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About five thousand years ago, Śrī Krsna Dvaipāyana Vyāsa, an empowered incarnation of Lord Krsna, appeared in the holy land of Bhāratavarsa. Realizing that as the four yugas progress, the human beings' power of understanding gradually diminishes; He divided the one Veda into four and imparted them to His four principal disciples. These four Vedas are the Sāma, Rk, Yajur, and Atharva. Later on, His disciples again divided the Vedas into many branches.

Even after dividing the Vedas, Śrīla Vyāsadeva did not feel satisfied. Thinking that it will be impossible for the people of Kali-yuga to understand the actual purport of the Vedas, He took the essence of that understanding and compiled a simple literature called the Purāna Samhitā, in story form. Based on this literature, His three principal disciples wrote three more samhitās: Sāvarni-samhitā, Samśapāyana-samhitā, and Akṛtavrana-samhitā. The eighteen Purānas and thirty-six sub Purāṇas were later compiled, being based on these four samhitās. Because Śrīla Vyāsadeva's Purāṇa Samhitā is the source of these literatures, all the Purānas and sub Purānas are attributed to him.

Among the upa-purānas or sub Purānas, the Kalkı Purāna is most sacred and widely respected. At the end of Kalı-yuga, the Supreme Lord, Harı, will incarnate as Lord Kalkı and kill all the mlecchas, yavanas, atheists, and Buddhists of the world that defy the Vedic authority. The pastimes of Lord Kalkı are the subject matter of this literature, which is presented in story form. Exalted personalities can see everything, past, present, and future. For this reason, there is no fault in narrating these future events as if they had already occurred. The Kalkı Purāna consists of thirty-five chapters.



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#### CHAPTER ONE

# A Description of Kali-Yuga

#### Text 1

sendra devagana munisvarajana lokah sapalah sada yam sarvartha susiddhaye pratidinam bhaktya bhajanti uttamah tam

vighnesam anantam acyutam ajam sarvajña sarvasrayam vande vaidika tantrikadi vividhaih sastraih puro vanditam

I offer my respectful obeisances unto Lord Acyuta, the unborn, omniscient, and unlimited Supreme Personality of Godhead, who is the destroyer of all obstacles, the shelter of all living entities, and the original speaker of the Vedic literature. He is worshiped with great devotion by the demigods, headed by Indra, the foremost of sages, and by the rulers of the various planetary systems, for the purpose of attaining all kinds of perfection in life

#### Text 2

narayanam namaskrtya naram cawa narottamam devim sarasvatiñ cawa tato jayam udirayet

Before reciting this Kalki Purāna,, which is the very means of conquest, one should offer respectful obeisances unto the Personality of Godhead, Nārāyana, unto Nara nārāyana Rsi, the supermost human being, unto mother Sarasvatī, the goddess of learning, and unto Srila Vyāsadeva, the author

#### Text 3

yad dordañda karala sarpa kavala ıvala ıvalad vıgraha netuh satkarah vala danda dalıtā bhūpāh ksiti ksobhakāh sasvat saindhava vāhano dvija janih kalkih paratma harih pārāt satyayugadikrt sa bhagavan dharma pravrtti priyah

May the Supreme Personality of Godhead, having assumed the form of Kalki, who is the Supersoul of all living entities, establish the eternal principles of religion. Having appeared in a family of *brāhmanas*, He will annihilate the sinful kings of Kali-yuga by the fire of the poison emanating from His ferocious serpent-like hands while riding on the back of an excellent horse of the Sindh province. In this way, He will protect the pious and re-establish Satya-yuga

# Text 4-5

iti sütavacah srutva naimisaranya väsinah saunakādya mahabhāgāh papracchustam kathā mimām

he suta sarvadharmajña lomaharsana putraka trikalajña purānajña vada bhāgavatim kathām

After Śrī Sūta Gosvāmī had offered his obeisances to the Supreme Lord in this manner, the sages at Naimisāranya, headed by Śaunaka Rsi, said: O Sūta Gosvāmī! O son of Romaharsana! O knower of religious principles! O seer of past, present and future! O learned authority of the Purānas, please continue narrating to us the pastimes of the Supreme Lord.

#### Text 6

kah kalih kutra va jato jagatam isvarah prabhuh katham vā nitya dharmasya vinasah kalina krtah Who is Kali? Where was he born? How did he become the master of the world? How does he destroy the observance of eternal religious principles?

# Text 7

iti tesam vacah srutva sūto dhyatvā harim prabhum saharsa pulakodbhinna sarvangah prāha tān munin

After hearing these words of the great sages, Sūta Gosvāmī became so ecstatic that the hairs of his body stood on end. He then absorbed his mind in remembrance of Lord Hari and continued to speak to the sages.

# Text 8

sūta uvāca srnudhvam idam ākhyānam bhavisyam paramadbhutam kathitam brahmanā purvam nāradaya viprechate

Sūta Gosvāmī said: Please listen attentively as I describe wonderful pastimes of the Lord that will be revealed at a future time. These transcendental pastimes were previously glorified by Lord Brahmā, who was born from the universal lotus flower, when he was requested to speak by the great sage, Nārada

#### Text 9

naradah praha munaye vyasaya amita tejase sa vyaso nijaputraya brahmarataya dhimate

Thereafter, Nārada repeated what he had heard to the unlimitedly powerful Śrīla Vyāsadeva, who in turn narrated these topics to his exalted son, Brahmarāta

#### Text 10

sa cābhimanyu putrāya visnurataya samsadi

# praha bhagavatan dharmānn astadasa sahasrakan

Brahmarāta then described these topics of *bhāgavata-dharma* to Abhimanyu's son, who was known as Visnurāta, as he was seated in the royal assembly This narration consists of eighteen thousand verses

#### Text 11

tada nrpe layam prāpte saptahe prasna sasītam markandeyadībhih prstah praha punyasrame sukah

After hearing for one week without interruption, the saintly king relinquished his material body and departed from this world, although the discussion of the glories of the Lord had not ended. After the passing away of Abhimanyu's son, great sages, headed by Mārkandeya, continued to inquire from Śukadeva Gosvāmī in that sacred āśrama

# Text 12

tatraham tadanu jñatah srutavanasmi yah kathah bhavisyah kathaya masa punya bhagavatih subhah

I was present at that time, and so I heard everything from Śukadeva Gosvāmī, by his order I will now narrate to you these most auspicious pastimes of the Supreme Lord that will take place in the future

#### Text 13

tam srnudhvam maha bhagāh samāhita dhiyoʻnisam gate krsne svanilayam pradurbhūto yatha kalih

O greatly fortunate sages, please listen attentively as I describe to you how Kali appeared in this world after Lord Krsna had returned to His own abode

pralayante jagatsrastāh brahmā loka pitāmahah sasarja ghoram malinam prsthadesāt svapatakam

After the annihilation, the secondary creator of the universe, Lord Brahmā, the grandfather of everyone, who was born on the universal lotus flower, created Sin personified, having a black complexion, from his back.

#### Text 15

sa cārdharma iti khyatas tasya vamsanu kirttanat sravanāt smaranal lokah sarva pāpaih pramucyate

The name of Sin personified was Adharma By faithfully hearing about, chanting, and remembering the descendents of Adharma, one quickly becomes freed from all sinful reactions.

#### Text 16

adharmasya priyā ramya mithyā mārjara locana tasya putro'titejasvi dambhah parama kopanah

The wife of Adharma, (Irreligion), was named Mithyā, (Falsehood) She was very beautiful, and had eyes like those of a cat They had a son named Dambha, (Pride), who was always very angry and energetic

## Text 17

sa mayāyam bhaginyantu lobham putrañca kanyakam nikrtim janaya masa tayoh kodhah suto'bhavat

Dambha had a sister named Māyā, and within her womb, he begot a son named Lobha, (Greed), and a daughter named Nikrti, (Cunning) Lobha begot a son named Krodha, (Anger), in the womb of Nikrti

sa hımsāyām bhagınyantu janayā māsa tam kalım vamahasta dhrtopastham taılabhyaktāñjana prabham

Himsā, (Envy), was Krodha's sister. From the womb of Himsā, Krodha begot a son named Kali. Kali is always seen to be holding his genitals in his left hand. His complexion is very black, like black ointment that has been mixed with oil

# Text 19

kākodaram karalasam lolajihvam bhayānakam pūtigandham dyūtamadya stri suvarna krtāsrayam

Kali's abdomen is like that of a crow, his face is frightening to behold, and his tongue is red and appears to be full of greed. His appearance is very fearful and a bad smell emanates from his body. Kali is very fond of playing chess, drinking wine, enjoying the company of prostitutes, and associating with gold merchants.

#### Texts 20-21

bhagınyāntu duruktyam sa bhayam putrañca kanyakām mrtyum sa janayāmāsa tayosca nırayo'bhavat

yātanayām bhaginyāntu lebhe putrāyutayutam ittham kalikule jāta vahavo dharma nindakāh

Kalı's sister was Durukti, (Harsh Speech). From Durukti's womb, Kalı begot a son named Bhaya, (Fear), and a daughter named, Mrtyu (Death). Bhaya begot a son named Niraya (Hell) from the womb of Mrtyu and Niraya begot ten thousand sons in the womb of his sister, Yātana (Excessive Pain). Thus I have described the destructive progeny of Kalı, who were all blasphemers of genuine religious principles.

yajña adhyayanadı dana veda tantra vınasakāh ādhı vyadhı jarāglānı duhkhah soka bhayāsrayah

All these relatives of Kali were the destroyers of sacrifice, study of the *Vedas*, and charity, because they transgressed all the Vedic principles of religion. They were reservoirs of mental distress, disease, old age, destruction of religious principles, sorrow, lamentation, and fear

# Texts 23-24

kalıraja anugāscerur yūthaso lokanāsakāh babhūvuh kāla vibhrastāh ksanikāh kāmuka narah

dambhācāra durācaras tāta mātr vihimsakāh vedahinā dvijā dinah sūdrasevā parah sada

These descendents of Kalı are found wandering everywhere throughout the kingdom of Kalı, destroying the people of the world. They are misguided by the influence of time, very restless by nature, full of lusty desires, extremely sinful, very proud, and violent even to their own father and mother. Those who are known as twice-born among them are devoid of all good behavior, without any observance of proper etiquette, and always engaged in the service of \$\delta \text{d} d ras.

# Texts 25-27

kutarka vāda vahulā dharma vikrayino'dhamah veda vikrayino brātva rasa vikrayinas tatha

mamsa vikrayinah krurah sisnodara parayanāh paradara rata matta varna sankara karakāh hrsvākarah papasarah satha matha nivasinah sodasābdāyusah syāla bandhavā nicasangamāh

These fallen souls are very fond of dry arguments, and they use religion as a means of livelihood, teach Vedic knowledge as a profession, are fallen from the execution of their vows, and sell wine and other abominable things, including meat. They are cruel by nature, and very fond of gratifying their bellies and genitals. For this reason, they lust after the wives of otners and are always seen to be intoxicated. They were not born from a father and mother who were properly married, and they are short in stature and always engaged in sinful acts, such as cheating others. They generally reside in a sacred place, live for only sixteen years, associate with wretched people, and only consider a brother-in-law to be a friend and relative.

#### Text 28

vivāda kalaha ksuvdhah kesa vesa vibhūsanah kalau kulina dhaninah pūjyā vādardhusikā dvijāh

The people of Kali-yuga are accustomed to quarrelling and fighting amongst themselves. They go to great lengths to groom their hair, wear the best of clothes, and decorate themselves with costly ornaments.

# Text 29

sanyasıno grhāsakta grahasthāstva vikinah gurunindā para dharma dhvajinah sadhuvañcakāh

In Kali-yuga, a person with a lot of money will naturally be respected as a great soul. If a twice-born person earns his livelihood by lending money on interest, he will be considered a pillar of society. The sannyāsīs of Kali-yuga will be attached to home and property, and householders will become devoid of all power of discrimination. In Kali-yuga, people will blaspheme a spiritual master or other elderly person without hesitation.

Indeed, people in general will simply become hypocrites, liars, and cheaters

#### Texts 30-37

pratigraha ratah sudra parasva haranadarah dvayoh svikaram udvāhah sathe maitri vadānyata

pratidane ksamā' saktau virakti karanaksame vacālatvañca panditye yasor'the dharma sevanam

dhanādhya tvañca sādhutve dūre nire ca tirthata sūtramatrena vipratvam dandamatrena maskari

alpasasva vasumati naditire' varopita striyo vesyalapa sukhah svapupmsa tyaktamānasah

paranna lolupa vipras cāndala grhayājakāh striyo vaidhavya hinasca svacchanda acarana privah

cıtravrstı kara megha mandasasya ca medini prajābhaksa nrpa lokah karapida prapiditah

skandhe bhāram kare putram krtva ksuvdhāh prajajanah giridurgam vanam ghoram asravisyanti durbhagah madhu mamsair mulaphalair ahāraih prāna dharinah evam tu prathame pade kaleh krsna vinindakah

In Kali-yuga, *śudras* will accept charity from others, or else plunder others' wealth without discrimination. Mutual agreement will become the sole criteria for solemnizing the marriage of a boy and girl. People will show sympathy and magnanimity, but it will simply be a form of duplicity. Forgiveness will be granted only when a person is unable to harm the offending party. In a society of might makes right, people will easily become annoyed with those in a weaker position. Even fools will be very talkative in an attempt to prove that they are learned. People will engage in religious ceremonies, but simply to acquire a reputation. If one has got wealth, he will be considered to be a saint. Just to bathe in a holy place, people will travel a great distance and undergo much trouble. Simply by putting on a sacred thread, one will be recognized as a *brāhmana*. Simply by carrying a staff, one will be recognized as a *sannyāsī*.

