

# **THE GLORY OF SHIRDI SAI**

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## **ONE WORLD ONE FAMILY.VASUDHAIKA KUTUMBAM**

**Om! Asatoma sargamaya, tamasoma jyotirgamaya, mrityorma amritamgamaya, om  
shantihi, shantihi, shantihi!**

**(aum! Lead from wrong path to the right path, from ignorance to knowledge, from  
mortality to immortality! Peace be to all).**

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## **1. FROM THE SATSANGHS OF SAIBANISA JI:**

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### **REALITY OF HUMAN LIFE**

It is natural in this of suffering for people to think and act selfishly and egoistically and, because of it it's equally natural for suffering and unhappiness to follow.

People favour themselves and neglect others. People let their own desires run into greed and lust and all manner of evil. Because of these they suffer endlessly.

Times of luxury do not last long, but pass away very quickly; nothing in this world can be enjoyed forever.

To be continued.

## **2. SAI'S NEWS FROM THE TIME MACHINE:**

Ashwin/Vadya 13, 1910: SaiBaba pushed His arm in to the brightly burning Dhuni to save a blacksmith's child. Bhagoji Shinde's service of massaging the arm with ghee and bandaging it continued till Baba's Maha Samadhi.

## **3. SAI IN DREAMS:**

These are the dream sequences and messages as received by SaiBaNiSaji From our beloved GURU LORD SAINATH OF SHIRIDI. In Anticipation that this feature will help in one's spiritual growth are hereby compiled from his personal Diary and presented to SAIBANDHUS.

Translated and presented by RAGHU RAMAN SATULURY.

### **APRIL-1996**

14-04-1996

Yesterday night Sai appeared as an old friend of mine. He advocated:

1. There is no use in wearing white clothes until and unless your heart is free from malice and possess a spotless character.
2. I shall in some form or other keep forewarning you of the impeding dangers.
3. Do not forget uttering my name even though pre-occupied.
4. All roads in life may be closed, but the road to me is always kept open.
5. Try absorbing the Sai leelamrit.
6. Talk to me direct, there is no need of intermediaries.

7. Let people worship me in a way they deemed it fit. Why bother?
8. Keep aloof from those talking loose of other women.
9. Do not look for anybody's help in spiritualism. I am always there to extend a helping hand. Spiritualism has to be a self-effort.

15-04-1996

Sai appeared in the form of my friend and said-

1. You lecture more and write less.
  2. You will propagate that military discipline is a must.
  3. In future, boys will opt to marry women elder to them.
  4. Some people enjoy watching those affected by floods.
  5. It is but natural for a couple to differ in money matters. It is also equally natural to put up a show of happiness in public.
  6. Do not look back and proceed in the spiritual direction chosen.
- Everything appearing in this world is not real.

#### **4. QUINTESENCE OF SRI SAIBABA'S PHILOSOPHY:**

(By Late Sri Bharam UmamaheswaraRao)

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### **32. Significance of Meditation**

#### **Preliminaries to Meditation**

In the beginning the vision will appear, disappear and then again reappear. By constant practice, the vision becomes permanent. Then you would have reached perfection! The deity will confer on you all that you desire and never leave you. Thereby, you become endowed with supernatural powers and acquire control over the Law of Nature. To attain the above, one must have enough patience, regular practice for years or perhaps a whole life time. Everything depends on faith and Sadhana. The Sadhana is the greatest and most glorious, mystic experience that can be attained in your life. Your life would be aimless without the pursuit of Sadhana.

These golden words were preached by Sri Sankaracharya.

Our sorrows are our teachers. We must wipe of our ignorance and passions. Ignorance is destroyed by wisdom. The desires and thoughts are to be understood. When we observe highly bright colors during our meditation we see a form in that color. The brightness of the color equals to that of the Sun. the color depends on our thoughts. Each of Kama, krodha etc. have a different color. By identifying the color in the meditation, we can know what Guna is predominant in our mind. After sometime, these colors in mediation embrace each other into one and we can see the form clearly. We must practice to identify this.

