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With the tremendous power of Brahmacharia in the pre-marital life as a kumari, a spotless virgin, and the power begotten of the sublime life of pathivrathya as a devoted housewife, a woman, by steady pursuit of God, can rise to the peak of spiritual enlightenment. Her moral beauty, her sacrifice, her loving behavior, her righteous conduct, her pure bhava and broad vision, make her the presiding deity of the Temple of Home. For her, home is a dharmakshetra. It is a spiritual abode. It is the altar of her worship and dedication.

Her selfless life itself becomes the source of unlimited happiness. Her undeviating dharmanishta itself becomes her protective talisman. God is her constant companion, the very sheet anchor of her life. In times of crises, in moral dilemmas, God comes to her rescue. Did not the Lord rush to the rescue of Droupadi, when the latter cried and supplicated: 'O Lord Krishna, Paramatma, save our honour. If the Sage Durvasa gets wild, the whole family will be ruined. Do protect us, O merciful One. What an example of a lustrous life!' What a gem of Indian womanhood!

No one can ruin another. One's own actions elevate or degrade oneself. Nala Chakravarthy had to pass through the malefic influence of Saturn, but his wife never gave up her dharma. Yes, the women of Bharat have onerous responsibility on their shoulders. It is the women who can direct the destiny of the coming generation, who can raise the society to its ideal height.

Great is the virtue of hospitality stemming from the exalted bhava that guest is God. To welcome one's own people, relatives, friends, and favourites alone: this is not hospitality. The glory of hospitality has been lauded in the sacred scriptures. Streams of visitors used to flow into Bhagawan's home in Tellicherry and Divine Mother's life of total absorption in the service of guests, was an illustration of her great hospitality, her maternal love and her spiritual consciousness. Even during Her sadhana period, She never swerved an inch from Her great dharma of serving Her husband and extending hospitality to the guests; Her whole life was an integral self-offering at the altar fire of Dharma. Through sacrifice and limitless love She delighted the hearts of all.

Guardian angels of dharma wait on and protect those who tread the path of dharma. Without charity, righteousness, worship of the deity, penance, remembrance of God and chanting of the Divine Name, purificatory vows and disciplines, pure thinking and virtuous conduct, no one can go forward on the path of life, no one can enjoy peace and well being. Such is the authentic teaching of the Divine Mother. Words fallen from Her lotus lips are the very nectar of immortality, the ever shining pearls of wisdom. Those drops of divine honey that dripped from Her will grow into streams of knowledge, nay they will shine as the ocean of wisdom itself.

Centuries may roll off, generations after generations may pass off, yet, and the power of sacrifice lasts. Such is the glory of the great acts of sacrifice. Without sacrifice, no one can progress towards higher dimensions of personality, towards the atmic state, towards realization of God. Verily, sacrifice, Tyaga is the highway to Realization. Yoga is the destination, the ultimate abode. Dwelling on this summit of Yoga, the great bhaktas attract the world. This Yoga, this God-abidance, is their richness, their immortal wealth.

Children, if you do not maintain the equanimity of your mind in defeats and difficulties of life, if you do not face the problems and trials of life with courage, how will you demonstrate the



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greatness of spiritual life, to the society around you? But do not lose heart. Be brave. You are the immortal Self. Take your position on this ground. All powers are within you. Be firm of mind. The saying truth and dharma alone triumph, must be exemplified in your lives.

Accept every event of sorrow and hardship as a lesson for your spiritual advancement. Let your mental strength, forbearance and self-knowledge keep on growing and let them constitute the inner light which dispels darkness and all forms of misery. Offer your heartfelt prayers to God every day, not only when miseries come, but also when happiness and success attend on you.

Let prayer be your very life. Let the whole life be one ceaseless prayer. Truly, prayer itself is a form of great yoga. Prayer unlocks the treasury of spiritual wealth. Prayer draws you nearer to God. Prayer links you with the divine lodged in your own heart. Inculcate in your children also the habit of prayer. All religious disciplines are nourished by the water of prayer. Prayer is the forerunner of meditative absorption and mystical communion.

'O God, my Beloved, guard me against all evil. Guide me along the right path. Give me strength to stick to dharma under all stress and strain of life. Let only good, courteous and truthful utterances fall from my lips. Give me courage to be constant in my love for Thee, even when the missiles of prarabdha attack me. Shield me against despondency and let my heart sing Thy praises always.' Such prayer must rise up from the innermost recesses of your heart.

Knowledge, jnana, is great. The Saving knowledge dawns only by the mystic touch of the Satchidananda Sadguru. Even when planetary position is adverse, you have nothing to fear, provided you have the Guru's protection. The object of upasana, of the worship of Divine Mother, is to get divine protection in the battle of life, to achieve redemption from the cycle of births and deaths.

Propitiate the Guru. Never deceive your Guru. No one is your own, except your Guru. Guru is the protecting power. Never involve your Guru in your mundane problems but invoke His aid and grace by following the path prescribed by Him. Be proud of your Guru, who is greater than your father and mother. Give no ear to any criticism by others about your Guru. Let your ardent Gurubhakti be a bonfire. Who will dare come near a bonfire! Guard your Guru's honour, which is your own honour.

To stand unmoved like a mighty rock when strong currents of prarabdha and waves of life lash all round you, to remain firm without being swept away by the cyclonic tests of life, you need an inner reserve of tremendous spiritual power. This power is developed through Gurubhakti, adherence to svadharma and systematic practice of spiritual disciplines.

Get ready before hand. Take no plunge into the river, before you know how to swim against its currents. A well disciplined soldier, armed with weapons and trained in the science of warfare, can fight the battle manfully. If the sword has not been sharpened, if he does not know how to use the weapons, and above all, if he has no courage in his heart at the time of action, how can he face the enemy and fight the battle?

Children, you are in the battle field of life. Perpetual war is going on within. Do not be boastful, do not be a coward, like prince Uttara Kumara. Wear the armour of grace. Face the enemies; use the weapons of knowledge and discrimination. When the missiles of prarabdha come; render them powerless by counter missiles charged with spiritual power.