

### KALKI The Coming World Prophet

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#### SATSANG OF SWAMI AMAR JYOTI

HE PROPHETS ARE A DIRECT DESCENT OF THE LORD on earth, Incarnations of the Divine. They come to set things right, to harmonize, balance and uplift, to make righteousness and truth prevail. Each time the Prophets come, They are harbingers of a new age. They come at the juncture when one age is closing and another is beginning. A Prophet is not only one who makes prophecies, such as Nostradamus, although in English that is a usage of the term. Jesus, Buddha and Krishna are all Prophets, but They did not come only to make prophecies. Far beyond that. The more accurate word is Avatar, which comes from the Sanskrit avatirna: "manifest/descent from the Lord." As Sri Krishna revealed to His disciple Arjuna five thousand years ago, recorded in the Bhagavad Gita:



Whenever there is degradation of Dharma (virtue/righteousness) O Bharata, and growth of adharma (wickedness/unrighteousness) Then I embody Myself For the protection of the good (virtuous) For the destruction of the wicked (evil) To establish Dharma I take forth a body in Age after Age

Bhagavad Gita IV: 7-8

Teaching from the basis of eternal Truth, the message of Swami Amar Jyoti's Satsangs (Sanskrit: communion with Truth) is one of deep spiritual unity. His way is not to espouse a particular creed but to impart a spiritual way of life. He has spent the last four decades disseminating the timeless Truth underlying all traditions and faiths. Prabhushri Swamiji is the author of several books; nearly seven hundred of His spiritual discourses, illuminating the classical path for modern times, are available on audiocassette.

OW DOES THE SUPREME LORD WORK THROUGH HIS PROPHETS to establish or restore balance and harmony, without which the creation would not function? Does He leave His abode and come, or does He send His emissary or Son? How does He take the shape of Spirit embodied as a Prophet? What is this phenomenon? Who is the Son of God? Who is Vishnu and Who is Krishna? Who is the Father in heaven and Who is Jesus? Who is the Buddha and Who the Bodhisattva? How does this marriage of the Spirit and mind take place? The answer is not new except in context: God is omnipotent. He can assume any form. Wherever He takes form, He does not have to leave "there." He can take an infinite number of forms, simultaneously.

Yogis have proved this, appearing in several places while never leaving the place where they are. If a yogi can exist in different bodies at various places simultaneously, then just magnify that for the Lord—His powers are infinite. Those who are conversant with Krishna's *Ras Lila* know that He danced with each *gopi*, or milkmaid, simultaneously, and each gopi saw and felt *Krishna is with me*. It may sound allegorical but yogically it has been proven.

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It does not have to be only one Son—do not limit God. At different times and places He incarnates differently. Therefore it is useless to compare one Prophet with another. Comparison is our human folly. We want to compare and think ourselves great enough to judge the Prophets when we cannot even remove our own headache. We twinkle too much. When you repeat the name of God or the Prophets, be humble.

HEN DHARMA—LAW, JUSTICE, RIGHTEOUSNESS, GOODNESS—declines below a minimum level and it is beyond the sages, holy people or yogis to raise the consciousness and purify the Earth, then God incarnates to take care of His children. He comes with special powers and bounties, among which are prosperity, beauty, strength, wisdom and justice. According to the Vedic scriptures, human or Earth evolution forms cycles of approximately twenty-five thousand years. God incarnates in each cycle, about every two thousand five hundred years. In

the present cycle Lord Vishnu has taken nine Incarnations or Avatars, among whom are Rama and Krishna. Buddha, the ninth and last Incarnation, lived around twenty-five hundred years ago. The Prophet of a particular age may come as peaceful and nonviolent, or as a warrior to vanquish evil—whatever we have asked for or the situation demands. To Him, violence and nonviolence are not opposites but a means to uphold and uplift humanity and consciousness; Dharma transcends both violence and nonviolence. At any cost Dharma must prevail; justice will be done; humanity has to be uplifted. In each age, the *Prophet* knows best what methods are required to reach us to the next evolution.

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Kalki, as per the scriptures, is the tenth Incarnation. The name Kalki means literally, "of iron" or "machine." It does not imply that He is a robot made of metal, but that His birth is in the age of iron or machines. The Vedic scriptures describe time in a cycle of four ages or *yugas*: the Golden Age, Silver Age, Copper Age and Iron Age. Our present age is the Iron Age, therefore Kalki is the Avatar of this iron or machine age. There are varying opinions about the time of Kalki's coming. Some interpretations say that it is very near. Others say He has come already. These are not mere opinions but commentaries by great scholars and pundits. The Kali Yuga has been described as a time of *adharma*— injustice, unrighteousness, untruth. If we accept some calculations, we have not even reached the lowest point of this age. If that is so, imagine what it will be at its worst!

