

# **DASA BHAVA - THE DIVINE DIFFERENCE**

Sri Sathguru is different because Her whole self is into the act of teaching. When teaching and at all times Sri Sathguru is in a state of surrender, so natural so much part of Her being as breathing is. Her detachment is such that when Sri Sathguru is not doing something, it is so disaffiliated from Her that She quite forgets about it. This detachment, this surrender springs from Her relationship with God. From an early age Sri Sathguru has adopted what is called the dasa bhava or the attitude of servant towards God and that helped Her immensely in Her attitude to other people and things. Since everything in this world belonged to the Lord and all beings were to the extent to which they followed Him, the images of the Lord, She was able to involve intensely in Her work, in Her relationship with devotees, ill wishers and well wishers, without getting attached or repulsed.

Sri Sathguru does all She can for the devotee and then lets him or her be. If they follow Her commands, She is glad and sees what can be done to help the devotee. Otherwise Sri Sathguru allows them to do what they please and when they return to Her, helps them make a fresh start.

Unlike the solace peddlers and the teachers who appeal to the intellectual minded, Sri Sathguru 's teachings are meant to transform the individual in every way, at every stage of his or her life.

This transformation happens because Sri Sathguru's teachings and personality act on three levels of the being- it transforms through the intellectual stimulus, it transforms through the personality of the Guru, for the love of whom the person willingly transforms himself, and it transforms through the constant presence which is consciously felt only at times but is always there.

May we all be blessed with humility and surrender so that we are worthy to have that dasa bhava of Sri Sathguru. Even if it means just a fraction of what She has.

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