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**“Love is God; lust is Satan”**

*Best wishes for a Happy, Blessed and  
Prosperous Year in Baba's Love and Service*

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## **FOREWORD**

The book entitled "The Nothing and the Everything" expounding Avatar Meher Baba's Philosophy was written by Bro. Bhau Kalchuri, the youngest and also highly educated member of the Mandali and it was printed in the U. S. A. "A prayer to Baba" adorns the opening pages of this book. The introduction to the prayer written by Bhau Kalchuri reveals that the first two stanzas of the prayer were dictated by Baba and under His instructions Bhau Kalchuri composed the next eleven stanzas, while the remaining portion to the very end was composed by Baba. It is further evident from the introduction that Baba used to delight Himself by getting the prayer sung by His nephew "Sheroo". When Bhau Kalchuri suggested making some alterations in the prayer, Baba emphatically said 'No'. Baba also said that this prayer having very great significance emanated from Him not for Bhau's use, but for the entire humanity.

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Baba predicted that this would be sung in future by the devotees in every home all over the world.

For the use of the Baba lovers in Andhra and elsewhere we have brought out the prayer in a book form both in English and Telugu with the earnest hope that Baba lovers would read this prayer in their centres and their homes and receive the love blessings of the Avatar of the Age.

Jai Meher Baba

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# I AM THERE IN EVERYTHING

During nightwatch one evening in 1959 Meher Baba dictated the following couplet to me :

Oh Priceless Treasure of Knowledge !

You are within and without,

And you are the Ocean of Mercy.

You are in all the worlds;

You are the Ocean of Attributes !

Oh Meher, God-incarnate, You Alone

Exist !

Baba then asked me to compose a ghazal around this couplet whenever I had the time. He instructed me to use a particular meter in Hindi which He tapped out with His fingers. But I did not know how to write such a ghazal, so I simply kept the couplet in my notebook and waited until inspired.

Three years passed by. In 1962 Baba instructed me to translate the book, *The Everything and the Nothing*, into Hindi, and Baba wanted me to include a prayer with the translation. It was then that I remembered the lines from that couplet Baba had given me. Baba seemed pleased that I had finally remembered the couplet. He gestured, "Since I alone exist, you write on the theme 'You Alone Exist.' "

At last I found some inspiration and composed eleven couplets to go with the first one. The next day during nightwatch Baba gestured to me, "Did you compose any prayer yesterday?"

I said "Yes Baba, eleven couplets more."

Baba then gestured, "Read them, read them all to Me," and so I did.

Baba was in an exceptionally good mood that day, and after I had finished reading the entire twelve couplets He said, "Take your pen and write what I now give you as more couplets." So there He began composing several new couplets, one after another. Baba sat on His bed and drummed on His thigh with His fist in rhythm to the lines He Himself was composing for over an hour.

Later in 1962 during the hot summer months at Guruprasad Baba ordered me to finish the translation work and to expand *The Everything and the Nothing* with a complete commentary and several songs. I would do this writing work upstairs in my room in the morning and afternoon while Baba and the other mandali were downstairs in the large hall with visitors. Much later I found out that every day Baba would instruct His nephew Sheroo to sing this prayer entitled, "You Alone Exist" Baba never let on to anyone that He Himself had composed this prayer, and

as everyone was under the impression that it was mine, they would jokingly call it "Bhau's prayer to Baba."

Each day when Baba retired to His room, I would come downstairs to attend Him. As I was walking to His room one afternoon several people began laughing at me and saying they did not like the words of the prayer that I had composed. "Which prayer?" I inquired, since I was quite puzzled by their accusations and attitude.

They then thought I was playing dumb and mocked me saying. "You know what prayer! What sort of prayer is this to Baba? Who would pray in such a way? Could you have not used better examples, better descriptions than 'snakes,' 'scorpions,' 'mosquitoes,' 'bugs and gnats' when describing God's attributes?"

That same evening with Baba, He gestured to me, "What are you thinking?"

As usual I said, "Nothing, nothing."

But Baba could see that I was upset about something and He ordered me to tell Him what was going through my mind. I told Him, "Baba, we should change that prayer. It is not so good—we should use other words to describe God's attributes, Your attributes. It offends some people and they do not like it. People are laughing at this prayer, Baba!"

Baba gestured emphatically, "No! Do not change a single word. The prayer is from Me... It is all right! You have no idea of the importance of this prayer. In the future this prayer of Mine will be sung in every house throughout the world."

Later Baba gestured, "It is important, that people find God in disagreeable things, that they find Me in disagreeable things. I am there in everything and in every creature. I am there in the dirt, the scorpion, the snake, the elephant and the mosquito, everything!"

Baba continued, "Do not pay heed to what people think. I like this prayer because it tells people Who I am, What I am. People do not know Who or What I am, and so they need this prayer to know Me, to understand Me. I gave this prayer to them, not you. You wrote what I ordered you to write. A day will come when they will know this."

