility is not something which we can assume on command. Ok, be humble now! We can't order ourselves to come into a certain mindset. That is not how we work.

There is something which helps us to come into the space where Krishna is easily present, where He wants to come. And that is if we are able to face our own situation, our own insignificance. That will bring us into that space where Krishna comes. In the Bhajan-rahasya there is a quotation of the prayers of one great devotee, and I would like to read one prayer that always helps me and those who come to retreats to move into this space.

“There is no wicked deed that I have not done thousands and thousands of times. The reactions of those deeds are now bearing fruit and grind me on the treadmill of karma. Now I see no other shelter than You, oh Lord. So, I am crying here before you without stopping. Punish this worthless soul as You think fit, for You are my master and You hold my fate in your hands.”

Will a father punish a child who stands before him after having faced what he did wrong? Will a friend not forgive another friend who has realized “Wow, I was really making mistakes!” Will a mother not love her little child who was stubborn, but who has come to understand that something has gone amiss? When Krishna sees the devotee standing before Him after having faced his situation, He will rush to him, and instead of punishing him, instead of letting karma take over, He will take that devotee and embrace him in His arms.

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