## **5. IN THE DAYS OF SHRI SHIRDI SAIBABA :**

### **Baba Handed over A Golden Ring to a Devotee which he lost in River**

Once a grandson of Baba's devotees Shir Hari Bhau Keshav Karnik by name Keshav was returning from a festival of the Goddess Mahalaxmi. He had to stay in the river side of a village which is about 10 miles from his place. He went to the river for bathing and swam in the river. During swimming he lost his 1 ½ tolas gold ring in the river. He went home with a sad heart. After six months, a Takore came to his house and told them whether any child has lost his ring in the river and he handed over the ring to them after ascertaining its ownership.

### **Is it not the leela of BABA?**

### **Baba saved Captain Jahangir Framji and his three ships from Drowning in the sea**

Shri Jahangir Framji Daruwala served as a Captain. During the Russo-Japanese war, when his steamers except three sunk by the enemy and that the rest of the steamers including his own would soon meet the same fate. He took out Baba's photo from his pocket and with tears in his eyes prayed to Baba to save him and his three ships. Baba at once appeared on the scene and towed all the sinking steamers up to the bank. Just at the time Daruwala offered up his prayers, Baba balled out and then seated as He was in His usual place in the Dwarakamayi. He had His Kafni and head cloth completely drenched dripping with water more than half an hour, with the result the Dwarakamayi transformed into a pool of water. The devotees of Dwarakamayi simply removed water from the Dwarakamayi and dried Baba's clothes. On the third day after this incident, Baba received a telegram from Jahangir narrating how Baba had saved him and offering Him a thousand thanks for His marvelous Leela and rescued of himself and the three steamers with passengers. Immediately on his return to India, he came and paid his respects to Baba. He had retired now and from his service. But in appreciation of his services, the Government had provided him with job. He has taken keen interest in Baba's affairs. Lately he donated about two thousand and two thousand rupees in two instalments and got the Mantap of Dwarakamayi repaired to his satisfaction.

To be continued.

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## **NEWS FROM SAIDARBAR – HYDERABAD**

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<http://saibanisa.blogspot.com/>

Sai devotees may kindly visit the above blog, read the articles and give your valuable comments in the “Guest Book”.

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Tuesday, 4 November, 2008, 11:45 AM

### **Radio Shirdi Sai**

Now With the blessings and grace of Shri Shirdi Sai , the first ever online Shirdi Sai baba Radio is broadcasting,- leela's of Baba thru His bhajans in Hindi, Telugu, Marathi and Gujarati, Sai Mahima , Sai amritvani, Sai mantra ,Sai Satcharitra prayaan, discourses, Geeta Gyaan, Vishnu Sahasaram and much more. We will also be sharing our experiences and experiences of other Sai devotees through this media. This is the first ever online Radio dedicated to the lotus feet of Shri Shirdi Sai Baba. Just by listening to this Radio, Sai devotees will feel the bliss of Baba and His leela's around them.

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In Humble Service of His Holy Feet,

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## **6. DEVOTEES EXPERIENCES:**

From Saidarbar files:

Om Sri Sai Ram

We would like to share a small experience of ours. My husband and I live in Dubai. Though a free place to live and close to India, sometimes it is amazing to note as to how we have swamis darshan .we regularly go to the temple here.

Incidentally Dubai is the only place in the gulf besides Muscat to have a temple. when we visit the temple on Thursdays it has been our experience to have swamis Darshan in the form of somebody's ring or locket or some sticker in some car---irrespective of the time, 16 00 hrs to 22 30 hrs we have always had his grace all these seven years, every Thursday, without exception .This attains greater significance in a gulf country like UAE but ourselves having the same even in Saudi Arabia, when we went for a bhajan every week to some devotees house. All his Darshan to both of us have been during our travel to the place of worship or while returning home.

We seek his continued grace and blessings and protection throughout our life.

