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## Introduction :

Every man or woman seek a life of lasting peace and happiness on earth, but few find it.

Every nation strive ceaselessly to bring peace and plenty for its people through creative and united effort. And the national leaders appeal to the minds of men to rise above all divisions based on race or religion, caste or creed, community or language and to bring about an emotional integration of all people in the interest of national good.

International peace-makers longing for lasting peace for all people on the earth labour hard through efficient organisations

to establish co-existence and co-operation amongst the nations of the world.

And inspite of all these endeavours, individual and collective, national and international peace evades man. Why ? Because all these human efforts though sincere are not based on Love, the inescapable and eternal Law of Life.

Behind the apparent diversity of existence there is a spiritual unity that pervades the entire universe. Behind the man-made laws of life there is a divine law that governs the entire creation. Ignorance of this underlying unity of all life cause all miseries man experiences.

Lasting peace is an attribute of God, who is the Self of all. And man's ceaseless seeking and striving for peace is a proof of the existence of God, who resides

within all. Peace can come to man only through the grace of God and the grace of God descends to man only when he starts living a life of love for God, who is the Source and Sustainer of all.

Avatar and the Perfect Masters are [as they were and ever will be] the only God on earth. While Perfect Masters live on earth at all times guiding divine destiny of man Avatar's advent is an occurrence at the turn of every age between 700 to 1400 years. And this advent of God amongst men as Man is in fulfilment of His age-old declaration as Sri Krishna [God as Man] to Arjuna [man as man seeking peace] that when the wick of Righteousness burns low, the Avatar comes yet once again to rekindle the torch of Love and Truth in the hearts of men on the earth

He has come once again now and amidst the clamour of destruction, wars, fear and chaos, rings the silent call of Avatar Meher Baba. "Come All Unto Me." It is to help the sincere seekers of Truth and honest lovers of God to listen to His call of compassion that Avatar Meher Baba Poona Centre offers with love this booklet in the firm conviction the contents will inspire the inquiring minds of aspirants to sincerely seek the Truth Meher Baba brings to man today.

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## **BIRTHDAY MESSAGE**

On this Anniversary of My Birthday I give you My blessings for the deathday of your false selves and for the Birthday in Me of your One True SELF.

Meherabad  
25-2-1962

- Meher Baba

## LIFE AT ITS BEST

If understood, life is simply a jest;  
If misunderstood, life becomes a pest.  
Once overcome, life is ever at rest.  
For pilgrims of the Path, life is a test.  
When relinquished through love,  
life is at its best.

## HAPPINESS AND BLISS

If man wants the happiness he is striving for, let him be more aggressive towards himself and more tolerant towards others. This is no weakness or cowardice – it is the real strength of the brave. And if man wants to live eternally in bliss, let him live for God and be dead to his self.

★ The greatest Law of God is Love, which holds the key to all problems.



## INTELLECTUAL PROOF

To ask for a purely intellectual proof of the existence of God is like asking for the privilege of being able to see with your ears!



★ Avatar is like a gauge against which man can measure what he is and what he may become.

## GOD IS ETERNAL EXISTECEN

Philosophers, atheists and others may affirm or refute the existence of God, but as long as they do not deny the very existence of their own being they continue to testify to their belief in God - for I tell you with divine authority, that God is Existence, eternal and infinite. He is EVERYTHING.

Whether man knows it or not, there is for him only one aim in life, and eventually he realizes this when he consciously experiences his own eternal and infinite state of "I am God".



★ Godhood is the birthright of every man.

## THEORY & PRACTICE

The energy which is expended in mere thinking, talking or writing is like the steam which escapes through the whistle of the railway engine. The whistle makes a noise, and is even interesting, but it cannot drive the engine. No amount of whistling can move the engine forward. The steam has to be harnessed and used intelligently in order that it may actually take the engine to its destination. That is why the sages have always insisted on practice rather than theory. This applies particularly to those who want to know and realize God.

## KNOWLEDGE THROUGH EXPERIENCE

The knowledge of Truth as gained through the established creeds is like the knowledge of a town which one gets by studying it on a map. To see and know the town one has to take the trouble of actually going there.

It is one thing merely to see the picture of a cow; quite a different thing to have a real cow and to drink its milk.

In the same way all religious creeds, though useful for the time being, ultimately must be replaced by actual experience and the inner spiritual Path must be traversed before one can realize the infinite Truth.

## SUPREMACY OF LIVING WISDOM

The established codes of religion and morality are to mankind as is the general advice given by a father to his child. They are for its well-being. But when one may have the advantage of living wisdom, it should be accepted in preference to these established codes. This may be done not only without coming to harm, but with much benefit.

As stated by a Seer, wealth may be sacrificed for health, wealth and health for self-respect, and all three (wealth, health and self-respect) for one's own religion, but to gain God, everything including religion, should be sacrificed without hesitation.



## DIRECT JOURNEY TO GOD

The masses who try to attain the Truth by following rites and rituals are, as it were, in the goods train which is detained indefinitely at various stations. Those who sincerely and devotedly meditate on God or dedicate their lives to the service of humanity are, as it were, in the ordinary train which stops at every station according to the time-table. But those who seek the company of the Truth-realized Master and carry out his orders in full surrenderance and faith are, as it were, in a special train which will take them to the goal in the shortest possible time, without halts at intermediate stations.

