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वेदान्ताचार्यवर्यों में सन्निधत्तां सदा हृदि॥

SrImAn venkaTanAthArya: kavitArkikakesarI | vedAntAcAryavaryo me sannidhattAm sadA hrdi ||



### **INTRODUCTION:**

This chillarai rahasyam is the eleventh in the series of the amrta Ranjani rahasyams. Since it resembles a gem necklace strung together with the three gems of tattvams, it has been given the name of tattva ratnAvaLi by Swamy Desikan. In this SrI Sookti, the three tattvams (cEtanam, acEtanam and Iswaran) are covered with ten sentences (Vaakyams) each. Thus there are a total of 30 Vaakyams in this SrI Sookti. Swamy Desikan points out that we attain clarity on these three tattvams through instructions from a







compassionate AchAryan.

#### INTRODUCTORY VERSE AND ITS MEANING:

வண்மையுகந்த வருளால் வரந்தரு மாதவனார் உண்மை யுணர்ந்தவர் ஓதுவிக்கின்ற வுரைவழியே திண்மைதரும் தெளிவொன்றால் திணியிருள் நீங்கியநாம் தண்மை கழிந்தனம் தத்துவம் காணும் தரத்தினமே.

vaNmai ukantha aruLAl varam tharum mAdhavanAr

uNmai uNarnthavar OdhuvikkinRa urai vazhiyE

thiNmai tharum theLivonRAI thiNi iruL neengiya nAm

thaNmai kazhinthanam thaththuvam kaaNum tharaththinamE.

VaNmai ukantha varam tharum mAdhavanAr aruLAl - due to the krupai of the Lord Maadhavan, who blesses us with more than what we ask for.

uNmai uNarnthavar - Those AchAryAs, who understand the inherent nature (svarUpam) of their Lord Maadhavan.

OdhuvikkinRa urai vazhiyE - Those AchAryAs of the Lord instruct us on His (Lord's) svarUpam and through following their (AchAryan's) upadEsams.

thiNmai tharum theLivu onRAI - we will gain a clear comprehension of the three tattvams (Sentient, insentient and Iswaran).

thiNi iruL neengiya nAm - (as a result), the powerful ajn~Anam that held us in its grip will disappear.

thaNmai kazhinthanam - (by shedding this ajn $\sim$ Anam), our lowliness would be chased away.

thaththuvam kANum tharaththinam - We come to possess the glory of comprehending the three tattvams for our ujjeevanam (uplift and salvation).







# THE TEN VAAKYAMS TO BE UNDERSTOOD THROUGH SADACHARYA UPADESAM ON CETANAM

- 1) ஜீவதத்வமாவது ஸ்வருபத்தாலும் सामर्थ्यத்தாலும் परिच्छिन्नமான अहमर्थம்.
- 1) jeeva thathvamAvathu svarUpaththAlum, sAmarthyaththAlum paricchinnamAna ahamartham.

Jeevan is the meaning for the word "aham" (ahamartham). The size of Jeevan is so small that it cannot be seen by the human eye. It is "atomic" in size. Its Sakti is small (Paricchinnam) as well.

- त्रिविध-जीववर्ग க்கினுடைய 2) ஸ்வருபாதிகளெல்லாம் ஸர்வ अनन्याई-निरुपाधिक-शेषभृतங்களென்று श्रियःपतिकंक ரக்ஷகனான निर्णीतமாகையாலே िगमान्तहाँ कुर्जा இஜ்ஜீவன் ஸ்வருபத்திலும் குன் अतिरायங்களிலும் தான் செய்யும் சேஷவ்ருத்திகளிலும் தனக்கு सर्व-प्रधान-சேஷித்வமும் उपकार-प्रत्युपाकर-प्रसङ्ग மும் தனக்கு अवस्थेणीळाமं होतंषणळाणीणुकंक प्राप्तकं.
- 2) trividha-jeevavargaththinudaiya svarUpAdhikaL ellAm sarvarakshakanAna Sriya:patikku ananyArha-nirupAdhika-SeshabhUtangaL enRu nigamAntangaLil nirNItham AkaiyAlE, ijjeevan than savarUpaththilum, thanakku uLLa atiSayangaLilum thAn seyyum SeshavruththikaLilum, thanakku pradhAna Seshithvamum, upakAra-pratyupakAra-prasangamum aRa, sarva avasthaiyilum nirmamanAyirukka prApthan.

There are three kinds of Jeevans (trividham). The inherent nature (SvarUpam) of the Jeevan is eternal. It has kartrutvam (actionship) and is always under the









control of the Lord, its unconditional Master. The jeevans are not under the control of anyone other than the Lord of Lakshmi (Sriya:Pati). VedAnta Saastrams assert this truth. The Jeevan therefore is not his own Master (Seshi). In all its intelligent activities and Kaimkaryams, he is not the receiver of the fruits thereof. The jeevan should not think that his Kaimkaryam for the Lord is for the help of the Lord or expect some thing back in return. In all states and conditions, the Jeevan should not have the claim: "This is mine". The jeevan is duty bound to think this way.

