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Adhyatmik Shibir for 4 days in USA, during May 2008 while celebrating 119th Janma Jayanti event of Pujya Gurudev Shri Kanjishwami.

As we have been doing every year we have organized FOUR days Adhyatmik Shibir (May 23 to 26, 2008. Friday to Monday) while celebrating 119th Janma Jayanti of Gurudev.

Venue of Shibir: Jain Center of America, 43-11 Ithaca Street, Elmhurst, NY 11373. (Ph: 718-478-9141),

Stay in Hotel: PAN AMERICAN HOTEL, 79- 00 QUEENS BLDVD, ELMHURST, NY 11373. Ph: 718-446-7676. This Hotel is having facility of free shuttle service to / from Hotel and La Guardia Airport and JFK Airport. It is located within one mile to Venue of Shibir.

Those who are coming from out of New York and wish to stay in Hotel, we have booked rooms. Venue of Four Days Shibir: Jain Center of America as per address mentioned above.

Hina Kirit Panchamia and Pinky Jitendra Doshi, both from NY have sponsored this event. These ladies are disciple of Gurudev Shri Kanji Swami and it was their long standing wish to sponsor such Janma Jayanti event / shibir in New York.

Please fill out the Registration Form (attached in this News-Letter) and mail it to: Samir Shah, 16218 Muirfield Drive, Odessa, Florida 33556. (Phone: 813-649-8979.) with registration fee of **US \$125.00 by check / MO (made payable to "Jain Swadhyay Mandir Songadh") per each participant for Dinner / Lunch / Breakfast and Hotel stay for three nights (May 23 to 25, 2008 and until 12.00 noon on 26th May Monday, before April 20, 2008 positively.**

Since we have limited rooms, "First come first served" will be the criterion.

If you are traveling by Air, please let us know in advance the Flight details so that we can coordinate with above Hotel for your transportation to Hotel from above mentioned Airports. Shuttle service is available only to / from these two Airports only. .

Those who do not wish to stay in Hotel and wish to participate whole day program, should pay \$20 per person, per day for breakfast, lunch, tea, dinner. Such participants should please inform Hina Panchamia (516-869-8555) well in advance. They should also submit Regn Forms to Samir Shah with Check at above address.

We suggest participants should reach by 3-00pm on May 23 (Not earlier than this), so that they can join the program from the very beginning in the right earnest.

An Eminent Scholar **Rajendra Kamdar** from India has kindly consented to help conduct four days shibir. He will elaborate in detail on Adhyatmik Jain Scriptures by Acharya Kund Kund. Besides this; we have more scholars like Dr. Kirit Gosalia (Phoenix, AZ), Rasikbhai Sheth. These three scholars conducted 2007 shibir at Tampa, Florida.

Rajendrabhai, who is visiting USA since 1993 for lecture series and conducting camps, is known to all of us. He is also a celebrated Jain scholar in India, UK, East Africa, where he has been traveling regularly for lecture series and conducting Jain classes for adults and young Jains despite his busy schedule as Chairman of Delhi Public School at Rajkot, India.

Dr. Kiritbhai Gosalia is not only a well-known Cardiologist, but also a distinguished scholar, who has translated Jain Siddhant Praveshika and Chhah Dhala into English. He regularly conducts classes (in English) for the young Jains at Phoenix and visits Songadh, India every year to conduct work shop for the young Jains who are studying in English medium. His method of teaching by slide showing through the medium of Projector, is well acclaimed by many, particularly by young Jains. **Rasikbhai Sheth** is from Baroda and visits USA every year. He conducted the 2007 Shibir Florida. His teaching style was acclaimed / spellbound.

We have now new upcoming scholars from USA: **Dr. Siddharth H. Shah, Dr. Rakesh P. Shah, Sudhir Modi, Sonalben Modi** who are all doing swadhay and studying scriptures regularly. They will participate the shibir, but will not conduct the shibir.

