



Manifestation Of God

A tree cannot exist without a seed, a bird without an egg. Likewise, every phenomenon must have some ultimate cause. There cannot be any creation without a root cause. Reflect upon the infinite vastness of the universe. Who can create it? Impossible for any human being! Look at your own body mechanism. It is indeed a most wonderful creation. If we reflect upon the vast limitless infinite universe or upon our own body, we will be convinced that behind and beyond all these, there must verily be some *Tattva* (Principle).

For the finite human mind, it will always be a far off abstruse concept upon which you will have to struggle to direct your mind and fix it. The mind wants something concrete, something you can see, touch, talk to, something you can pray to, to which you can go for consolation, advice, guidance. The Lord, in order to fulfil this indispensable human need, manifests Himself as certain perfect beings filled with His qualities of Divinity, Wisdom, Purity, Compassion, Kindness, Equal Vision, Joy, Peace. All these qualities keep radiating from such people. The moment you go near such a person immediately you feel you are in a different realm. You forget this world. You forget everything. Your mind is filled with peace, joy. All your sorrows drop away from you for the time being.

These divine beings are living divinities in human form. They are *vibhutis*. The *vibhutis* are essentially human individuals but filled with Divine Principle, Divine Lustre, Divine quality, so that, in their presence we feel elevated. *Vibhuti's* presence makes it absolutely certain for us that there is God. Why? "If such a perfection is possible in him, who is also flesh and blood like me, then how can I doubt whether there is God or not? I have beheld by visible God here." We behold God in such perfect human being. Thus, He fulfils the deep need of the finite human mind to have some visible proof for us to see and become convinced about His Existence. *Vibhutis* have Divine Perfection, wonderful compassion, wonderful love, wonderful kindness, great purity, great peace, supreme wisdom, everything. So these *vibhutis*, these Godmen, are regarded no other than God.

A God came into our lives and by a mere glance of his eyes lifted us from doubts to certainty, from hesitation to resolution and determination, and gave us the strength and light. Guru Maharaj Swami Sivanandaji was a *pratyaksha devata*, a living God, God who has been actually seen.

God Bless You!

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