- 3) இவனுடைய ஸ்வருப ஸ்த்தித்யாதிகளெல்லாம் प्रतन्त्रங் களாயிருக்கையாலே தன்?னயும் பிறரையும் பற்ற இவன் நிரபேக்ஷ– ரக்ஷகனல்லன்.
- 3) ivanudaiya svarUpa sthithithyAthikaL ellAm paratantrangaLAka irukkaiyAlE, thannayum, piRaraiyum paRRa ivan nirapEksharakshakanallan.

The Jeevan's svarUpam, Sakti and actions (kartrutvam) are under the control of the Lord, his Master. The jeevan has no independence in all these three areas. Therefore, the Jeevan is incapable of protecting himself or others without the help of his Lord.

- 4) சேஷத்வத்தாலே ஸ்வாமிக்கு इष्ट-विनियोग-योग्यனாம்.
- 4) SeshathvaththAlE SvAmikku ishTa-viniyOga -yOgyanAm.

Jeevan is the unconditional servant of the Lord. The Jeevan is for the use of the Lord. Therefore the Lord is entitled to use the Jeevan as He sees fit and the Jeevan is duty bound to be under the control of his Supreme and only Master.

5) पारतन्त्रयத்தாலே यथेष्ट-विनियुक्तனாம்.

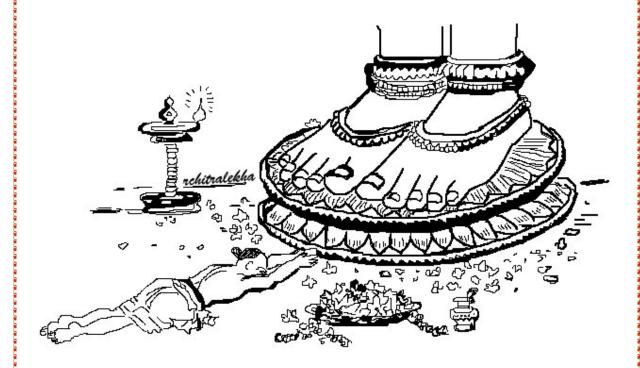






5) pAaratantryaththAlE yatheshTa-viniyuktanAm.

Jeevan is under the influence of the Lord. Therefore the Lord uses His property as He wishes. Our Lord desires to use the Jeevan not only for His pleasure but also for the benefit of His BhAgavatAs (those who are dear to Him). As a result, our Lord makes the Jeevan the servant of His BhAgavatAs.



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- 6) 'அடியார்க்கென்ணே யாட்படுத்த விமலன்' என்கிறதற்கு स्वार्थ-प्रवृत्त னான ஸ்வாமியினுடைய कृतकृत्यतेயிலும் அவனுடைய विनियोग-விசேஷத்தாலே कृतार्थனான दासभूतனுடைய कृतज्ञतेயிலும் தாத்பர்யம்.
- 6) 'adiyArkkenai Atpaduththa vimalan' enkiRathaRkku sVArthapravruttanAna Swamiyinudaiya krtakrtyataiyilum, avanudaiya viniyOga viSeshatthAlE krtArthanAna dAsabhUtanudaiya krtajn~ataiyilum thAthparyam.

ThiruppANAzhwAr described this aspect of His Lord's anugraham as









"adiyArkku ennai Atpaduththa Vimalan" in his amalanAdhipirAn Prabandham. The AzhwAr points out and celebrates the Lord of Srirangam as the One who blessed him with the great help of making him become the adiyAr for His BhAgavatAs. This is an expression of the gratefulness of the AzhwAr for the Lord's help and duty to make him a servant of His BhAgavathAs. Our Lord not only receives the Kaimkaryams of His servant, the Jeevan but He also makes that Jeevan serve His dear ones. Our Lord becomes kruta-krutyan by discharging these two duties towards His servant, the Jeevan, who receives the fruits of that Kaimakaryam to the Lord as well as to His BhAgavatAs.

- 7) ic Seshatva-pAratanryangaLum, nitya-siddha-jn~Ana-anushThana-sAmarthyangaLum kUda svathanthra svAmi sammathangaLAna upAya-phala viseshangaLukku upayuktankaLAm.

