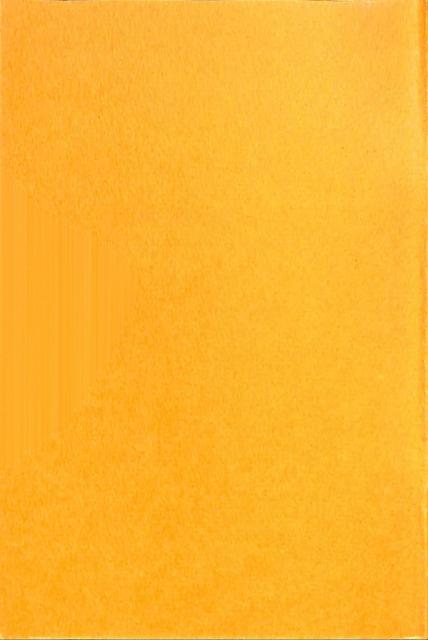
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Eternal Beauty of Meher Baba Live in my heart

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EACH MORNING

Each morning first thing we can step into limitless Light. We can leave the muddled impressions of worldly matters and enter the circle of Light.

We may look at a picture of the Beloved God or look within ourselves with eyes shut. For an hour each morning we can live in the circle of Light.

"Speak to Him thou for He hears, and spirit with spirit can meet. Nearer is He than breathing, Closer than hands and feet."

To call the Beloved's Name, to speak to Him, we are then lifted up to a raised consciousness.

It is beyond words.

Love enters your heart because you love the Beloved, who is God and therefore eternally at the heart of all life.

We can just fly to Him on wings of Love.

Each day more power and love comes into our hearts. In this manner we grow strong; by practising the Presence, we overcome the small self. The ego is transcended.

The finite mind that troubles us is put down temporarily, is given a rest.

Say, "I am part of the Infinite and the Infinite God is within me." M.B.

It is regular habits of the search for Truth which help us. Even the first fumblings for a spiritual life can be recorded and gradually, step by step, we can lift ourselves out of the mire. We are lifted up into the Light by our own efforts. It is the search and making the effort which help us.

He is within us, He has said.

The One Soul permeates all creation. The Perfect Ones know it so well. They say, "I am One with you, One with God. I and God are One."

It is the small mind of man which makes divisions, which separates the sheep from the goats; which judges others and sets itself up as separate and alone.

Each day find stillness at the heart's core and become part of the Divine SELF who is always sleeping within us, waiting to be recognised.

Maud Kennedy 1967

MEDITATION

Be calm, be quiet,
Be still;
Empty of thought,
Without desires,
We await Your will.

In the night,
In the day,
Each hour beauty speaks
a word of God.
We await Your will.

Alone and silent
The body sleeps
The spirit soars
To-wards the Light.
We await Your will.

SIT STILL

Sit still each day
And think about Baba
The Father of us all.
When we think of Baba
Everything else dwindles,
Dwindles into nothingness.
Our busy life is nothing.
He is everything.

The immensity of His Love,
Humility and power,
The length of His silence,
The breadth of His understanding,
The depth of His suffering,
The joy of His humour.
O the quiet Friend,
He is everything.

THE PHOENIX

Make a heap of your desires and ego
And Light it from a spark of the
great Fire,

Love, which burns that heap to ashes; Then will arise a creature winged The Phœnix of your one true Self.

ALL are ONE

In this heart is Your home, In this mind take possession, In this body is Your dwelling, In this world all are ONE. The mystics are the ever free, speaking a language that no sane man understands. Happy to be free, to laugh, to weep, to dance, to sing; to go their own way. Happy to love God and carry Him about as light as a feather on their hearts.

SONG

Baba forgave me,
Baba gave me peace and joy
Each day.
Baba is not far,
He is ever near,
Baba is God.
He is my Beloved.
How can I live
Without my dear ONE?

KNOWING

May we all come to know
Baba and to love Him.
Joy, through knowing Baba,
Peace, through knowing Baba,
Strength, through obeying Baba,
Oneness, through loving Baba,
Who is the Beloved of us all.

PRAYER

Meher Baba
Father and Friend,
God of mercy
Live in my heart.
Speak through my mouth,
Use my hands and feet
To move for Thee
And do Thy will.
Guide me to Thy feet
Where I am safe,
Empty of self,
Praising God.

THE LOTUS FLOWER

May we all find Baba in our hearts and nothing else. Beloved, if you occupy our hearts we lack nothing. Our desires melt away. Material things lose their power over us. The world is ever a nag. a conspirator to drag us away from You, but we grow daily stronger, by keeping You ever in our minds. King of our hearts, the Perfect LOTUS FLOWER.

TRAVEL

You I take with me,
You I leave here,
And You are everywhere,
I nowhere alone.

Empty me of myself,
O Lord,
That I may be filled
with Thy Love.

NO OTHER

You are the Light and the Truth, no other!

You are the Truth in our hearts, no other!

You are all we have, no other, no other!

You are everything worthy to be loved.

O Baba, without You there is nought to love.

WORSHIP

Holy and Divine FATHER,
We worship and adore Thee.
Thou art God!
Nothing but God.
You pour out Love,
Divine Love on us all,
The unworthy children of Light.
How can we worship Thee aright?
We kneel before Thee
In silent adoration,
Thou the Merciful
Giver of Light.

AN OFFERING

In the centre of my mind I place Him,
My Beloved Lord.

I offer my mind to Thee.

I ask Thee to sweep it clean
Of all that is false and low.

I offer my mind to Thee, O Meher! Accept my Arti.

