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REFLECTION ON “KINGDOM OF HEAVEN”

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The conception “Kingdom of Heaven” derives from the fact that since very old times people were ruled by a king (or queen) or a chieftain. The king is the sovereign who rules people in his kingdom. This is the worldly idea of a kingdom.

At all times people of all nations knew that the creator of the universe, GOD, is the ultimate ruler over all people and also over the worldly kings. The universe is God’s kingdom and in people’s minds there is heaven with all its god-like, beneficial, wonderful and care-free perfection for which they are longing for. People want to enter this Kingdom of Heaven to get rid of their sorrows and needs which they face in a material world. In and with GOD they seek to take refuge and in union with Him they want to live a happy, harmonious and peaceful life. This kind of life people wish already in their lifetimes and the more after passing away. In this connection two questions arise:

1. Why do so many people feel that their life is a burden and /or like a hell?
2. How can this care-free and blissful Kingdom of Heaven be realized?

WHY DO SO MANY PEOPLE FEEL THEMSELVES LEFT IN THE COLD OUTSIDE OF THE HEAVENLY KINGDOM?

No doubt millions of people do not live in happy circumstances of life. The scale reaches from mere imagination up to a hell-like struggle of surviving especially in the so called “Third World”. The law of cause and effect, the Law of Karma, is responsible for what happens not only on earth but in the whole universe. Mind’s passions are the cause of behaviour of each individual and each reaps what has been sowed in previous lives and today and what ever and ever again is sowed. Actions and motivations lead to fate. Be aware therefore of the following:

Take care of your thoughts, they become words.
Take care of your words, they become actions.
Take care of your actions, they become habits.
Take care of your habits, they become your character.
Take care of your character, it becomes your fate.

Why does a human not have a care-free and happy life and what prevents him to realize the Heavenly Kingdom?

To this question only common answers can be given since each individual lives in a different position of life. Every human has to ask himself why he / she has no care-free and happy life. He / she will get the answer after honestly answering for himself the following questions:

1. How do I behave to my neighbours?
2. How do I behave to my co-workers at work?
3. Has the welfare of my neighbours any meaning for me or do I only strive for my personal profit regardless of my fellow men, cheating inclusive?
4. The messengers of the Almighty desire that their message is carried on by maximum people in order to create blissful effects and to be able to proceed in the direction of the Kingdom of Heaven. What are my efforts in this regard?
5. How careless am I regarding the spreading of the message which takes me into the Kingdom of Heaven?
6. Did I ever wonder about what means: "Seek ye first the Kingdom of Heaven and everything else will come by itself?"
7. Every human being has to give render for his relations with company, how and where he / she lives, with whom he / she sleeps?
8. What someone teaches or says has to be checked in regard of truth and practice for daily live and at the conduct of the herald has to be taken a good look. Many are misguided by wrong prophets and selfmade gurus, they are kept on their spiritual level or drawn down together with them.
9. What kind of conditions will I have to face after death? With whom will I again be in the other world and in a next incarnation?
10. Will I make in my next life the same mistakes again?

These are some questions everybody has to think about, so that he / she will sit "in the right train" and will not reach somewhere else where he / she did not want to go. The wakening could be very bad.

WHAT IS THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN?

The Kingdom of Heaven is an inner condition of soul and mind, which develops step by step to a kind of bliss, depending on what the individual does in the direction of purification of the mind in order to love himself / herself and to love his / her neighbour. The more he or she practises the message of a highest master (not a pseudo guru) in life and also tells others about it and also helps by practising it in their lives, the more the love of the master and GOD will come up to him and her. The practioners will get spiritual experiences in the form of dreams, visions and helpful incidents. With this occurrences the connection to the master becomes closer and closer, his love is felt stronger and stronger and the consciounes develops to a cosmic one, if the master himself has this already. For this the bodily presence of the master is not even required. Finally the "Cosmic Marriage" will take place, which is the unseparable communion with the master and at the same time with GOD and the realization of the Kingdom of Heaven. Now a state of passionless and complete faith in GOD is gained and the disciple lives furthermore only according to the motto:

"Not my will but Thy will be done."

When the consciousness of “I am IT” or “I am THAT” is gained, this stage of consciousness is called >cosmic<, that means oneness with the creator, GOD. That is the “Kingdom of Heaven” what the important messengers of the Almighty have mentioned. It is always ready to obtain when the message of the Vedas is revealed and propagated. This happened again with the appearance of Parama Sadguru SHREE Gajanan Maharaj in our days.

VEDAS SHOW THE WAY TO THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN

With the appearance of Parama Sadguru SHREE Gajanan Maharaj and his message of the FIVEFOLD PATH we are happy enough to know about Vedas, which are the first revelation of GOD in a manner which is simple and clear. From them all existing religions derive their knowledge. No messenger of the ALLMIGHTY is allowed to teach other things than that which are revealed in Vedas. What can be done according to prevailing circumstances is only to explain them accordingly, since understanding of the same over long periods can change and scientific connections are not understood at all times.

THE UNIVERSE AS THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN

The Kingdom of Heaven exists not only within the person but also outside of it. In humans it can be realised according to their efforts to reduce their negative passions of the mind. Realisation of the Heavenly Kingdom is a spiritual development which is going on stepwise and can be compared with an upwards moving zigzag line or a sine curve with many ups and downs. The speed by which the upward development occurs is decided by each individual himself. The more people will practise a divine-spiritual life the better the acquaintance of people will be among themselves and the Kingdom of Heaven realises in the whole society. Since the universe is a creation of GOD the whole universe can change into a Heavenly Kingdom. This is finally the intention which is behind the divine order of creation, since a loving and merciful GOD nothing else has created. What the created humans did or do according to their free will is something else and their individual fate.

“KINDOM OF HEAVEN IS NEAR AT HAND”

In several messages PARAMA SADGURU SHREE GAJANAN MAHARAJ repeatedly has denoted the nearing of the “Kingdom of Heaven”. He also said, who under what conditions everybody can enter the Heavenly Kingdom.

**“GRACE BE WITH YOU ALL, OH TRAVELLERS OF KINGDOM OF HEAVEN.
LIGHT OF THE WORLD HAS DECEDED ON EARTH.
DIVINE LIGHT IS SPREADING THROUGHOUT THE WHOLE PLANET.
KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS NEAR AT HAND.
BLESSED ARE WHO SAW THE LIGHT, FORTUNATE ARE WHO WALKED IN
LIGHT, FOR THEY WILL ENTER THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN. OM”**

(Shree’s message on May 17th 1978)

GUIDE TO THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN

- 1. With Agnihotra everything will be brought to completeness.** It leads to lightful working, so that people - via love to GOD - come to love themselves and charity and finally to their own light.
- 2. People must learn to love themselves,** their own light and soul, in order to be able to meet the spiritual world with full confidence. They must summon up confidence to be strong and also remain so and to proceed on the Fivefold Path, looking forward and not backwards to

>what has been<. They must live in the presence and think about what they can do in order to flame up their light, regardless how they are living and residing, with whom they are together, working and sleeping, and with whom they are friends with. How can I spread and lightful deliver the Light, the Kingdom of Heaven?

3. The key to the Kingdom of Heaven is the Fivefold Path of Vedas and are the Ten Commandments of Parama Sadguru Shree Gajanan Maharaj. They have to be practised with full confidence and the permanent affirmation:

“NOT MY WILL BUT THY WILL BE DONE.”

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