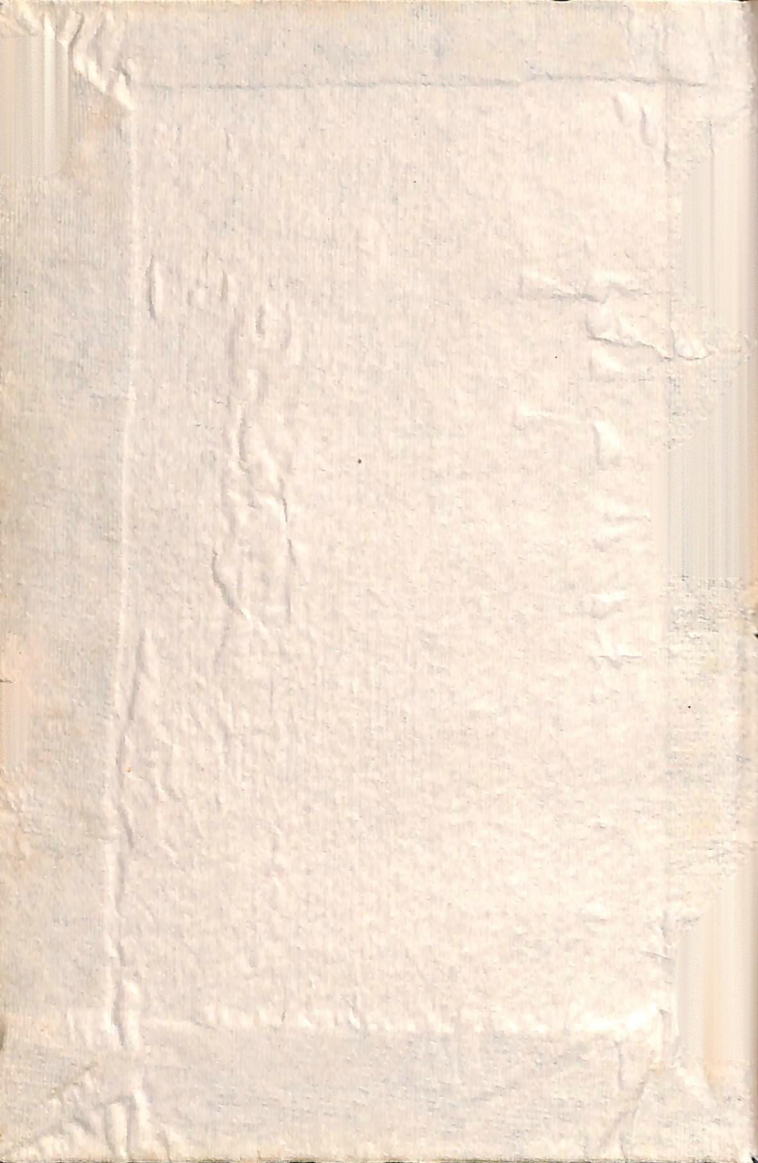


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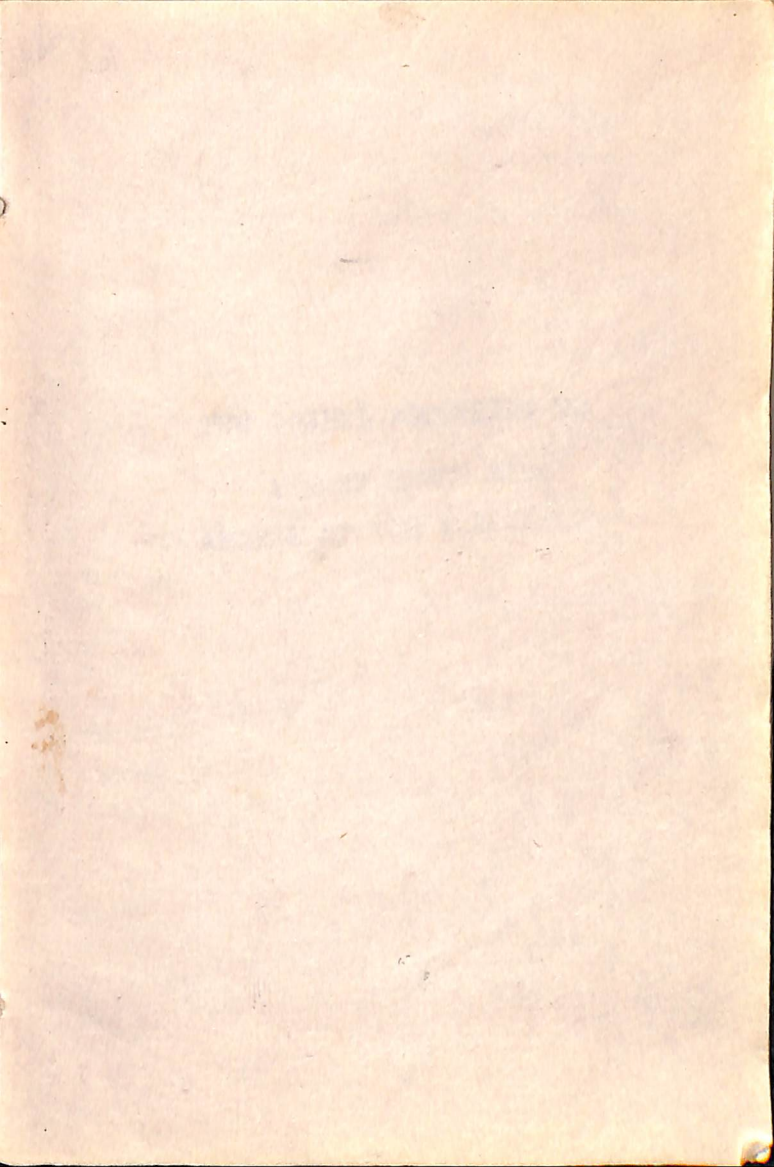
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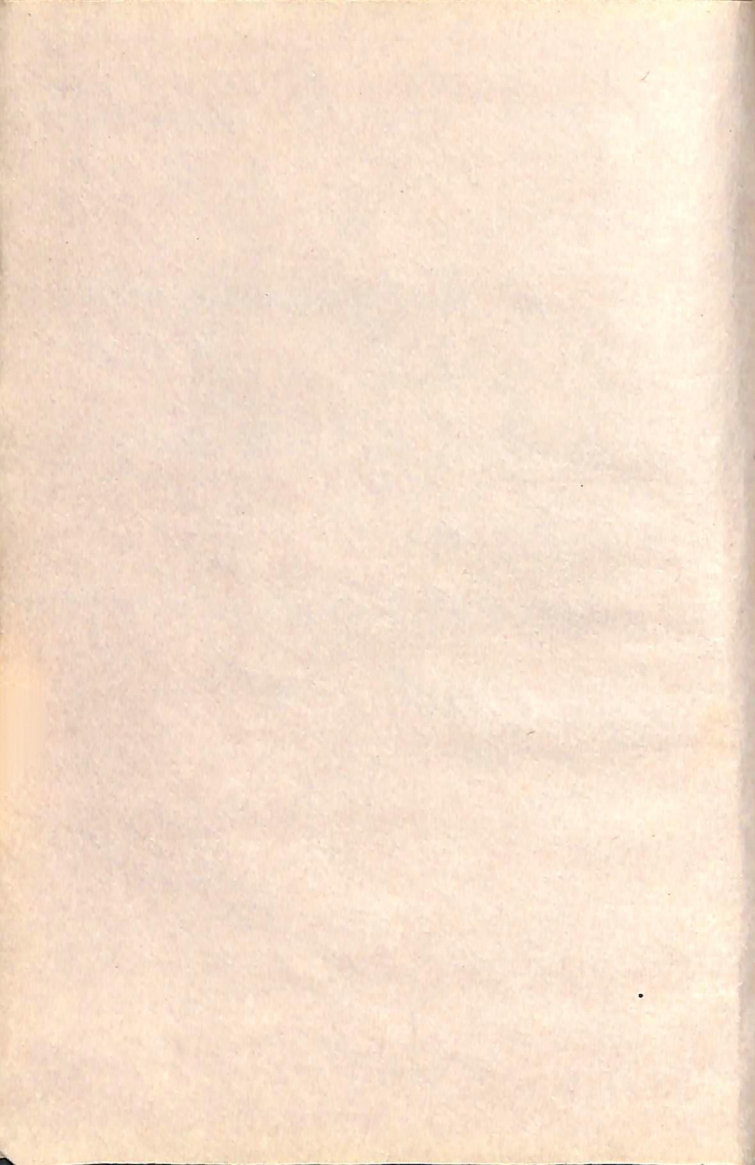
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## BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH OF MEHER BABA

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On July 10, 1925 Meher Baba began to observe silence, which he has continued till he dropped his physical body on 31st January, 1969, after completing his Avataric, mission.

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Meher Baba frequently retired into seclusion and observed long fasts. These periods of seclusion were periods of spiritual working on the inner planes for the good of all humanity. Alternating with the periods of seclusion, Meher Baba lead a life of dynamic activity. He toured the entire world several times, laid spiritual cables between East and West, attracted several westerners towards him and brought East and West together in spiritualism.