The scriptures have described Kalki coming "as a blazing Light" when He descends from heaven; the Second Coming of Jesus is similarly described. There are parallel beliefs about the coming World Prophet in various other faiths as well. Kalki is described as coming on a white horse with sword in hand. Though in today's world of bombs and lasers, a sword seems outdated, the Second Advent of Jesus is similarly predicted to appear on a white horse carrying a sword. Buddha is described a little differently. The Prophet will have a halo of light around Him. This has been taken by some to be the aura, but auras everyone has; not everyone has a halo. Everyone is potentially Divine but the Prophets are already manifestations of the Divine.

So either there are three Prophets coming together—because the job is very serious and one Prophet will not be able to do it all (!)—or the three are One, whatever name or label we give. Their way will be terrible in any case, what in the Bible is called Armageddon. According to the predictions, Christ will come and fight the anti-Christ and his forces. He will not be nonviolent. Whatever the manifestation may be, this is a time of great change, a quantum leap—that we cannot dispute. Only the timing we do not know for sure.

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LTIMATELY HE WILL BE VICTORIOUS OVER EVIL. The mission of each Prophet is the same: to uphold righteousness, to save the virtuous and demolish evil. If previously a Prophet incarnated as forgiving and suffering, like Buddha and Jesus, that does not mean that He will come the same way next time. Even if the Prophets could repeat the same drama in different details for the same purpose, this present time is such, that not only is humanity in need of uplifting, but also the Earth's evolution awaits God's intervention. The planet itself is transforming into a higher dimension, so the Prophet's mission has to be different. Much of what will occur will be on the astral levels because the next dimensions, the fourth and fifth, are subtler than our present gross third dimension.

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There is no doubt that Kalki will come and save the virtuous. He may demolish the evildoers—not every common one but those who are real devils. Were He to be compassionate or forgiving of them, they would become more wicked. It reminds me of the story in the Bible of Sodom and Gomorrah. Abraham was a man of God. When he heard that the angels were going to destroy the city, he had pity and compassion for the people. He prayed, Lord, there are some good people there. Will You destroy the whole city and everybody in it because of some villains there? What if there are fifty good people? Will You still destroy the city? And God said, If there are fifty good people, I won't destroy the city. Then Abraham got more pitying and asked, What if there are fifty minus five, forty-five good people? Then will You destroy the city? God said If there are forty-five good people, I will not destroy the city. It is human nature that when God relents and yields, we ask for more. So Abraham said, What if there are only forty good people? In this way it came down to thirty, twenty-five, then twenty.

At this point Abraham felt self-conscious. He said, *God*, *I have been really insolent to You and taking too much advantage of Your leniency, but one last question*. God said, *What is it?* Abraham asked, *What if there are only ten good people?* God promised, *If there are ten good people, I will not destroy the city.* But there were only four good people: Lot, his wife, and two daughters. Two angels entered the city and were guests of Lot; right there and then the people's wickedness came out against them. Lot's family got scared but the angels blinded everyone and told Lot, *Abscond from this city safely. No one will see you.* And eventually the city was destroyed. There are many wicked people on Earth and they will come out more so as time goes by. It will not be hidden anymore.



HEN THE PROPHETS COME They trigger or accelerate karmas. Then whatever is inside a person will expose, either good or bad. That which was previously suppressed or hidden is exposed. In Krishna's days, He brought out both the virtuous and the evil, exposing people as they had never been known before. Krishna knew each soul already and so will Kalki. The Prophets create situations—time, place and opportunity—which bring forth both the angelic as well as the devilish.

During Rama's age, Manthara was a maidservant, supposedly a good lady, serving Rama's stepmother. But

given the right circumstances, Manthara came out wicked and became the cause of Rama's exile. Therefore, according to Vedanta, we never take for granted: good as good, or bad as bad, absolutely. We wait for exposure or unfoldment. That is the way of the *lila* or play—to let it unfold by its own natural laws rather than condemn someone ahead of time. Their coming and Presence alone triggers exposure. In every Incarnation this is a fact.

Jesus' disciples appeared to be all good people. They followed Him and gave up everything. How many of them proved to be really steadfast? Probably a few, including the two Marys—Mary Magdalene and His mother. Nearly everyone else faltered—the cock crowing three times, the thirty pieces of silver, etcetera. The Prophet knows but He may not

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expose or declare until the right time comes. Those who are afraid of being exposed, once they are, turn evil, reviling, revengeful, inimical, negative and so on. Before that they carry on very well: courteous, honest. Exposure is the test. Whatever the Avatars do, we know that it will not be easy. If it were easy, They would not need to come.

Why does God do all this? One very simple word—whether you are Hindu, Christian or Buddhist—because He loves us. He does "horrible" things if that is the only way we leave open. We force Him to do that when we give no other choice. The only alternative is to not do anything, but would God allow adharma—unrighteousness—to triumph over Dharma—righteousness? That would be the end of the creation!