The earth will restrict the production of food grains. The currents of rivers will flow very rapidly, and even married women will behave little better than prostitutes, because they have practically no attachment for their husbands. Those who are twice-born will be dependent on others, so much so that they will not hesitate to engage as priests for śudras. Women will become promiscuous, so that will be easily abandoned by their husbands. Clouds will shower rain very irregularly, and the land will not yield sufficient crops. Kings will whimsically torture and kill their subjects, and burden them with excessive taxes. Such unfortunate subjects will finally take their family and belongings and take shelter of mountains and dense forests. The people of Kali-yuga will sustain their lives by eating flesh, honey, fruit, and roots, without discrimination. Almost everyone will take pleasure in blaspheming the Supreme Lord, Śrī Krsna These are some of the symptoms that will manifest at the beginning of Kali-yuga.

# Text 38

dvitive tannama hinas trtiye varna sankarah

# ekavarnas caturthe ca vismrta cvuta satkrivah

In the second quarter of Kalı-yuga, people will no longer chant the holy names of Lord Krsna. In the third quarter of Kalı-yuga, there will be an upsurge of unwanted population, and in the final quarter of Kalı-yuga, there will be only one class of human being, because God consciousness will have been long forgotten.

## Text 39

nıhsı adhyāya svadha sı aha vausadom kara varjıtah deva sarve nıraharah brahmanam saranam yuyuh

When the study of the *Vedas*, performance of sacrifice, chanting of *mantras*, and other religious practices thus disappear from this world during Kali-yuga, the demigods, being afflicted due to not receiving their share of sacrificial offerings, will take shelter of Lord Brahmā, the grandfather of the universe, who was born from the universal lotus flower

# Texts 40-43

dharitrim agratah krtva ksinam dinam manasvinim dadrsur brahmano lokam vedadhvani ninaditam

yajñadhumaih samakirnam munivarya nisevitam suvarna vedikamadhye daksinavarttam ujjvalam

vahnım yupankıta udyana vana puspa phalanı ıtam sarobhıh sarasaır hamsaır ahvayantam ıvatıthım

vayu lola lata jala kusumāli kulakulaih

# pranamahvana satkara madhuralapam iksanaih

Keeping mother earth, who had become emaciated due to great distress in front, all of the demigods went to the abode of Lord Brahmā There, they experienced that the entire atmosphere was surcharged with the sounds of the chanting of Vedic mantras, and everywhere was smoke pouring from the sacrificial fires. Lord Brahmā, the leader of all the sages, was sitting upon his throne, conducting a fire sacrifice on an altar made of gold. Here and there were many gardens and orchards full of flowers, fruit, and wood for performing fire sacrifices. Swans, cranes, and other aquatic birds made wonderful sounds, as if they were greeting their guests with 10y. The swans, cranes, and other aquatic birds were surrounded by intoxicated bumblebees hovering around innumerable creepers and flowers, swinging to and fro in the cool breeze. Thus, it appeared as if they were all offering obeisances and speaking very sweetly while greeting their guests with great pleasure.

### Text 44

tad brahma sadanam devah sesvarah klinnamanasah vivisustadanujñatā nijakaryam niveditum

Thus, all the demigods, headed by Indra, arrived in the abode of Lord Brahmā in a distressed state of mind By the order of Prajāpati, they entered the assembly hall of Lord Brahmā, so that they could disclose to him to cause of their grief

#### Text 45

tribhuvana janakam sada sanastham sanaka sanandana sanatanaisca siddhaih parisevita pada kamalam brahmanam devata nemuh

The demigods first offered their respectful obeisances to Lord Brahmā, whose lotus feet were being served by perfected beings such as Sanaka, Sanandana, and Sanātana as he sat in meditation. Lord Brahmā is the

secondary creator of the three worlds who acts under the direction of the Supreme Personality of Godhead

Thus ends the translation of the first chapter of Śrī Kalkı Purāna

# CHAPTER TWO

# The Birth and Sacred Thread Ceremony of Lord Kalki

#### Text 1

suta uraca
uparistas tato dera
brahmano vacanat purah
kalerdosad dharma hanim
kathaya ma suradarat

Sūta Goswāmi said Thereafter, by the order of Lord Brahmā, all the demigods sat in front of him and then explained how the observance of religious principles was declining at an alarming rate in Kali yuga

## Text 2

devanam tadvacah srutva brahma tanaha duhkhitan prasadayitva tam visnum sadhayisvami abhipsitam

After hearing their words saturated with anguish, Lord Brahmā said Let us all approach Lord Visnu We should please Him with our prayers so that He may act for our welfare

#### Text 3

iti dev**a**ih parii rto gati a goloka i asinam stutva praha puro brahma dei anam hidavepsitam

After saying this, Lord Brahmā took all the demigods and went to the abode of Lord Hari known as Goloka There, he offered prayers to the Supreme Lord, informing Him of the plight of the demigods

#### Text 4

tacchruti a pundarikakso bi ahmanam idam airaiit sambhale i isnuvasaso grhe pradurbhabamvaham

sumatyam matari vibho ' kanyayam tvannidesatah

After hearing everything in detail, lotus eyed Lord Hari said O Brahmā, rest assured that I will soon descend to the earth and appear in the village known as Sambhala I will take birth in the house of a *brāhmana* named Visnuyasa, from the womb of his wife, Sumati

# Text 5

caturbhir bhratrbhir dei a karisyami kaliksavam bhai anto bandhava dei ah svamsena ai atarisyatha

My mission will be to eliminate the wicked Kali, with the help of My four brothers. O demigods, your expansions should also take birth on the earth to assist Me in My mission.

#### Text 6

iyari mama priva laksmih simhale sambhavisvati brhadrathasva bhupasva kaumudyam kamaleksana

bharvyayam mama bharvasa padma namni janisyati

My consort, the beloved lotus eyed Kamalā devi, will also appear on the earth, having the name Padmā She will be born from the womb of Kaumudi, the wife of Brhadratha, the king of Simhala

#### Text 7

vata vuvam bhuvam devah svamsavatarane ratah rajanau maru devapi sthapayivvami aham bhuvi O demigods, you should not delay. By your plenary portions, take birth on the earth Later on, I will entrust the responsibility for ruling the earth to two powerful kings named Maru and Devāpī.

### Text 8

punah kratayugam krtva dharmān samsthapya purvavat kalıvyalam sannırasya prayasye svālayam vibhoh

I will then again establish Satya-yuga, and thus reinstate the principles of religion as they were before. Rest assured that I will return to Vaikuntha only after destroying the poisonous snake, Kali.

# Text 9

ityud iritam akarnya brahma devaganair vrtah jagama brahmasadanam devasca tridevam yuyuh

After Lord Harı assured the demigods in this way, Lord Brahmā, surrounded by the other demigods, departed for his own abode. From there, the demigods returned to their respective abodes.

#### Text 10

mahimna svasya bhagavan nija janma krtodyamah viprarse sambhala gramam abivesa paratmakah

O greatly powerful *brāhmana*, thereafter, with a desire to make His appearance within this world in a humanlike form by His own transcendental potency, the Supreme Lord, Hari, the Supersoul within the heart of everyone, entered the village of Śambhala.

#### Text 11

sumutyam visnuyasasa garbhamadhatta vaisnam graha naksatra rasyadi sevita sri padambujam Meanwhile, in due course of time, Visnuyasa's wife, Sumati, became pregnant so that all auspicious symptoms began to appear in her body. Thereafter, all the presiding deities of the planets, stars, and constellations began serving the lotus feet of the child within her womb.

#### Text 12

sarit samudra girayo lokah samsthanu jangamah saharsa rsayo deva jate visnau jagatpatau

On an auspicious day and at an auspicious time, Lord Hari, the master of the universe, took birth within this world. At this time, all the lakes, rivers, oceans, mountains, demigods, and sages, and indeed all moving and non-moving living entities, became filled with ecstasy.

#### Texts 13-14

babhuvah sarvasatvanam anandā vividhasrayah nrtyanti pitaro hrstās tusta devā jaguryasah

cakrur vadyanı gandharva nanrtuscapa saroganāh

Every living being began to display symptoms of happiness upon the appearance of the Supreme Lord. The forefathers danced in ecstasy, the demigods sang the glories of Lord Hari, the Gandharvas played musical instruments, and Apsarās danced with great jubilation,

# Text 15

dvadasyam sukla paksasya madhave masi mādhavah jāte dadrsaiuh putram pitarau hrstamanasau

In this setting, Lord Hari incarnated within this world in His form as Kalki on the twelfth day during the fortnight of the waxing moon in the month of Vaiśākha Upon seeing the beautiful baby, the hearts of Visnuyaśa and Sumati became filled with great happiness.

dhātri mātā mahāsaṣṭhī nābhicchetrī tadamvikā gaṅgodaka kleda moksā sāvitri mārjanodyatā

When Lord Kalki appeared, Mahāṣaṣṭhī was His nurse, Ambikā cut His umbilical cord, and Sāvitrī cleansed His body with water from the Ganges.

#### Text 17

tasya viṣṇor anantasya vasudhā' dhāt payaḥsudhām mātrkā māngalya vacaḥ krsna janma dine yathā

On the auspicious day of Lord Kalki's advent, mother earth showered nectar in the form of an abundance of milk, and the elderly ladies blessed the child with auspicious words.

#### Texts 18-19

brahmā tadupādh**ā**r yāsu svāsugam prāha sevakam yāhiti sūtikā gāram gatvā visnum prabodhaya

caturbhujam idam rūpam devānām api durlabham tyaktvā mānuṣa vad rūpam kuru nātha vicāritam

Lord Brahmā, who knew the mystery of the Lord's appearance, hastily called for his servant, Pavana, and told him to immediately go to the maternity home and offer the following prayer to Lord Viṣṇu: O Lord, please consider how this four-armed form of Yours is rarely seen, even by the demigods. Please assume a two-armed form like that of a human being and then carry out Your mission.

#### Text 20

iti brahma vacaḥ srutvā pavanah surabhi sukham sasitiḥ prāha tarasā brahmano vacanādrtah

Without delay, Pavana-deva, whose cooling body has a very pleasing aroma, went to the maternity room of Lord Kalki and submitted Brahmā's appeal.

#### Text 21

tacchṛtvā puṇḍarīkākṣas tat kṣaṇāt dvibhujo'bhavat tadāt tat pitarau dṛṣṭvā vismavā panna mānasau

When the lotus-eyed Lord heard this request, He immediately assumed a two-armed form. His father and mother were certainly struck with wonder upon seeing this wonderful pastime of the Lord.

#### Text 22

bhrama saṁskāra vattatra menate tasya māyayā tatastu sambhala grāme sotsavā jīvajātayah

mangalācāra babhulāḥ pāpatāpa vivarjitāḥ

The parents could not understand the actual truth regarding their son because of being bewildered by the Lord's yogamāyā potency. They considered that their vision of the Lord's four-armed form had been a hallucination, and that all along they had witnessed His two-armed form. Thereafter, all the inhabitants of Śambhala celebrated the Lord's appearance by performing auspicious rituals, completely forgetful of their material miseries.

#### Text 23

sumatistam sutam labdhva viṣṇum jiṣṇum jagatpatım pūṛṇakāmā vipra mukhyan ahūyadat gavam satam Having received the all-glorious Lord Visnu, the master of the three worlds, as her son, mother Sumati's happiness knew no bounds. She invited the *brāhmanas* and gave them each one hundred cows in charity.

# Text 24

hareh kalyanakrd usnu yasah suddhena cetasa samarg yajur vidbhir agrayais tannama karane ratah

For the welfare of his child, the pure-hearted Visnuyaśa invited many brāhmanas that were expert in reciting the Rg Veda, Yajur Veda, and Sāma Veda, and had them perform the child's name-giving ceremony.

#### Text 25

tada ramah krpo vyaso draunir bhiksu saririnah samāyata harim drstam bālakatvam upagatam

At that time, Lord Rāma, Krpācārya, Vyāsadeva, and Aśvattāma came there in the guise of *brāhmanas* to have the *darśana* of Lord Hari, who has assumed the form of child Kalki.

#### Text 26

tanagatan samālokya caturah surya sannibhān hrstaroma dvijavarah pujayañcakra isvaran

As Visnuyaśa, the foremost of *brāhmanas*, gazed upon those four exalted *brāhmanas* whose effulgence was equal to that of the sun-god, his hair stood on end. He then worshiped these four exalted personalities, offering them nice prayers

#### Text 27

pujitaste svasanesu samvistah svasukhasrayah harim kodagatam tasya dadrsuh sarva murttayah After being worshiped by Visnuyaśa, these four who were disguised as brāhmanas, who could indeed assume any form at will, sat at ease in their respective places. While seated, they gazed at child Kalki as He was seated upon the lap of His father

#### Text 28

tam bālakam narākaram visnum natvā munisvarah kalki kalka vināsartham āvirbhūtam vidurbudhah

The four exalted *brāhmanas* offered their obeisances unto Lord Visnu, who had assumed the form of a human being. They very well understood that Lord Kalki had appeared to rid the earth of all those who had become degraded to the level of sinful demons.

#### Text 29

nāma kurvams tatastasya kalkı ritya bhivisrutam krtvā samskara karmani yayuste hrstamānasāh

The four exalted *brāhmanas* named the transcendental child Kalki. They happily performed the child's birth ceremony and then departed for their own abodes.

# Text 30

tatah sa bavrdhe tatra sumatya paripālitah kālenalpe kamsārih suklapakse yatha sasi

Thereafter, as the moon in the fortnight of the waxing moon increases day by day, Lord Kalki grew up under the care of His affectionate mother, Sumati Within a very short time, the Lord grew up to become a voung boy.

#### Text 31

kalker yesthastrayah surah kavıprajña sumantrakah pitrmatr priyakara guru vipra pratisthitah

Before Lord Kalkı's birth, three sons were born to Sumati, named Kavi, Prājña, and Sumantra All of them were heroic warriors who always acted for the pleasure of their spiritual master and their parents. They were highly praised by all elderly respectable people and *brāhmanas* 

#### Text 32

kalkeramsah purojātah sadhavo dharmatatparah gargya bhagya visāladya jñatayas tadanuvratah

Great saintly persons like Gargamuni, Bhagya, and Viśāla had also appeared in the family of Lord Kalki. All of them were parts and parcels of Kalki, and His obedient servants.

