

*Sri:mathe: Ra:ma:nuja:ya Namaha***SRI SWAMIJI SPEAKS**

We are very happy to present this journal once again to the devotees. We regret for the wide gap between this issue and the last one. We do not want to dwell upon the reasons for the gap. The gap is an admitted fact. The earlier issues created a great impact on the readers. Many were expressing their desire to have them. Hence we are publishing this issue with a fond hope to continue henceforth.

The world is witnessing unprecedented events, which are very disturbing. There is scant respect for humanity and human values. Most of the educated are either indifferent or silent spectators. They are the potential thinkers, but they do not act. By this, they are doing great injustice to the society.

It is time for them to arise and be awake to the happenings, to react, to stimulate right thinking in the people and to guide the society on the right path, i.e. on

the path of *Dharma*. Infact it is the duty of each and every individual to tread on the path of *Dharma*. We propound the principles of *Dharma* and we advocate for it to be practiced. Practice *Dharma!* that will protect you. That should be the motto! If not, anarchy and miseries will prevail in the society.

We wish to give new dimensions to this journal. We invite suggestions from the readers to make this journal to reflect on the true thinking and aspirations of the people. That will help us to introspect ourselves and thereby lead to the welfare of the society. It is time for us to keep the spirit of “*VASUDHAIKA KUTUMBAKAM*” (Whole world as a single family) intact. Let us always aspire and strive to see the society on the path of *Dharma*. Our movement *Gi:tha Jyo:thi* is a very big stride in that direction.

In our pursuits to enhance comforts and pleasures the ecological balances are getting

destroyed. Which in-turn is leading to the destruction of many species and causing disturbances to many more. The Lord created this universe for the sake of all the beings and He is present in all of them. However, we the Human beings are abusing our abilities and causing inconvenience to all the species. Is it not our duty to stop such abuse and serve the beings that are in distress?

Some people identify themselves with a particular family, town, state, country, caste, religion etc and start to hate others due to their egoistic attitude. The so-called leaders of the present day society are also promoting the same in order to attain their selfish ends and thereby create communal unrest in the society. The communal violence is very disturbing. It is the duty of each and every individual in the society to stop it. The only solution to this problem is, we should learn to respect the beliefs of the others while worshipping our own.

The main aim of *Gi:tha Jyo:thi* is to promote harmony in the society and to provide service to all the beings that are in distress. We intend to achieve these aims by practicing and propagating the following slogans.

- 1) "SERVE ALL BEINGS AS SERVICE TO GOD." And
- 2) "WORSHIP YOUR OWN - RESPECT ALL."

These slogans describe the highest tenets of Vedic philosophy. Hence we have selected 48 important verses from Bhagavad *Gi:tha* as the basis to expound the above mentioned. Those who participate in this movement are expected to learn one selected verse from Bhagavad *Gi:tha* every week, practice it and to propagate the same to as many people as possible. We hereby invite each and everyone to join this movement and thereby patronize this noble cause.

Our *Mangala:sa:sanams* to each and everyone.

