



**MANGALASANAMS
FROM HH SRI CHINNA JEEYAR SWAMIJI**

Priya Bhagavad Bandhus !

Our Mangalasanams to you all on the auspicious occasion of Dasara. Let this Vijayadasami bless you all with noble thoughts and great success be on your side in implementing them for the good of the society.

Our Vedic system always worshipped the Nature as a form of Supreme Lord and all Natural forces as different Gods working in His administration. We collectively call it 'mother Nature'. Lord Supreme stands for 'independence' and 'control' which are masculine qualities whereas, the unconditional Love and limitless Compassion of the Lord, personified as our mother, focussing the feminine qualities. We always worship our Lord along with our Mother, because we seek His compassion to forgive us from all our misdeeds and lead us on the right path.

"Sami" tree is considered as the queen of all the trees and it gets energised with all its abilities to its exalt state during this Vijaya Dasami period. We offer all our oblations to her on this auspicious occasion and pray her to bless us with good health, wealth and longevity to be in the service of Divine.

Usually, people think that social service is different from their regular duties and that is different from the spiritual practice. For many people it might be so, but, for our Vedic people, all of them are put together into our Dharma "the righteous practice" prescribed to every individual by the Sasthra. It is a regular activity for even a common man here. Hence, if we follow our Sasthras, we need not separately strive for social service, or yoga practice etc., as they are a part of our regular activity.

Unfortunately, during the midieval period, the vital link has been missed and the influence of external forces that focus on selfish motives, in the name of development/ civilization, has dominated the whole society. People started to abuse Nature rather than worshipping it. Fortunately, in our Bharath, there are many traditional families still following the best practices of Vedic age inspite of so many external forces, hampering influences and businesses.

All our festivals are meant to worship God in some form, according to the season, utilising the best energies of the Nature for our happy living. You will not be surprised to know that we even worship snakes on a specific day during Dipavali period. This shows that our elders know very well, when to use and how to use that particular energy of nature, that gets activated as according to its season, during the year.



At present, our technologies are concentrating on the material comforts and carrying us towards luxuries instead of activating the latent abilities. Minimum attention towards protecting the Nature is being lost. We people of Bharath not only protected the Nature but also worshipped it with a divine thought, which is badly missing today. Let us not miss the link with Divinity in all our activities. May this Vijaya Dasami bless one and all with strength to pursue the Truth without becoming victims to business tricks, false focus and misleading media.

Bhakthinivedana is striving to bring out many such facts to be presented to the seekers of Truth so that every one can know the realities and choose the right path of their own life. It is upto you to take the message to the innocent masses who, though are well educated, are very backward in the concepts of following the right faith. Many are afraid of talking about their own faith. Some are like escapists who mostly go with the majority of people. Man is endowed with free thought. He can exercise it to decide whether it is right or wrong. He can infer things with the logical and analytical abilities he has. However, it is 'truth' that never changes basing on our beliefs or convictions. If you believe in a Truth, you will be benefitted, if not there is nothing for the Truth to lose, out of it.

Our great Rishis, sages and saints have realised a number of truths of this Nature and presented them to us in a variety of ways. Some, we practice daily in our life, some, we observe during some seasons, some, we do during special occasions that arise from time to time. We celebrate most of our festivals with all our kith and kin and every festival has some relevance with the nature in the form of food items, or in other practicing modes. Also, every festival has an outward story from our true history, reflecting some great moral or truth to be realised by one and all.

The so called 'development' of today has little to do with the moral uplift of mankind. It seldom focuses on the inner elevation of ones own personality. Rather it is leading to domination, suppression, violence and retaliation, for which common man is paying the price of his valuable life.

Our Vedic system is a complete system in all respects. It is equally profitable to all the levels of human beings. Whereas, the so called modernisation and globalisation are leading to unrest and peacelessness creating hatred and rivalry among various levels of people. Come on... let us take an oath on this Vijaya Dasami day to live together for the sake of the society, to do sincere service howmuch ever possible and to stand guard for the the truths realised, protected and passed on to us by our great Rishis and Acharyas of Vedic lineage. Let us pray for the good of the society. Let us realise the role of Divinity in our day to day life. May this Bhakthi nivedana reach all the seekers of Truth.

We wish you all the success 'Vijayam', in your noble pursuits, to lead a purposeful life, in service of the Lord Supreme.