## Text 33

vısākhay ūpa bhupāla palıtas tapavar jıtah brahmanāh kalkım alokya param pritim upagatah

These exalted personalities were maintained by the king, who was named Viśākhaūpa. After having the darśana of Lord Kalki, all these brāhmanas felt jubilant and relieved of all material miseries.

#### Texts 34-35

tato visnuyasāh putram dhiram sarva gunākaram kalkim kamala patraksam provaca pathanadrtam

tata te brahma samskaram yajñasutram anuttamam savitrim vācayisyami tato vedan pathisyasi

After some time, when Visnuyaśa saw that his lotus-eyed child, Kalki, who was a reservoir of transcendental qualities, was ready to begin His

education, he called him and spoke with a gentle voice. My dear child, I will now arrange for Your sacred thread ceremony so that you can chant the Gāyatri mantras and begin Your study of the Vedas

#### Text 36

kalkıruvaca ko vedahka ca savıtrı kena sutrena samskratah brahmana vidita loke tat tattvam vada tāta mama

Lord Kalkı said: My dear father, what are the *Vedas*? What are the Gāyatrı mantras? How is it that one can become a *brāhmana* simply by undergoing some ritual and putting on a thread? Please describe all this truthfully.

#### Text 37

pitovaca vedo harervak savitri vedamata pratisthita trigunañca trivrt sutram tena viprāh pratisthitah

Visnuyaśa said: My dear son, the words of the Supreme Lord constitute the *Vedas*, and the Sāvitrī, or Gāyatri, *mantras* are the mother of the *Vedas*. The sacred thread represents the three modes of material nature, which are controlled by the Supreme Brahman. When a *brāhmana* wears his sacred thread, he becomes highly respected within society.

#### Text 38

dasayajñaih samskrta ye brahmana brahma vadinah tatra vedasca lokanam trayanam iha posakah

Brāhmanas who have duly undergone the ten samskāras and have studied the four Vedas thoroughly are qualified to protect the principles of the Vedas.

#### Text 39

yajñadhyavana danadi tapah wadhyaya samyamaih

# prinayanti harim bhaktya sedatantra vidhanatah

Only *brāhmanas* can please Lord Harı by their unshakable faith and devotion. They study the Vedas, perform fire sacrifices, give charity, undergo penance, and carefully control their senses.

## Text 40

tasmat yathopanayana karmane'ham dvijaih'saha samskarttum bandhava janais tvamicchami subhe dine

Therefore, on an auspicious day, I would like to invite all my relatives, as well as qualified *brāhmanas*, and perform Your sacred thread ceremony

# Text 41

putra uvaca ke ca te dasa samskara brahmanesu pratisthitāh brahmanah kena va visnum arcayanti vidhanatah

Lord Kalkı said: My dear father, what are the ten samskāras, which by observing a brāhmana becomes highly regarded in society? Tell Me how a brāhmana engages in the worship of Lord Visnu.

# Texts 42-43

pitovāca
brahmanavam brahmanajjato
garbhadhanadi samskrtah
sandhva trayena savitri
puja japa parayanah
tapasvi satyavan dhiro
dharmatma trati samsrtim
visnavarcanam idam jñatva
sadananda mayo dvijah

Visnuyaśa said One who is born of *brāhmana* parents who had observed the *garbhādhāna samskāra*, worship the Supreme Lord according

to the prescribed rules and regulations, chant the Gāyatrī mantra three times a day, undergo austerities, always speak truthfully, and are patient, will happily rise above the modes of material nature and thus be able to deliver other living entities from the ocean of material existence

#### Text 44

putra uvaca kutraste sa dvijo yena tarayati akhilam jagat sanmārgena harim prinan kamadondhā jagattraye

Lord Kalkı said. Where can that *brāhmana* be found who pleases Lord Visnu by following the path of devotional service, who works for the welfare of all living entities within the three worlds, and who is capable of delivering all the people of the world?

### Text 45

pit•vāca kalinā balinā dharma ghātina dvija pātina nirākratā dharmaratā gata varsan tarāntaram

Visnuyaśa said: At present, the pious brāhmanas have left this country (India), having been chastised by the powerful Kali, who is envious of saintly persons, and who destroys the practice of religious principles

# Texts 46-47

ye svalpa tapaso viprāh sthitāh kaliyugāntare sisnodara bhrto'dharma nirata viratakriyāh

pāpasarā durācarās tejohināh kalaviha ātmanam raksitum naiva saktāh sudrasya sevakah Only those *brāhmanas* who have not become very powerful as a result of their performance of austerity are still under the control of Kali. They are simply engaged in eating, sleeping, enjoying sex, and acting sinfully in other ways, thus avoiding their duty to perform the Vedic rituals. Such *brāhmanas* are sinful and powerless because they whimsically engage in the service of *śudras*. Thus, they are completely unable to protect themselves from the influence of Kali.

#### Text 48

iti janaka vaco nisamya kalkih kalikula nasa mano'bhilasajanmā dvija nija vacanais tadopanito gurukula vasam uvasa sadhunarthah

When Lord Kalkı, the maintainer of the devotees, who had taken birth with a desire to destroy the influence of Kalı-yuga, heard these words of his father, he underwent the sacred thread ceremony and then left home to live at the āśrama of His guru

Thus ends the translation of the second chapter of Śrī Kalkı Purāna

# CHAPTER THREE

# Lord Kalki Receives Benedictions From Lord Siva and Parvatī

#### Text 1

sūta uvāca tato vastum gurukule yantam kalkım nırıksya sah mahendradrı sthito ramah samaniya asramam prabhuh

Sūta Gosvāmī said: Thereafter, Lord Kalkī went to live at the *gurukula*. Upon seeing Him approach, the greatly powerful Paraśuiāma, who lives at Mount Mahendra, took Him to His āśrama.

#### Text 2

praha tvam pāthayisvami gurum mam viddhi dharmatah bhrguvamsa samutpannam jamadagnyam mahāprabhum

Lord Paraśurāma said: My dear child, I will act as Your teacher and so You may treat me as Your ācārya. I am the son of the greatly powerful sage, Jamadagni, and thus I belong to the Bhrgu dynasty

#### Texts 3-4

veda vedanga tattavajñam dhanurveda visāradam krtva nihksatriyam prthi im dattvā viprāya daksinām

mahendradrau tapastaptum agato'ham dvijātmaja tvam pathatra nijam vedam yaccanyacchastram uttamam

I am well-versed in the four Vedas, the literature dealing with grammar, and the six branches of the *Vedas*. I am very expert in the art of shooting arrows. Previously, I made the entire earth devoid of *ksatrivas* 

and then gave the southern portion of the country to the *brāhmanas* Thereafter, I went to Mount Mahendra to perform austerities O son of a *brāhmana*, you may stay here and study whatever scriptures you like

## Text 5

iti tadvaca trprāsrutya samprahrsta tanuruhah kalkih puro namaskrtya vedadhiti tato'bhavat

Sūta Gosvāmī said: Upon hearing these words of Paraśurāma, Kalkī became very pleased and immediately offered His respectful obesiances to Him Thereafter, He began to study the *Vedas* under the direction of his spiritual master.

#### Text 6

sangam catuhsastikalam dhanurveda ādi kañca yat samadhitya jamadagñyat kalkih praha kratañjalih

Kalkī mastered the sixty-four arts under the tutelage of the son of Jamadagni. He also learned the Vedas, the branches of the Vedas, the *Dhanurveda*, and other departments of knowledge. Thereafter, He folded His hands and spoke to His guru as follows.

#### Text 7

daksınām prarthaya vibho ya deyā tava sannıdhau yayā me sarva siddhihsyad ya syat tvattosa kārını

Lord Kalkı saıd: O my Lord, please tell me what kınd of daksınā I should give You so that You will be pleased, and I will thus be able to achieve complete perfection in life.

#### Text 8

rāma uvaca brahmana prārthīto bhumana kalī nīgraha karanat

# vısnuh sarvasrayah pürnah sa jātah sambhale bhavan

Paraśurāma said: O great soul! Long ago, Brahmā prayed to Lord Visnu, the shelter of all living entities and the Supreme Personality of Godhead, to destroy the influence of Kali. I understand that You are that same Supreme Personality, appearing in the village of Śambhala.

# Text 9

matto vidyām sivadastram labdhva vedamayam sukam simhale ca priyam padmam dharman samsthāpayisyasi

You have learned the art of discharging arrows from Me. You will imbibe transcendental knowledge from Śukadeva Gosvāmī, and You will be awarded a powerful weapon by Lord Śiva. Thereafter, You will marry a woman named Padmā from the island of Simhala Your mission is to reestablish sanātana-dharma.

# Text 10

tato digvijaye bhūpan dharmahinan kalipriyan nigrhya bauddhān devāpim maruñca sthāpayissyasi

Thereafter, You will set out to conquer the entire world and in the course of that conquest, You will defeat many sintul kings who are representatives of Kali. You will also annihilate many followers of Buddhism and finally, You will entrust the responsibility of ruling the world to Devāpi and Maru

#### Text 11

vayame taistu santustah sādhukrtyaih sadaksinah yajñam danam tapah karma karisyamo yathocitam

I am fully satisfied just to know that You will perform these pastimes and so there is no need for any other daksinā. When the principles of

religion are re-established, then people will perform sacrifice, give charity, and undergo austerity without impediment.

### Text 12

ityetat vacanam sruti a namaskratva munim gurum vili oda kesvaram devam gatva tustava sankaram

After hearing these words of Paraśurāma and offering him obeisances three times, Lord Kalki, the master of the demigods, approached Lord Mahādeva and began to offer him prayers.

# Text 13

pujayitva yathanyāyam sivam sāntam mahesvaram pranipatyāsu tosam tam dhyatvā praha hrdi sthitam

After offering His respectful obeisances to Lord Śiva, who is very easily pleased, and worshiping him with devotion, Lord Kalki began to speak, keeping His mind fully under control.

# Text 14

kalkırıvaca
gaurınatham visvanatham
saranayam bhütavasam
vasuki kanthabhusam tryaksam
pañcasyādi devam purānam
vande sāndrananda sandohadaksam

Lord Kalkı said: O Lord Śankara, you are the oldest of all, the husband of Gauri, the lord of the universe, the only protector of the living entities, and the shelter of everyone. Your neck is decorated with the serpent, Vāsukī, you have three eyes and five heads, you are always absorbed in transcendental ecstasy, and you award liberation to your devotees. I offer my obeisances unto you

# Text 15

yogadhisam kamanasam karalam ganga sangaklinna murddhanamisam jatajutato pariksipta bhavam mahakalam candrabhalam namami

You are the lord of mystic yoga and the destroyer of lusty desires. Your form is fearful to behold, your head is always wet with the water of the Ganges, the matted hair on your head looks most enchanting, your forehead is decorated with a mark of the half moon, and you are the personification of mahā-kāla. I offer my obeisances unto you.

# Texts 16-17

smasānastham bhutavetala sangam nanā sastraih khadaga suladibhisca vyagrat yugra vahavo lokanāse yasya krodhad dhataloko'stameti

vo bhūtadih pañca bhutaih sisrksuh tanmatratma kalakarma svabhavaih prahrtyedam prapva jivatvamiso brahmanando ramate tam namami

You frequent crematoriums in the company of ghosts and hobgoblins, and you carry a trident and other weapons in your hands. At the time of annihilation, the entire creation is burnt to ashes by the blazing fire emanating from your anger. The conditioned souls are born in this world under the influence of false ego, and their bodies are made of the five gross material elements. You are the lord of the mode of ignorance, and thus you are one of the directors of the material universe. Although you are involved in universal affairs, you always remain aloof from material association as you remain absorbed in transcendental ecstasy. I offer my obeisances unto you

#### Text 18

sthitau visnuh sari ajisnuh suratma lokan sadhun dharmasetun vibharsi brahmadyase yoʻbhimani

# gunātma savdadyangaistam paresam bhajāmi

I worship Lord Śiva, the protector of the universe and the Supersoul of all living entities. He is always victorious, being a qualitative incarnation of Lord Visnu, and He delivers saintly persons by protecting the principles of religion. He is the personification of transcendental sound, a reservoir of divine qualities, and the possessor of great intelligence.

## Text 19

yasyājñāyā vāyavo vanti loke jvalatyagnih savita yati tapyan sitamsuh khe tārakaih sagrahaisca pravarttate tam paresam prapadye

By your order the wind blows, fire burns, the sun distributes heat and light, and the moon, planets and stars illuminate the sky. I offer my obeisances unto you.

# Text 20

yasyāsvāsat sarvadhatrı dharıtrı devo varsat yambu kalah pramata merurmadhye bhuvanānāñca bharttā tamısanam visvarupam namāmi

By your order, the earth sustains all moving and non moving entities, Indra showers rain, the time factor divides the duties of everyone, and Mount Sumeru, which is the shelter of the universe, remains fixed at the center. I offer my humble obeisances to the universal form of Lord Śiva.

#### Text 21

iti kalkistavam srutia suvah sarvatma darsanah saksāt prāha isannisah parvati sahito'gratah

After hearing these prayers, Lord Śiva, being omniscient, appeared before Lord Kalki with Pārvatī and spoke to Him while smiling grandly.

kalkeh samsprsya hastena samasta vayavam muda tamāha varaya presthā varam yatte'bhi kāmksitam

Lord Śiva caressed the entire body of Lord Kalki with his hands and then said: O foremost of all beings, please ask from me the benediction You desire.

# Text 23

tvaya krtamıdam stotram ye pathantı janā bhuvi tesām sarvārtha siddhihsya ādiha loke paratra ca

Anyone on this earth who faithfully hears the glorious prayers that you have offered me will achieve all kinds of perfection, both in this life and in the next.

