



Çré Guru-vandanā
The Worship of Çré Guru
(from Prema-bhakti-candrikā)

(1)
çré-guru-caraëa-padma, kevala-bhakati-sadma,
bando mui sävadhāna mate
jähāra prasāde bhāi, e bhava toriyā jāi,
kāñëa-prāpti hoy jähā ha'te

(2)
guru-mukha-padma-vākya, cittete koriyā aikya,
ār nā koriho mane āçā
çré-guru-caraëe rati, ei se uttama-gati,
je prasāde püre sarva āçā

(3)
cakshu-dān dilo jei, janme janme prabhu sei,
divya jī ān hāde prokāçito
prema-bhakti jähā hoite, avidyā vināça jāte,
vede gāy jähāra carito

(4)
çré-guru karuëä-sindhu, adhama janāra bandhu,
lokanāth lokera jévana
hā hā prabhu koro doyā, deho more pada-chāyā,
ebe jaça ghuñuk tribhuvana

Translation:

1) The lotus feet of our spiritual master are the only way by which we can attain pure devotional service. I bow to his lotus feet with great awe and reverence. By his grace one can cross the ocean of material suffering and obtain the mercy of Kāñëa.

2) My only wish is to have my consciousness purified by the words emanating from his lotus mouth. Attachment to his lotus feet is the perfection that fulfills all desires.

3) He opens my darkened eyes and fills my heart with transcendental knowledge. He is my Lord birth after birth. From him ecstatic prema emanates; by him ignorance is destroyed. The Vedic scriptures sing of his character.

4) Our spiritual master is the ocean of mercy, the friend of the poor, and the lord and master of the devotees. O master! Be merciful unto me. Give me the shade of your lotus feet. Your fame is spread all over the three worlds.