The Jeevan in his role as Seshan (adimai, dAsan, liege) of the Lord is under the total control of his Lord and uses his Jn~Anam and the Sakti to engage in karmAs for the Lord's benefit. He pleases his Lord through engagement in actions that pleases his Lord (Seshi) as His Seshan or dAsabhUtan. Being under His control totally, the Jeevan carries out his Lord's commands. Since Jeevan possesses Jn~Anam always, he understands the means (upAyam) that he is entitled to; further the Jeevan is able to engage in performing kaimkaryams due to its Sakti granted by the Lord to initiate them. With its Jn~Anam, the Jeevan comprehends the Lord's desires with His sAstrams.

8) இஜ் ஜீவதத்த்வம் आघेयत्व-विधेयत्व-शेषत्व-நியமத்தாலே உடன்மிசை உயிரெனக் கரந்து நிற்கிற உயர்வற வுயர்நலமுடையவனுக்குத் தன் உடம்பும் தானும் உடம்பாயிருக்கும்.







8) ijjevathaththvam Adheyatva-vidheyatva-Seshatva-niyamaththAlE udanmisai uyirenak-karanthu niRkiRa uyarvaRa uyarnalamudaiyavanukku than udampum thAnum udampAi irukkum.

This jeeva tattvam will always stay as the Sareeram of the Lord. The Jeevan will always be the Lord's Adheyam, Vidheyam and Sesham for the following reasons:

- 1. The Jeevan Being Adheyan: The svarUpam and stithi (continued existence) of the Jeevan is totally dependent on the Lord and are under His control. Only when the Lord's svarUpam and stithi exist, the Jeevan exists. He has no existence outside His Lord's svarUpam and stithi. Hence, the Jeevan becomes an AdhEyan to the Lord.
- 2. The Jeevan being Vidheyan: If the Lord does not will (has the sankalpam), the SvarUpam-stithi-actionship do not exist for the Jeevan. Once the SvarUpam is no more, then there is nothing to discuss about stithi and doership of the Jeevan.
- 3. The Jeevan being an eternal Seshan (Seshatvam): The Jeevan does not consider the phalans arising from his kaimkaryam to the Lord as his own and recognizes that all those phalans belong to his Lord alone (Phala samarpaNam). Thus the jeevan displays its Seshatvam.

With these three amsams of Adheyam, Vidheyam and Seshatvam, the jeevan becomes the Sareeram (body) of the Lord, who dwells inside that body as an antaryAmi. Since these three amsams are possessed by the Jeevan, he becomes qualified to be the Sareeram of the indweller, the Lord.

9) இப்படி शरीरतया-परतन्त्रமாய்ச் சநீரங்களேயும் எடுத்து ज्ञातृत्व-कर्तृत्वादि़ கள உடைத்தாயிருக்தாலும் ஸ்வருபத்தில் नामान्तरம் வரும்படியான अवस्था-விசேஷங்கள் இல்லாமையாலே ஜீவனுக்கு விசேஷத்து नित्यत्व-







### निर्विकारत्वादिऊ आச் சொல்கிறது.

9) ippadi SareeratayA-paratantramAi SareerangaLaiyum eduththu jn~Atrtva-kartrtvAdikaLai udaiththAyirunthAlum, svarUpaththil nAmAntaram varumpadiyAna avasthA viSeshangaL illAmaiyAlE jeevanukku viSeshaththu nityatva-nirvikAratvadikaLai Solkirathu.

Since the Jeevan is the Sareeram of the ParamAtmA, the antaryAmi, he is under the control of the Lord. This jeevan takes many bodies due to his karmas, understands vastus and performs acts. The doubt may arise about describing this jeevan as having eternal existence and being changeless. The answer is:

The svarUpam of the Jeevan is without birth and death. Only its body undergoes changes like births and deaths, old age etc. Jeevan however is nityan (eternal and everlasting). He can be called devan or human, child or old man, man or woman based on the body it has but these changes are only in the svabhAvam of the jeevan and **NOT** in the svarUpam of the Jeevan, which is without vikArams (changes).

- 10) स्वरूप-नित्यत्वமं चेतन-अचेतनங்கள் எல்லாவற்றுக்கும் तुल्यம்
- 10) svarUpa-nityatvam cEtana-acEtanangaL ellavaRRukkum tulyam.

acEtanam (insentient) have changes in SvarUpam and svabhAvam. In contrast, the Jeevan (cEtanam) does not undergo any change in SvarUpam and experiences changes only in SvabhAvam. For an acEtana vastu like clay, it can become a pot or other things. An acEtanam like Gold can gain new names by becoming a bangle, chain or ring. It undergoes changes in SvarUpam and SvabhAvam. acEtanam does not however get destroyed entirely. Its svarUpam gets changed somewhat. Jeevan is a nityan since its svarUpam is not affected. acEtanam is an anityan since its svarUpam and svabhAvam get changed.