### Text 24

vidyārthim capnuyād vidyām dharmārthim dharmam apruyat kamān avapnuyat kām pathanat srvanādapi

If a student recites these prayers, his education will become fruitful, if a pious person recites these prayers, he will attain pious merit, and if a sense enjoyer recites these prayers, he will enjoy all kinds of sense gratification. Anyone who recites or hears these prayers will have all his desires fulfilled.

# Text 25

tvam gārudam īda casvam kamagam bahurupīnam sukamenañca sarvajñam maya dattam grhana bhoh

This horse was manifested from Garuda, and it can go anywhere at will and assume many different forms. Here also is a parrot that knows

everything—past, present, and future. I would like to offer You both the horse and the parrot and so please accept them

# Text 26

sarı asastrastra vidvamsam sarı avedartha paragam jayınam sarvabhutanam tvām vadisyanti manavah

By the influence of this horse and parrot, the people of the world will know You as a learned scholar of all scriptures who is a master of the art of releasing arrows, and thus the conqueror of all.

# Text 27

ratnat sarum karālañca karavāla mahāprabham grhana gurubharāyah prthivya bhāra sadhanam

I would also like to present You this sharp, strong sword and so please accept it. The handle of this sword is bedecked with jewels, and it is extremely powerful. As such, this sword will help You to reduce the heavy burden of the earth.

#### Text 28

iti vaca āsrutya namaskratya mahesvaram sambhala grāma gamat turagena tvaranvitah

After hearing all this, Lord Kalki offered His obeisances and then departed for the village of Śambhala, riding on the back of the horse given by Lord Śiva.

### Text 29

pitaram mataram bhrātan namaskrtya yathāvidhi sarvam tadvarnayā masa jamadagnyasya bhasitam Upon arriving home, Lord Kalki offered his respectful obeisances to His father, mother, and brothers. He then narrated whatever had happened and told them about the orders of His guru, Paraśurāma

# Text 30

su asya varadanañca kathayitva subhah kathah kalkih paramatejasvi jñatibhyo'pyavadan muda

The unlimitedly powerful Lord Kalki also described the benedictions He had received from Mahādeva. Thereafter, the Lord happily met the other *brāhmanas* of the village and also informed them of all that had transpired.

# Text 31

gargya bhargya visalad yasta cchrutva nanditah sthitah kathopa kathanam jatam sambhala gramavasinam

When great personalities, such as Gārgya, Bhargya, and Viśāla heard about these pastimes of Lord Kalki, they became extremely pleased. From that time onwards, the inhabitants of Śambhala simply absorbed themselves in repeatedly hearing and chanting the glories of Lord Kalki.

# Text 32

visakha yupa bhūpalah srutva tesañca bhasitam prādurbhavam harermene kalinigraha karakam

King Viśākhayūpa also came to hear these wonderful discussions of Lord Kalki and thus he became convinced that the Supreme Lord Hari had incarnated in this world to destroy the influence of Kali-yuga.

### Text 33

māhismatyam nijapure yagadana tapobratan

# brahmanan ksatrıyan vaisyan sudrānapi hareh priyān

King Viśākhayūpa could see that the people of his capital, Māhismati, including the *brāhmanas*, *ksatriyas*, *vaiśyas* and *śudras*, had suddenly experienced a change of heart so that they were now performing sacrifices, giving charity, and undergoing austerities.

# Text 34

svadharma nıratān drstava dharmastho'bhunnrpah svayam prajapalah suddhamanah pradur bhavācchriyah pateh

Due to the influence of the incarnation of the Supreme Lord, the husband of goddess Laksmī, everyone in the capital became a follower of religious principles. The king also became pious, so that he maintained his subjects with a pure heart.

# Text 35

adharma vamsyastān drstvā janan dharma kıyaparān lobha nrtādayo jagmus tadesat duhkhītān bhrsam

Those who had been born in sinful families also became inclined to executing religious principles. When the greedy, wretched people who were totally devoid of truthfulness, being servants of Kali, saw this change of heart, they became very unhappy and left the country.

#### Text 36

jaitram turaga māruhya khadagañca vimalaprabham damsitah sasaram cāpam grahitvagat puradvahih

Thereafter, Lord Kalkı picked up His brightly shining trident and bow and arrows and set out from His palace, riding upon His victorious horse and wearing His amulet.

vıs**a**khayupa bhūpalah prāyāt sadhujana priyah kalkım drastum hareram sa māvirbhūtañca sambhale

When the king of that country, Viśākhayūpa, who was very dear to saintly persons, realized that Lord Kalki, the incarnation of the Supreme Lord, Hari, had appeared, he went to see Him

# Texts 38-39

kavım prajñam sumantuñca puraskratya mahāprabham gargya bhargya visalaisca jñātibhih parwāritam

visākhayupo dadrse candram taraganairīva purādvahīh surair yadvad indramuccaih sravahsthītam

The king saw that, just as Indra, the king of heaven, rides on the back of his horse, Uccahiśravā, in the midst of the demigods, and as the moon is surrounded by all the stars, Lord Kalki was seated on the back of His horse, surrounded by many greatly intelligent and powerful personalities, including Sumanta, Gārgya, Bhargya, and Viśāla.

#### Text 40

visākhayupo'vanatah samprahrasta tanūruhah kalkeralo kanat sadyah pūrnātmām vaisnavo'bhavat

As soon as King Viśakhayūpa saw Lord Kalki, he became stunned in ecstasy and the hairs of his body stood on end. He offered his obeisances to Lord Kalki so that by His mercy, the king became a devotee of the Lord.

saha rama vasan kalkıh dharmānāha puroditān brahmana ksatriya visāma asramanam samāsatah

Lord Kalkı lived with King Viśākhayūpa for some time. In the course of his stay, Lord Kalkı briefly described to the king the principles of four varnas and four āśramas.

# Text 42

mamāmsān kali vibhrastan iti majjanma sangatan raja sūyāsca asvamedhābhyam mām yajasva samāhitah

(Lord Kalkı said:) Many pious human beings have become degraded in this age of Kalı. But because of My presence, they will all become pious once again. Now I would like that all of you worship Me by the performance of a Rājasūya sacrifice and a horse sacrifice.

#### Text 43

ahameva paroloko dharmascāham sanātanah kala svabhāva samskārah karmanu gatayo mama

I am the supreme destination for everyone. I am the objective of eternal religious principles. Religion, sin, destiny, the time factor, nature, deeds, and samskāras are My followers.

# Text 44

soma sūryakule jatau devāpi marusamjñakau sthāpayitvā kratayugam krtvā yasyāmi sadvatim

I will install King Devāpi of the Candra dynasty and King Maru of the Sūrya dynasty upon the throne to rule the world, and after the commencement of Satya-yuga, I will return to My own abode, Vaikiintha.

iti tadvacanam sratvā rāja kalkim harim prabhum pranamya prāha saddharman vaisnavān manasepsitān

After hearing this, King Visākhayūpa offered his respectful obeisances to Lord Kalki and then further inquired about Vaisnava dharma from Him.

# Text 46

iti nrpavacanam nisamya kalkih kalikula nāsana vasanāvatarah nijajana parisad vinodakāri madhura vacobhirāha sadhurdharman

After hearing the king's inquiries, the Supreme Lord, Kalki, who had incarnated to destroy the dynasty of Kali, began to speak very sweetly about the religious principles that are followed by saintly persons, just for the pleasure of His servants.

Thus ends the translation of the third chapter of Śrī Kalkı Purāna.

# CHAPTER FOUR

# Padmāvatī Receives a Benediction From Lord Śiva

#### Text 1

sūta uvaca tatah kalkih sabhā madhye rajamāno raviryathā vabhāse tam nrpam dharma mayo dharman dvijapriyan

Sūta Gosvāmī said: O great sages, thereafter, the Supreme Lord, Kalkı, who is the personification of religious principles, described to the king the duties of *brāhmanas* while sitting in the royal assembly, appearing just like a brilliant sun.

# Text 2

kalkırıvāca kālena brahmano nase pralaye mayı sangata ahameva samevāgre nānyat kāryamıdam mama

Lord Kalkı said: When the final dissolution of the universe will take place, everyone, even Lord Brahmā, will be annihilated. At that time, the entire universe will become merged within Me. In the beginning, only I existed, and thereafter, all living entities and elements emanated from Me.

# Text 3

prasupta loka tantrasya dvata hinasya catmanah mahānisānte rantum me samudbhuto virat prabhuh

After the final dissolution, the entire universe remained unmanifest and there was no one except the Supersoul. Then, at the end of that long and dark night, I manifested My universal form in order to enact the pastime of material creation

sahasrasırsa purusah sahasraksah sahasrapat tadangajo'bhavat brahma vedavakro mahaprabhuh

That universal form of Mine has thousands of heads, thousands of eyes, and thousands of legs. From the mouth of the universal form came the supremely powerful Brahmā, who spoke the four *Vedas* 

# Texts 5-6

jivopādher mamamsacca prakrtya mayaya svaya brahmopahih sa sarvajño mama vagveda sasitah

sasarja jivajatani kalamavasa yogatah devā manvadayo lokah sapraja payah prabhuh

In accordance with My order, which is as good as the *Vedas*, the omniscient Brahmā began his work of creating the living entities, who are My separated parts and parcels, as well as the time factor, and the planetary systems. In the beginning, Brahmā created the progenitors, Manus, demigods, and human beings

## Text 7

guninya mayayamsa me nanopadhau sasarjire sopadhaya ime loka deva sasthānu jangamah

Although all of them are My parts and parcels, they engage in different kinds of activities by the arrangement of  $m\bar{a}y\bar{a}$ , under the dictation of the three modes of material nature. As a result, all moving and non-moving living entities are materially designated.

mamamsā mayava srsta yato mayyāvisan laye evam vidha brahmana ye maccharira madatmikah

All moving and non-moving living entities are My separated parts and parcels, although they appear to be products of māyā. At the end, everyone will merge into Me. The brāhmanas and other members of the social order are just like parts of My body.

### Text 9

mamuddharanti bhuvane yajña dhyana satkiyāh mam prasevanti samsanti tapo dana kiyasviha

The *brāhmanas* always worship Me by the performance of devotional activities, such as sacrifice, study of the *Vedas*, undergoing austerities, and giving charity.

#### Text 10

smarantı āmodayanty eva nanye devadayas tatha brahmana vedavaktāro vedā me mūrttayah parāh

The twice-born devotees who preach the purport of the Vedas, and who are themselves personifications of the Vedas, please Me to such an extent that none of the demigods or anyone else can.

## Text 11

tasmādīme brahmana jāstaih pustastrī jagajjanah jagantī me sarīranī tatpose brahmano varah

The Vedic knowledge has spread only by the work of those who are twice-born. All of the living entities in this world, who are My parts and parcels, are being protected by the *Vedas* Therefore it is to be

concluded that those who are twice-born are the principal instruments for maintaining My body

#### Text 12

tenaham tan namasyami suddha sattva gunasrayah tato jaganmayam pūrvam mām sevante'khilasrayah

That is why I offer My obeisances to the *brāhmanas* from My position in the mode of pure goodness. Those who are twice-born are the shelter of everyone and they serve Me, considering Me to be the basis of the entire universe.

# Text 13

visākhayupa uvaca viprasva laksanam bruhi tvadbhaktih ka ca tatkrta yatas tavanugrahena vagvāna brahmanāh krtah

Viśākhayūpa said: My dear Lord, kindly describe to me the characteristics of a genuine *brāhmana*. In what way do they render devotional service unto You? It appears that their words carry the weight of Vedic injunctions, by Your mercy.

#### Text 14

kalkıruvāca
veda mamısvaram prāhur
avyaktam vyaktımatparam
te vedā brahmana mukhe
nāna dharme prakasıtah

Lord Kalkı said: I exist beyond the realm of visible moving and non-moving entities, as described in the *Vedas* I am celebrated as the non-manifested Supreme Personality of Godhead. The Vedas are manifested in various forms through the mouths of the *brāhmanas* 

# Text 15

yo dharmo brahmananam hi sa bhaktir mama puskala tuyaham tositah srisah sambhai ami vuge vuge

The religion of the *brāhmanas* is to render pure devotional service unto Me Being pleased by their devotional service, I incarnate, along with Goddess Laksmī, in every millennium

# Text 16

urdhi antu trurtam sutram sadhava nirmitam sanaih tantu trayam adhourttam vajñasutram vidurbudhah

A sacred thread should be prepared by either married or unmarried brāhmana ladies. They should take three strands of thread and fold them to make six circles.

# Text 17

trigunam dadgranthi vuktam veda pravara sammitam sirodharan nabhimadhyat prstharddha parimanakam

According to the injunctions of the *Vedas*, the sacred thread should consist of six circles of thread. It should divide one's back into two halves as it hangs from the shoulder to the navel

#### Text 18

yajurudam nabhimitam sama gana mayam udhih vamaskandhena udhrtam yajñasutram balapradam

Such a sacred thread should be worn by *brāhmanas* who study the *Yajur Veda* The sacred thread for those who study the *Sāma Veda* should hang below the navel. This is the Vedic injunction. When the sacred thread is placed over the left shoulder, it gives one strength

# Text 19

madbhasma candanadyaistu dharavet tilakam dvijah bhale tripundam karmangam kesa paryantam ujji alam

It is the duty of those who are twice-born to mark the forehead with *tilaka* made of clay, ash, or sandalwood paste Marking the body with *tilaka* is a limb of devotional service. The *brāhmanas* decorate their foreheads with *tilaka*, beginning from the nose up to the hair line.

