Sudesh Didi - 11th September 2022 - sharings on Shraadh

The confluence age is the age of celebration to experience and express eternal love, pure love, respectful love, gratitude love and also devotional love. It is the time to share now with right understanding and right meaning what Baba is teaching us at the confluence age.

On the path of bhakti, something which works like ritual but basis is spiritual; it has a spiritual meaning. And the ritual is done with a lot of bhavna, lot of bhakti faith, but sometimes it is done with fear; "if you don't do this something wrong can happen" – "maybe we will be cursed" – "we will lose something if we do not do that". But "if we do this then we will get this" If, but, why and what is always there. On one side there is a lot of devotion and bhakti but behind it, is hidden if, but, why and what.

But here Baba's knowledge is so beautiful and so clear to explain the meaning and as well as feeling behind it; the significance and the attitude and vision and relationships Now there is this system of offering bhog for the ancestors. Baba says: "you are the ancestors", because we are sitting in the roots of the tree as Baba said today. And we are the trunk of the tree to give support to the whole world. But at this time it is a practical task of giving the power of our good wishes and thank you and gratitude to all the souls of those who have been connected in the rosary of relationships. But now we don't do it with karmic accounts but we are now creating an elevated karmic account.

Sometimes relations are to give and take from karmic accounts but Baba says now this is a pleasant account a "present" that you are offering is you are offering bhog with great love to the ancestors; to the souls who are gone. Those souls have left their legacy of love, their respect, their sustenance, their dedication, their sacrifice and their support in different ways. Whether they left at a young age or at old age, the Shraadh is offered with gratitude and love.

And so it is at this time when Baba is appreciating us for what we do and we appreciate all the souls of the Kalpa tree who have sustained the world in different ways.

So the Shraadh bhog starts today and these two weeks will actually be the days of Shraadh. What reaches them... how will the bhog reach them? But what will reach them, is our bhavna and our love and our feelings of doing something good for ourselves as well as for others. So we are creating an account with the Supreme Being the Supreme Soul. Our connection is with Baba and Baba then sends power to them; Baba showers blessing and love and whatever the souls need at this moment because at different times there are different needs in the soul; the desire or the wish of the soul.

We know that when the soul leaves the body, of course the dress is changed. Even if you keep the picture of that person, that soul is not in that dress; so how many photographs should we keep of our ancestors to offer bhog to them? So we don't keep pictures but we keep their character and we remember their stories.

Second thing we know is their dress is changed and their address is also changed. We do not know where to send our good wishes; it is difficult to send our good wishes so we just connect with the main centre office, the Supreme Baba; He knows the new address and Baba can support them and send His powerful vibration to them and so we leave that to Baba. And that is why we sit in loveful remembrance and in powerful remembrance with gratitude and giving thanks in remembrance.

The third aspect we know is their role has changed. We don't remember them with sorrow; we don't say: oh why have they gone and wish they were still here. They are here in this world but their role has changed and so they have gone to play another role. And so let that power be filled in the role that the soul is playing.

Internally we are not actually attached to them; we know they have got a new job in the new company and so let them do their new job in the new company with their specialities and qualities.

So on one side it is a balance and on one side it is great respect; there is deep feeling of gratitude and on the other side we are totally detached. This balance doesn't make us feel sad; we don't offer bhog with sadness; we offer bhog with love, with pure feelings and we create our account with Baba

In the name of them we create our fortune, because when we sow the seeds for whatever we want Baba to offer that is our account with Baba. And also our good feelings for our ancestors and in reality for ourselves because we are the ancestors of the whole world and so many would be offering bhog to you and you would receive that through Baba And so certainly we were also grandmothers, grandfathers or whatever relationships, they must be offering bhog to me today in my name as well but we know it is Baba who is going to give me everything.

Every ritual has some spiritual aspect and some meaning behind it...

Om Shanti