SONG

O my Lord of Love,
Thou Infinite Perfection,
O my Lord of Love,
Thou art within me.
I feel myself flowing out
To-wards Infinite Light.
Thou, Thou, Thou art
The Giver of Light.
Light pours out from
Thy Presence.

Thou art the Lord of Life.

O King, who reigns supreme
In all loving hearts,
Pure hearts who know Thee
Breathe in Thy Love,
The pure ESSENCE of LIFE.
O Baba, Thou art
my very heart-beat.

FOR YOUTH

O Baba Beloved! Bless all the young generation, Seekers of truth and beauty. May they become aware of Baba's Divine Love. in wave upon wave enveloping them. filling their hearts with joy. May love of honesty. compassion and right thinking flood their whole being. May knowledge of Baba give peace to all. May they enter His LIGHT.

BURST OF JOY

O Baba Beloved,
In Your beauty we live,
We who are nothing
Become great in the thought of You.
We try to understand
Your suffering for us,
But You flood our hearts with bliss
And each time we fail.

But one day God's Light
Will break through
And the world will awake,
A great shout will go up
From every dark corner,
Hearts will burst with joy
and cry "Baba! Meher Baba!"
And lay their heads at your feet.

LOVE

Love is above all,
Greater than all,
Sweeter than all,
All in all.
Divine Love is all-pervading.
Wave upon wave of Love
enters us,
covers us like a shower
of bliss,
until we are submerged
and drowned in
Love for Baba.

LIGHT AND LOVE

O holy sacred Light,
Light of Baba's Love,
Shine on the world.
Light of Love and peace,
Pure holy Light,
Shining from His Presence.
Light of Baba's Love,
illumine our hearts
and raise us up
to be men and women
worthy of God.

It is the wonder of wonders,
The joy of joys,
The holy of holies,
when we open our hearts
like flowers in the sun
of Baba's Love.

He will renew and sanctify,
Empty and purify
the mind laid bare.
If we surrender our lives
to Him,
our cups will be filled
to overflowing,
filled silently
with Baba's Love.

THE KING'S SMILE

I am a beggar at Your door and ask a boon.

I stand waiting outside for You to turn Your head and smile.

O glorious God!

Where You walk is Heaven, people follow You and talk but You are silent.

You are not indifferent
to the beggars at Your door
who are waiting.
You came so soon to help us
and we were late,
lingering too long
in the muddy ways of the world.

How poor we are and thirsty,
Now we want a drink
of pure water
at the fountain of Love,
to wash our bodies clean,
our minds to offer as a cup.
"Harken beggars,
Now it is Baba who speaks
The WORD!"

GRIEF AND GLORY

The life is passing
And I have not seen my God.
O where can I find Him?
Where will He appear,
within or without?

Will He put His arms around me,
Once, just once?
May I put my arms around Him,
Once, just once?
May I kiss His hands and feet
just once?
It is enough,
for He is God, the only Beloved.

THE ROCK

Peace and joy,
Love and laughter,
all stem from the Beloved
who dwells in our hearts.
He is there unseen,
our inspiration.
He is the immovable
rock on which we build.
He is Love,
He is joy,
He is peace,
We have become a thread
in the hem of His garment.

POEM OF THE BELOVED

I have found the Divine Beloved. The INFINITE DIVINE LOVER. The only ONE worthy to be loved. At His lightening touch My heart becomes a flame. He sets the soul on fire. Thinking becomes pure feeling. My whole being rises Into realms of purest Love. Stammering words of praise "Thou, Thou, Thou art God!" Praise and prayers come and go. I receive wave upon wave of joy. It is the bliss of the soul.

A tremour shakes me;
He shakes me out of all complacency,
The usual self is lost,
Shamed out of existence.

"Baba, Baba, Baba,
O Purity! O Perfection!

Thou art Love."

SILENT VOICE

The voice of Love is calling me,
The beauty of Love is drawing me,
Beyond and out of myself,
Closer and closer to Thee,
The feeling of Love is lifting me
away from the world.
The rising tide is taking me
Far out to sea
Beyond knowing, beyond caring,
into the life of Love.

Opening the prison door
I hear the silent voice of Love.
I know nothing
but only that I love You
and You are God
the only Beloved.

REST

Rest in the Heart of God
In a state of bliss;
Here we float,
here we truly live,
living the life of Love.
God's Love breathing thru us
Into us and out of us,
Limitlessly.
We breathe Love in,
We breathe Love out,
in a state of ecstasy.
Rest
in the Heart of God.

PRAYER

I am ashamed to come before Thee.
In Thy PERFECT BEAUTY
THOU ART GOD.

We are little children, who
must humbly learn to love,
and kneel at Thy Feet
worshipping Thy Divine Beauty,
The LOVE FORCE,
whose power and energy
and JOY is ours when
we ask for it and surrender
our will to THY WILL.

PRAYER

May the rising generation rise triumphant in THY LOVE, with Meher Baba's name resounding in every heart; May they overcome the ego and conquer the world with LOVE.

May courage, honesty, purity fill every young receptive heart — in an explosion of JOY.

HYMN TO MEHER BABA

He is the power and glory of the sun.

He is the lonely beauty of the moon.

His words of wisdom are circling the world

like the stars in brightness.

He has the levelling quality of water

And the rich depth of earth

But His Love is the air we breathe.

Thy will be done
Thy Name be honoured
Thy words be heard
Thy Love be shared
Thy Truth be lived
Thy bliss be known
Thy glory be seen
Thy peace be kept
Everywhere.

