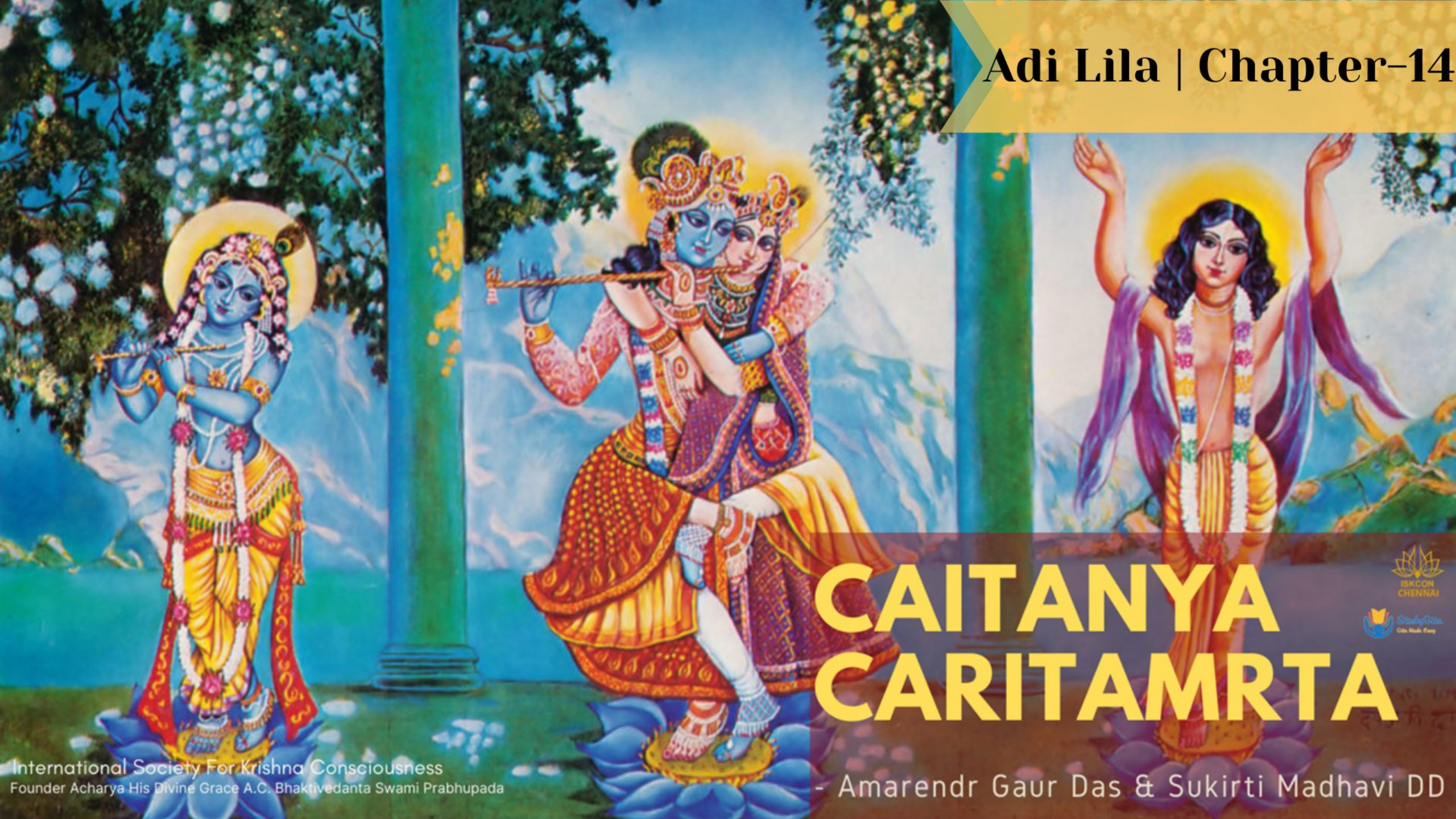


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OBEISANCES AND PRAYERS (1 - 5)

Become easy to execute if remembers Lord Caitanya Mahāprabhu

Pastimes appear exactly like those of an ordinary child but they should be understood as various pastimes of the Supreme Personality of Godhead

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NAME GIVING CEREMONY FOR THE LORD (6 - 20)

Lord turned upside down -
showed parents the marks of
His lotus feet (6)



Specific marks of Lord Viṣṇu
were visible (7)

flag
thunderbolt
conchshell
disc
fish



Struck with wonder neither His father nor His mother could understand whose
footprints they were (8)

Kṛṣṇa is with the śālagrāma-śilā - Taking His childhood form, He is playing
within the room (9)

Mother Śacī saw on His lotus feet all the marks that were visible on the floor of
the room (11)

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NAME GIVING CEREMONY FOR THE LORD (6 - 20)

Jagannātha Miśra very joyful and privately called for Nīlāmbara Cakravartī (12)

Nīlāmbara Cakravartī - thirty-two bodily marks that symptomize a great personality (14)

Baby has All the symptoms of Lord Nārāyaṇa (16)

Preach the Vaiṣṇava cult and deliver both His maternal and paternal families (17)



Name-giving ceremony - child will protect and maintain all the world - called Viśvambhara

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NIMAI EATS DIRT (21 - 36)

Lord caused all the ladies to chant the holy names - while they chanted the Lord would smile



Mother Śacī brought a dish filled with fused rice and sweetmeats - asked the child to sit down and eat them

Child hid from His mother and began to eat dirt

“What is this! What is this!” She snatched the dirt from the hands of the Lord - and asked why?

