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Chapter 30 Thinking of You, let love fill me

Let my whole be at Your natural Lotus-feet.

You give a meritorious man *Satsanga*

And give a son or daughter to those who desire for lineage.

Sri Siddharudha Kathamrita Sri Siddharudha Kathamrita O High soul, when we see Your true nature, all names and forms will disappear. All desires fade away themeselves into the self. It is through Jnana alone that the meditator experiences the bliss. He becomes Anandarupa himself through such wonderful experience. One never attains fearlessness through dwaitabhava. So, to be fearless, one should gain self realization. The fear of mundane existence cannot be dispelled without Adwaita-bhava. The meditator, on which he meditates, he becomes himself the object of meditation. By such meditation the meditator and the meditation become united. Knowledge of self gets firmed by doing so and finally one cannot see the second one except the self in the world. This knowledge of self can be gained by the Grace of Guru. A person, who is engaged in doing shravan (hearing) manana (contemplation) and *nidhidhyasana* (reflection) will be worthy of Guru's Grace.

Now, hear a beautiful story. There was a gentleman called Basappa in a village named Kurandakoppa. Danawwa was his wife. The couple were very happy as Danawwa was carrying for the first time. However, unfortunately when she was nine months pregnant, the pregnancy decayed and she could not deliver a baby. Later she was carrying again and for their bad luck the same thing happened to the second pregnancy as well. The couple were worried a lot. When she became pregnant for the third time a woman met Danawwa.

Hearing her story, she said to her, "Do one thing. Both of you

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go to Siddhashrama in Hubballi where Siddharudha is residing. He always removes the difficulties of His devotees. He always does good to them. Pray to him. Tell Him your story. He solves your problem because He is merciful to all. He is inderscribable. He is the only Sadguru. Request Him to bless you with a child." Danawwa replied, "What does he take in return for this favor? Tell me this. We are rich. We are able to give any amount" The woman said "He does not demand money. He wants only your pure mind. Those who surrender at His Lotus feet with purified mind, He grants them whatever they want. He does not see whether they are rich or poor. He solves the problem of the sad ones". Heard these words, Danawwa was very much pleased and said, "O woman, you came to

my house in the form of Sadguru to uplift us" She treated her well and sent her home. Accordingly, the couple bought some fruits in Hubballi and came to Siddhashrama in the evening. They saw Siddharudha sitting on a divine seat. The devotees just infront of him were doing bhajan with love and affection. After that, they did mangalarati. Then saluting Sadguru and seeking Sadguru's permission, the devotees went home. Basappa and Danawwa came and placed the fruits before Siddharudha and held His Lotus feet. Sadguru asked them for what work they had come. Basappa said to Him, "My wife became pregnant twice but at the end of the nineth months, pregnancy decayed. Now the third time, she is pregnant. This time, we hold Your feet hoping that we will be blessed with a child. Therefore, O Swami, Grace us" Then, Sadguru thought and said these sweet words, "Basappa, you are a virtuous man. He-child takes birth from her womb. He will be eminently pious man but the moment he is born, he goes amidst the saints" You never meet him. Having heard the word `he-child', the couple

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became very happy. They took their meals there and went home happily. They would always remember Sadguru.

One night, Danawwa was enjoying her deep sleep but after some time, in a dream she was suffering from labour pains, and in pain she pronounced "Siddharudha Sadgururaya'. Soon, she saw Him before her. When He was looking at her mercifully, she delivered. Then, Sadguru picked up a child and said, "O chaste woman, do not think that this is only a dream. Taking your son, I will place him among the saints. I will bless you with the second son soon. Believe this and don't worry about anything. Ponder over Sadguru and you will have your second son" Thus blessing her, He disappeared. Danawwa woke up from the dream and saw the traces of delivery. She woke up the other women nearby. They all were surprised not to see the child anywhere. Having heard this news, Basappa came running. All were in search of the child. Danawwa told her husband about her dream and Sadguru Himself took the child. Basappa was not scared because he knew the fact earlier but Danawwa worried for some days. After some days, the couple went to Siddharudha and told Him what had happened. Siddha consoled them by saying, "The son you bore is a tapasvi. He needed the association of good people. I have sent him to a holy place. You will give birth to a holy child and he will be with you" The couple were pleased to hear this. Saluting Sidharudha, they went home with a smile on their faces. Danawwa gave birth to a divine child by the Grace of Guru.

O Listerners, now hear the secondary meaning of the story. Kurandakoppa village itself is a body. Basappa himself is a jeeva. His wife is intellect. Intellect became pregnant by the rise of merit. Jnana-pregnancy was present in the womb

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as dispassion but the pregnancy decayed in the womb by the present-obstructing. The second time, the same thing happened by the present obstructing. When the intellect was pregnant the third time, jeeva met Sadguru and prayed to Him, "There should not be future-obstructing to inana (knowlege). Then, Sadguru said, "This time, jnana will be born, but inana goes to join the association of good saints. You cannot get him. Next time, jnana shines in the intellect and that jnana remains with you. You will be happy with him." As Sadguru said, so it happened to jeeva. Here Shivadas dedicates the thirtieth chapter of `Sri Siddharudha Kathamrita' at the Lotus feet of Sri Siddharudha,

which burns all the sins by just hearing.

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