# Text 20

pundram anguli manantu tripundram tat tridha krtam brahmavisnu sivavasam darsanāt papa nasanam

The length of one's *tilaka* should be three fingers. It is said that Brahmā, Visnu and Śiva reside within the marking of *tilaka*. Therefore, simply by seeing a person's *tilaka*, one becomes freed from sinful reactions

#### Text 2.1

brāhmanānām kare svarga vaco veda kare havih gatre tirthāni ragasca nadisu prakrtis trivrt

The heavenly planets are present in the hands of a *brāhmana* Their worlds are non-different from the *Vedas* Sacrificial ingredients also exist in the hands of a *brāhmana* In his body reside all the holy places, and attachment for religious principles, as well as the three modes of material nature, resides within his navel

#### Text 22

savitri kantha kuhara hrdavam brahma samjñitam tesam stanantare dharmah prstho dharmah prakn tiitah

The Gāyatri mantra is a brāhmana's necklace, and his heart is the residence of the Supreme Brahman Religious principles reside on a brāhmana's chest and irreligion resides on his back

bhudeva brahmana rajan pujya vandya saduktibhih caturasramya kusala mama dharma pravarttakah

O King, the *brāhmanas* are considered to be the real leaders of society and so it is the duty of everyone to worship them, and show them respect by greeting them cheerfully. Even though the *brāhmanas* may belong to any of the four *āśramas*, they always preach My mission as their prime occupation

# Text 24

balascapı jñana vrddhās tapovrddha mama priyah tesam vacah pālayitum avatārah krta maya

Even young *brāhmana* boys are enriched with transcendental knowledge and austerity. For this reason, they are very dear to Me. Indeed, I incarnate within the material world just to show the truth of their statements, which are always based upon the *Vedas*.

# Text 25

mahabhāgyam brahmananam sarva papa pranasanam kalidosa haram srutva mucyate sarvato bhayat

By hearing these discussions of those who are twice-born, good fortune will prevail as all of one's sinful reactions are vanquished. Indeed, by such submissive hearing, one can be freed of the contamination of Kali so that no anxiety or fear will be able to enter his heart.

# Text 26

iti kalkivacah srutva kalidosā vināsanam pranamya tam suddhamanah pravayau vaisnavagranih After hearing these discussions, which destroy the contamination of Kali, from the lotus-like mouth of Lord Kalki, the exalted Vaisnava king, Viśākhayūpa, departed with a purified mind.

#### Text 27

gate rajani sandhyāyam sīvadatta suko budhah carītva kalkīpuratāh stutvā tam puratāh sthītāh

The day passed and evening approached when the supremely intelligent Śuka, who was favored by Lord Śiva, arrived before Lord Kalki after wandering about at his will. He offered his obeisances to Lord Kalkī and then stood before Him with folded hands.

# Text 28

tam sukam prāha kalkistu sasmitam stuti pāthakam svagatam bhavatā kasmad desat kirn khaditam tatah

Upon seeing Śuka, who was reciting prayers, Lord Kalki smilingly said: May you achieve auspiciousness. Where are you coming from? What have you eaten?

# Text 29

suka uvaca srnu nātha vaco mahyam kautuhala samanvıtam aham gatasca jaladher madhye sımhala samjñake

Śuka said: My dear Lord, I will tell You something of great interest and so please hear me with attention. I have just visited the island known as Simhala, which is situated in the middle of the ocean.

# Text 30

vathavrattam dvipagatam caritram sravanapriyam brhadrathasya nrpateh kanyayas caritamrtam Please listen to the wonderful characteristics of that island, which is ruled over by a king named Brhadratha. He has a beautiful daughter whose qualities are like nectar, and which are very pleasing to hear about

# Text 31

kaumudyam iha jataya jagatam papa nasanam caritam simhale dvipe cāturvarnya janavrte

This girl was born from the womb of Queen Kaumudi. One who hears of her divine qualities is relieved of all sinful reactions. That island is inhabited by the members of all the four *varnas*.

## Text 32

prasada harmya sadana pura raji virājate ratna sphātika kudyādi svarna bhati virajite

The island is decorated with beautiful palaces, residential quarters, agricultural fields, and cities. Many gates and pillars bedecked with jewels and crystal have been erected here and there. Indeed, the entire island shines like gold

# Text 33

stribhir uttama vesābhih padminibhih samavrte sarobhih sarasair hamsair upakula jalā kule

•n that island reside many nicely dressed women who are decorated with auspicious characteristics. There are many beautiful lakes in which cranes and swans are seen playing.

# Text 34

bhrnga ranga prasangadhaye padmaih kalhara kundakaih nanambuja latajala vanopa vanamanidate These lakes were filled with lotus flowers and water lilies, and they are surrounding by gardens filled with jasmine and other varieties of flowers. Bumblebees hover over those flowers, being intoxicated by their aroma and honey Everywhere there are seen beautiful gardens, bushes, and creepers

# Texts 35-36

dese brhadrath• rajā mahāvala parakamah tasya padmavati kanya dhanya reje yasasvini

bhuvane durlabha loke pratima varavarnini kāma moha karı cāru caritra sura nirmita

That beautiful island is ruled by the pious King Brhadratha. His daughter, named Padmāvatī, is certainly glorious and possessed of a spotless reputation. Such a talented girl, possessing matchless beauty, is very rarely found within the three worlds. Just by seeing her, one is reminded of Rati, the enchanter of the mind of Cupid She is a wonderful creation of the creator and her characteristics are simply wonderful.

## Text 37

sıva seva para gaurı vatha pūjya susammata sakhıbhıh kanyaka bhısca japa dhyana parayana

She worships Lord Śiva, along with her companions. As Pārvatī is respected and worshiped by all, this princess is adored by one and all In the association of her friends, she remains fully absorbed in chanting mantras and meditating on the Supreme Personality of Godhead

#### Text 38

jñatva tañca harer laksmim samud bhutam varanganam harah pradura bhuta saksat parvatya saha harsitah Understanding that Kamalā, whose face is exquisitely beautiful and who is very dear to Lord Hari, had incarnated within this world, Śankara, the lord of the demigods, along with Pārvartī, joyfully came to see her.

# Text 39

sa tamalokya varadam sıvam gaurı samanvıtam lajjıtadho mukhi kiñcin ovaca puratah sthitah

Upon seeing Lord Śiva and Pārvatī before her, eager to bestow upon her a benediction, Padmāvatī shyly stood with her head bent down, being unable to utter a sound.

# Text 40

haras tamaha subhage tava narayanah patih panim grahisyati mud**ā** nanyo yogyo nrpatmajah

Lord Śiva said: O fortunate one, you will receive Lord Nārāyana as your husband. He will joyfully accept your hand in marriage. Rest assured that there is no other prince on earth who is a suitable match for you.

#### Text 41

kāmabhavena bhuvane ye tvam pasyantı mānavah tenawa vayasa naryo bhavisyantyapı tatksanāt

Anyone who lustily casts his glance upon you will immediately be transformed into a woman, regardless of his age.

## Text 42

deva suras tathā nāga gandharvās caranadayah tvaya rantum yatā kale bhavisyanti kila striyah Whether they be demigods, demons, Nāgas, Gandharvas, Cāranas, or anyone else, if they simply desire to enjoy a conjugal relationship with you, they will immediately transform into women

# Texts 43-44

vina nārayanam dei am tvatpani grahanārthi nam grham yahi tapas tyaktva bhogāyatanam uttamam

ma ksobhaya hareh patni kamale vimalam kuru iti dattvā varam somas tatrawantardadhe harah

However, this curse is not applicable to Lord Hari, who is your only husband. It is only applicable to others. Now, you may give up your penance and return home. Do not give any further trouble to your tender body, which is the object for the attainment of great happiness. O lover of Hari! O Kamalā! Please take care of your soft and gentle body

After awarding his benediction to Padmāvatī, Lord Śiva disappeared from view.

## Text 45

haravaram iti sa nisamya padma samucitam atma manoratha prakasam vikasita vadana pranamya somam nijajana kalayam avivesa rama

Having received her desired benediction from Lord Śiva, Padmāvaii's happiness knew no bound, so that her face blossomed brightly. She then offered her obeisances to Umā and Mahādeva and returned home

Thus ends the translation of the fourth chapter of Śrī Kalkı Purāna

# CHAPIER FIVE

# Padmāvati's Svayamvara

#### Text 1

suka uvaca gate bahutithe kale padmām viksva Brhadrathah nirudha yauvanam putrim vismitah papasankaya

Śuka said: After a long time had passed, King Brhadratha realized that his daughter, Padmāvati, had grown up. Fearing some misbehavior on her part, the king began to consider the matter very seriously

# Text 2

kaumudim praha mahicim padmodvahe'tra kam nrpam varayisyami subhage kulasila samanvitam

He addressed his queen: O fortunate one, I am considering handing over my daughter to a pious king who belongs to a noble family and thus accept him as my son-in-law.

#### Text 3

sa tamaha patim devi sivena pratibhasitam visnurasvah patiriti bhavisyati na samsayah

However, the queen said. O King, the lord of Pārvatī has already assured us that Padmāvati's husband will undoubtedly be Lord Hari

# Text 4

iti tasya vacah sruti a rāja praha kadeti tam visnuh saria guhavasah panimasya grahisyati Upon hearing this, King Brhadratha said: When will Lord Hari, who is present within the hearts of all living entities, accept our daughter as His wife?

# Texts 5-6

na me bhāgyodayah kascid vena jamataram harim varayisyāmi kanvārthe vedavatyā muneryatha

ımam svayavaram padmam padmāmıva mahodadheh mathane'suradevanām tatha visnur grahisyati

I do not feel that I am so fortunate as to be able to hand over my daughter to Lord Visnu. What piety have I accumulated so that I will be able to accept Lord Hari as my son-in-law? Therefore, just like the Muni's daughter, Vedavatī, or Laksmī, who appeared from the ocean of milk as it was being churned, I would like to arrange a *svayamvara* for my jewel-like daughter, Padmāvati. Let Lord Hari come and accept her in this way.

### Text 7

iti bhupaganan bhupah samāhūya puraskrtan gunasila vayorūpa vidyadravina samvrtan

Having made this resolution, the king invited all the other kings of the country who were adorned with good qualities, of good character, learned, very wealthy, and in the prime of their youth

## Text 8

svayamvarartham padmāyāh sımhale bahumangale vicarya karayamasa sthanam bhupa nivesanam

To insure the svayamvara's grand success, King Brhadratha made auspicious arrangements throughout his kingdom. He ordered

religious rituals to be performed throughout the land, and he also made arrangements for the stay of the invited guests

# Text 9

tatrayatā nrpah sarte vivaha krta niscavah nijasainyaih parivrtah svarna ratna vibhusitah

Meanwhile, many kings having the desire to accept Padmāvati's hand in marriage arrived in that island fully decorated with golden ornaments and accompanied by their armies.

# Text 10

rathān gaja nasvavaran samārudha mahabalāh svetacchatra krtacchayah svetacāmara vijitah

Some kings and princes arrived on chariots, some on elephants, and yet others came riding on beautiful horses. A white umbrella was held over the heads of these powerful kings as they were fanned with white cāmaras

## Texts 11-13

sastrastra tejasā dipta devāh sendra wabhavan rucirasvah sukarma ca madirākso drdhāsugah

krsnasarah pāradasca jimutah kruramardanah kasah kusāmbur vasuman kankah krathana sañjayau

gurumıtrah pramathı ca vı jrmbhah srñjayo'ksamah ete cānye ca bahavah samāyātā mahabalāh Because of the brightly shining weapons in their hands, these princes appeared as beautiful as Indra, surrounded by all the demigods Among the kings who arrived there were Rucirāśva, Sukarmā, Madirāksa, Drdhāśuga, Krsnasāra, Pārada, Jīmuta, Krūramardana, Kāśa, Kuśambu, Vasumān, Kanka, Krathana, Sañjaya, Gurumitra, Piamāthī, Vijrmbhah, Srñjaya, and Aksama

### Text 14

vivisuste ranga gatā svasva sthanesu pūjitah vādya tandava samhrstas citra mālyām baradharah

When the kings arrived at the *svayamvara*, they were respectfully greeted and thus they took their seats in a happy mood. A dancing and singing program then commenced for their pleasure Because of the presence of these illustrious rulers of men, the arena looked very colorful and enchanting

# Text 15

nanabhoga sukhodriktah kama rāmā ratipradah tanalokya simhalesah svam kanyam varavarninim

The eyes and minds of everyone who saw these aristocratic and powerful kings became filled with joy. When everyone was comfortably seated, Brhadratha requested his associates to bring his uniquely beautiful daughter onto the stage.

#### Text 16

gaurım candrānanām svāmam tarahāra vibhusitām manımukta pravalaisca sarvamga alankrta subham

Padmāvati's complexion was golden, and her face resembled the full moon She possessed all godly qualities, and she was decorated with a garland of flowers. Her entire body was covered with jewels, pearls, and coral.

kım mayam mohajananım kım va kamaprıyam bhuvi rūpa lavanya sampattva na canyamıha drstvan

When I saw Padmāvati, I considered her to be the personification of  $m\bar{a}y\bar{a}$ , which bewilders everyone. Then again, I wondered whether she was Rati-devī herself, the beloved consort of Cupid, appearing upon the earth. Although I have traveled throughout the heavenly planets, as well as on this earth, and indeed throughout the entire three worlds, I had never seen a more beautiful girl than Padmāvati.

#### Text 18

svarge ksitau va patale' pyaham sarvatrago yadi pascad dasiganai kirnam sakhibhih parwaritah

When Padmāvati came out from the palace, hundreds of her companions and maid-servants surrounded her on all sides.