Highlights of the four days programs: Whole day Workshop on Jain philosophy / Gurudev CD pravachans / Question-Answer sessions / Children's Dialogues on Jainism theme / Jinendra Poojan / Bhakti / Showing DVD on Jain Tirth, Gurudev Life / Prayer to Gurudev on Janma Jayanti event.

During the above event, every day morning Jinendra Pooja will be conducted by **Jyotsanaben V. Shah** of Kingston, PA. (from Jinendra Pooja Sangraha published by Songadh Trust) Please bring Jinendra Pooja Sangraha Books / Pooja Books narrating Pooja, Stavan, Bhakti towards Guredev, if you have such books.

Special News:- We have invited Bipinbhai Wadhar, Jamnagar / Hasmukhbhai Vora, President Songadh Trust / Dr. Dinkerbhai Shah, Past President: Dig Jain Association, London, UK / Nemishbhai Shah, Bombay. to grace the above event as Guests of Honor.

Program details as under: - (Time Table for each scholar's lecture / presentation and other activities will be given at Shibir)
May 23 (Fri) To check in. by 3-00pm
May 24 (Sat) Shibir (Scholars will conduct)
May 25 (Sun) Celebration of Gurudev Janma Jayanti (for One hour) in the morning after Pooja and Shibir Program for the rest of the Day. May 26
(Mon) Pooja / Lecture of Scholar. Viday / To disperse by 12-00pm

Our New Web-Site: WE HAVE NOW OUR OWN WEB SITE. PLEASE VISIT WWW.ATMA-DARSHAN.ORG. We are indebted to Mr. Minesh Doshi, Director of famous professional Co., and an ardent disciple of Gurudev, from Ahmedabd for accomplishing this incredible task. We are also grateful to Paresh C. Shah of Ahmedabd for helping into this matter.

EVENTS:

119th Janma Jayanti of Pujya Gurudev. Celebration in India.

Shri Manharlal Dhrajlal Shah Parivar of Surat will celebrate this event at Songadh (during April 2008) in a magnificent way. All are invited. Mumukshus from UK, Nairobi, and North America will participate this event. Phone: 2846-244334.

Shibir for Young Jains and Adults at Songadh from December 23 to 28, 2007. And two days Tirth Yatra Dec 29, 30 after the shibir.

Every year such Shibir is organized during this time at Songadh. About 150 Young Jains mostly from Mumbai studying in English medium and otherwise will participate. There will be parallel classes for the adults. Br. Chandubhai Jobalia, Br. Vrajlabhai Shah, Dr. Pravinbhai Doshi, Rajendra Kamdar, Subhash Sheth, Dr. Kirit Gosali from Phoenix, AZ and Rameshbhai Mehta will conduct the Shibir.

Jain Scholar Rajendra Kamdar's visit North America Schedule 2008.

Before reaching New York on May 23, 2008, this Scholar will couple of centers in North America for lecture series and conducting shibir. We will announce his detailed schedule.

Das Laxan Parva in USA: An eminent Scholar Subhashbhai Sheth of Wankaner helped to celebrate this event most successfully at Tampa, Florida. The entire program was arranged at Dr. Siddharth H. Shah's House. He elaborated on Samaysar / Constitution of Substance / Moksh Marg Prakashak / Panch Paravartan. He also visited Jain Centers at Las Vegas, Lansdale PA, and Washington DC. He has kindly consented to visit USA during 2008 to help celebrate Das Laxan Parva. We are also trying to invite one more scholar. **Jain Centers or Study Groups wish to invite these scholars may please contact us, as early as possible.**

Annual Day Celebration at Mangalayatan, UP, India.

Every year this event is celebrated in a grand way. Similarly from January 30 to Feb 03, 2008, it will be organized. Many interesting program-items including lectures by eminent scholars will take place. All are invited.

Adhyatmik Books / Scriptures: Approx. 2000 numbers are available. Recently we have received many more books including Tatvarth Sutra, Chhah-Dhala, Gurudev's "pravachana" on Natak Samaysar and Pravachansar. **Please contact Jyotsana V. Shah** for your requirement. Phone: 570-287-7457.