A Devotee

## **7. SAI WITH CHILDREN:**

**Smt. Madhu Gopal Ravada, Saidarbar, Hyderabad.**

Hello Children! I am Madhu aunty. Do you know Baba use to play with children and used to tell stories to them? I felt children visiting Saidarbar should be entertained with good stories. Now I want to tell the stories what heard in my child hood.

### **TRUE SUPERIORITY**

Once there was a king named Mallik. He was a very brave, kind and powerful king. He was loved by his subjects and also by his courtiers. One day a thought came to the mind of the King, "Am I really so great that there is no defect in me? How should I find it out?" "Do my people praise me because they could not criticize me on my face? The truth can be known when one hears the true opinion of the people. This can happen only if I am not recognized. People will not afraid to give their true opinion." The King called his charioteer. He told him that he wanted to go on a tour; he would take only the charioteer with him.

The king, with his charioteer, travelled far and wide in his kingdom. Wherever he went, he asked the people what they felt about their King Mallik? Everywhere people, without knowing that they were talking to the king himself, praised King Mallik as great and noble king. One day while he was travelling, his chariot came to a narrow bridge. Only one chariot could move over it at one time. Now, the usual practice of those days was that a lower ranking gave the way to a higher ranking man. Just when King Mallik's chariot reached one end of the bridge, another

chariot came to the other end of the bridge which had to come this side. Who was to cross first? The charioteer from this side said, "My friend, let me cross first. The great King Mallik is in my chariot." The other charioteer replied, "If your master is a great king, then my master, the great King Brahmadata of Kashi is greater. It is you who will have to make way for him."

What was to be done? Then one of the kings suggested that since both of them were kings, their superiority could be decided on the basis of age and the size of their kingdoms. Most surprisingly, it turned out that both the kings were equal in age and the size of their kingdoms. How to decide who was superior? Both the kings started thinking. After much thought King Brahmadata said, "The greatness of a person is determined by his qualities. You tell me about your qualities to prove your greatness." King Mallik proudly spoke, "I reciprocate goodness with goodness and wrong with wrong." King Brahmadata said, "If these are your qualities, you cannot have bigger defect in the world than this." King Mallik was shocked, He said, "Maharaj Brahmadata, what do you say? Well, then, come out with your qualities. King Brahmadata said, "Listen, O King Mallik, I repay wrong with goodness. Those who harm me, I help even those persons."

When King Mallik heard these words, he bowed his head before Brahmadata. He acknowledged with his whole heart that King Brahmadata was indeed greater than he was. He still had many weaknesses which needed to be removed. Thus realization ultimately came to King Mallik that there were greater persons than him. All his pride vanished.

## **8. SPIRITUAL GEMS FROM SAI SATCHARITRA:**

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Mon, Aug 25, 2008 at 1:06 PM

### **Spiritual Gems from Shri Sai Satcharitra - Chapter 30**

In this Chapter the story of two more devotees that were drawn to Shirdi, is narrated.

#### **Khushalchand of Rahata**

It is said that a dream, which we get in the small hours of the morning, generally comes out true in the waking state. This may be so, but regarding Baba's dreams there is no restriction of time. To quote an instance: - Baba told Kakasaheb Dixit one afternoon to go to Rahata and fetch Khushalchand to Shirdi, as He had not seen him since long. Kakasaheb accordingly took a tanga and went to Rahata. He saw Khushalchand and gave him Baba's message. Hearing it, Khushalchand was surprised and said that he was taking a noon nap after meals when Baba appeared in his dream and asked him to come to Shirdi immediately and that he was anxious to go. As he had no horse of his own nearby, he had sent his son to inform Baba; when his son was just out of the village-border, Dixit's tanga turned up. Dixit then said that he was sent specially to bring him. Then they both went in the tanga back to Shirdi. Khushalchand saw Baba and all were pleased. Seeing this Leela of Baba, Khushalchand was much moved.

