

Prasadam - Prayer



Before honouring the Prasadam we say the following prayer:

*maha-prasade govinde
nama-brahmani vaisnave
svalpa-punya-vatam rajan
visvaso naiva jayate*

For those who have amassed very few pious activities, their faith in maha-prasad, in Sri Govinda, in the Holy Name and in the Vaishnavas is never born.

*sarira avidya-jal, jodendriya tahe kal,
jive phele visaya-sagore
tar' madhye jihva ati, lobhamoy sudurmati,
ta 'ke jeta kathina samsare*

O Lord, this material body is a place of ignorance, and the senses are a network of paths leading to death. Somehow, we have fallen into this ocean of material sense enjoyment, and of all the senses the tongue is most voracious and uncontrollable. It is very difficult to conquer the tongue in this world.

*krishna baro doyamoy, koribare jihva jay,
sva-prasad-anna dilo bhai*

*sei annamrita pao, radha-krishna-guna gao,
preme dako chaitanya-nitai*

But You, dear Krishna, are very kind to us and have given us such nice prasadam, just to control the tongue. Now we take this prasadam to our full satisfaction and glorify Their Lordships Sri Sri Radha Krishna, and in love call for the help of Lord Chaitanya and Lord Nityananda.

Jai Nimai Jai Nitai,

*(jaya) śrī-kṛṣṇa-caitanya prabhu nityānanda śrī-advaita gadādhara
śrīvāsādi-gaura-bhakta-vṛnda.*

*Hare Krishna Hare Krishna Krishna Krishna Hare Hare / Hare
Rama Hare Rama Rama Rama Hare Hare*