## Texts 19-21

dauvārikair vetrahastaih sasitantah puradvahih purovandi ganākirnām prāpayā masa tam sanaih

nupuraih kinkini bhisca kvanantim janamohinim svagatanām nrpanāñca kulasila gunān bahun

srnvanti hamsa gamanā ratnamāla karagraha rucīra panga bhangena preksanti lolakundala

When the princess left the palace, she was protected by her personal guards, who were equipped with various weapons. Professional singers

walked before her as she arrived at the *svayamvara* arena An enchanting sound was created by her ankle bells and her earrings swung back and forth as she slowly entered within the midst of the assembled kings and princes, gazing in all directions, a flower garland in her hand. Padmāvati was then informed of the family background and distinguishing characteristics of all those who had come seeking her hand in marriage

# Text 22

nrtyat kuntala sopana gamda mandala mandıta kıñcıt smerollasad vakta dasana dyotadıbıta

Her hair swung to and fro as she glanced about the arena, and this increased the beauty of her cheeks. Her face appeared even more beautiful when she smiled, so that she resembled a fully blossomed lotus flower

# Text 23

vedi madhyāruna ksauma vasanā kokilasvara rūpa lavanaya panayena kretukama jagattrayam

The waist of the princess was very thin, she was dressed in red garments, and her voice was pleasing to the ear, like the singing of a cuckoo. When I saw all of these manifestations of feminine attractiveness, I thought that the princess had decided to purchase the entire three worlds by paying the price of her exquisite beauty.

#### Text 24

samāgatam tam prasamiksya bhupah sammohinim kāma vimūdha cittāh petuh ksitau vismrta vastra sastrāh rathāsva matta dvipa vahanaste

As soon as the assembled kings saw the jewel-like Padmāvati, they became greatly afflicted by the arrows of the Cupid Indeed, they were so struck with wonder that that their weapons fell from their hands

tasvah smaraksobha niriksanena striyo babhuvuh kamaniya rupah vrhannitamva stanabharanamrah sumadhyamas tatsmrti jatarupah

However, as the kings gazed upon the princess with lusty desires, they suddenly transformed into females, much to their astonishment. Their bodily features, characteristics, and personalities became just like women. Their waists were thin and their figures were beautiful. Indeed, their beautiful bodies bent slightly forward due to the weight of their heavy breasts.

# Text 26

vilasa hasa vyasanati citrah kantānanah sona sarojanetrah strīrupam atmānam aveksya bhūpah stāmanva gacchan visadanuvrttya

Their movements and smiles, as well as their dancing and singing skills became that of a woman. Their faces appeared charming, just like blooming lotus flowers. Upon finding themselves to be beautiful women, the kings followed Padmāvati as if they were her companions.

## Text 27

aham vatasthah paridharsitatma padma vivahotsai a darsanakulah tasya vaco'ntarhrdi duhkhitayah srotum sthitah stritvamitesu tesu

At that time, I climbed up into a banyan tree, desiring to watch the *svavamvara* of Padmāvati. I was already very upset after seeing all that had taken place. I waited just to hear if Padmāvati would express her unhappiness because all the kings had turned into women.

## Text 28

janihi kalke ' kamala vilapam srutam vicitram jagatama dhisa ' gate vii ahotsava mangale sa sivam saranyam hrdaye nidhaya O Lord Kalkı, You are the master of the universe. Let me disclose to You the lamentations of Your consort, Kamalā. while she was meditating upon her worshipable lord, Śankara.

# Text 29

tan drstvā nrpatin gajasva
rathibhis tyaktan sakhitvam gatān
stribhavena samanvitan anugatan
padmam vilokyāntike dina tyakta
vidhusana vilikhati padamgulaih
kamini isam karttum nijanatham
isvara vacasthathyam harim sa'smarat

All the kings who came there, hoping to marry Padmāvati, were rejected by their respective carriers, the elephants and horses, and even their soldiers. When they followed the princess as her companions, she took off all her ornaments and began to write something on the ground with her right toe. With a desire to make the words of Lord Śiva come true, Padmāvati fixed her mind on her own beloved Lord Hari, the supreme controller

Thus ends the translation of the fifth chapter of Śrī Kalkı Purāna.

# CHAPTER SIX

# Śuka Goes To Simhala as the Envoy of Lord Kalki Conversation Between Padmāvatī And Śuka

# Text 1

suka uvaca
tatah sa vismita mukhi
padma nijajanair vrta
harim patim cintayanti
provāca vimalam sthitam

Śuka said: Thereafter, while surrounded by her relatives and companions, and herself highly astonished, Padmāvati addressed one of her friends, named Vimalā, while still remembering her husband, Lord Hari.

# Text 2

padmovaca ımale kım krtam dhātra lalate likhanam mama darsanādapi lokanām pumsam stribhava karakam

Padmāvati said: O Vimalā, is it my destiny, dictated by providence, that any man who desires me will turn into a woman?

# Text 3

mamapı manda bhagyāyāh pāpınyāh sıva sevinam viphalatvam anupraptam vijamuptam yathosare

I am extremely unfortunate and sinful. Just as sowing seeds on barren land is useless, my worship of Lord Śiva has proved futile

## Text 4

harır laksmıpatıh sarva yagatām adhıpah prabhuh matkrte' pyabhilasam kim karisyati jagatpatih

Will the Supreme Lord, Hari, the master of the universe, controller of all controllers, and husband of Laksmī, ever accept me as His consort?

# Texts 5-6

yadı sambhor vaco mıthya yadı vısnur namām smaret tada hamanale deham tyajamı harı bhāvıtā

kva cāham mānusi dinā kvāste devo janārdanah nigrhita vidhatrāham sivena parīvañcīta

If the words of Lord Śiva prove false, and if Lord Hari does not accept me, I will certainly end my life by entering fire while remembering the lotus feet of the Lord. Alas, I am a lowly human being. How insignificant I am and how great is Lord Hari, the master of the demigods! The creator must be angry with me, otherwise why would Śankara, whose forehead is decorated with the mark of the moon, deceive me?

#### Text 7

visnuna ca parityaktā madanya katra jivati

I am still living, even after being rejected by Lord Hari. Who other than me would remain alive in such a situation?

# Text 8

iti nanāvilāpinya vacanam socanāsrayam padmaya sārucestayāh srutvayā tastavantike

O Lord Kalkī, when I heard these lamentations of Padmāvatī, whose character is spotless, I could not wait any longer, and so I approached You without delay.

sukasya vacanam srutva kalkih parama vismitah tam jagada punaryahi padmam bodhayitum privam

After hearing these words of Śuka, Lord Kalkı felt elated He said My dear Suka, you must go at once and pacify my beloved Padmāvati

## Text 10

matsandesa baho bhutva madrupa guna kirttanam sravayitva punah kira samayasyasi bandhava

I consider you to be My best well wishing friend Please go to Padmāvati as My messenger, and after describing My beauty and qualities to her, return to Me

# Text 11

sa me priva patiraham tasya deva vinirmitah madhyasthena tvaya yogam avayosca bhavisyati

Padmāvati is very dear to Me Indeed, I am her eternal husband Our union has already been destined by providence Therefore, you act on My behalf so that we can meet one another

## Text 12

sarı ajño sı vidhijño'si kalajño'pi kathamrtaih tamasvasva mamasvasa kathastasvam samahara

You are the knower of everything You know all the rules and regulations prescribed in the *Vedas* You also understand about the proper time and circumstances Therefore, pacify Padmāvati with your nectarean words and then return to Me with her assurance

iti kalker vacah srutva sukah parama harsitah pranamva tam prita manah prayavau simhalam tvaran

Being instructed by Lord Kalkī in this way, Suka became jubilant as his entire body became filled with ecstasy. He offered his obeisances to the Lord and quickly departed for Simhala

# Texts 14-16

khagah samudra parena snati a piti amrtam pavah vija pura phalaharo vayau 1aja nivesanam

tatra kanvapuram gatea vrkse nagesvare easan padmam alokya tam praha suko manusa bhasava

kusalam te vararohe rupa yauvana salını ıvam lola nayanam manve laksmı rupam wapasarı

Thus, Suka, the great parrot, crossed the ocean Upon reaching his destination, he first bathed, drank some water, and ate many sweet and ripe fruit. After that, he entered the king's palace and sat at the top of a nāgakesara tree, which was situated within the compound of the ladies' quarters. After some time, the magnanimous Suka saw Padmāvati approach, and so he addressed her in a human voice. O beautiful ladwith a most charming face, your eyes appear to be very restless. By seeing you, I feel that you are Laksmi, the goddess of fortune.

# Text 17

padmananam padmagandham padmanetram karambuja kamalam kalavantim tram laksavami param srivam Your face resembles a lotus flower. The aroma of your body is like the scent of a lotus and your eyes are just like lotus petals. Your hands are reddish, like lotus flowers, and you hold a lotus in your hand.

# Text 18

kım dhatra sarva jagatam rupa lavanya sampadām nırmıtāsı vararohe jivanam mohakārını

O beautiful one with a charming face, you simply bewilder all living entities. I think that the creator had made you after collecting all the beautiful objects of the world.

# Texts 19-20

iti bhāsitam akarnya kirasya amitam adbhutam hasanti praha sā devi tam padma padmamālini

kstvam kasmād agato'si katham mam sukarupadhrka devo vā danavo va tvam agato'si dayaparah

Upon hearing these sweet words of Śuka, Padmāvatī, whose navel resembled a lotus, smiled and said: Who are you? Where have you come from? Are you a demigod or demon who has taken the form of a parrot? Is it out of compassion for me that you have come here?

#### Text 2.1

suka uvaca sarvajño'ham kamagami sarvasāstrartha tattvavit deva gandharva bhupanām sabhāsu paripujitah

Śuka said: I am the knower of everything, and so I know the intensions of everyone. I am well aware of the real purport of all scriptures. I am highly regarded in the assembly of demigods, Gandharvas, and saintly kings.

caramı svecchayā khe tvam ıksanartham ıhāgatah tvamaham hrdı santaptām tyakta bhogām manahsvınım

I travel in outer space of my own free will. I have now come her just to see you. Although you are very learned, at present you are afflicted with grief, and thus you have given up all thoughts of enjoyment.

#### Texts 23-24

hāsyālāpa sakhi sanga dehabharana varjitam vilokyaham dina cetah prcchāmi srotum iritam

kokila lapa santapa janakam madhuram mrdu tava dantaustha jihvā agra lulitāksara panktayah

yat karna kuhare magnas tesām kım varnyate tapah

You have given up smiling, joking, speaking with others, the company of your friends, and all kinds of jewelry. By seeing you in such a pathetic condition, I feel morose and so I would like to hear your sweet voice, which defeats the song of a cuckoo. Only one who has undergone great austerities is able to hear the words that are produced by the combined effort of your teeth, lips, and tongue.

## Texts 25-26

saukumaryam sirisasya kva kantirva nisākare piyusam kva vadantyeva anandam brahmani te dhunah

tava bahulatā vaddha ye pasyanti sudhananam tesam tapo dana japar vyarthair kim janayisyati For you, the tenderness of a śīrīsa flower and the brightness of the full moon are most insignificant. People always glorify the nectar and bliss of Brahman, but to you even this seems insignificant. The pious exalted soul who will drink the nectar of your face while being held in the creepers of your arms does not require to perform any religious duties, such as performing penance, chanting mantras, and giving charity.

#### Text 27

tilakalaka sammisram lola kundala manditam loleksanollasad vaktram pasyatam na punarbhavah

Anyone who once beholds your beautiful face decorated with marks of *tilaka*, curly hair, swinging earrings, and beautiful eyes, will no longer have to accept another material body.

#### Text 28

brhadrathasute svādhim vada bhāvini yatkrtam tapah ksināmiva tanūm laksayāmi rujam vina

kanaka pratima yadvat pamsubhir malinikrta

O daughter of King Brhadratha! O well-wisher of all! Please tell me the cause of your mental agony. You have no material attachment and yet you have become very weak because of mental distress. At present, you look like a golden deity covered by dust.

### Text 29

padmovaca kım rupena kulenapı dhanena abhıjanena va sarvam nısphalatam eti yasya devam daksınam

Padmāvatī said: If Lord Hari is against someone then what is the use of beauty, opulence, and a prestigious lineage?

srnu kıra mamakhyānam yadı vā viditam tava balyah pauganda-kaisore harasevam karomyaham

My dear bird, if you do not know why I am suffering then kindly hear with attention. I engaged in the worship of Lord Śiva as a child, and also when I became a mature girl.

## Text 31

tena pujāvidhānena tusto bhutva mahesvarah varam varaya padme ' tvamityaha priyaya saha

As a result of my worship, Lord iva, whose head is decorated with the sign of the moon, appeared before me along with Pārvati and said: O Padmāvatī, ask me for a benediction.

#### Text 32

lajjayadho mukhim agie sthitam mam viksya sankarah praha te bhavati svāmi harirnarayanah prabhuh

When he saw me standing before him, my head hung low due to shyness, and my body fully covered, he assured me, saying. The Supreme Lord, Hari, will become your husband.

#### Text 33

dero vā danaro vanyo gandharvo ra taveksanat kamena manasa nari bharrvati na samsayah

Whether he is a demigod, Gandharva, asura, or any other creature, if a male looks upon you with lust in his heart, then he will immediately turn into a woman.

iti datvā varam somah praha visnurcanam yatha tathāham te pravaksyami samahita manah srnu

(Padmāvatī said to Śuka:) Let me tell you about the procedure for worshiping Lord Hari that Lord Śiva described to me after awarding me that benediction.

#### Text 35

etah sakhyo nrpāh purvam ahrta ye svayamvare pitrā dharmārthina drstvā ramyam mām yauvanan vitam

These companions of mine that you see here—they were all great kings at the time of my *svayambara*, which was arranged by my father.

## Texts 36-37

svāgataste sukhasına vivāha krta niscayāh yuvāno gunavantasca rupadravina sammatah

svayamvara gatam mam te vilokya ruciraprabham ratnamāla sritakarām nipetuh kama mohitāh

These kings were very handsome, highly skilled, and unlimitedly powerful After they had assembled here with a desire to marry me, I entered the arena of my *svayamvara*, holding a necklace of jewels in my hands. Although these kings had been sitting at ease, as soon as they saw me, their hearts were pierced by the arrows of Cupid, and some even fainted, falling onto the ground

#### Text 38

tata uttthāya sambhrantāh samprecya stritvamatmanah

## stanabhara nitamvena gurunā parmamitah

However, as soon as they stood up, having regained their composure, they where aghast to find that they had been transformed into women with rounded hips and heavy breasts.