Kahan Guru Darshan: This is a unique album of 250 pages (12"x9", printed on superior papers) showing pictorial glimpses of Gurudev's life / Adhyatmik Mission. Please let us know about your requirement. This Album is a must in all Mumukshu Families.

Acknowledgement:

1. **We are very grateful to Hina K. Panchamia and Pinky J. Doshi of New York to sponsor four days Shibir and 119th Janma Jayanti event at New York. Both are disciples of Gurudev Shri Kanjishwami.**

2. We are thankful to Mrs. Kalpana Anil Shah (1081 Oak Knoll, Pomona, CA 91768) for getting this News Letter printed & mailed, since the very beginning. Both Kalpana & Anil are disciples of Pujya Gurudev and Songadh Tirth. Anilbhai is our Director / Jt. Treasurer.

New Publication: Moksh marg Prakashakna Kirano (Gurudev Shri Kanjiswami's lectures on Moksh marg Prakashak by Pundit Ratna Todarmalji). This hard bound volume of 358 pages in Gujarati language is now published fourth time by Songadh Trust. It was last published third time 43 years ago. There was great demand for this book as Gurudev has elaborated on this great work of Todarmalji in a very interesting and easy to follow language. Dr. Rakesh / Rajul Shah of Tarpon Springs, Florida have sponsored this publication on permanent basis by donating Rs.85000 to Songadh Trust. Our congratulations to this couple.

PRIMER OF JAIN PRINCIPLES (Our Publication)

This is an English version of Word Famous publication: "Jain Sidhdhant Praveshika" by one of the most illustrious and celebrated personalities, Pundit Gopaldasji Bariya. Since many years this Book available in Hindi, Gujarati and other languages has been acknowledged as reference book, guide and search of Jain Principles, in many Jain Pathshalas, for self-study etc., in India and elsewhere in the world.

There was a popular demand since many years to have authentic English version of such incredible work for the benefit of English knowing people who are always eager to know more and more about Jainism. Dr. Kirit Gosalia, MD, a Jain scholar and Cardiologist by profession (Phoenix, AZ) has fulfilled this dream. After couple of years' detailed work, he put all the knowledge into an easy to understand English format by keeping the original theme intact. Dr. Melvin Donaho, PhD has reviewed this book.

This hard cover 256 page nicely printed book is divided into five chapters (1) The Substance, Modes and Attributes (2) The Karma (3) Soul's condition due to the association with the Karma (4) Spiritual development stages (5) How to know a substance. These are all covered by 668 Questions and detailed explicit Answers. Besides this, it contains comprehensive Index, Interesting Charts and Tables for easy access to the Fundamentals.

It can be of great benefit for the Jain Pathshalas, Study-Groups and Self-Study person as curriculum, guide, reference book and sort of Jain Encyclopedia. For those who are interested and keen to study Jain Philosophy in English language, this publication will be a boon for them.

In USA, this publication is available. Please contact as under for your requirement: -

(1) Has mukh Shah. Phone: 727-934-3255. Email: kahanguru@gmail.com or hasmukh33@yahoo.com

(2) Jyotsana V. Shah. Phone: 570-287-7457. Email: jyotsana2@yahoo.com

NOMINAL PRICE OF THIS BOOK IS \$3.00 ONLY.

Jain Tatva Darshan: Set of Part 1 to 5: This set of 5 volumes (written by Dr. Pravinbhai Doshi, FRCS) is readily available. During Niagara Falls Shibir (May 26 – 29, 2006) we had presented this set of five volumes to all the participants. These big sized five volumes are nicely printed and comprise almost all the Jain fundamentals. These sets have been mailed to Mumukshus who are members of this organization. **THOSE WHO ARE INTERESTED TO STUDY AND HAVE THIS SET OF FIVE VOLUMES MAY PLEASE LET US HAVE THEIR NAMES AND ADDRESSES.** We have limited sets available in stock. Check of only \$10 (ten) in favor of "Jain Swadhyay Mandir Songadh" should be mailed at above address, to take care of packing, shipping charges.

