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A visit to Ramakrishna Loka.

It happened almost by chance that Jai Narain was asked to dinner alone with Ambikananda - Satchidananda was on pilgrimage in Medjugorje. Swamiji had prepared some delicious food – rice and chicken, and some salad – and then they went for a walk in the cool evening with Kali the dog.

Before Jai Narain left, Ambikananda talked briefly:

‘Eternal Light. This is a secret mantra, a mahamantra, a Ma mantra of the Christians. Gayatri mantra is also light. It enlightens the three worlds of Bhu, Buva, Swaha. Ancestors also. It is like a tree, with ancestors the branches in Swaha and Buva; children are the root on earthplane, Bhu, and the children give liberation to the ancestors.

‘Truth is God. Truth is the *tapasya* for our age. All are children of the Mother. This mahamantra is only one of Her graces. Mary is full of grace. “Hail Mary, full of grace.” Mother laughs – *Ma rit*, Marie, happy, merry – see how it tallies. A child who takes God seriously gets Eternal Light. It is the gift of love. We are children of God when we take God seriously.

‘The Head of Christianity is the Trimurthi: Brahma, Vishnu, Maheshwara. The second person is Jesus/Krishna/Ramakrishna. Christianity is a mountain rock, and inside is the spirit of that rock. It is MahaVishnu, and there is no difference between Mahavishnu and Shiva Maheshwara. This spirit inside the rock of Christianity is the *Jagatswarup*. The two, Mahavishnu and Shiva, have become the same, there is no difference.

‘Ramakrishna told Mahapurushji that no one is higher than the Guru God. “*Guru Brahma, Guru Vishnu, Guru Dev Maheshwara, /Guru sakshat Parabrahma, /asmai Sri Guruve namah.*”

‘God is always listening to every thought of the devotee, to every unthought thought till it comes into consciousness, into our computer brains. But we computerize wrong; our hearing, our speed of remembrance, are defective because the body is not spiritualized. If it was, we would remember all; all would be a spiritual thing, everything concerted, golden. Thought itself would flower, and in all seasons; in summer giving fragrance, in winter warmth. It is an eternal companion, and man himself is a flower of God. All he has to do is blossom and sprout.

‘God exists beyond seasons, beyond senses, beyond time; “I am the master of time, Kala; the earth is in Me, the gunas are in Me, I am not in them.” So spoke Sri Krishna in *Bhagavad Gita*. Krishna and all are just double images of our God. We are totally ignorant of His awareness of us, which is always double. The Rakri¹ is Radha and Krishna; Hinduism blends Radha-Krishna, Sita-Rama, Lakshmi-Narayana. God is a partner, so matching.

‘Spiritual friendship is vast, deep, calm. And it’s safe, so safe because it’s supersensuous. Wide as it is, you can embrace it. Go beyond the horizon, there is another horizon, and another, endless horizons in true spiritual friendship. They are there, and we are not this, they keep coming to us – God seeks His devotees.

‘Whoever hears this has a spiritual blessing.

‘God is in the head, and He makes the head a most sensitive receiving set, Om Tat Set, Om Tat Sat, Sat That Set. But you must have a tuned set in the head. When meditation rises from the heart to the head, when kundalini rises – a few come back for the sake of others.

¹ A rakri is, a woven bracelet of Radha and Krishna, nowadays usually conjoining sister with brother.

‘Keep searching and in the end you will find. God is compassion in your search. Those who do not give Him up – He knows all our mistakes, but He clings to us in all our mistakes. Greater than God is His maya.

‘Whoever has the nature of a child and is inclined to God, is a child of our Father God. Say, “Take everything. Give me the awareness of You. May I never forget You.” This is not so different from what Shiva says in *The Hours of Meditation*: “Whatever you are doing, think of the Terrible.”

‘God speaks through everything; but a man who is perfect, who knows the ways of God without disturbing Him, speaks God to others. God is everywhere, always aware of the devotees’ condition. He alone is the doer. Man thinks he is the doer, but those who are conscious about God have a barrier between actions: God is first, then the action. An action is like an answer of a certain kind. If you abide by His word you will be saved. If not – danger. God is always warning and warding. He is saved who, in the din and bustle of maya, is still screening the vision of God, screening the in and the out of His word.

‘Have faith – fire burns. The Blind faith of a man wants to learn – full God teaches him directly. Lucky he who is taught by God at all times. For He exists everywhere and at all times. There is no night and no day, no awake and no sleep. So, “Arise, awake, stop not till the goal is reached.”

At the end, as Jai Narain was leaving Swamiji said,

‘The spear that entered Christ’s side makes a way to the Eternal Light within, and Christians go to that light in Jesus’s side.’