## Text 39

hıyā bhıyā ca satrūnam mıtranamıta duhkhadam strıbhavam manasa dhyātvā mameva anugatāh suka

O parrot, upon seeing themselves in this way, the kings became highly embarrassed and afraid to look at one another. At last, with broken hearts, they decided to follow me as my companions.

#### Text 40

pārīcarya hare ratah sakhyah sarva gunānvītāh mayā saha tapodhyāna pūjāh kurvantī sammatah

Since that time, all these kings have been living with me as my companions. They are very talented women and are living under the shelter of my affection. Along with me, they also engage in worshiping Lord Hari, rending service unto Him, meditating upon the Lord, and performing austerities for His pleasure.

## Text 41

taduditam iti samnnisamya kirah sravana sukham nijamanasa prakasanam samucita vacanaih pratiksya padmam murahara yajanam punah pracaste

After hearing this wonderful story from the mouth of Padmāvatī, Śuka continued to speak with her in a very pleasing manner, and then brought up the subject of Lord Hari's worship

Thus ends the translation of the sixth chapter of Śrī Kalkı Purāna

#### CHAPIER SEVEN

# The Procedure for Worshiping Lord Vișnu

#### Text 1

suka uvaca
visnurcanam sevenoktam
srotum icchāmyaham subhe
dhanasi krtapunayāsi
siva sisyatvam agata

Śuka said: O auspicious lady, you are certainly most glorious and pious, and thus you exhibit unalloyed devotion for Lord Śiva. Now I would like to hear about the procedure for worshiping Lord Hari as instructed by Lord Śiva.

#### Text 2

aham bhagya vasadatra samagamya tavāntikam srnomi paramascaryam kirakara nivaranam

It is my good fortune that I have met you here today. Please describe in detail the worship of Lord Hari, for by hearing such topics, I will be freed from having to endure life in the lower species.

#### Text 3

bhagavad bhaktı yogañca japadhyāna vidhim muda paramānanda sandoha dana daksam srutipriyam

Worship of Lord Hari is a limb of pure devotional service, and it includes meditation upon the Lord and the chanting of His *mantras*. Discussions of Lord Hari are always very pleasing to the ears and heart.

## Texts 4-5

padmovaca srı vısnorarcanam punyam sivena paribhasitam yat srddhayanusthi tasya srutasya gatitasya ca

sadyah papaharam pumsam guru go brahma ghatinam samahitena manasa srnu kira yathoditam

Padmāvatī said: The procedure for worshiping Lord Hari that was described by Lord Śiva is most sacred. By performing such worship, or even hearing about it with faith, one is immediately freed from all sinful reactions, even those for killing a spiritual master, cow, or *brāhmana*. O parrot, hear attentively as I describe the procedure for worshiping Lord Hari that was instructed by Lord Śiva.

#### Text 6

krtva yathokta karmanı pūrvāhne snānakrta sucih praksālya pāni pādau ca sprstvāpah svāsane vaset

Early in the morning, one should bathe and perform his other daily duties. He should then wash his hands and feet, perform ācamana, and sit on a proper asana to begin his worship of the Lord

#### Text 7

prācimukhah samyatatma sanganyasam prakalpayet bhutasuddhim tato'rghasya sthāpanam vidhi vaccaret

With a controlled mind, one should sit facing east and then perform the various *nyāsas* and other required rituals. Thereafter, one should place all the articles for worship, such as *arghya*, in their proper places.

#### Text 8

tatah kesava krtvadi nyasena tanmayo bhavet atmanam tanmayam dhyatva hrdistham svasane nyaset Before beginning, one should think of himself as being qualitatively one with Lord Visnu while displaying the *keśava-kīrti-nyāsa* One should then invite Lord Hari to be seated on a lotus *āsana* within his heart

## Texts 9-10

padyārdhya ācamanıyādyaih snāna vāso vibhusinaih yathopacāraih sampujya mulamantrena desikah

dhyāyet padadı kesamtam hrdayambuja madhyagam prasanna vadanam devam bhaktā bhista phalapradam

One should then worship Lord Hari by offering Him various articles, including pādya, arghya, ācamanīya, snānīya, and ornaments. Next, one should meditate on the Lord, beginning from His lotus feet, gradually raising one's attention to His face. The Lord should be meditated upon as being situated in one's lotus-like heart. He should be seen smiling as He fulfills all the desires of His devotees.

#### Text 11

om namo narāyanāya svahā yogena siddha vibudhaih paribhāvya manam laksmyalayam tulasi kācita bhaktabhrngam

prottunga rakta nakharamguli patracitram bhangārasam haripadambujam asraye'ham

One should then chant om namo nārāyanaya svāhā and recite the following prayer: I take shelter of the lotus feet of Lord Hari, who is constantly meditated upon by learned mystic yogis. He is the shelter of Goddess Laksmī, and the bee-like devotees drink the nectar of the tulasī buds at His lotus feet. His reddish nails have colored the water of the Ganges

#### Text 12

gumphan manı pracaya ghattıta rajahamsa sıñjat sunupura yutam padapadma vrntam pıtāmvara añcala vılola calat patakam svarna trwaktra balavayañca hareh smaramı

I meditate on the lotus feet of Lord Hari, which are decorated with varieties of precious jewels, which resemble the feet of a swan, and which are decorated with tinkling ankle bells. His *cādara* hangs to His lotus feet, and it appears like a flag flapping in the wind. His lotus feet are adorned with three golden bangles.

#### Text 13

jamghe suparna gala nilamani pravrddhe sobhaspada aruna manidyuti cañcumadhye arakta padatala lambana sobhamane loke ksan•tsava kare ca hareh smarami

I meditate on Lord Hari's lotus feet, which are the color of the blue sapphire worn by Garuda Just as the beak of Garuda 15 reddish, so the toenails of the Lord are tinged with a pinkish hue. The Lord's lotus feet thus increase the beauty of the lower portion of His body, and are very pleasing to the eyes of His devotees.

#### Text 14

te januni makhapater bhuja mula sanga rangotsavavrta tadid vasane vicitre cañcat patatru mukha nirgata samagita vistarit atma yasasi ca hareh smarami

I meditate upon Lord Hari's knees, the beauty of which is enhanced because the end of His cādara, which is draped from His shoulder, resides there. The Lord's carrier, Garuda, reveals His transcendental glories by singing narrations of His pastimes.

## Text 15

visnoh katim vidhikrtanta manoja bhumim jivānda kosa ganasanga dukula madhyam nanaguna prakrti pita vicitravastram dhyayen nibaddha vasanam khaga prstham

I meditate on Lord Hari's waist, which is decorated with the three modes of material nature in the form of colorful cloth, which is the shelter

of Lord Brahmā, Yamaraja, and Kāmadeva, and which is the testing place of His marginal energy, the living entities He is seated upon the back of His carrier, Garuda

## Text 16

satodaram bhagavata strivali prakasam avartta nabhi vikasad vidhijanma padmam nadi nadi gana rasotthasitantra sindhum dhyaye nada kosa nilayam tanu lomarekham

I meditate upon Lord Hari's thin abdomen, which is decorated with three lines From His abdomen, a lotus flower sprouted that was the birth place of Lord Brahmā and thus, the origin of the universe The Lord's abdomen is the place of generation of the oceans, and is adorned with fine hair

#### Text 17

vaksah parodhi tanaya kuca kumkumena harena kaustubha mani prabhaya vibhatam sravatsa laksmi haricandana prasunam alocitam bhagavatah subhagam smarami

Lord Hari's chest is decorated with *kunkuma* from Laksmi's breasts, as well as a beautiful necklace and the effulgence of the Kaustubha gem. It is also adorned by the mark of Srivatsa, sandalwood paste, and a beautiful flower garland. I meditate on the expansive chest of Lord Hari

## Text 18

bahu suresa sadanau balamangadadi sobhaspadau duhitva vinasadaksau tau daksinau bhagaratasca gadasunabha tejajitau sulalitau manasa smarami

I meditate on Lord Hari's charming right arms, which are decorated with bangles and a source of great beauty, and are expert in killing sinful demons. The Lord's right arms shine brightly because they hold a club and disc.

#### Text 19

vamau bhujau murari pordhita padmakhankhau syamau karindra karavan mani bhusanadhayau raktamguli pracava cumbita janumadhyau padmulava privakarau rucirau smarami

I meditate on Lord Murāri's left arms, which appear blackish like the trunk of an elephant. The Lord's left arms carry a lotus flower and conch shell, and are decorated with jeweled ornaments. The reddish fingers of those long arms touch the Lord's knees. The enchanting hands of the Lord are very pleasing to Goddess Laksmī

## Text 20

kantham mrnalam amalam mukhapankajassa lekhatrayena vanamalikaya nivitam kimva vimukti vasa mantraka satphalassa vrttam ciram bhagavatah subhagam smarami

I meditate upon Lord Hari's beautiful throat, which is like the stem of His lotus-like face, which is decorated with three perfect lines, which is adorned with a flower garland, and which is like a stalk of delicious fruit in the form of mantras that award one liberation

#### Text 21

raktambu jam dasana hasa vikasaramvam raktadharaustha vara komala vaksudhadhvam sammana sodbhava caleksana patracitram lokabhi ramam amalañca hareh smarami

I meditate upon Lord Hari's lotus face, which is tinged with the color of a red lotus flower and has beautiful by red lips. The Lord's face appears even more enchanting when He smiles, thus revealing His teeth Nectarean words emanate from His face, which is pleasing to the heart, decorated with restless eyes, and enchanting to the mind

## Text 22

suratmajava satha gandhavidam sunasam bhrupallavam sthiti lavodava karmadaksam kamotsavañca kamala hrdava prakasam samcintavami harwaktra vilasadaksam

By the influence of Lord Hari's eyebrows, one is relieved of entering the abode of Yamarāja Below the eyebrows are two enchanting nostrils, from which the creation, maintenance, and annihilation of the universes are enacted The Lord's eyebrows are the impetus for many passionate pastimes. They enhance the beauty of the Lord's face and they bring ecstasy to the heart of Laksmi

### Text 23

karnau lasan karakundala gandalolau nanadisañca nabhasasca vikasagehau lolalaka pracava cumbana kuñcitagrau lagnau harer manikirita tate smarami

I meditate on Lord Hari's ears, which are adorned with fish-shaped earrings that swing to and fro on His cheeks and illuminate the four directions. His ears appear slightly wrinkled due to carrying the burden of many ornaments.

## Text 24

bhalam vicitra tilakam priva caru gandha gerocana racanaya lalanaksi sakhvam brahmaka dhama manikamta kirita jutam dhyayen manonayana harakam isvarasya

I meditate on Lord Hari's forehead, which is decorated with marks of beautiful *tilaka*, which is very attractive, and which emits a very sweet aroma. The Lord's forehead is also adorned with beautiful leaves painted with cow's urine that captivates the hearts of all women. His forehead is the shelter of Brahmā, decorated with a jeweled crown, and is pleasing to the eyes and hearts of all

#### Text 25

sri vasudei a cikuram kutilam nibaddham nana sugandhi kusumaih svajana darena dirgham rama hrdaya gasamanam dhunantam dhyase mbu vaha ruciram hrdayabja madhye

I meditate upon Lord Hari's long black curly hair, which His associates lovingly decorated with fragrant flowers, which breaks the chastity of Laksmi, which trembles in the wind, which resembles the color of a dark monsoon cloud, and which is most enchanting

meghakaram soma surraprakasam subhrun nasam sakracapaika manam lokatitam pundarikavataksam vidyuccailanc asrave ham puri am

I take shelter of Lord Hari, who possesses a most attractive form, whose complexion is dark like a cloud, whose eyes resemble the moon and sun, whose eyebrows are charming like a rainbow, whose nose is long like the beak of a bird, whose eyes are broad like lotus petals, and whose yellow garments are the color of lightning

## Text 27

dmam hinam serava redaratva papaistapaih puritam me sariram lobhakanta soka mohadhi riddham krpava dvstava pahi mam ressudera

I am a fallen soul who is devoid of devotional service to You as prescribed in the Vedic literature. My body is filled with sinful propensities, and is a reservoir of misery. I am under the control of greed, lamentation, and illusion, and thus overwhelmed by mental agony. O Lord Vāsudeva, kindly deliver me by Your merciful glance.

#### Text 28

ne bhaktavadsam dhvavamanam manojñam vyaktim visnoh sodasa slokapuspaih stuti a nati a pujaviti a vidhijñah suddha mukta brahmasaukhvam pravcinti

Those exalted souls who diligently follow all the prescribed rules and regulations, who repeatedly bow down before the original Personality of Godhead, who worship Him and offer Him this garland of sixteen prayers with unalloyed devotion, will be purified of all sins and thus merge into the ocean of transcendental bliss

#### Text 29

padmeritam idam punyam sixena paribhasitam dhanyam yasasyam ayusyam svargyam svastyanam param

This prayer spoken by Lord Śiva to Padmāvatī is supremely pure, most glorious, and the giver of fame. It awards one a long duration of life full of peace and prosperity, and residence in the heavenly planets after death.

## Text 30

pathanti ve mahabhagaste mucyante'ham so'khilat dharmartha kama moksanām paretreha phalapradam

Simply by reciting this prayer, a fortunate soul will achieve all four objectives of life, both in this world and the next.

Thus ends the translation of the seventh chapter of Śrī Kalkı Purāna.