Under the gracious & benevolent guidance of Niranjanbhai Modi of Michigan, his younger brother Sudhir Modi of Grand Rapids MI, USA, has contributed to publish these five volumes. Thanks to Modi Family for such noble cause.

Pravachan Piyush: This set of 3 volumes (written by Dr. Pravinbhai Doshi, FRCS) has been published. These books will be very useful for those who are studying Pravachansar by Kund Kund Acharya,

Organizational: Every year we invite, arrange and coordinate program of two to three scholars from India. These dedicated, selfless scholars are visiting various centers for lecture series, conducting camps / workshops. Besides this, all the Adhyatmik literature, scriptures, cassettes, CDs, MP3 as mentioned above are made available at concessional price. Members of this organization receive not only this publication (Atma Darshan), but also ATMA DHARMA monthly magazine (Gujarati or Hindi) published from India, free of charge (if they are already not receiving this magazine). This monthly publishes Pujya Kanji Swami's appealing and interesting discourses on Jain Scriptures, other adhyatmik articles, thoughts, News, Events etc.; We also distribute free books on Jain philosophy, to our members. Recently we gifted five volumes of Jain Tatva Darshan (Part 1 to 5) which are written by Dr. Pravinbhai Doshi, FRCS, the celebrated scholar at Rajkot, devoting number of years in writing such invaluable literature on Jain Philosophy. He visited USA twice for lecture series.

We Organize shibirs and celebrate Gurudev Janma Jayanti with three days shibir every year and at different locations in North America.

Membership is \$101.00 only. Please encourage our efforts by becoming life members and also sending your donation. **We have Federal Tax Exempt ID and your donations are tax deductible.** Please keep this mission in mind when you have good event in the life or memory of beloved ones.

We shall consider our efforts aptly rewarded, if even a few people are encouraged from activity of this mission to direct their lives on the right path to achieve real happiness.

On Internet: 1. This organization: WWW.ATMA-DARSHAN.ORG

2. Gurudev Shri Kanji Swami: <http://www.cs.colostate.edu/~malaiya/kanji.html>

3. Jain Tatva Darshan: www.atmadharma.com

Received from the following Mumukshus:-

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We are grateful to Donors for their generosity.

Special Note:-

Rakesh & Rajul Shah, Tarpon Springs, FL generously donated \$2500 towards publication of 450 pages Jain religious book full of Tatvagyan, which is written by an Eminent Scholar Subhash Sheth, Wankaner, India.

Gautam Shah, N. Wales, PA had donated \$101 towards buying air ticket for Subhash Sheth

Following audio cassettes on discourses by Gurudev Shri Kanjiswami are available.

Discourses on Scriptures	Qty	Scripture written by
SAMAYSAR	529	Acharya Shri Kund Kund
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Vachanamrut	175	Pujya Bahenshi

Discourses are in Gujarati and Hindi. Price of each cassette is \$2.00 only (inclusive of packing & shipment). Good quality of blank cassettes available in USA is used for recording. For your requirement, please contact: Videha R. Dedhia. Phone: 908-233-8229.

All these discourses are also available in MP3 CDs. Please let us have your requirement.

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Vairagya Samachar: Shri Vrajlal J. Parekh (91), A dedicated disciple of Gurudev left for heavenly abode at Bombay, India on Aug 14, 2007. He was Father of Hansaben Dagly, our Member at Ft. Lauderdale, FL. We pray for his soul rest in eternal peace.

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For any question regarding the Shibir at New York, NY please call Samir Shah 813-649-8979 / Jyotsna Shah 570-287-7457 or Hasmukh Shah 727-934-3255 / 727-934-6141 / 727-534-5168.

“ Vathu Sahaavo Dhammo” the nature of substance is dharma.

– Bhagwan Mahavir

Our Revered Gurudev has achieved the path of complete Freedom. He enlightened this path from all directions. Our obligation and gratefulness towards him is infinite. How can we forget it? - Pujya Bahenshri.

