

## 2017 Convocation Satsanga ~ Brother Tyagananda

(DISCLAIMER: These notes are our best attempt to capture the essence of what was said at this class. There is always a degree of human error involved when taking notes and we have transcribed them to the best of our ability.)

I tell you truthfully, all of my questions have been answered not through man, but through God and the Masters. We have many questions.

What are your view points about being in a relationship with someone who has no spiritual belief? How on earth does one find a decent spiritual companion? Does one need a companion if on the spiritual path.

We struggle with restlessness. We want something more. If we find ourselves in this world and we can never be satisfied, the best explanation is that you were made for another world.

Rumi says, "My soul is from elsewhere, and I intend to end up there."

Every soul in heaven is married to the Lord. You are already in a love relationship with God and guru.

Brother told the story of a very thirsty man who was in the desert. It was very hot, and there was little water left. He was drinking only droplets. He followed a voice through the forest and was led to a lake. We say, "I want more. I want a lake."

Spirit alone can give us a sea of love. We form a relationship with the guru until the mental conception of the Divine becomes real. We focus on the desire for this goal. In the Divine, you find all the love of all hearts.

Brother referenced the book, "Getting Along with Others". If you are in a relationship and you cry all day, ask yourself, "Am I dating a human or an onion?"

The best couples never have the same character. They appreciate their differences. A requisite to friendship is the acceptance of each one's individuality.

In Lesson #59, Master tells us how to select your life companion. You must develop spiritual magnetism. Some are attracted to many. Some expect perfection.

A monk asked a man to describe all of the characteristics he wanted in a mate. He listed them all. He replied, "You just described to me Mahavatar Babaji". No human has perfection. Love God and serve.