# THE TEN VAAKYAMS TO BE UNDERSTOOD THROUGH SADACHARYA UPADESAM ON ACETANAM

- 11) अचेतनமாவது அறிவில்லாத வஸ்து.
- 11) acEtanamAvathu aRivillAtha vastu.

acEtanam is an insentient (noncognitive) vastu.

- 12) இது ஸ்வப்ராகாமத்திற்கும் परिப்ராகாமத்திற்கும் फिले யல்லாமையாலே இதற்கு प्रत्यक्तव-भोक्तृत्वங்கள் இல்‰.
- 12) ithu svaprakASaththiRkum, para-prakASaththiRkkum phaliyal allAmaiyAlE, ithaRkku pratyaktva-bhOgtrtvangaL illai.

acEtanam is a vastu, which has no knowledge (aRivu). It cannot recognize itself. It cannot recognize other vastus as well. In contrast, the Jeevan (cEtanam) recognizes himself. The Jeevan can also recognize others. Therefore, the cEtanam can do things for himself unlike acEtanam. The cEtanam picks what he needs and rejects others that are not required. That is a result of his cognitive capabilities. This leads to him being called "pratyak". The acEtanam does not possess cognitive skills and analytical faculty and hence cannot be addressed as "pratyak". The jeevan (cEtanam) understands the different vastus and goes through the experiences of happiness and sorrow, when he experiences them. Therefore, the cEtanam is called bhOkta (the enjoyer of happiness and sorrow). Since acEtanam does not have the experiencing capability, it cannot taste sukha-dukkhams. Therefore, it cannot be included under the category of BhOktA.

13) தன்ணயும் பிறரையும் காட்டுகிற ஜ்ஞாநத்துக்கு आश्रयமல்லாமையாலே स्वबुद्धि-पूर्व-प्रवृत्ति-लक्षण-कर्तृत्वம் இல்லே.









Jeevan has a knowledge called dharmabhUta Jn~Anam (attributive Knowledge). This is the knowledge to recognize itself and others and with the power of this, the jeevan initiates an action. The jeevan thus becomes a kartA. acEtanam does not have this type of Jn~Anam and cannot become a kartA and display kartrutvam arising from discriminative jn~Anam.

- 14) अचेतन-द्रव्यங்களில் त्रिगुणம் ஸர்வேக்வரனுக்கு லீலா विभूतिயாய் ஸம்ஸாரிகளுக்குக் கரண-कळेबरादि ரூபமாய்க் கொண்டு பரிணமித்துக் கர்ம-அநுகுண-வைஷம்யத்தாலே விஷமங்களான आनुक्ल्य-प्रातिक्ल्यங்கள உடைத்தாயிருக்கும்.
- 14) acEtana-dravyangaLil triguNam sarveSvaranukku leelA vibhUtiyAi samsArikaLukku karaNa-kaLebarAdi rUpamAik koNDu pariNamiththuk karma-anuguNa-vaishamyaththAlE vishamangaLAna AnukUlya-prAtikUlyangaLai udaiththAyirukkum.

acEtnam can be classified into three groups:

- 1. prakruti,
- 2. kAlam and
- 3. suddha sattvam.

Among this, prakruti has three guNams: sattva-rajas-tamas. The whole worlds below SrI VaikuNTham is known as Prakruti maNDalam. This Prakruti undergoes many changes and produces leelA rasam for BhagavAn to enjoy. Therefore it is called leelA VibhUti. This same prakruti undergoes transformation and becomes Sareeram and indriyam for the cEtanams. These changes in cEtanams can be beneficial or otherwise (anukUlam or pratikUlam) as a result of the pUrva janma sukrutams or Paapams. The impact of karmAs determine whether these changes in the Sareeram are beneficial or not over different times.







- 15) இதுதானே இவர்கள் मुक्तगाனால் ஸ்வாமி– विभूतिயான வேஷத்தாலே स्वाभाविकமான आनुकूल्य-अतिशयத்தையுடைத்தாம்.
- 15) ithuthAnE ivarkaL muktarAnAl svAami- vibhUtiyAna veshaththAlE svAbhAvikamAna AnukUlya atiSayaththai udaiththAm.

These vastus, which for the samsAric cEtanams related as anukUla or pratikUla vastus will all become anukUla vastus, once they attain Moksham and the cEtanam becomes a mukta jeevan. This is because all the acEtanams are the body of the Lord and subject to His control. The mukta jeevans understand this aspect and all become now anukUla vastus for them after becoming the liberated souls (cEtanams).

- 16) पूर्व-अवस्थेषीல் தன்ணப் பற்ற உண்டான प्रातिकूल्यமும் பரப்ரதி கலமான आकारமும் मुक्तனுக்குத் தோன்றா நின்றாலும் ஈம்வர னுக்குப்போலே இவனுக்கும் ப்ரதிகூலமாய் இராது.
- 16) pUrva avasthaiyil thannaip-paRRa uNDAna prAtikUlyamum parapratikUlamAna AkAramum muktanukku thOnRA ninRAlum ISvaranukku pOlE ivanukkum prathikUlamAi irAthu.

