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ERUCH: And this story comes to our mind about our being spiritual you see. As to maybe some of you'll have heard it. It might be a repetition. One day there comes a person in all sincerity to surrender to Baba. And he says that, "Baba, I beg of you to accept me. I want God-Realization from you. I want the grace of God-Realization, I want the experience. I want to realize God." So Baba was very pleased. Well pleased and said that, "Well done. You are one of the very few who has come asking me for this boon. Because there are people in the world who come to me, they want a beautiful wife, or handsome husband, or they come to me for children. Or they come to me for jobs or getting well from their illnesses and all that. But here is somebody who has come to surrender to me so that my grace be on him. So that he realizes himself. That's wonderful." Baba says, "Very good. I'm well pleased with you." But He says, "The most important thing for it is that you must obey me. The very fact that you will obey me implicitly means that you have surrendered to me. Are you prepared to obey me? Are you determined first of all?" He says, "Yes Baba. I am determined to follow you. I am determined that I will surrender to you." "Oh, that's good." Baba says. "But try it. Try to ponder over this. It's very difficult. All what I want is that you must obey me." So he was given some time in order to honour Baba's word he went out to ponder over the thing. He came back and he said that, "Yes Baba. I am determined to obey you. I will do exactly as you would say."

Baba said, "Right, sit down." He mind you he was a Brahmin by caste.

PILGRIM 1: [inaudible]

ERUCH: Pardon?

PILGRIM 1: Very religious.

ERUCH: Very religious. Ultra-religious, yes. So he comes there and he sits there expecting Baba to give instructions now. Says, "The first thing is that what you have to do is to eat meat, fish and eggs and non-vegetarian diet. Of course you should have your vegetarian food too. But that doesn't mean that your food should be just exclusively vegetarian. You should eat meat, fish, eggs. You follow?" "Yes Baba." "And second instruction is that you should drink hard liquor as much as you can digest. You follow?" "Yes Baba, I'm hearing you." [general laughter]. The third instruction. "I want you to visit brothels and pass some nights with prostitutes. You follow that?" He said, "Yes Baba. But Baba I am really very serious about spiritual life Baba." [general laughter]. So Baba says, Baba then replies, says, "I am serious too. Do you follow what I say? Do these three things and well, and see what happens." "No but Baba I am really serious about spirituality. And I would like you to take me seriously. I have not come here just to, just for a tall talk or a tall demand. I sincerely want to realize God and to be by your feet and to win your grace." Baba said, "But I am telling you that I am sincere in giving my instructions." I'm

sorry [correction] "I am serious about giving the instructions to you. I want you to follow these instructions." And again he pleaded and I was the interpreter by the way. It's not a hearsay story. It has happened in my presence. So it went on for about 5 minutes you see this bargaining that was there so to say, I call it. Then Baba says, "All right do one thing. Now.