
8. FOLLOW PAST OR PRESENT AVATAR

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ADI: Any other question?

PILGRIM 1: Adi?

ADI: Yes.

PILGRIM 1: What did Baba say about people coming to God through other past forms of the Avatar? If there was any difference at all, if any.

ADI: Every Avatar when He takes birth, He does the work for humanity. And humanity reaps the benefit out of the work that He has performed and He has done, you see.

An individual, every individual according to his own capacity, you see, comes to a point where he is blessed by either the Perfect Master of that time or the Avatar, if the Avatar happens to be in the body and then He goes to, he realises his own self.

PILGRIM 1: [inaudible] so many people now, who are coming to Christ, coming to Buddha, coming to other forms of the Avatar. Did Baba say if there was any difference coming to the Avatar in the past form and the present Avatar?

ADI: Yes, the Avatar is for all times is the same. But the present Avatar holds the office. He is officiating. It is something like, Nixon is the President of the USA now, would you get your work done through Nixon or to the Eisenhower who is no more and who is dead?

How can you approach the President who is no more in the office, he has done his work, he has finished, dropped his body, he has gone.

But even after the Avatar drops His body, because He, it's a only short time that He's dropped His body and the work, the entire work that He has left behind, it has great force and great influence which is going to last for another 700 years. And during that time it is only through that Avatar that the work would be done.

The real, officiating period of the Avatar is seven to fourteen hundred years. The effect and the influence of the work done by Him. It is definitely more so when He is in the body, the human form. And the work done by Him has an influence which lasts for seven to fourteen hundred years. And when the influence goes on wearing then he has to come back again in some other form, at some other time, some other place.

So instead of going to the man who is officiating at that time we go back and seek the help of somebody and in fact it is the same Avatar. Supposing a man goes to the Christ, a man goes to Zoroaster who lived maybe ten thousand or fifteen thousand years ago. You see, his all prayers and his longing and all this doesn't go to waste but it is an indirect way of coming. Why should you not take a direct way

when we know so much about it and we have got the way on hand?

Not that any effort put in by anybody to worship any of the past Masters or the past Avatar go to waste all. But comparatively it becomes very slow process, an indirect process. It's not a direct process.

Come, I will give you another incident. Eisenhower was the President of America for some time. Now he is not officiating at all. There may be a friend of Eisenhower

and people know that this man is the friend of Eisenhower. So in the name of Eisenhower, he may get his work done through somebody else. Would it be as potent, as powerful as another man who is a friend of Nixon and gets his work done? Who bothers about Eisenhower? Finished, gone. Nixon is the officiating man, today. And a friend, a friendship with Nixon will be more fruitful than a friendship with Eisenhower. It is something like this.