For the mukta jeevan, the pratikUla nature of the vastu during its bhaddha state (samsAric bound state) will be recognizable. It will not however experience any vastu as pratikUla vastu in the liberated state as mukta jeevan. All are BhagavAn's Sareeram. He does not recognize one vastu as anukUlam and the other as pratikUlam. Mukta enjoys such a state of equality (Saamyam) in enjoying total bliss (ParipUrNa brahmAnandam).

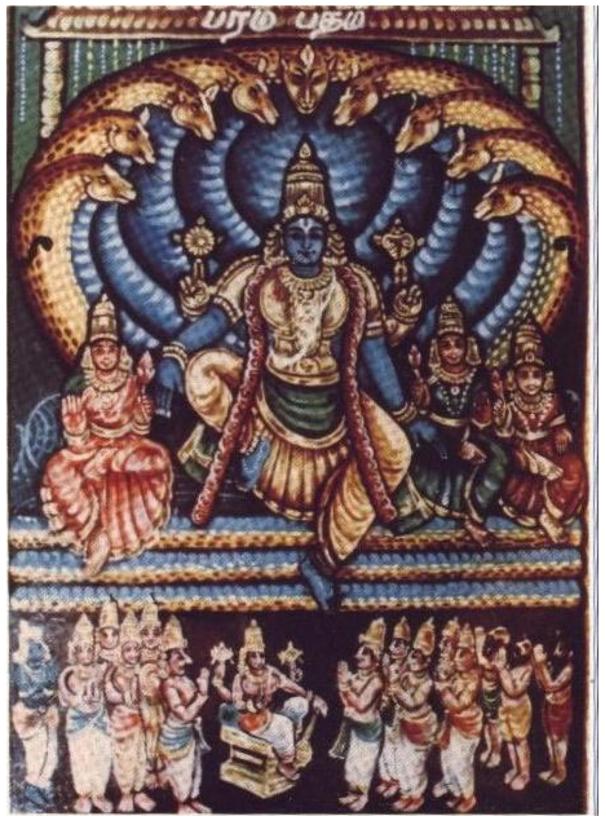
17) सत्त्व-मात्र-आश्रयமான द्रव्यயம் भोग-विभूतिயாய் ஸூடி-ஸேவ் யனான श्रियःपतिக்கும் ஸூடிகளுக்கும் सूरि-तुल्य-ज्ञान-विकासம் பெற்ற मुक्त்ருக்கும் स्वच्छन्द-देहादिरूपமாய் सर्वदा-अत्यन्त-अनुकूल-रूपமாயிருக்கும்.











SrI VaikuNTham is made up of Suddha sattvam







17) sattva-mAtra-ASrayamAna dravyam bhOga-vibhUtiyAi sUri-sEvyanAna Sriya:patikkum sUrikaLukkum sUri-tulya-jn~Ana-vikAsam peRRa muktarukkum svacchanda-dehAdhirUpamAi sarvadA-atyanta-anukUla rUpamAyirukkum.

Suddha sattvam is dravyam among the three kinds of acEtanams. It has no admixture of rajO or tamO guNam in its composition. Paramapadam or SrIvaikuNTham is known as the bhOga vibhUti. This Paramapadam is made entirely of the dravyam of Suddha sattvam. The residents of Paramapadam from the Lord to nitya sUris and mukta jeevans are made of Suddha sattvam and take on any body they wish.

- 18) सत्त्वादि-गुण-त्रयமில்லாத कालद्रव्यம் विभूति-द्वयத்தையும் வ்யாபித்து நின்றாலும் कल्पादि-विभागத்தாலே லீலா– विभूतिயில் विकार-விசேஷங்களுக்கு நியாமகமாக இருக்கும்.
- 18) satvAdi-guNa-trayam illAtha kAladravyam vibhUti-dvayaththaiyum vyApiththu ninRAlum kalpAdi-vibhAgaththAlE leelA-vibhUtiyil vikAra-visEshangaLukku niyAmakamAka irukkum.

The acEtana vastu of Kaalam is free of the three guNams. It is present in leelA and nitya VibhUtis (samsAric and aprAkruta worlds). The Kaala tattvam in Paramapadam has no defining influence (selvAkku). The changes in events there are not linked to Kaalam as at leela VibhUti. The divisions like seconds-minutes-hours-days-months-years do not hold sway there. The division of before and after alone hold at Paramapadam. It is like before Thirumanjanam and after Thirumanjanam, before SaaRRumuRai and after SaRRumuRai etc.