This is His prayer to the world which is about the Nothing and the Everything.

**BHAU KALCHURI**



# YOU ALONE EXIST

Oh priceless treasure of Knowledge!  
You are within and without,  
and You are the Ocean of Mercy.

You are in all the worlds;  
You are the Ocean of attributes!  
Oh Meher, God-Incarnate, You alone exist!

You are Yezdan. You are Ezad.  
You are Allah and Ishwar.

You are Ram and You are Buddha  
You are Beloved Lord Krishna  
Who with one finger lifted the mountain;  
You alone exist!

You are the Beyond God  
and the Beyond-Beyond God also  
Oh Ocean of Kindness, You alone exist.

You are Mohammed, You are Perfection  
Personified  
You are Knowledge itself,  
and You alone exist.

You live in everyone  
and You are everyone  
Oh Beloved, You are the Enlightened One,  
and You alone exist.

You are with attributes  
and without attributes!  
You are the sole player  
in the divine game. You alone exist.

You are matchless, the Only One!  
You reside in every heart,  
and You alone exist.

You are eternally motionless,  
and immovable is Your abode.  
You are the Highest, for You alone exist.

You are the Doer,  
the deed, and the cause of doing  
The sustainer You are,  
and the Master of Masters  
You alone exist.

You are the seeker, the worship  
and the Sadhana.  
Oh, Meher, God-Incarnate, You alone exist!

You are in front and behind,  
You are above and below,  
O Lord, You live in every house,  
and You alone exist.

You are beyond Beyond,  
yet You remain within everyone.  
You are All-Pervading, and You alone exist

**You are in each neighborhood.**

**You are the Sustainer.**

**You Yourself are all worlds,  
and You alone exist.**

**Everywhere, whether above or below,**

**You are complete;**

**You alone exist.**

**You are unseen, yet seen also.**

**You live in everyone**

**forgiving each his sins.**

**You alone exist.**

**There is no one without You!**

**You are manifesting and unmanifest**

**as You alone exist.**

**You are man. You are birds.**

**You are fish and animals,**

**for You alone exist.**

**You are bugs and gnats,**

**You are snakes and scorpions,**

**You are ants and mosquitoes,  
for You alone exist.**

**You are insects. You are lice.**

**You are dogs, asses and pigs**

**You alone exist.**

You are deer and elephants;  
 You are cats and monkeys;  
 You alone exist!

You are the moon and the stars,  
 the dawn and the night,  
 and the sun and also the light.  
 You alone exist.

You are wind and water,  
 and the animals of the water;  
 You alone exist.

You are silver and gold,  
 You are copper and iron,  
 You are brass and stone;  
 You alone exist.

You are tea and coffee,  
 and the sugar also;  
 You alone exist.

You are paper and the book,  
 You are the school and office;  
 You alone exist,

You are pen and ink  
 and You are the gifted writer.  
 You alone exist.

You are the door and window.  
 You are the marble floor;  
 You alone exist.

You are the medicine and the disease  
and the doctor also;  
You alone exist.

You are the game and the player,  
and the spectator also;  
You alone exist.

You are the flower and the thorn,  
and You are the fragrance  
You alone exist.

You are the singer  
You are the musical instrument.  
You are the sweet tunes;  
for You alone exist.

You are the prayer and the words of the prayer  
You are the forces of evil  
and the powers of light  
You alone exist.

You are the soldier, the army,  
and the Supreme General  
You alone exist.

You are the sailor, the ship,  
and the wide Ocean;  
You alone exist,

You are the storm's turbulence  
and the tranquil waters.

You are the Pearl  
and You are the shell.  
You alone exist.

You are the shore, the ferryman,  
and the Sea also,  
for You alone exist.

You are the beggar, the giver,  
and the charity;  
You alone exist

You are the slave and the Lord;  
You are the Beyond God.  
You are God. You alone exist.

You are Mother and Father;  
You are Master, brother and friend.  
You are family and relatives;  
You alone exist!

There is no one besides You!  
Eternally You are.  
for You alone exist!

You are Pran and You are heart.  
You are also the Beloved of the heart;  
You alone exist!

You are the Beloved and the Lover;  
and You are the nectar of Love  
as You alone exist!

You are breath and life itself.  
Our minds are enthralled  
by Your beauty!  
for You alone exist!

You are the house.  
You are the inhabitants  
and the bricks and furnishings.  
You alone exist.

You are the worshipper,  
his worship,  
and the One worshipped;  
as You alone exist.

You are Consciousness  
and the Way to Consciousness!  
Oh Meher, God-Incarnate, You alone exist!

You are Khwaja, You are Qutub!  
You are Pir and Qalandar!  
You alone exist.