Please let us have your EMAIL Address so as to keep you posted about important news instantly.

Pujya Gurudev's 119th Janma Jayanti and ADHYATMIK
Shibir at
Elmhurst, NY. USA
May 23 - 26, 2008.
Registration Form

Full Name: _____ Spouse: _____

Address: _____

Telephone
(Home) _____ (Work) _____ Email: _____

No. of Participants:
Adults: _____ Children _____ (ages : _____)

Registration Fee of US \$125.00 per each participant for food and accommodation to be paid along with Registration Form duly completed, **before 20th April 2008. Please make check / MO payable to JAIN SWADHYAY MANDIR SONGADH** and mail your Form & check to:-

Samir Shah, 16218 Muirfield Drive, Odessa, Florida 33556 (Phone: 813-649-8979) before above mentioned date positively. The Donation to cover expenses for visiting Scholar will be voluntary.

Arrive Time / Day at New York: _____

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I understand that the coordinators of this Shibir / Event will not be responsible for any unforeseen incident / accident.

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Signature

Date.

Note: Your timely action in mailing this Form with check will help us to organize the program in a better way.

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Bhagwan Mahavir Nirvan Kalyanak. November 09, 2007

On this Auspicious Day and beginning of New Year on November 10 Greet you with all the brotherly / friendly love and affection to remind soul's wealth and its enjoyment.

Greeting is a special design of the human race to only remind the often forgotten Self – Soul in one form or the other.

In our day to day life we follow / observe this calendar for all activities / planning. This New Year beginning Day is the occasion to remind one and all of the invaluable, inexhaustible and incalculable wealth of the Self – Soul.

Let us resolve this day to formulate self efforts in a big way to achieve the Samyaktva (Self Realization) during this life time. If not, at least to plant the roots for this great cause, so as to accomplish it during the next couple of lives.

Wishing you and all the near and dears an early dawn of Samyaktva (Self Realization) on this New Year Day.

Enlightenment - Self knowing and seeing Self - is a rare occurrence in the human race only, though its seed could grow in any one of the 4 gatis. Nonetheless it is very much in each and every soul in all the 4 gatis in its latent state. Pancham Gati - Siddha Gati - is the overt / revealed state of the potency of soul

Knowing and Seeing – “upayoga” – is the inseparable capability of all the soul and functioning ceaselessly from the beginning less time and shall be so for endless time. Though it is rooted in the soul, soul due to its beginning less ignorance entertains only wrong knowledge and belief of itself.

Our prayer for the New Year Wish:

Let all soul be blessed with eternal happiness, equanimity, amity and let divinity prevail everywhere in the Universe.

In reality: Let us follow as advised by Bhagwan Kund Kund Acharya in one of the Gathas: 153: of Samaysar:

Vadaniyamani dharamta silani taha tavam ch kuvvamta / paramatthabahira je jivvanam te n vindanti //

“Only right faith, knowledge about soul and achieving self-realization can lead to Moksha. Those who are ignorant about this supreme purpose of life will never be able to obtain Moksha (Liberation) in spite of their good deeds such as: observance of vratas (vows), niyamas (rules) of religious conduct and practice of shila (celibacy) and tapas (penance)”.

- HASMUKH M. SHAH

દીપાવલી અને મંગળ સુપ્રભાતે

ગુરુ-આજ્ઞા : પરમાનંદસ્વરૂપ પરમાત્માને જાણ !

મહાવીર ભગવાનને તેરમે ગુણસ્થાને પૂર્ણ આનંદ હતો પણ આજના દિને અવ્યાબાધ આનંદ પ્રાપ્ત થયો. તેમણે પોતાની પર્યાયમાં અવ્યાબાધ આનંદ પ્રગટ કર્યો. અનાદિની સંસારદશા હતી તેનો ત્યાં અંત આવ્યો અને અનંતકાળ રહેવાની છે એવી સિદ્ધની પર્યાય ભગવાન મહાવીરને આજના દિવસે પ્રગટ થઈ.