## THE MASTER IS THE WAY

In thinking day and night of the Master the disciple **NEARLY** achieves the ultimate objective which is the aim of the diverse practices of meditation and concentration. By putting the work of the Master above his own personal needs, he **ACHIEVES** the aim through complete renunciation.

In sincere surrender to the Master, the disciple comes **VERY** near to the stopping of the mind, which is the goal of most yogic processes. In obeying the Master at any cost and serving him selflessly, he **NEARLY** arrives at the culmination of the Path of understanding and action. And in loving the Master above everything else, he **BECOMES** one

with the Master as Truth and thus attains  
Godhood – the goal of all search and  
endeavour through his grace.

★ My Message to all is 'Love God'.

## RELIGION

Though religion has come into existence to liberate man from all narrowness, it can itself become a cage when not understood properly. All the world religions proclaim the same eternal and universal Truth; yet human weakness has a tendency to carve out some limiting, narrow loyalty which closes its gates upon the shoreless and unbounded ocean of love or divinity. It is not the essentials of religions, but addition merely to their outer forms, which has tended to divide man from man, thus thwarting the very purpose of the great founders of the world religions.



## DYNAMIC FREEDOM

The unlimited freedom of the Truth realized person is the only real and full freedom. Only in such dynamic freedom flowing through a Perfect Master can the Self as Truth manifest Itself, thus expressing the divinized impressions of the universal mind. The divinized impressions are infinitely creative and efficient, because they are infinitely submissive to the Self. They release creative and divine action, which is unlimited.

But the ordinary binding impressions of the ego-mind are unendingly aggressive to the Self and seek their own fulfilment. They are thus infinitely limited in efficiency and creativity.

## BE WHAT YOU ARE

....When you realize the Truth as the very core of your being you are free from all fear and helplessness, and from all rivalries and conflicts reveal themselves to be meaningless, for you know yourself to be inviolably one with all that has life.

To the struggling, failing and faltering humanity I say, "Have faith." Turn to God in complete surrenderance and receive the divine love. You are equally a part of the one indivisible divine life. There is not a single atom that does not vibrate with this divine life.

There is no need for any one to despair. The greatest of sinners as well as the greatest of saints has the same unfailling divine assurance.

## GOD'S DIVINE BUSINESS

GOD the everlasting and indivisible, transacts His universal illusory business of duality by playing His dual role of opposites simultaneously and eternally. Saints are God's assets and sinners are His liabilities. God, the infinite source of wisdom and justice, goes on eternally turning His liabilities into assets.

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\* The saints of the present are the sinners of the past.

## THE INVIOABLE UNITY OF LIFE

It is my God-ordained work to awaken humanity to the inviolable unity and inalienable divinity of all life. Know that you are in essence eternal, and heirs to infinite knowledge, bliss and power. In order to enjoy your unlimited state, all that is necessary is to shed your ignorance which makes you feel that you are separate from the rest of life. The separative ego or "I" can disappear only through divine love, which will be my gift to mankind.

Let those who hearken to my call prepare themselves to render real service to mankind. Let them make it conscious of its oneness, irrespective of the apparent divisions of class, sect or creed. I



do not attach importance to beliefs or dogmas. It is not what you *believe* but what you *are* that will ultimately count.

The Truth which I want you to share with me is not a matter of opinion or belief but of direct experience which knows no contradiction, and which will make you realize that nothing in this world is worth being greedy about, and that there need not be any hatred, jealousy or fear. Then, and only then, will man launch himself upon the safe voyage of unending creativity and unfading happiness which knows no decay or fear; he will have transcended the duality of "I" and "you," "mine" and "thine."

## WORLD PEACE

Everywhere today man is rightfully occupied with the problem of world peace. If there is war, it means nothing short of racial suicide and total destruction. But world peace cannot be ensured through dogmas, however learned, or organizations, however efficient. It can be ensured only by a release of unarguing and unconquerable love which knows no fear or separateness.

Humanity is not going to be saved by any material power - nuclear or otherwise. It can be saved only through divine intervention. God has never failed humanity in its dark and critical periods. The greatest danger to man today is not from any natural catastrophe, but from himself.

It is not possible to realize human brotherhood merely by appealing to high ideals or to a sense of duty. Something more than that is essential to release human consciousness from the clutches of selfishness and greed.

Today the urgent need of mankind is not sects or organised religions, but LOVE. Divine love will conquer hate and fear. It will not depend upon other justifications, but will justify itself.

I have come to awaken in man this divine love. It will restore to him the unfathomable richness of his own eternal being and will solve all of his problems.

## THE AVATAR'S ADVENT

Age after age the Avatar comes amidst mankind to maintain his own creation of illusion, thereby also awakening humanity to awareness of it. The framework of illusion is always one and the same, but the designs in illusion are innumerable and ever-changing. My advent is not to destroy illusion because illusion, as it is, is absolutely nothing. I come to make you become aware of the nothingness of illusion. Through you I automatically maintain illusion which is nothing but the shadow of my infinite Self, and through me you automatically discard illusion when you experience its falseness.

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★ Avatar's appearance always coincides with the spiritual birth of man.

He who knows everything  
displaces nothing.

To each one I appear to be  
what he thinks I am.







