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Dear Friends

Tomorrow is Guru Poornima. This is a very special day and is of a great spiritual significance. Poornima is the full moon. Guru is the spiritual master, the guide, the teacher, the one who is full of wisdom and may be God realized and enlightened.

Moon is the signicator of the mind of the person. Therefore the full moon is to signify as the mind that is fully lit up, or enlightened with wisdom. Here, wisdom is referred to as the spiritual wisdom. Once the mind is full of wisdom, then a person is able to control the worldly senses and develops a sense of detachment from the world. All worldly attractions and attachments are due to Maya, the great delusion, that pervades the entire world. The mind and senses can very easily fall prey to temptations of Maya. In fact, we all are engulfed with Maya. Maya can confuse even the wise and distract them.

The whole world is a combination of the real and the unreal. The real, the truth, is actually beyond the world, since the world is an illusion, a projection. The unreal, is all Maya. This is somewhat like the YIN and YANG of the Tao philosophy. We humans have grief and suffering because the mind is a victim of the senses. Love, hate, attachment, Ego, anger are all off shoots of the five human senses. But all these are a creation of the mind itself. The spirit, the Atma, is devoid of these material senses. Therefore to achieve liberation, Nirvana, Mukti from this world of Maya and delusion, one has to overcome the mind and senses. Since we are born in the world, and are brought up in Maya and materialism, it may be extremely difficult to be detached from senses.

Here is where a Guru is necessary. A guru is a person who is well versed with the spiritual wisdom, who has practiced a spiritual life, who is selfless, and the one who is in communion with God always. This Guru, can help us overcome the challenges of the mind and senses. The Guru shows you the way, through love, compassion, patience and knowledge. Such a Guru alone, can take you across the oceans of Maya and take you ashore to the truth. That's why the scriptures emphasize on 'Satsang' so much. Satsang means keeping the company of men of wisdom and truth. They would constantly guide you, direct you, encourage you and help you attain the spiritual path.

The question is - Where do you find such a Guru???

Well, there are plenty of Gurus out there - "for sale" There are 'gurus' who charge you an amount to take you through a crash course to heaven. There are Gurus who make you a disciple for a fee. And there are gurus who take nothing, except a few thousand dollars to give you a special entry in their ashrams. These gurus are only for the rich and famous.

Beware dear brothers and sisters!!!

A true Guru is the one whose life itself is an example. A true divine Guru will do everything selflessly for the devotees and disciples and for the entire mankind. An enlightened Guru is forever in a divine bliss, and not concerned about wealth and glamour. For him, all are alike. Irrespective of the Race or religion. Irrespective of their status or bank accounts. A true Guru would want only faith, devotion and love from all. Such a Guru is divine.

In the past, there have been such spiritual and enlightened Gurus. There was Jesus, the son of God, who

was totally in divine consciousness, there was Buddha, who too was enlightened, then there was Guru Nanak, and many others. These Gurus were direct representatives of God, and had a spiritual message for the entire mankind.

In today's time , there is Sri Satya Sai Baba, who is divine incarnate Himself. He is the SADGURU. Sadguru means the Guru of all Gurus. A Sadguru is the one who is literally God Himself. Pure Divine Consciousness. The one who has the knowledge of the entire creation, the one who knows the past, present and the future, the one who has all the divine supernatural powers, the one who is an Avatar. He, who has the control over time and space, who has control over the nature, and the one who can heal and even raise the dead. Every word of his, is a divine message, every act of his, is for the benefit of the entire humanity, and his life itself, is illustrative and exemplary.

What more could we want? We have a Guru who is divine Himself. He does not want you to change your religion or faith. He is the Guru of millions of people from all over the world, from all faiths, from all races and all religions. Such a universal Guru can only be a Sadguru, who has come to liberate us from this material world. He has come to transform us through love and wisdom. He has come to raise our consciousness to a higher level, so that the entire world may once again, become the golden age, where all humans will live in spiritual conduct and divine consciousness.

I wish to give this message to the entire world, that now is the time. The time of transformation, the time for the new age. The divine plan is already in action, and very soon, evil will perish, and only goodness will prevail. We should all tune into the divine consciousness so that we may be a part of the divine plan, so that the lord can give us Bhakti and Mukti. (Devotion and liberation)

For those who are not familiar with Satya Sai Baba, can look up my website, and also see other websites which some devotees have put up on Sai Baba.

satyasai.org or saibabaofindia

God Bless

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