गुण-त्रय-रहित 19) ஜீவாத்மா–பரமாத்மாக்களுடைய ஜ்ஞாநமும் த்ரவ்யமாய் தன்‰யும் தானல்லாதவற்றையும் அசேதன மான आश्रयத்துக்கு ப்ரகாசிப்பிக்கவற்றாகையாலே चित्-राब्द-वाच्यமாய். கான் अचित्-शब्द-वाच्यமுமாயரு **ஆ**ம்ரயமல்லாமையாலே ஜ்ஞாநத்துக்கு ஒரு க்கும்.









19) jeevAthmA-paramAthmAkkaLudaiya jn~Anamum guNa-traya-rahita-mAna acetana dravyamAy thannaiyum thAnallAthavaRRaiyum than ASrayaththukku prakAsippikkavaRRAkaiyAlE cit-sabda-vAcyamAi, thAn oru jn~Anaththukku ASrayamallAmaiyAlE acit-sabda-vAcyamumAyirukkum.

### DHARMABHUTA JN~ANAM:

This is a vastu without Jn~Anam and hence it is grouped with acEtanams. Both JeevAtma and ParamAtma possess it. It does not have the mix of sattva-rajastamas guNams. This type of Jn~Anam reveals one to himself. It is self-effulgent. There is no need to have another Jn~Anam to know this Jn~Anam. This Jn~Anam points out different kinds of vastus like pot, book, cow etc. By itself, it has no Jn~Anam and therefore it is included among insentient or acEtanams.

- 20) उक्तமான चेतन-द्रव्यம் ஈശ்வரணப் போலே ஆத்மாவென்றும், அசேதநத்ரவ்யம் கேவல-குணங்களப் போலே அநாத்மாவென்றும் பிரிக்கப்படும்.
- 20) uktamAna cEtana-dravyam ISvaranaip pOle AthmAvenRum, acEtana dravyam kevala guNankaLaip-pOlE anAthmA enRum pirikkappadum.

The cEtanams and acEtanams discussed so far can also be divided as AtmA-anAtmA. In the Atma group are included JeevAtmA and ParamAtma; in the anAtmA group belong the rest. Thus instead of three tattvams (cEtanam, acEtanam and Iswaran), some recognize two kinds of tattvams (Atma and anAtma tattvams).







# THE TEN VAAKYAMS TO BE UNDERSTOOD THROUGH SADACHARYA UPADESAM ON ISVARA TATTVAM

- 21) ஈழ்வரனாவான்–ஸர்வ–नियन्ताவான நாராயணன்.
- 21) ISvaranAvAn -sarva-niyantAvAna nArAyaNan.

Sriman nArAyaNan, who directs, controls and lords over all is Iswaran.

- 22) நித்ய–அநித்ய–ஸர்வ–வஸ்துக்களும் இவனுடைய நித்ய–அநித்ய–इच्छा– सिद्धங்களாய் இவனாலே व्याप्तங்களாய் இவனுக்கு अपृतक्–सिद्ध– प्रकारங்களாக இருக்கும்.
- 22) nitya-anitya-sarva-vasthukkaLum ivanudaiya nithya-anithya icchA-siddhangaLAi ivanAIE vyAptangaLAi ivanukku aprtak-siddha-prakArangaLAyirukkum.

All the cEtanams and acEtanams of the world exist because of His volition (sankalpam). He enters into them as the indweller (antaryAmi Brahman). They stay in a state of inseparability from Him and exist as His viSeshaNams or PrAkArams. The cEtanams are without birth and death. He wills that they stay as nityam (eternal existence). There are others like a pot, cloth etc., which undergo changes and they do not stay eternal. These are anitya vastus. He wills them to stay as anitya vastus during their existence.

- 23) இவன் ஸர்வ-கார்யங்களுக்கும் காரணமாம்போது उपादान-भूत-ஸர்வ தத்த்வங்களுக்கும் அந்தராத்மாவாய் நின்று வாமந-த்ரிவிக்ரம- ந்யாயத்தாலே विशिष्ट-வேஷத்தாலே उपादानமுமாய் उपादेयமுமாம்.
- 23) ivan sarva-kAryangaLukkum karaNAmAmpOthu upAdAana-bhUta- sarva thaththvankaLukkum antharAthmAvAi ninRu Vaamana-thrivikrama-nyAyaththAlE viSishTa-veshaththAlE upAdAnamumAi upAdeyamumAm.











