



Çré Çré Gaura-Nityānander Dayā
The Mercy of Çré Gaura and Nityānanda
(from Dhāmāli)
by Locana Dāsa Öhākura

(1)
parama koruëa, pahü dui jana
nitāi gauracandra
saba avatāra-sāra çromaëi
kevala ānanda-kanda

(2)
bhajo bhajo bhāi, caitanya nitāi
sudāoha biçwāsa kori
viñaya chāöiyā, se rase majiyā,
mukhe bolo hari hari

(3)
dekho ore bhāi, tri-bhuvane nāi,
emona doyāla dātā
paçu pākhé jhure, pāñāëa vidare,
çuni' jāi ra guëa-gāthā

(4)
saà sāre majiyā, rohili poriyā,
se pade nahilo āça
āpana karama, bhui jāye çamana,
kahoye locana-dāsa

Translation:

(1) The two Lords, Nitāi-Gauracandra, are very merciful. They are the essence of all incarnations. The specific significance of these incarnations is that They introduced a process of chanting and dancing that is simply joyful.

(2) My dear brother, I request that you just worship Lord Caitanya and Nityānanda with firm conviction and faith. If one wants to be Kāñëa conscious by this process, one has to give up his engagement in sense gratification. One simply has to chant, "Hare Kāñëa! Hari Hari!" without any motive.

(3) My dear brother, just try and examine this. Within the three worlds there is no one like Lord Caitanya or Lord Nityānanda. Their merciful qualities are so great that upon hearing them even birds and beasts cry and stones melt.

(4) But Locana dāsa regrets that I am entrapped by sense gratification. Since I have no attraction for the lotus feet of Lord Caitanya and Lord Nityānanda, then Yamarāja, the superintendent of death, is punishing me by not allowing me to be attracted by this movement.

Purport
by His Divine Grace
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This is a song by Locana dāsa Ōhākura. Pahü means "Lord," and dui jana means "two." Locana dāsa Ōhākura declares that the two Lords, Nitāi-Gauracandra—Lord Nitāi and Lord Caitanya—are very merciful (parama koruēa). Saba avatāra-sāra çeromaēi. Avatāra means "incarnation," and saba means "all." They are the essence of all incarnations—self-realization is simply joyful (kevala ānanda-kanda), for They introduced chanting and dancing. There are many incarnations, like Lord Rāma and even Kāñēa, who taught Bhagavad-gētā, which requires knowledge and understanding. But Lord Caitanya and Nityānanda introduced a process that is simply joyful—simply chant and dance. Therefore, Locana dāsa requests everyone, bhajo bhajo bhāi, caitanya-nitāi: "My dear brother, I request that you just worship Lord Caitanya and Nityānanda with firm conviction and faith." Don't think that this chanting and dancing will not lead to the desired goal. It will. It is the assurance of Lord Caitanya Mahāprabhu that one will get all perfection by this process. Therefore one must chant with firm faith and conviction (biçwāsa kori').

But what is the process? The process is viñaya çhāriyā, se rase majiyā. If one wants to be Kāñēa conscious by this process, one has to give up his engagement in sense gratification. That is the only restriction. If one gives up sense gratification, it is sure that he will reach the desired goal. Mukhe bolo hari hari: one simply has to chant, "Hare Kāñēa! Hari Hari!" without any motive of sense gratification.

Dekho ore bhāi, tri-bhuvane nāi. Locana dāsa Ōhākura says, "My dear brother, you just try and examine this. Within the three worlds there is no one like Lord Caitanya or Lord Nityānanda, because Their merciful qualities are so great that They make even birds and beasts cry, what to speak of human beings." Actually, when Lord Caitanya passed through the forest known as Jharikhaēōa, the tigers, elephants, snakes, deer, and all other animals joined Him in chanting Hare Kāñēa: It is so nice that anyone can join. Even the animals can join, what to speak of human beings. Of course, it is not possible for ordinary men to induce animals to chant, but if Caitanya Mahāprabhu could inspire animals to chant, at least we can encourage human beings to adopt this path of Hare Kāñēa mantra chanting. It is so nice that even the most stonehearted man will be melted. Pāñēa means "stone." It is so nice that even stone will melt.

But Locana dāsa Ōhākura regrets that he is entrapped by sense gratification. He addresses himself, "My dear mind, you are entrapped in this sense gratification process, and you have no attraction for chanting Hare Kāñēa. Since you have no attraction for the lotus feet of Lord Caitanya and Lord Nityānanda, what can I say? I can simply think of my misfortune. Yamarāja, the superintendent of death, is punishing me by not allowing me to be attracted by this movement."s. The specific significance of these incarnations is that prosecuting Their way of