સમ્યગ્દર્શન એ સુપ્રભાત છે. કેવળજ્ઞાન ઝળહળ જ્યોતિને સુપ્રભાત કહ્યું છે. અતીન્દ્રિય આનંદના ધ્રુવ પ્રવાહને રાગ રહિત અતીન્દ્રિય આનંદના સ્વાદપૂર્વક જાણવો તે ખરું સુપ્રભાત છે.

જેણે ભગવાન આત્માને સમ્યગ્દર્શનથી પ્રતીતમાં લીધો તેને સુપ્રભાત પ્રગટ્યું છે. જેમ બીજ ઊગી છે તે પૂર્ણિમા થઈને રહેશે તેમ જેને સુપ્રભાત પ્રગટ્યું છે તેને કેવળજ્ઞાન થઈને જ રહેશે, તેને કેવળજ્ઞાનમાં કોઈ વિઘ્ન હોઈ શકે નહીં. વસ્તુ નિરંજન નિરાકાર તેને નિરંજન પરિણતિ દ્વારા પ્રગટ કર્યો તેને સુપ્રભાત પ્રગટ્યું છે, તેને કેવળજ્ઞાન ઝળહળ જ્યોતિ પ્રગટ થઈને રહેશે. ભગવાન આત્માની પ્રતીત કરતાં આત્માના અસંખ્યાત પ્રદેશે આનંદના અંકુર ફૂટી નીકળે છે.

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(દીપાવલી તથા નૂતનવર્ષના દિને શ્રી પરમાત્મપ્રકાશના પ્રવચનમાંથી)

* પૂજ્ય ગુરુદેવશ્રીકે હૃદયોદ્ગાર *

❧ વીતરાગદેવ કહતે હૈં કિ તૂ પરમાત્મસ્વરૂપ હી હૈ એસી દૃષ્ટિ કર। પ્રભુ! સર્વજ્ઞદેવ કહતે હૈં કિ મેરે ઓર તેરે સ્વભાવમેં અન્તર-ફેર હૈં હી નહીં। હમેં વ્યક્તરૂપસે જો દશા પ્રગટ હુઈ હૈ વૈસા હી તૂ હૈ। ભાઈ મેરે ઓર તેરે સ્વભાવમેં કોઈ અન્તર નહીં હૈ કિન્તુ અપને સામર્થ્યકી ખબર નહીં હૈ. ભાઈ! ૭૧.

❧ વસ્તુ પરમાત્મસ્વરૂપ હૈ। આત્મા સ્વયં હી પરમાત્મસ્વરૂપ હૈ। સ્વયં હી પરમાત્મસ્વરૂપસે વિઘ્નમાન હૈ। એસે વીતરાગી પરમાત્માકા-હૈ ઉસકા-આદર કિયા, સ્વીકાર કિયા ઓર આશ્રય કિયા તબ અનુભૂતિ હોતી હૈ। વહ એક હી કર્મસે છૂટનેસે ઉપાય હૈ। ઇસલિયે હે જીવ! ટંકોલ્કીર્ણ જ્ઞાયક એક શુદ્ધસ્વભાવકા સ્વીકાર કર, યહી કર્તવ્ય હૈ। ૭૨.

❧ જો પર્યાય હોનેવાલી હૈ ઉસે કરના ક્યા? ઓર જો નહીં હોનેવાલી હૈ ઉસકો મી ક્યા કરના? એસા નિશ્ચય કરતે હી કર્તૃત્વબુદ્ધિ છૂટકર સ્વભાવસન્નુખતા હો જાતી હૈ। સર્વજ્ઞ ત્રૈકાલિકકે જ્ઞાતા-દૃષ્ટા હૈં ઉસી પ્રકાર મેં મી ત્રૈકાલિકકા જ્ઞાતા-દૃષ્ટા હી હૂં। એસે ત્રૈકાલિક જ્ઞાયકસ્વભાવકા નિશ્ચય કરના વહી સમ્યગ્દર્શન હૈ। ૭૩.