"Sriman nArAyaNan is upAdAna and upAdeya vastu!" SrI PerarulAlan with nAcchimAr - Thirukkacchi







### UPADANA KARANA VASTU AND UPADEYA KARYA VASTU:

In the world, there is clay, which is transformed into a pot by a potter. Clay is kAraNa vastu. The pot is kArya vastu. Since the clay undergoes the transformation to become a pot, the clay is recognized as upAdAna kAraNam. Our Lord enters into that clay (upAdAna kAraNa vastu) as the indweller. When that clay transforms into the pot, he enters into that kArya vastu as the indweller as well. The vastu that emerges due to upAdAna kAraNam is known as upAdeyam. When the vastu is in the kAraNa state, the vastu will be in a subtle (sUkshma) state and when it is transformed into kArya state, it becomes gross (sthUlam). Both the kAraNa and kArya vastus stay as the Sareeram of the Lord. It is therefore correct to state that Sriman nArAyaNan is upAdAna and upAdeya vastu.

- 24) ஸங்கல்ப–விசேஷங்களாலும் निमित्त-भूत-ஸர்வ வஸ்துக்களாலும் விശிஷ்ட னாய்க் கொண்டு நிமித்தமுமாம்.
- 24) sankalpa- viSeshangaLAlum nimitta- bhUta- sarva vasthukkaLAlum viSishatAnAik koNDu nimiththamumAm.

When a potter presses the clay to make a pot, he has the thought to make a pot from that lump of clay. The potter with that will is the nimitta kAraNam for that pot (That is he becomes now the nimitta kAraNam for the pot.) Similarly, when the Lord as a creator of the various vastus in this Universe wills that He become all the Vastus that He wills to create. He becomes thus the nimitta kAraNam for all created vastus. The potter has also the wheel and the rod to shape the clay into a pot. They also become the nimitta kAraNam for the pot. Our Lord has all sentient and insentient as His Sareeram and hence He becomes the nimitta kAraNam for all created vastus. In this world, we see that there are separate vastus as upAdAna kAranam (clay) and nimitta kAraNam. In the case of our Lord, all vastus are His Sareeram and therefore He is both the upAdAna and nimitta kAraNam.







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### ANTARVYAPTI OF SRIMAN NARAYANAN:

Upanishad declares that Lord exists inside and outside all vastus (antarbahiScha tat sarvam vyApya nArAyaNa: sthita:). The question may arise: How can He be inside an atom or extremely small dimensioned vastu? Those vastus do not even have an inside because they are so small. Our Lord is smaller than the smallest (aNOr-aNeeyAn). There is no space that exists without His pervasive presence. This is how we understand antarvyApti.

- 26) बहिन्यांप्तिणाबाड्य परिन्छिन्न வஸ்துக்களுக்குப் புறம்பும் உண்டாகை.
- 26) bahirvyAptiyAvathu -paricchinna vasthukkaLukkup puRampum uNDAkai.

### **BAHIRVYAPTI**

Our Lord exists not only inside all the vastus but He is also outside them as well. As VishNu, He is pervasively present everywhere in the aNDa-bahiraNDam. He is the Vibhu who is everywhere. This is acknowledged as bahirvyApti.

- 27) सर्वशरण्यळाळ இவனுக்கு ஸ்வரூப–गुण-विभूतिकள் எல்லாவற்றாலும் உள்ள நித்ய परत्वं-उत्तर-अवधि-रहितமாயிருக்கும்
- 27) sarvaSaraNyanAna ivanukku svarUpa-guNa -vibhUtikaL ellavaRRAlum uLLa nithya paratvam-uttara-avadhi-rahitamAyirukkum.

There is nothing Superior to Sriman nArAyaNan. He is the ParamAtmA. He is the gati (paramAm gati) and rakshakan to every one. His svarUpam and









auspicious guNams have no match. There is no one equal or greater than Him. He is the Supreme Ruler and nothing is outside His control. Thus He is SarvAntargata, SarvAdhAra, SarvakAraNa, SarvOnnadha ParamdhAmAn, ParamjyOti, ParamAtma.

- 28) அதில் शीलादिகளால் வந்த प्रत्वம் தானே सौलभ्य-पर्यन्तமாம்.
- 28) athil SeelAdikhaLAl vantha paratvam thAnE saulabhya-paryantamAm.

Among His ananta KalyANa guNams that identifies Him as ParamAtmA, Sauseelyam, dayA (KaruNai) and Saulabhyam stand out to lift us up from the mire of samsAric mud to His Supreme abode. There is no match among all gods, when it comes to His sauSeelyam (the mingling of the noble one with the lowly one without discrimination), KaruNai (removing the sorrows of others without expecting anything in return) and saulabhyam (ease of access to one and all). Sriman nArAyaNan's sauSeelyam (friendship with Guhan in RaamAvatAram), KaruNai (coming to the rescue of the King of elephants in its time of distress) and Saulabhyam (friendship with illiterate gopis and being a charioteer to Arjuna) are cases in point. Thus our Lord's sauSeelya-KaruNA- saulabhya GuNams are in a class by themselves for which there are no matches.