Meher Baba also took special interest in contacting and personally serving those who are known as "Masts" or God-intoxicated persons, <sup>immersed</sup> ~~immersed~~ in <sup>bliss</sup> ~~bless~~ and unconscious of the body. For this

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# THE THREE PRAYERS WHICH BABA GAVE US.

## THE MASTER'S PRAYER

O Parvardigar, the preserver and  
protector of all,

You are without beginning and  
without end;

Non-dual, beyond comparison, and  
none can measure you.

You are without clour, without expre-  
ssion, without ~~form~~ <sup>form</sup> born, and  
without attributes.

You are unlimited and unfathomable,  
beyond imagination and conception,  
eternal and imperishable.

You are indivisible, and none can see you,  
but with eyes divine.

You always were, you always are, and  
you always will be



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O Father, the preserver and  
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You are without beginning and  
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You are without color, without ex-  
tension, without ~~form~~, and  
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and you are also beyond every-  
where and beyond everything.

You are in the firmanent and in the  
depths.

You are manifest and unmanifest; on all  
Planes, and beyond all planes.

You are in the three worlds and also  
beyond the three worlds.

You are imperceptible and independent,

You are the Creator, the Lord of Lords,  
the knower of all minds and  
hearts.

You are <sup>Omnipotent</sup> ~~Onipotent~~ and <sup>Omni-present</sup> ~~Onipresent~~,

You are Knowledge infinite, Power  
infinite, and bless infinite.

You are the Ocean of knowledge, all-  
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You are all-<sup>merciful</sup>~~merciful~~ and eternally  
benevolent.

You are the Soul of souls, the one  
with infinite attributes.

You are the Trinity of Truth, knowledge  
and bliss.

You are the Source of truth, the Ocean  
of love.

You are the Ancient one, the Highest  
of the high,

You are Prabhu and Parameshwar.

You are the Beyond-God and the Beyond-  
Beyond God also,

You are Parabrahma; Allah; Elahi;  
Yesdan, Ahuramazda; and God  
the Beloved.

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You are Paramatma; Atma; Jivatma;  
Yesan, Anantam; and God  
the Beloved.

You are named Head, the only one worthy  
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## THE PRAYER OF REPENTANCE

Om Parabrahma Paramatma  
Ya-Yazdan, Lailah Illallah,  
O God, Father in Heaven !

We repent, O god most merciful for all  
our sins; for every thought that  
was false or unjust or unclean;  
for every word spoken that ought  
not to have been spoken; and for  
every deed done that ought not to  
have been done.

We repent for every deed and word and  
thought inspired by selfishness;  
and for every deed and word and  
thought inspired by hatred.

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Most specially also we repent for every action that has brought ruin to others, for every word and deed that has given others pain, and for every wish that pain should befall others.

In your unbounded mercy we ask you to forgive us O God ! for all these sins committed by us and to forgive for our constant failures to think and speak and act according to your will.

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BABA SAID:

Those who believe in me, yet feel like questioning my words and actions are weak in their convictions and belief in me. If you maintain a tight grip on my Daaman you will remain with me on the highest of levels or the lowest, wherever I am, wherever I may be - - - - - where the kite goes the tail goes, as long as it sticks to the kite. So long as you keep your grip tight it matters little whether you are a saint or a sinner - - -.

It is now for you to decide whether to hold on to my daaman believing in me and remaining devoted to me, by following my orders and instructions.

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## BABA ON : LOVE GOD

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To love God as he ought to be loved we must live for God and die for God, knowing that the goal for all life is to love God and find him as our ownself.

If instead of seeing faults in others, we look within ourselves, we are loving God. If instead of robbing <sup>we rob ourselves</sup> others to help ourselves, to help others,

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## BABA ON : MY WISH

The lover has to keep the wish of the beloved. My wish for my lovers is as follows:-

1. Do not shirk your responsibilities.
2. Attend faithfully to your worldly duties but keep always at the back of your mind that all this is Baba's.
3. When you feel happy, think 'Baba wants me to be happy'.
4. Be resigned to every situation and think honestly and sincerely 'Baba has placed me in this situation.'
5. With the understanding that Baba is in everyone, try to help and serve others.

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6. I say with my divine authority to each and all that whosever takes my name at the time of breathing his last comes to me so do not forget to remember me in your last moments. Unless you start remembering me from now on, it will be difficult to remember me when your end approaches. You should start practising from now on. Even if you take my name only once every day you will not forget to remember me in your dying moments.

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Let ~~the~~ thoughts of anger, lust and greed come and go freely without putting them into words and deeds. Then the related impressions in your mind

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When you feel angry or have lustful thoughts, remember Baba at once. Let ~~My~~ name serve as a net around you.

