

Brother Satyananda – “Devotional Offerings” – Glendale Temple, June 6, 2010

Greetings! I would like to share a few inspirational moments from Brother Satyananda’s lecture on “Devotional Offerings,” held today at Glendale Temple. He referenced the Gita, Chapter 9 Verse 26.

“The greatest gift we can offer God is ourselves. God is pleased with every offering given with right intention. Offer your thoughts, feelings, and actions to God. No degree of lofty perfection is needed. No purification is necessary for us to offer to God. Offer the most fleeting thought, the most trifling offering. What’s more important to God is the attitude and spirit in which we give.

Only two things are needed: 1) Have a desire to share with God; 2) Offer whatever you have.

Be sincere and spontaneous: ‘Lord, I am Yours now.’ We can invoke this at any time. God understands all; God receives all. We are enriched and expanded. We are rewarded by the experience.

Do it right now! Any thought, any action. Do it right now. What are you waiting for? Share it now.

My trifling offering can be a stepping stone, a bridge to God. A bridge of consciousness that links us to God. Offer dark thoughts, grief, sorrow. You will feel a connection. The burden is being shared. You are being uplifted. Share of yourself whatever you have.”