- 29) அது அடியாக शास्त्र-विहित-साध्योपाय-वशीकार्यज्ञाल இவன் सिद्धपायமாம்.
- 29) athu adiyAka Saastra-vihita-sAdhyOpAya-vaSeekAryanAna ivan siddhOpAyamAm.

Because of this supreme saulabhyam, He becomes amenable for access through Bhakti and Prapatti yOgams to sAdhakAs and held under their influence and grants them the desired boon of Moksha sukham. These are to be done by the cEtanams and hence are known as sAdhyOpAyam. The Lord is swayed and becomes responsive to the sAdhakan and stays as the means (siddhOpAyam) and grants the desired boon.











Just as the upAyam is two fold (Bhakti and Prapatti yOgams), the phalan (upEyam) from their practice is also two fold: siddha and sAdhya upEyam. The Kaimkaryams done by the Mukta jeevan in SrI VaikuNTham is sAdhya upEyam since it is done by the mukta jeevan. The One who receives and enjoys that kaimkaryam and becomes the phalan, siddha upEyam.

இந்த தத்த்வ ரத்நாவளியிலே ஏதேனும் ஒன்றையும் எல்லா ப்ரகாரத்தாலும் தெளிகை ஸர்வஜ்ஞனுக்கல்லது கூடாமையாலே उपयुक्त-तमமான இவ்வளவு தெளிந்தாலும் उपाय-फल-सिद्धि உண்டாகும்.

intha thaththva rathnAvaLiyilE EthEnum onRaiyum ella prakAraththAlum theLihai sarvajn~nukku allathu kUdAmaiyAlE upayukta-tamamAna ivvaLavu theLintAlum upAya-phala-siddhi uNDAkum.

Thus with 30 sentences (vAkyams), tattva RatnAvaLi was created. It is not easy to understand fully even one of these vAkyams. Only the Omniscient (sarvajn~an) Lord alone has the power to comprehend the purport of all the 30 vAkyams. Therefore, we (Swamy Desikan) attempted to explain the vishayams (doctrines on tattvams) to the extent that they might be useful for guidance. Even this amount of understanding is sufficient to pursue an upAyam and gain fruits from such a practice.

நாராயணன் பரன் நாமவனுக்கு நிலேயடியோம் சோராதஜேத்து மவனுடம்பென்னும் சுருதிகளால் சீரார் பெருந்தகைத் தேசிகரெம்மைத் திருத்துதலால் தீராமயலகற்றும் திறம்பாத் தெளிவுற்றனமே.







nArAyaNan paran nAm avanukku nilai adiyOm

sOrAthu anaiththum avan udampu ennum SuruthikaLAl

seer Ar perunthakaith-dESikar emmaith-thiruththuthalAl

theerAmayal akaRRum thiRampAth theLivuRRanamE.

### Meaning:

nArAyaNan is the sarvOttaman (PurushOttaman). We the cEtanams are His eternal servants (nitya dAsarkaL). We have understood from Sruti all the cEtanams and acEtanams without exception are His Sareeram. Our Lord has removed our nescience with His sacred Vedams revealing His Saareeraka tattvam and firmly implanted in our minds this tattvArtha Jn~Anam for our upliftment.

मानतः संमितत्वेऽपि महती परमार्थतः।

तत्त्वरतावळिरियं सद्भिर्धार्यां तमोऽपहा ॥

mAnata: sammitatve api mahatI paramArthata: |

tattvaratnAvaLiriyam sadbhirdhAryAm tamO apahA ||

Meaning:

This rahasyam may be small in size but is huge in impact since it houses noble and lofty meanings on tattvams. May this gem necklace of tattva RatnAvaLi be adorned by the Saadhus in their minds to remove the darkness of ajn~Anam.

इति कवितार्किकसिंहस्य सर्वतन्त्रस्वतन्त्रस्य श्रीमद्वेङ्कटनाथस्य

वेदान्ताचार्यस्य कृतिषु तत्तवरत्नावळिः समाप्ता ।







iti kavitArkikasimhasya sarvatantrasvatantrasya SrImad-VenkaTanAthasya vedAntAcAryasya krtishu tattvaratnAvaLi: samAptA |

### Meaning:

Among the Sri Sooktis of the sarvatantra svatantra, KavitArkika simha, VedAntAcArya, Srimad VenkaTanAtha, this SrI Sookti named "tattva RatnAvaLi" is completed now.

कवितार्किकसिंहाय कल्याणगुणशालिने।

श्रीमते वेङ्कटेशाय वेदान्तगुरवे नमः॥

kavitArikikasimhAya kalyANaguNaSAline |

SrImate venkaTeSAya vedAntagurave nama: ||

SrImatE nigamAnta mahA desikAya nama:

dAsan,

Oppiliappan Koil VaradAchAri SaThagopan