SSG: Sai Ram. As already mentioned, there is no coincidence in the universe. It is our inability to see the Truth in all its glory (because of our ego, which limits our perceptions), that we keep wondering at the 'miracles' that happen. Sai showed such Leelas to fortify the faith of His disciples and thus help them in their path. Sai Ram.

### **Punjabi Ramalal of Bombay**

Once a Punjabi Brahmin of Bombay named Ramalal got a dream in which Baba appeared and asked him to come to Shirdi. Baba appeared to him as a Mahant (Saint), but he did not know His whereabouts. He thought that he should go and see Him, but as he knew not His address, he did not know what to do. But He, Who calls anybody for an interview makes the necessary arrangements for the same. The same happened in this case. The same afternoon when he was strolling in the streets, he saw a picture of Baba in a shop. The features of the Mahant, he saw in the dream, exactly tallied with those of the picture. Then making enquiries, he came to know that the picture was of Sai Baba of Shirdi. He then went soon after to Shirdi and stayed there till his death.

In this way Baba brought His devotees to Shirdi for darshan and satisfied their wants, material as well as spiritual.

SSG: Sai Ram. Baba used visions and dream visions to call some devotees to Him. Others, He called through His other devotees. Thus He used many methods to draw devotees bound to Him through their karma, so that He can continue the process of refining them spiritually and make them realise their true nature. Sai Ram.

Bow to Shri Sai - Peace be to all

His Servant,

S.V.Swamy

To be continued.

### **9. ARTICLES FROM SAI DEVOTEES:**

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Fri, Nov 7, 2008 at 10:33 AM

NONE DIES

Baba: Why do you grieve; men are born to die. One day each one of us will die.

Baba: (to Appa Kulkarni's wife)

Death and life are manifestations of God's activity. You cannot separate the two. God permeates all. However, (in fact) none is born.

None dies. See with your inner eye. Then you realize that you are God, and not different from Him. Like worn-out garment, the body is cast away by God. Appa wants to change his dress (kufni) before I do. Let Appa go. Do not stop him. Do not ask for Udhi.

Gain and loss, birth and death are in the hands of God. But how blindly do these people forget God! Look after life just so long as it lasts. When death arrives, do not be grieved.

The wise ones do not grieve for death; the fools do. Behold! The five pranas were lent for use till now. Now the lender claims back his won; and they are returned. Air goes back to air, fire to fire. Every one of the five elements thus goes back to its place.

The body is (made up of) earth. See, really they are the same.

Therefore its return to the earth is not a thing to bemoan.

(Courtesy: HH Pujyasri B. V. Narasimha Swamiji)

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Thu, Nov 6, 2008 at 9:50 AM

Babaji,

Today is (06.11.2008, Thursday) my elder daughter's birthday. Babaji please give her your all blessings for her health, study & long life. I am praying lotus feet of Babaji for our family, especially for my younger daughter and all Sai members. Babaji you are giving my wishes every day. I am very proud of you and thanks there is no number for thanks. We are living depending upon your blessings only. Babaji you are our god, guru & all. Please accept my pray for my daughters. I earnestly request Shirdi Saidarbar parivar; please pray for my daughter to the lotus feet of Babaji in Shirdi. Thanks a lot.

Regards,

Valsala Sivadasan

New Delhi.

JaiSairam.

## **10. LETTERS FROM SAI DEVOTEES:**

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Thursday, 6 November, 2008, 10:39 AM

Sai ram,

Thanks a lot for your nice information about Sadguru SaiBaba, but I need some Saibaba's shloka's in Telugu. Will you please send if any you have otherwise send any link related to that? Hope Lord Baba's grace's on me for the forth coming days.

Thanking you  
Sai devotee  
Sree Reddy

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Friday, 19 September, 2008 11:13 PM

SaiRam,

Sir it is very nice to read the matter you are publishing in starting of magazine nowadays like. Learn from nature and recently published money in life.

Two three days before my husband and me had a discussion on this matter. With the help Of this publication I also understand where I and my husband were wrong.

Thanks a lot of clearing all my doubts. Really thankful to this magazine.

Sudha

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