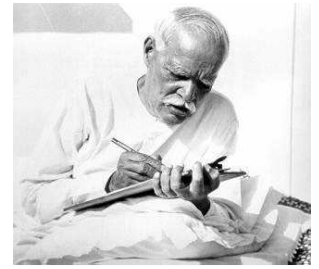


Braham Baba–The great grand *paterfamilias* of the world



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Not only Brahma Baba uplifted the spiritually fallen ones to new heights of spirituality but he applied on them that alchemy which transmuted them so much that they became instruments of ShivBaba, the Holiest of the holy. He gave them such a life-style which is of special class, kind and quality. He gave them to follow a special code of life, a special philosophy of social, ethical and spiritual relations and simple but most valuable solution to human problems and, above all, the realization of the profound spiritual truths. He gave them the realization that forms the bedrock of the wisdom, one small part of which is that: “Hatred breeds hatred; covetedness and violence inevitably lead to ruin; anger is the arch-enemy of the soul; sex-lust is the leader of all evils; attachment is the bane of spirituality; pride does the worst harm to man. So, the real war is the war against these. The real conquest is in the battle against these enemies.”

The Sanjivini that he had

Brahma Baba had wheedled out of ShivBaba the secret about the *Sanjivini*—the mythical herb that can raise a dead person into life. So, those who came to seek spiritual knowledge under his tutelage, he raised them from their state of being fallen, dead spirits, into new, vigorous, divine beings. With the help of the Kalpa Tree, the World Wheel and Trimurti—The three basic pictures he used to explain God’s knowledge. He told them with the grandest of Sagas or what he called the wonderous story of *Satya Narayana*. By relating this eternal story or *Amar Katha* to the present, he inspired a great many to do heroic spiritual deeds and enabled the humble to face boldly and valiantly and with faith and fortitude the trials and tribulations that block one’s spiritual path. By his these teachings, he enabled many to resolve and, also to fulfil their vow of unbroken chastity.

He recycled the worst into the best

Brahma Baba, in his corporeal form, was unique in many ways. By his own high character, not only did he mould the character of those who came into touch with him but his character moulded a new civilization out of the present degenerated one. Nowadays, people talk of recycling the waste material so that it can be used again. Brahma Baba recycled this waste that is left of the worn out society into the best that can be and that once was. And though he did this creative act, for which he es known as Brahma, the Creator (or Master Creator), one did not quite notice that high drama which one generally sees when anyone does a big difficult task. One did not feel from Baba’s face that it was, for him, a strenuous work. He didn’t ever express the view that he was doing the impossible or that he had done something which was the highest a human being could do. Ali, the world-famous boxer, had once said, as was reported in a newspaper, “I am the mightiest.” He said

so because, in boxing bouts, he had defeated a great many by his sheer physical strength and boxing tricks. But Baba never gave one the feeling that he ever thought of having done something as high as is the sun or the moon even though, he, in fact, had done that high because the seers and sages and the erudite scholars of the yore had said in explicit terms that to secure a decisive and final victory over all toll many forces of *Maya* was humanly impossible. Baba never took any credit of doing this greatest spiritual miracle—if it be called a miracle. Brahma Baba always said: It is ShivBaba's work. It is he how is doing it. I am only His long boot! I was only a rustic boy and it is ShivBaba who transmutes an ordinary stone into the '*Paras*' or valuable and sacred touchstone which, according to mythology, changes iron into gold.

A universal man

When we mention the birth place of Brahma Baba, we say that he had his physical birth in Sindh. But, his personality and character were such that he belonged to the world and not only to India or 'Sindh'. He was a 'universal man'. No doubt he loved and praised India of the ancient times but his life-style, his understanding and his sympathies reflected his global concerns and his teachings were of unfailing and perennial source of spiritual strength to all— whether they be Sindhis, Indians or foreigners. It is said, in the scriptures, that a teacher who imparts spiritual wisdom to the ignorant is a father and a preceptor as well. Brahma Baba was all these three in one. But since all had taken their spiritual birth from the knowledge which ShivBaba gave by oration through Brahma Baba's lotus mouth. Brahma Baba was also the mother of all. He was truly Prajamata and Prajapita Brahma—the great grand Pater-familias honoured by all the mankind.

He forgave and forgot

Not only did Brahma Baba not claim any credit for his great work but, on the contrary, some ill-informed people wrongly blamed him for nothing. Some ignorant and ill-mannered persons cast aspersions and affronts on him. "Fie on him", they said, "Why does this old man teach absolute purity or total abstinence from vices?" The poor fellows did not understand or recognize the fact that it was ShivBaba who taught and ordained absolute purity through this old man, or Brahma Baba, and that he was not to be blamed for God's own Act. But whatever anyone did to him, never did anyone saw him ablaze with anger. On the other hand, he forgave them, forgot their evil acts and blessed them too with his spiritual inheritance.

It is these and thousand and eight great qualities of him that come to our mind again and again, especially on 18th January—the date in the year 1969, when he gave his mortal coil to work at the subtle level and in an Angelic form, called *Avyakta Brahma*.