

Om Shanti Everyone!

I am feeling so happy. Are you all happy? Yes, let me see hands, those who are happy! When I was listening to Avyakt Bapdada, I was taken back to the first time I met Brahma Baba. I met Brahma Baba in Delhi, I had just finished my education in school and joined the university. So, there was a gap of two months. Brahma Baba had come to Delhi and I had never met him, but I had correspondence with him. The sisters came to my grandparents' home. I heard them talking about "Baba, Baba". I asked about communicating with Baba, and they said that I could write letters. So, a very beautiful communication began. When Baba came to Delhi, I met him in his room, which was very simple, but very clean and very organized, as we see in Madhuban. Baba started talking to me as if I was not 16, he was 83 and I was 16. Baba started asking about my studies, not giving me gyan, it was about creating relationships, and I found it very interesting. When I sat and took drishti from Baba, I just felt deep purity, as if all my senses, my everything, was taken away. Baba emerged that purity, and I experienced then how it's not only my recognition of Baba, but Baba also recognizing me. It was a very beautiful feeling.

Many want to know about self-respect. I feel from that first moment, Baba's drishti created feelings of purity, belonging, and also self-respect. I experienced how much Baba respects me because the way he would talk, and the assignments that I would get, amazingly, he knew what I could do. I didn't know because I was a very shy person. You know in India, the girls never go out, we are talking about the 50s. We would go out, but never alone, never had friends, and here Baba would say so many things, "Daughter you can do this, you can do this, you go, you study, I want a journalist, I want a newspaper." He had very big visions, and I said, "Okay." Of course, he was saying it to everyone, but I thought that he was also telling me.

So, I'm just sharing my experience, it's so fresh in my mind. Baba said, "During the holidays, you come to Madhuban." So, I said, "Okay, I will see what is possible." I convinced my mother to let me go. The first meeting in the history hall, you know, they give you cushions to sit on. Baba and Momma came and sat on very thin cushions, then Baba gave drishti. It was like an experience of surrender, like, "I belong to you." I knew that this was my life now. It was a long story after that, because both sides, lokik and alokik, wanted me to continue my studies. So, for about six years, I kept going for different courses, and different degrees. One was journalism. Baba said, "Oh, I want my daughters to be magistrates and lawyers," He had very big ideas. What I'm saying here is that each one of you really has to remember that moment when you took drishti from Baba, how you felt. Even now, I was taking drishti from Avyakt Bapdada, and it feels so real, it's like I'm sitting in front of Avyakt Bapdada.

Awareness has a lot of power. That is what Baba is saying, that if you maintain the awareness of your self-respect, that awareness becomes power. Then your stage of very good qualities emerge. You start giving respect to everyone, because you experience respect from God. He really respected everyone, that's my personal experience. So, now Baba has given us the respect of being world emperors, brahmin so deity. However, to claim a high status, it depends on how much you are able to give, and your treasure store needs to be full. When our treasure stores are full, there

is so much love, because Baba keeps giving. When Baba gives to me, then I am able to share. No one can share true love unless they are receiving from God. As much as you donate, you become bigger, higher and higher, an emperor and empress. So, even when I look at Lakshmi and Narayan as emperor, empress, I always had this attraction of looking into the eyes of the idols or deities. I have shared before too that when I started going for journalism, it was evening, and after class I used to go visit the temple, and I still remember them. Their eyes, so beautiful, just giving, even when people put flowers on their feet, it was their drishti donating such beautiful feelings. I always say that if our idols have so much beauty that your bhavna just emerges, how much would you receive now that we are living? Through our presence and our drishti, everyone should be able to feel good, feel well, feel full, and feel elevated. At this time, we have to be alokik, we have to be spiritual, not ordinary. We are ordinary in the sense of simple, but our royalty, our dignity, our purity, our personality of God's love, is really praiseworthy.

I feel that each one of us really should invoke within ourselves that deity image and when we emerge it, we feel it, but also others are able to experience it. Now is the time that all of us should keep that aim that our presence can give, just give, and that is where feelings are invisible but very powerful. So, I think that we should just practice, keep the aim, and emerge our deity form within. It is there, just emerge it, and be aware that you are the ones who are worship worthy deities, and you have to constantly give. That's all, as much as you give, your status will be higher, so keep the aim for that.

Om Shanti