

CHAPTER 17 - THE PASTIMES OF LORD CAITANYA MAHĀPRABHU IN HIS YOUTH

LORD GAURANGA'S YOUTHFUL SPELDOUR (1 - 9)

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Nityānanda Prabhu then arranged to offer Vyāsapūjā, or worship of the spiritual master, to Lord Śrī Gaurasundara

Lord Caitanya carried the plowlike weapon called muṣala in the ecstasy of being Nityānanda Prabhu

Mother Śacīdevī saw the brothers Kṛṣṇa and Balarāma in Their manifestation of Lord Caitanya and Nityānanda

Lord delivered the two brothers Jagāi and Mādhāi





THERE IS A VILLAGE NAMED EKACAKRA, WHERE LORD NITYANANDA TOOK BIRTH

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ALL THE DEVOTEES ASSEMBLED TOGETHER. **EXCEPT NITYANANDA.**

Gauracandra became unhappy on not seeing His brother

Visvambhara constantly remembered Nityananda, and Nityananda, who is nondifferent from Ananta, could understand this

Renounced brahmana named Hadai Pandita - Father of Lord Nityananda

His chaste wife, named Padmavati devi - Mother of Lord Nityananda

Lord Nityananda was the eldest of their sons

On seeing all His auspicious symptoms, one's eyes were satiated

Hadai Pandita repeatedly embraced Him, the soft-as-butter, delicate body of Nityananda would merge in his body

Seemed like Hadai Pandita was the body and Nityananda was the life air

Father traveled everywhere with his son

One day, by providence, an attractive sannyasi arrived at the house of Hadai Pandita

Nityananda's father invited him for a meal and happily kept him in his house











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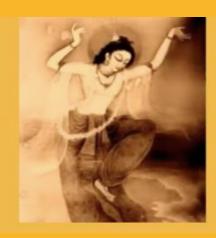
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Nityananda's father passed the entire night discussing topics of Krsna with the sannyasi

The sannyasi said, "I have a request for you." Nityananda's father replied, "Ask whatever you like."

The sannyasi said, "I have a plan to visit the holy places, but I do not have a suitable brahmana companion. Please give me this eldest son of yours to accompany me for some days"







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The most magnanimous Nityananda visited

Gayā, Kasi, Prayag

Mathura, Dvärakā, and the aśrama of Nara-Nārāyana

He went to the place of the Buddhists and the residence of Vyāsa

He visited Ranganātha, Setubandha, and the Malaya Hills

He then went to Anantapura and fearlessly traveled through uninhabited forests

He visited the Gomati, Gandaki, Saryū, and Käveri Rivers.

He also went to Ayodhya and then wandered through the forest of Dandakāranya.

He went to Trimalla, Vyenkatanātha, Sapta-Godāvari, the abode of Lord Siva, and Kanyā-kumārī

Lord Nityânanda visited the Revē River Mahişmati, Malla-Tirtha, and Haridvāra, where the Ganges descended in ancient times.

In this way, after traveling to all the holy places Nityananda returned to Mathurā





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NITYANANDA PRABHU RESIDED IN VRNDAVANA, WHILE IN NAVADVIPA, GAURACANDRA REVEALED HIMSELF Lord constantly engaged in sankirtana in great happiness, yet He became unhappy on not seeing Nityananda

Nityananda understood that the Lord had manifested Himself

Lord Nityananda lived in Vrndavana in order to wait for Mahaprabhu to reveal Himself

He immediately came to Navadvipa, where He stayed at the house of Nandana Acarya



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WHEN VISVAMBHARA UNDERSTOOD THAT NITYANANDA HAD ARRIVED, HE

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Lord said "O brothers, within two or three days some great personality will come here"

"Today I have seen something wonderful in a dream"

"A chariot adorned by a flag marked with a palm tree and expert in bestowing the essence of life on all people arrived at My doorstep"

"Within the chariot I saw someone with a huge body. He held a post on His shoulder and His movements were unsteady"

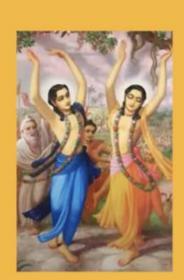
dressed in blue garments and His head was decorated with a blue cloth"

"He repeatedly inquired ten or twenty times, Is this the house of Nimai Pandita?"

"I was filled with respect on seeing Him and asked, 'Which great personality are You?"

"He smiled and said, i am Your brother. Tomorrow We will meet"

"O Haridasa! O Srivasa! Go immediately and see who has come"



"In His left hand He carried a waterpot wrapped with cane. He was

Two maha-bhagavatas happily searched throughout Navadvipa for 9 hours - couldnt find anyone





By this pastime He revealed that Nityananda is most confidential - One can see Him only when Lord Caitanya reveals Him

After a while the Lord smiled and said, "Everyone come and see Him with Me."

Sri Gaurasundara led all the devotees to the house of Nandana Acarya

Everyone saw that His effulgence was like that of millions of suns

Mahaprabhu Visvambhara stood directly in front of Nityananda, who immediately recognized the Lord of His life

The form of Visvambhara was as attractive as that of Cupid - decorated with divine sandalwood pulp, flower garlands, and garments

Nityananda became stunned in ecstasy as He stared at the beautiful form of Visvambhara



He appeared to be licking that beautiful form with His tongue, drinking it with His eyes, embracing it with His arms, and smell- ing it with His nose

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UNDERSTOOD THAT NITYANANDA HAD ARRIVED, HE **BECAME UNLIMITEDLY JOYFUL AT HEART** WHEN VISVAMBHARA

The exchange of happiness that the two enjoyed was similar to what is heard of between Rama and Laksmana

No comparison to the affection between Gauracandra and Nityananda other than that which is found between Rama and Laksmana

Visvambhara said, "Today is an aupicious day for Me, for I have seen devotional service, which is the essence of the four Vedas"





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"Listen, Nityānanda! Listen, Haridāsa! Go out and preach My order everywhere"

"Go to every house and beg in this way, `Chant the names of Kṛṣṇa, worship Kṛṣṇa, follow Kṛṣṇa's instructions' Being ordered by the Lord, the two went door to door and requested everyone, "Chant the name of Kṛṣṇa, sing the glories of Kṛṣṇa, and engage in the worship of Kṛṣṇa"

"Kṛṣṇa is your life, Kṛṣṇa is your wealth, Kṛṣṇa is your very life and soul"

"O brothers, chant the name of that Kṛṣṇa with full attention"

Some happily said, "We will do. We will do"
Others said, "These two are crazy because of bad advice"

"You have become mad on account of bad association. Why have you come to make us mad?"

"Nimāi Paṇḍita has spoiled them all"

"Beat them! Beat them!"

"These two are the spies of a thief. They are wandering door to door on the pretext of preaching"

"Why would a sujana act in that way? If they come again, we will take them to the King"

