WELCOME TO ARSHA VIDYA GURUKULAM ONLINE EASTER WEEKEND RETREAT, APRIL 2-4, 2021

SWAMINI SVATMAVIDYANANDAJI
MUNĪNDRA-DINACARYĀ FROM THE BODHASĀRA
THE DAILY LIFE OF THE MOST EXALTED OF SAGES

SWAMI MUKTATMANANDAJI
A VERSE FROM THE MUNDAKOPANIŞAD
"PARĪKŞYALOKĀN KARMACITĀN..."1.2.12

RETREAT TIMINGS

FRIDAY APRIL 2
ORIENTATION & BODHASĀRA 8:00-9:30 PM ET

SATURDAY APRIL 3

5:45-6:45 AM MORNING NITYA-ABHISEKA

7-7:30 AM GUIDED MEDITATION

8-9:15 AM BODHASĀRA CLASS

10:30-11:45 AM BODHASĀRA CLASS

4:00-5:15 PM MUNDAKOPANISAD CLASS

5:30-6:00 PM EVENING NITYA-PŪJĀ

8:00-9:00 PM SATSANG

SUNDAY APRIL 4

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7-7:30 AM GUIDED MEDITATION

8-9:30 AM BODHASĀRA CLASS

10:00-11:00 AM MUNDAKOPANIŞAD CLASS

11:00-11:15 AM FAREWELLS AND GURUDAKŞIŅĀ

11:30 AM-12:30 PM SUNDAY BHAGAVAD GITA CLASS

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munīndradinacaryā
The Daily Life of the Best Among the Sages

prātarjāgaraṇārthanirṇayaḥ On the Subject of Awakening

vicitrākṣaravinyāsaiḥ pavitrārthakathārasaiḥ / pāvayāmi nijāṃ vāṇīṃ munīndradinacaryayā // 16,1.1 //

Through the arrangement of colourful syllables and the essence of pure stories, I purify my own speech through (the narration) of the daily life of the best among the sages.

gaurīm maheśvaraḥ prāha cidānandamayīm sthitim / vadāmi tanmatacchāyām dinacaryāpadeśataḥ // 16,1.2 //

Lord Shiva unfolded to Goddess Gauri the nuances of abidance in the limitless self. In the same vein, I reveal but a shadow of his discourse, through the guise of the daily routine (of the sages).

yasmiñjāgaraņe prāpte punarnidrā na jāyate / sumaṅgalam munīmdrāṇām prātarjāgaraṇam hi tat // 16,1.3 //

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In which awakening, there is no more resorting to sleep, this dawn (of self knowledge) is the auspicious awakening of the most exalted among the sages.

śaucanirṇayaḥ Cleanliness

dehendriyamanaḥprāṇabuddhyahaṅkāracetasi / aśucāvātmabhāvo'sāvaśucitvasya kāraṇam // 16,2.1 // Impurities in the body, mind, prāṇa, intellect, ego, and memory are the cause of misidentifying as the self as impure.

sākṣitvabhāvanātoyaistathā vairāgyamṛtsnayā / gandhalepakṣayakaraṃ śaucaṃ kuryādatandritaḥ // 16,2.2 //

with the witness perception as the water, and dispassion as the (cleansing) clay, and the anointing of sandalwood paste as the destroyer (of all impurities), may one ceaselessly commit to cleanliness.

evaṃvidhena vidhinā yatsarvaṃ maṃgalārjanam / etadeva munīndrāṇāṃ prātaḥśaucaṃ viśuddhikṛt // 16,2.3 // Thus, in this manner, with the gain of everything auspicious, the cleansing morning rituals purify the great among the sages.

jñānayogaprasannānām mumukṣā mukhamucyate / śraddhājalena tacchuddhirmukhaprakṣālanam hi tat // 16,2.4 //

Desire for liberation is said to be the face of those tranquil in self-knowledge. Purification by the waters of devotion and faith is indeed the washing of the face.

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atha prātaḥsmaraṇam Morning Contemplations

prātaḥ smaranti munayo devasya saviturmahaḥ /
vareṇyaṃ taddhiyaḥ sākṣi tadevāsmīti saṃtatam // 16,3.1 //
The sages recall at dawn "I am ever that witness of the intellect, the great being that is worshipful and effulgent as the sun."

anvayavyatirekābhyāṃ jāgratsvapnasuṣuptiṣu / yadekaṃ kevalaṃ jñānaṃ tadevāhamahaṃ hi tat // 16,3.2 //

Through the maxim of invariable concomitance, that which obtains in waking, dream and seep as the the sole and undivided consciousness, that alone I am, I am that alone.

jñānājñāne tadviṣayau tadahaṅkāra eva ca / prakāśyante yena bhūmnā tadahaṃ hyahameva tat // 16,3.3 // I am that bhūman, in whose presence both knowledge and ignorance, and their objects come to light. Bhūman alone I am.

viśvaśca taijasaḥ prājño nāsmyahaṃ satsvarūpataḥ / yataste tu prakāśyante tadahaṃ nāsmi cetarat // 16,3.4 //

I am neither waker, dreamer, or sleeper, because I am of the nature of sat, the existence due to which all these states shine. I am nothing else but that (sat alone).

jñānājñānaprapañce'smiñjñānājñānena nāśite / yatsacchiṣṭaṃ paraṃ brahma hyahaṃ tannetaratsmaret // 16,3.5 //

When the dyad between knowledge and ignorance is reconciled this world embattled by knowledge and ignorance, that which remains is the limitless brahman. I am this and none other.

atha snānakālanirṇayaḥ The Bathing Ritual

aruṇakiraṇagrastāṃ prācīmavalokya snāyāditi vacanātsnānam // 16,4.1 //

"May one bathe, glancing at the eastern sky hijacked by orange rays" with these words, the bathing ritual is performed.

tathāhi Examples

naśyantyām mohanidrāyāmandhakāre galatyatha / ārohati vicārādriśikhare jñānabhāskare // 16,4.2 //

When the sleep of delusion is destroyed and the darkness of ignorance dissipates, the sun of knowledge arises over the mountain peak of discrimination.

dikṣu kiṃcitprakāśāsu diṅmohe galite sati / saṃdehakauśike naṣṭe jāte prāgaruṇodaye // 16,4.3 //

With the directions lighting up and the dissipation of disorientation, the owl of doubt being destroyed, dawn rises in the east.

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A VERSE FROM THE MUNDAKOPANIŞAD

परीक्ष्य लोकान्कर्मचितान्ब्राह्मणो निर्वेदमायान्नास्त्यकृतः कृतेन । तद्विज्ञानार्थं स गुरुमेवाभिगच्छेत्समित्पाणिः श्रोत्रियं ब्रह्मनिष्ठम् ॥ १२ ॥

parīkṣya lokānkarmacitānbrāhmaṇo nirvedamāyānnāstyakṛtaḥ kṛtena | tadvijñānārthaṃ sa gurumevābhigacchetsamitpāṇiḥ śrotriyaṃ brahmaniṣṭham || 12 ||

May a brāhmaṇa (brahmaṇi caritum śīlam asya asti iti), a student of self-knowledge, having examined the (limitations of) the worlds produced by action and results thereof, gain dispassion in the wake of the understanding that it is impossible for finite actions to lead one to the uncreated (limitlessness). In order to acquire this knowledge of the limitless self, may he/she only approach, sacrificial fuel in hand, a guru, who has gained self-knowledge from a sound lineage, and one who totally abides in Brahman.

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