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SACRED HYMN · SANSKRIT (DEVANAGARI) WITH MEANING

Janmashtami Mantra

Traditional, from Puranic vrata texts

THE COMPLETE HYMN · SANSKRIT (DEVANAGARI)

Six verses in the order of the rite: the two vow verses of the morning, the two-couplet arghya to Krishna at his birth, the arghya to the rising Moon and the closing salutation.

SANKALPA 1

वासुदेवं समुद्दिश्य सर्वपापप्रशान्तये ।
उपवासं करिष्यामि कृष्णाष्टम्यां नभस्यहम् ॥

Keeping Vasudeva in mind, and for the quieting of all sins, I will keep the fast on the Krishna Ashtami of the month of Nabhas (Bhadrapada).

SANKALPA 2

अद्य कृष्णाष्टमीं देवीं नभश्चन्द्रसरोहिणीम् ।
अर्चयित्वोपवासेन भोक्ष्येऽहमपरेऽहनि ॥

Today I worship the holy Krishna Ashtami of Nabhas, together with the Moon and Rohini, by fasting; I will eat only on the following day.

ARGHYA 1

जातः कंसवधार्थाय भूभारोत्तारणाय च ।
कौरवाणां विनाशाय दैत्यानां निधनाय च ॥

You were born to slay Kamsa and to lift the burden from the earth, to bring about the fall of the Kauravas and the end of the demons.

ARGHYA 2

पाण्डवानां हितार्थाय धर्मसंस्थापनाय च ।
गृहाणार्घ्यं मया दत्तं देवक्या सहितो हरे ॥

You came for the good of the Pandavas and to establish dharma. O Hari, together with Devaki, accept this water offering I give you.

ARGHYA 3

क्षीरोदार्णवसम्भूत अत्रिनेत्रसमुद्भव ।
गृहाणार्घ्यं शशाङ्केदं रोहिण्या सहितो मम ॥

O Moon, risen from the ocean of milk and born from the eye of the sage Atri, accept this water offering of mine, together with Rohini.

PRARTHANA 1

यं देवं देवकी देवी वसुदेवादजीजनत् ।

भौमस्य ब्रह्मणो गुप्त्यै तस्मै ब्रह्मात्मने नमः ॥

Salutation to that God, whose very self is Brahman, whom the goddess Devaki bore to Vasudeva for the protection of the sacred order on earth.

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