Very commonly we hear and read, *God loves you*, which is true, but from the Vedic point of view, it is written that God loves us so much that in every age He comes on Earth to take care of us. If He did not love us, He would not bother to come and save us. Not only does God love us—God *is* Love. What does this mean in relation to the Prophets? They really love us—but *They do not harp on it*.

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LL LIFE ON EARTH—HUMAN, ANIMAL, TREES AND PLANTS—responds to the vibrations of love. We have seen that plants grow better when we lovingly tend them; animals respond to us better if we have love and harmlessness in our hearts. If we were truly loving, we would not invite destruction. When you come to love, pure love, you will easily see why everyone, whether in family life, social life or ashram life, is hankering after love. That is the only tangible thing. Try to do spiritual practices for thirty or fifty years without feelings—it will go nowhere, like bullocks with blinders going 'round and 'round a mill grinding seeds; in the evening they are in the same spot where they started; no progress.

You have to truly love and serve the Lord with a very pure heart, not in competition with someone else or jealousy or prejudice against other cultures and religions. You cannot get near heaven or God that way. Your love has to unite with God's Love. What is more consoling and satisfying than love? If you are trying to serve the Lord to impress Him, you are doomed. Even Lucifer demanded from God that he had been near and had every right to be near. But Lucifer had lost the way and became egotistical, selfish and ambitious. *Love is not a matter of rights*.

We do need love; and are hungry after it. That is the only language we actually understand. God accepts love only when it comes from purity of heart. If He comes on a white horse with a sword and throws fire and brimstone, what other option does He have? Some are afraid to

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read or hear about such things, but what if we leave God no other choice? We seldom think about that. We do not realize what ego has become: stubborn, demanding, willful, selfish. We have difficulty in loving very purely, unconditionally, as if, by loving the Lord unconditionally, we become nothing. This struggle goes on. Therefore I consider His coming in a destructive aspect to be a blessing in disguise, His mercy. God sees our deeds and our hearts, but mainly the heart. Whatever is based upon ego separation is the greatest and worst sin. That is blindness, which is exactly what ego is.

Humility softens us, purifies us and takes us out of these stubborn ruts. It is an indispensable prerequisite to reach the chamber of love. *The meek shall inherit the Earth*. True humility purifies the heart. Those who are proud, arrogant, willful, ambitious, competitive, jealous and untruthful cannot love the Lord, even if they profess to. They eventually prove to be revengeful betrayers. Why? Because they were not truly humble in the first place! They may have looked good simply because they were yet to be exposed. They did not love the Lord or their Master, they cared only for themselves.

Today it is a common "philosophy" that unless you love yourself, you cannot love others. Quite the reverse. If it were the True Self, that would be different, but those who proclaim this

mean to love themselves: their ego and mind. That is the travesty or perversion of this age, the Kali Yuga—boosting the ego. The only language through which we can unite with the Lord/True Self is *love*, and that is the meaning of unconditional love. Every other love is conditioned and therefore selfish, possessive, attached, which brings in insecurity and weakness.

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come for; that is Their work. Allow Them to do it. Stand by Them. Those who stand by God are devotees. Krishna openly said: *I have come to save my devotees*. It was not partiality; He came to save the virtuous. So if you want God's manifestation or birth on Earth, if you want to be His instrument, you have to be pure-hearted.

That ego-demolishing or humbling is what makes you wise. It is genuine love that God sees, in which ego is non-existent, or at least humbled. If you have that, the Prophet is with you. Distinguish between true goodness and so-called goodness. When Jesus sat at the last supper and exposed his own disciples, they all shuddered, fearing what He might say. Some would deny Him. Some would betray Him. Others would leave Him. Had He said more, perhaps only a few would have remained.

HO WILL STAND BY THE COMING AVATAR? IT WILL BE MULTITUDES. He cannot do His work alone. It will be a colossal destruction. The real test is when we are put against the wall, tight-cornered. Then our true nature comes out. Do you think, therefore, that the coming Prophet cannot distinguish? Many surprises may follow; you may be alarmed.

A wound or sickness must be exposed by a doctor so it can be healed. Hiding the disease from the doctor will not help. You may not welcome exposure but accept it with humility if it is true. Then God will clear it and clean it. This the language of love: He means good even when it is painful. When a doctor operates, it is very painful, but then he puts on a balm to heal you. God and Gurus do the same: They may seem hurtful at times but then They put a balm on the injury, curing it nicely—if you humbly allow Them.

Have faith. He will take care of your salvation. Live for God's sake; eat for God's sake; look after your family for God's sake; earn money for God's sake; be charitable for God's sake; use your talents for God's sake; sing for God's sake. If you are fearful, your love is deficient. He does not like us to fear Him. When you purely, fully love Him, you will be free from all anxiety, fear, worry and doubt. Instead of focusing on your deficiencies, just love the Lord. There is nothing greater than that.

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