“Why are you angry? You have already given Me dirt to eat. What is My fault?”



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NIMAI EATS DIRT (21 - 36)

“Fused rice, sweetmeats - transformations of dirt - What is the difference between them?”

This body is a transformation of dirt - You are blaming Me without consideration

Astonished - mother Śacī replied, “Who has taught You this philosophical speculation that justifies eating dirt?”

Mother Śacī said - earth transformed into grain, our body is nourished, and it becomes strong

But if we eat dirt in its crude state, the body becomes diseased thus it is destroyed

Waterpot, which is a transformation of dirt bring water very easily

Poured water on a lump of dirt, the lump would soak up the water

Labor would be useless

No more shall I eat dirt Lord said



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FIVE MORE CHILDHOOD PASTIMES (37 - 47)

Lord ate the food of a brāhmaṇa guest three times - Lord delivered that brāhmaṇa from material engagement

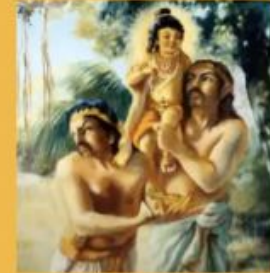


Lord was taken away by two thieves outside His home

Thinking they were safely carrying the child to rob His ornaments

Lord misled them

Instead of going to their own home the thieves came back to the home of Jagannātha Miśra



Lord asked some food from the house of Hiraṇya and Jagadīśa on the Ekādaśī day



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FIVE MORE CHILDHOOD PASTIMES (37 - 47)

Children lodged complaints with Śacīmātā

Lord's fighting with them

Stealing from the neighbors' houses

Śacīmātā used to chastise or rebuke her son

Lord would go in anger to a room and break all the pots within it

Śacīmātā would take her son on her lap and pacify Him

Lord would be very much ashamed, admitting His faults

Śacīmātā pretended to faint and the neighbouring ladies asked to get coconut to cure her nimai immediately got two coconuts





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NIMAI TEASES THE YOUNG GIRLS AND MEETS LAKSHMI DEVI (48 - 70)

LORD WOULD GO WITH OTHER CHILDREN TO BATHE IN THE GANGES

Neighboring girls would also come there to worship various demigods

Lord would say, "Worship Me, and I shall give you good husbands"

Ganges and goddess Durgā are My maidservants

Other demigods, even Lord Śiva is My servant

Lord would take the sandalwood pulp and smear it on His own body

Put the flower garlands on His neck

Snatch and eat all the offerings of sweetmeats, rice and bananas

girls became very angry



**NIMAI TEASES THE YOUNG GIRLS AND MEETS
LAKSHMI DEVI (48 - 70)**

LORD WOULD GO WITH OTHER CHILDREN TO BATHE IN THE GANGES

You are just like our brother in our village relationship

Don't create a disturbance in this way

My dear sisters, I give you the benediction that your husbands will be very handsome

They will be learned, clever and young and possess abundant wealth and rice

Each have seven sons - live long lives and be very intelligent

Do not give Me the offerings then every one of you will have an old husband with at least four co-wives

Lord, who ate them all and blessed the girls to their satisfaction



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**NIMAI TEASES THE YOUNG GIRLS AND MEETS
LAKSHMI DEVI (48 - 70)**

Girl of the name Lakṣmī, the daughter of Vallabhācārya, came to the bank of the Ganges

Seeing Lakṣmīdevī, the Lord became attached to her

Lakṣmī, upon seeing the Lord, felt great satisfaction within her mind

natural love for each other awakened

both enjoyed natural pleasure in seeing each other

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AMAZEMENT OF NIMAI'S PARENTS (71 - 97)

Neighboring people - lodged complaints with Śacīmātā and Jagannātha Miśra



Lord sat upon some rejected pots in the pit where the remnants of food were thrown

Mother Śacī saw her boy sitting on the rejected pots, she protested

“Why have You touched these untouchable pots?”

You have now become impure. Go and bathe in the Ganges

His mother forced Him to take a bath



Mother Śacī would lie down on her bed, and she would see that denizens of the celestial world

People were coming down from the celestial kingdom and crowding the entire courtyard

They made noisy sounds I could not understand. I guess they were offering prayers to someone

Jagannātha Miśra replied, “Never mind what it is. There is no need to worry - good fortune for Viśvambhara

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AMAZEMENT OF NIMAI'S PARENTS (71 - 97)

Jagannātha Miśra, seeing the mischievous acts of his son, gave Him lessons in morality

Jagannātha Miśra dreamt brāhmaṇa had come before him speaking in great anger

My dear Miśra, you do not know anything about your son

You think Him your son, and therefore you rebuke and chastise Him

Jagannātha Miśra replied, "This boy may be a demigod, a mystic yogī or a great saintly person

It doesn't matter what He is, for I think He is only my son

It is the duty of a father to educate his son

The brāhmaṇa replied, "If your son is a transcendental mystic boy - what is the use of your education?"

Jagannātha Miśra replied, "Even if my son is Nārāyaṇa, still it is the duty of a father to instruct his son

Jagannātha Miśra inaugurated the primary education of his son by performing the hāte khaḍi ceremony