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(वचनामृत-१४६ पर परम पूज्य गुरुदेवश्रीका प्रवचन)

कोई द्रव्य अपने स्वरूपको नहीं छोड़ते। आत्मा तो परम शुद्ध तत्त्व है, उसमें क्षायोपशमिकादि भाव नहीं हैं। तू अपने स्वभावको पहिचान। अनंत गुणरत्नों की माला अंतरमें पड़ी है उसे पहिचान। आत्माका लक्षण—त्रैकालिक स्वरूप पहिचानकर प्रतीति कर ॥१४६॥

अनंत गुण रत्नोंकी माला अंतरमें पड़ी है उसे पहिचान।'

सच्चिदानन्द स्वरूप निज ध्रुव परमात्म द्रव्य स्वभावमें क्षायोपशमिक आदि पर्यायों नहीं हैं, परंतु सहज ज्ञान एवं सहज आनन्दादि अनन्त गुणरत्नोंकी माला जो अंतरमें विद्यमान है उसकी पहिचान कर। जिसकी संख्याका कोई पार नहीं है ऐसे अनन्त गुणोंका हार अंतरमें सदा उपस्थित है। अंतरमें क्षायोपशमिक आदि पर्यायों नहीं हैं—ऐसा कहा, तो फिर अंतरमें है क्या? अंतरमें अनंत ध्रुव चैतन्य गुणरत्नोंकी माला विद्यमान है—ज्ञान, दर्शन, सुखादि अनंतानन्त गुणरत्नोंकी राशि भरी है—उसे पहिचान। संयोग, निमित्त या रागको पहिचान—ऐसा नहीं कहा, परन्तु अंतरमें जो है उसे—अनन्तगुणरत्नोंकी मालाको, ध्रुव ज्ञायक तत्त्वको—पहिचान।

अहाहा! वह तो अद्भुत वस्तु है! प्रत्येक आत्मा अनंतानंत गुणोंका भण्डार प्रभु है, उसे किसी क्षेत्रकी या बड़प्पनकी आवश्यकता नहीं है, उसका बड़प्पन तो उसके स्वभावकी शक्तिके अमापपनेमें है। अमाप ज्ञान, अमाप सुख, अमाप शान्ति आदि अनंत अमाप गुणरत्नोंकी माला अंतरमें पड़ी है 'उसे' पहिचान। उसे अर्थात् अनंत गुणोंको पहिचान ऐसा नहीं, परन्तु अनंत गुण रत्नोंकी मालाको अर्थात् अभेद ध्रुव द्रव्यस्वभावको। यहाँ नित्य ध्रुव स्वरूपकी बात है। उसे पहिचान।

६२. मैं ज्ञायक हूँ...ज्ञायक हूँ...ज्ञायक हूँ—इस प्रकार अन्तरमें रटन रखना, ज्ञायक सन्मुख ढलना, ज्ञायक सन्मुख एकाग्रता करना। अहाहा! पर्यायको ज्ञायकाभिमुख करना अति कठिन है, अनन्त पुरुषार्थ चाहिये। ज्ञायकतलमें पर्याय पहुँच गई, अहो! इसकी तो क्या बात! ऐसा पूर्णानन्दनाथ प्रभु स्वयंकी प्रतीतिमें-विश्वासमें-श्रद्धामें आना चाहिये कि अहो! एक समयकी पर्यायके पीछे जो इतना बड़ा भगवान है वह तो मैं ही हूँ।

६४. जिसको भवकी थकान लगी हो, आत्मा कैसा है यह समझनेकी सच्ची जिज्ञासा अंतरमें जगी हो, उसे सच्चे गुरु मिले ही मिले।

६५. क्षारयुक्त जमीनमें अनाज नहीं ऊगता। अनाज उगानेके लिये जिस प्रकार उत्तम भूमि चाहिये, उसी प्रकार निर्मल तत्त्वका स्पष्ट उपदेश पचानेके लिये उत्तम पात्रता चाहिये।

* - पूज्य गुरुदेवश्री