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Merely living a family life is not the essence of Garhasthya dharma. You should attain Self-knowledge. Therein is the fulfillment. He who has love, faith, moral ardour, self abnegating spirit and Gurubhakti, alone can rise to Enlightenment. Be selfless. Let Tyaga be your nature. Tyaga is the real adornment. Tyaga is the radiant beauty of human life. By Tyaga, you rise to divinity. Tyaga is the ideal, which Mother places before you. Without tyaga, you cannot observe dharma; you cannot fulfill the law of your being. All are householders, but how few observe the dharma of Garhasthya! Acquisition of wealth and family happiness alone will not do. The true aim is Atma Jnana and Deliverance from samsara. Mother's exhortation to you is to secure Atma Jnana. Is not this jnana, the inexhaustible treasure of yours, your ideal sagely patrimony, the wealth which Mother is giving you now? All other material wealth perishes. Self-knowledge alone saves. The Upadesha regarding the imperishable Self, which emanates from the Sadguru, is the Divine word, the word soaked in love divine, the mine of wisdom. Devote yourselves to the pursuit of wisdom through devotion to the Guru and His Word. This is the most fruitful occupation that brings you the reward of immortality.

The devotees have vairagya as their sheltering fort and the protective talisman. The worldly people are bound by a thousand cravings. The selfish and the greedy ones, attached to wealth, bring destruction on themselves by their own hands. The Atma Jnani by the sheer virtue of his wisdom and realization is a blessing for the whole world.

Even to be consistently devoted to your husband and to build your lives on Garhasthya Dharma, you, women, need a support, and that is initiation into spiritual wisdom by a Sadguru. One cannot cross a river without a boat. The name of God, or the Mahavakya, imparted by the Sadguru, is the boat, which will take you across the river of Maya. But you must have the ticket of faith, to get admission into this boat. Mere profession of faith is of no avail. You must have constant and moment-to-moment awareness of a Supreme Power dwelling within you. This awareness is the great beacon light. You have secured asylum, at the Feet of the Supreme Shakti. She is eternal. You cannot intellectually understand Her nature and the ways of Her working. And, after all, where is the need for it? Is it not enough that you love Her. You are under a great Kalpataru of divine grace. When you are under a shade giving tree, you can peacefully relax. Relax and be happy, why go to count the leaves? Can you count the stars in the sky? Can you ever comprehend the glory of Parashakti with your minds? Hold fast to Her Feet. To Her Name, to the Manthra She gave you. When you leave the hold on Her Feet, you will be enveloped by Maya. The clutches of Maya are terrible. In the play of Maya is the trap of death. Turn your gaze to God, for peace, happiness and salvation. With all your personal endeavours and earthly attainments, you cannot transcend the realm of death. Surrender to Shakti, reliance on Her grace and faith in Her Word, are required. Children, Mother is giving you the forewarning. To give the forewarning is Mother's dharma; to live in its light, is your dharma. To guide is Guru's duty; to obey, is the duty of a disciple. As you go forward obeying the Guru's Teaching, the Guru's grace will descend on you. When you open yourselves to Guru's Grace, Wisdom of Brahman will be revealed to you.

He who leaves his body, with thought of God uppermost in his mind, gets redeemed by divine grace. But do you think it is that easy to have God-thought in the final moment? The whole lifetime should be devoted to God-thought. If one is inordinately attached to wealth, wife and children, or if he was burning rage and enmity towards anyone, then the thought of God will not come up in the last moment. It is one's own cultivated samskaras that gain momentum in the



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final moment when life departs from the body. Hence, cultivate spiritual samskaras by devotion to God. Mother does not say that you should not have wealth, or love towards your family. What is to be given up is attachment, moha. Attachment is bondage. Remember that wealth and family not accompany you beyond the grave.

Once there lived a family – Father, mother, sons and their daughters-in-law. Father, the head of the family was a pious man, but his wife was worldly minded and was too much attached to home, wealth, children etc. Years passed and father left his body. The mother also became very old. Sickness afflicted her body and she was bed-ridden. But despite old age and suffering, her mind never turned towards God. This worried her sons. To turn her face somehow towards God in her last moment, they arranged reading of the sacred puranas in their home. But the old woman's mind was full of worldly thoughts only. One day as usual, the Puranik was doing the parayana of the Purana, describing the glories of God. Those days, there was no electricity, and a small lamp was kept near the Puranik. One day, seeing that the light was too dim for reading purpose, someone poured some oil into the lamp, trimmed the wick and brightened the flame. Noticing this, the dying woman, who had already started breathing hard, cried out, Oh, why pour so much oil, with this exclamation, she breathed her last. Her last thought, despite the reading of the purana in her vicinity, was oil, and not God!

This was the sad fate of that worldly minded woman. So children, think not that it is easy to think of God in the last moment. If the flame of life should merge in Paramatman, if the last thought of the dying man should be on God and God alone, the whole life should be a preparation for it. Herein is the need for cultivation of devotion and practice of detachment through spiritual disciplines.