You are Hafiz You are Sanail  
You are Dara and Alexander!  
You alone exist.

**You are Jesus Christ! You are Elahi!**

**You are the Ocean,  
infinite and pure;**

**You alone exist.**

**You are the Koran  
and the One who prays!**

**You are Vali,  
and You are Messenger,**

**You alone exist.**

**You are the Beginning,  
and You are the End.**

**You are also beyond the Beginning  
and beyond the End. You alone exist.**

**You are infinitely beautiful  
and infinitely close!**

**Oh Meher, God-Incarnate, You alone exist!**

**You are Brahma and You are Vishnu;**

**You are the guileless Shankar.**

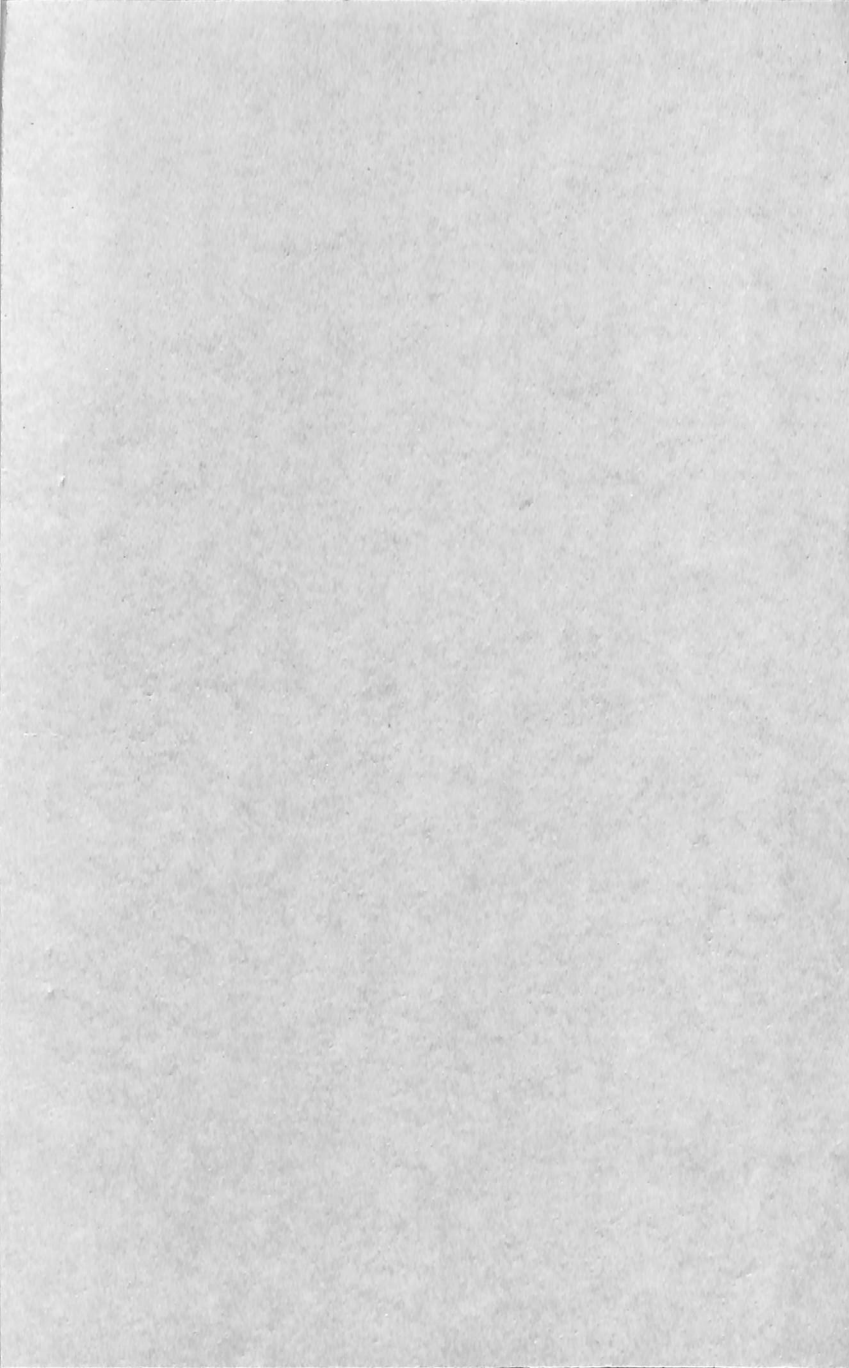
**You alone exist!**

**Bhau says, "O Beloved Meher, You are The Word  
and You are The Letter!**

**You alone exist!"**

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You are Jesus Christ, You are God  
 You are the Ocean,  
 infinite and pure,  
 You are the light

You are the King,  
 and the One who reigns  
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 and You are the Master,  
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