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## SOME OF THE MESSAGES OF MEHER BABA

Don't run away from the world,  
run away from your own lowerself.  
Don't renounce the world, renounce your  
own lower self. Dont seek solitude any-  
where but within you own self. Silently  
cry out within your own self. " Beloved  
one reveal yourself to me as my own real  
infinities self".

If you have rock-like faith in God  
and flame-like lover for him, nothing in  
this world will effect you. Misery will  
not trouble you. Flattery will not touch  
you. Happiness will not humour you.  
Such faith and love will cause you to  
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After some time we find that Baba is not at all lying latent in our hearts, but is found constantly reminding us that we should be always aware and vigilant to do all that is good and noble only and to love ~~him~~ more and more by leaving all results to ~~him~~ completely without forgetting ~~his~~ <sup>even</sup> name ever for a second.

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Another thing Baba often stresses is that we should not resort to any unclean false and stop gap method to achieve our purpose.

Such dirty work he vehemently condemns. Baba is always for complete purity and honesty.

Baba is the supreme Lord of the whole creation and Master of Maya. He is the sole <sup>Dispenser</sup> ~~Dispenser~~. He is all powerful and wholly competent to do his work quite independently without the need to rely on anyone or on anything.

If ~~He~~ entrusts some work to us, it is for our immediate good.



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4. Neither praise nor blame should distract you from the path of your duty. Leave aside all other considerations, if your conscience tells you that you have discharged the duty properly, that is enough.
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13. God is infinite honesty. To love God ~~honesty~~ you must be honest.
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15. There should not be any trace of show in the work you do for Baba.
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20. Start learning to love God by beginning to love <sup>those</sup> ~~these~~ whom you cannot.
21. One of the proofs of Baba's greatness is the greatness of those who have been with ~~him~~ all their lives.
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27. It is the truth when I say that the waves do not roll and the leaves do not move without my will.
28. Do your best and leave the result to God.
29. Don't criticise. The habit of criticising our fellow beings is a bad one. At the back of it often lies self-righteousness conceit, a false sense of superiority. Sometimes it indicates <sup>envy</sup> ~~every~~, or a desire for retaliation.

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30. True sanctity says Baba, does not lie in the dead walls of brick and stone or even in the waters of the sacred rivers, but in the living beings who fill the environment with the fire of their devotion love and worship and in the great spiritual forces released by the masters during their, stay there.
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33. So long as you hold fast to the Daaman of Baba there is no need to go after other saints however great they may be or profess to be. Baba repeatedly warned that several false saints will spring up like mushrooms from no where. Nowdays we hear that several mini Babas (Chota Babas) and imitation Babas have sprung up indulging in miracle mongering. Some of them may not hesitate to say that they are the reincarnation of some past Sadgurus, knowing full well that they are held in high esteem by the public. It is a well established faith in all religions that no Sadguru will reincarnate. They

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34. Baba lovers need not worry to know about the theoritical and intellectual knowledge of the planes of consciousness and the creation of the universe. Any amount of ~~lecturing~~ <sup>lecturing</sup> on these subjects does not indicate the depth of spiri-

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 omniscient and the Avatar's work is  
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35. The twelve Intimate Mandali are the Apostles of Baba. If you want to get any clarification about Baba or about what he said, you will have to get it from his Apostles. They have the exclusive privilege to get at the knowledge of Baba being at his feet <sup>leaving</sup> having all and following him, in thought word and deed.

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## P R O R O G U E

We are fortunate that we are contemporaries of Shri Meher Baba. All his followers belonging to all religions, castes and creeds throughout the world acclaim him as the Avatar of the Age. Yet most people living today might not have heard of his Name, just as if asked, who is Budha or who is Mohammad or who is Jesus the Christ <sup>when</sup> ~~where~~ they were alive, most people would have said that ~~ex~~ they had not heard of them either. It took more than thousand years for the world manifestation of Jesus. It is gratifying to note that during the life time of Shri Meher Baba, the Government of Maharastra approved the installation of the

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His lovers, old and new i.e., those who had already received the gift of his love. Otherwise would it be possible for thousands of new lovers who had not seen Him physically to come for his darshan after he dropped his mortal <sup>coil</sup> ~~veil~~, from all corners of the world at great expense and inconvenience just to obey his orders and bowed their heads to Baba in their hearts during that memorable darshan programme. He must have released the word of words implanting love in their hearts. Even now several new lovers of Baba who have not seen Him in His physical form are taking darshan annually at his tomb (Samadhi) at Meherabad.



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His Manifestation has started. It may take some more years to have world Manifestation of Avatar Meher Baba.

JAI MEHER BABA

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