#### CHAPTER EIGHT

# Conversation Between Padmāvatī and Śuka Lord Kalki Goes To Simhala

#### Texts 1-2

suta uvaca

Iti padmaracah srutva

kiro dhirah satam mutah

kalkidutah sakhi madhye

sthitam padmam atharrarit

vada padme sangapujam harer adbhuta karmanah yamasthaya vidhānena carami bhuvanatrayam

Sūta Gosvāmī said: After hearing these instructions from the mouth of Padmāvatī, Śūka, who is honored by all saintly persons, very sober, and a representative of Lord Kalki, said: O Padmāvatī, kindly describe the various limbs of Lord Hari's worship. I will perform them as I travel throughout the three worlds

#### Text 3

padmovaca
evam padadi kesantam
dhyatia tam jagadisi aram
purnatma desiko mulam
mantram japati mantraiit

Padmāvatī said A devotee who is well-versed in the chanting of mantras should meditate on Lord Hari as I have described, beginning from His lotus feet and gradually rising to His head, while accepting Him as the Lord of the universe and the Supersoul of all living beings Thereafter, he should faithfully chant the mūla-mantra

## Texts 4-5

japad anantaram danda branatim matimamscaret visvaksenadi kanantu dati a visnu niveditam

tata udi asya hrdaye sthāpayen manasa saha nrtyan gayan harernāma tam pasyan sarvatah sthitam

A pious devotee should offer his obeisances to the Lord after chanting the  $m\bar{u}la$ -mantra, falling flat onto the ground. He should then offer the remnants of Lord Visnu's food to His associates, such as Viśvaksena, and after doing so, perform  $sank\bar{v}rtana$  by chanting and dancing, while perceiving the all-pervading Lord within his heart.

#### Text 6

tatah sesam mastakena krtva nawedya bhug bhavet ityetat kathitam kira kamalanatha sevanam

Thereafter, the devotee should touch the remnants of the Lord's flower garland to his head and then honor His remnants of food. This is the proper way to worship the Lord of Laksmī.

#### Text 7

sakamana kamapurama kamamrta dayakam srotrananda karam deva gandharia narahrt priyam

By worshiping the Supreme Lord in this way, a materialistic devotee will have all of his desires fulfilled, and an unalloyed devotee will attain liberation from material existence. Such worship is very pleasing to the demigods, human beings, and Gandharvas

#### Texts 8-9

suka uvaca samiritam srutam sabdhi ' bhagavad bhakti laksanam tiat prasadat papino me kirasya bhuvi muktidam kıntu tvam kañcanamayım pratımam ratnabhusıtam sajıvamıva pasyāmı durlabham rupınım srıyam

Śuka said: O chaste one, I have heard with full attention your description of the characteristics of devotional service to the Supreme Lord. Now, by your mercy, I will be able to free myself from all sinful reactions, even though I am not a great devotee. I now see you as a golden deity decorated with jeweled ornaments and full of life. By seeing your form, which is very rarely visible in the three worlds, I am convinced that you are none other than Laksmī.

## Text 10

nanyam pasyami sadrsim rūpa sila gunaistava nanyo yogyo guni bharttā bhuvene'pi na drsvate

I cannot think of any woman whose beauty, characteristics, and personality are equal to yours. For this reason, it would be very difficult to find a suitable husband for you within the three worlds.

#### Texts 11-12

kıntu pare samudrasya paramascarya rupavan gunavan ısvarah saksat kascıd drsto'tımanusah

na hi dhatrkrtam manye sariram sarvasaubhagam yasya sri vasudevasva nantaram dhyana s**o**gatah

And yet, I have found a suitable match for you across the sea. He is all-attractive, extraordinarily qualified, and non-different from the Supreme Personality of Godhead While gazing upon His enchanting body, one cannot imagine that it had been made by the creator. After lengthy deliberation, I have concluded that He is directly the Supreme Lord, Hari.

ti aya dhyatam tu yadrupam visnor amita tejasah tat saksat krtam ityeva na tatra kiyadantaram

I feel within the core of my heart that I have seen the supremely powerful Lord Hari, upon whom you always meditate. I do not find any difference between His form and the form of Lord Hari.

## Text 14

padmovaca brūhi tanmama kim kutra jātah kira parācaram janasi tatkrtam karma vistarenātra varnaya

Padmāvatī said: O parrot, please tell me—where is His place of birth? If you know more about Him then tell me what He has accomplished in His life.

#### Text 15

vrksadagaccha pūjam te karomi vidhivodhitam vijapura phalaharam kuru sādhu payah pu a

O bird, why are you sitting at the top of this tree? Please come down and sit next to me. I will treat you with respect and so do not be afraid. Come and have some sweet juicy fruit that I brought and drink some pure water

#### Texts 16-18

tava cañcuyugam padma ragada arunam ujvalam ratna samghattitam aham karomi manasah priyam

kandharam suryakantena manina svarnaghattina karomyācchādanam caru muktabhih paksatim tava

patatram kunkumena mgam saurabhena aticitritam karomi nayana ananda dayakam rūpamidrsam

Alas! How beautiful is your beak, so bright and redder than a ruby! I would be happy to plate your beak with gold Indeed, I will decorate your neck with a sunstone set in a gold locket. I will cover your wings with pearls and decorate your entire body with marks of fragrant *kunkuma*. Thus, anyone who sees you will become very pleased

#### Text 19

puccha maccha manwrata ghargharena atisabditam padayor nupuralapa lāpinam tvam karomvaham

I will decorate your tail with a strand of precious jewels. When you fly through the sky, this strand of jewels will make an enchanting sound. I will decorate your feet with ornaments so that when you walk, there will be the beautiful sound of tinkling bells.

#### Text 20

tavamrta kathavrata tyaktādhim sadhi mamiha sakhibhih samgatabhiste kim karisvami tadvada

My distress has been dissipated by hearing your nectarean words. Now, kindly instruct me—what can I do for you? I and my companions are prepared to do whatever you ask.

#### Text 21

iti padmavacah vrutva tadantikam upagatah kiro dhirah prasannatma pravaktum upacakrame Upon hearing these words of Padmāvatī, Śuka descended from the treetop and spoke as follows.

## Text 22

kıra uvaca brahmana prarvıtah sriso maha karuniko babhau sambhale visnuyasaso grhe dharmam riraksisuh

The parrot said: The supremely merciful Lord of Laksmī has already made His advent at the house of a great *brāhmana* named Visnuyaśa in the village of Śambhala He has appeared to re-establish the principles of religion, having been requested to do so by His exalted devotees.

## Texts 23-25

caturbhir bhratrbhir jñati gotrajaih paricāritah krtopa nayano vedam adhitya ramasannidhau

dhanurvedasca gāndharvam sıvadasvam asım sukam kavacañca varam labdhva sambhalam punaragatah

visakha yupa bhupalam prapya siksavisesatah dharmānakhyava matiman adharmamsca nirakarot

He is residing with His brothers and other relatives. After His sacred thread ceremony, He went to the āśrama of Paraśurāma of the Bhrgu dynasty, where He mastered the *Vedas*. He also mastered the arts of discharging arrows and music. He received a sword, horse, parrot, and shield from Mahādeva, as a benediction. Thereafter, He returned home to Śambhala and began helping the king, Viśākhayūpa, protect religious principles and destroy those who practice irreligion.

iti padma tadakhyanam nisamya muditanuna prasthapaya masa sukam kalker anayanādrta

After hearing this from Śuka, Padmāvatī's happiness knew no bounds. Her lotus-like face brightened and she immediately sent Śuka to bring Lord Kalki.

#### Text 27

bhusayıtva svarnaratnass tamuvāca krtanjalih

She decorated Suka with golden ornaments and spoke to him with folded hands.

## Texts 28-29

padmevaca niveditam tu janasi kimanyat kathayamyaham stribhava bhayabhitatma yadi nayati sa prabhuh

tathapi me karmadosat pranatim kathayisyasi sivena yo varo dattah sa me sapo'bhavat kila

Padmāvatī said · O parrot, you know the request that I will make of you. What more can I say? If the Lord refuses to come here, fearing that He might also turn into a woman, then simply convey my obeisances to Him and describe everything that has happened as a result of my past misdeeds. Also, inform Him of how the benediction that Lord Śiva awarded me has now become a curse

#### Texts 30-32

pumsam maddarsane napi stribhavam kamatah suka srutveti padmam amantraya pranamya ca punah punah uddiya pravayau kirah sambhalam kalkipalitam tamagatam samakarnya kalkih para purañjayah

kode krtva tam dadarsa svarna ratna vibhusitam sanandam parama ananda dasakam praha tam tada

The benediction I received from Lord Siva was that any male who looked at me with lust would immediately turn into a woman

After hearing these statements of Padmāvatī, Śuka pacified her and repeatedly offered his obeisances. After giving her sufficient assurances, he flew into the sky and within a short time, arrived at the village of Śambhala, which was protected by Lord Kalki. When Lord Kalki, the destroyer of demons, heard the news of Śuka's arrival, He became jubilant When they met, Lord Kalki placed Śuka upon His lap and thus saw that his entire body was decorated with golden ornaments

## Texts 33-34

kalkıh paramatejası tarasmınnam alam sukam pujasıtva kare sprstva pasah panena tarpasan

tanmukhe svamukham tattva papraccha vividhah kathah kasmad desaccaritva tvam drstva purvam kimagatah

The all-powerful Lord Kalkı caressed Śuka's body with His left palm and offered him some water to drink Indeed, the Lord almost touched Śuka's lips with His own as He said My dear Suka! Where have you been during your travels? Where are you coming from just now? What are the wonderful things that you have seen?

#### Text 35

kutrositah kuto labdha manikañcana bhusanam

## aharnisam tvanmilinam vañchitam mama sarvatah

What were you doing for such a long time? How did you get these jeweled ornaments? I have been longing to meet you, throughout the days and nights

## Text 36

tavanaloka nenapi ksanam me yugavad bhavet

Indeed, even a moment of separation from you seemed to Me more than a *yuga* 

## Texts 37-38

iti kalkervacah sruttva pranipatya bhrsam kathaya masa padmayah kathah purvodita yatha

samvadam atmanastasya nijalankara dharanam sarvam tadvarnaya masa tasyah pranati purvakam

When the magnanimous Śuka heard these words of Lord Kalki, he repeatedly offered his obeisances and then began speaking, telling everything about his meeting with Padmāvati. He described their conversation, and told the story of how she had given him the jeweled ornaments.

#### Text 39

srutveti vacanam kalkih sukena sahito muda jagama trarito'svena sivadattena tanmanah

After hearing everything about Padmāvati from Suka, Lord Kalki became very attached to her Without further delay, the Lord mounted the horse that was given to Him by Śiva and happilv departed for the Simhala island

samudraparam amalam sımhalam janasamkulam nana ı ımana bahulam bhası aram manıkañcanaıh

This island was situated far across the ocean, and thus surrounded by water on all sides. It was thickly populated, many airplanes were seen there, and it shone with the splendor of countless jewels and gold

#### Text 41

prasada sadanagresu pataka toranakulam sreni sabha panattala pupra gopura manudatam

The city was decorated with many palaces and massive gates On top of the gates and palaces were placed colorful flags that increased the beauty of the island There were assembly houses, raised platforms, memorials, domed buildings, and concrete roads Indeed, there was no end to the beauty of this magnificent city

#### Texts 42-43

purastri padimini padma gandhamoda dvirephinim purim karumatim tatra dadarsa puratah sthitam

marala jala sañcala vilola kamalantaram unmilitabja malali kalita kulitam sarah

Soon after Lord Kalkı's arrıval at Sımhala, He gazed upon the city, which was known as Kārumatī This city was adorned with a nice lake filled with lotus flowers. The water of the lake was never still, due to the swans that were always swimming here and there. Swarms of humming bees came from the nearby forest to drink the honey of the lotus flowers.

jala kukkuta datvu hanaditam hamsasarasaih tadarsa staccha pavasam lahari lola tijitam

Many swans, cranes, and other aquatic birds that were swimming in the lake created a very pleasing sound. The cooling breezes skimming across the waves of the lake gave pleasure to the trees and plants growing on the shore

## Texts 45-47

t anam kadamta kuddala sala talamra kesaraih kapitthasvattha kharjura vija pura karañjakaih

punnaga panasair nagarai angair arjunasimsapaih kamukair narikelaisca nanasrksaisca sobhitam

t anam dadarca ruciram phalapuspa dalavrtam drstt a hrstatanuh sukam sakarunah kalkih purante tane

praha pritikaram vaco tra sarasi snatai vam itvadvtah tacchrtia vinayani itah prabhumatam vamiti padmasramam tatsandesamiha prayanam adhuna gatia va kiro vadat

The forests surrounding the lake contained many varieties of trees, including *kadamba kuddala* and sāla While walking in the forest Lord Kalki became jubilant by seeing its beauty. With great affection He said My dear Suka, I want to bathe at this place

Understanding the Lord's intention, Suka humbly said My dear Lord, permit me to go and meet Padmāvati

Thus Suka came before Padmāvatı and informed her of Lord Kalkı's arrıval

Thus ends the translation of the eighth chapter of Sri Kalki Purana

#### CHAPTER NINE

## The Meeting of Lord Kalki and Padmāvatī

## Texts 1-3

suta uraca kalkih sarovarabhvase jalaharana rartmani svaccha sphatika sopane praralacita redike

saroja saurabha 1 vagra bhramad bhramara nadite kadamva pota pavali varitaditya darsanc

samus asa sane citre sadasvenava taritah kalkih prastha payamasa sukam padmasramam

Sūta Gosvāmi said Lord Kalki dismounted and sat on a divine altar that was bedecked with emeralds, crystal, and other precious stones, which was situated by the pathway used by people to bring water from the lake. The Lord saw swarms of humming bees hovering around the fully blossomed lotus flowers in the lake, fully intoxicated by their fragrance. The forest was cool because of the shade provided by the *kadamba* trees. After sitting down comfortably, Lord Kalki sent Suka to see Padmāvati

## Text 4

sa nagestaram madhsasthah suko gatta dadarsa tam harmsastham tisini patra sasinim sakhibhii titam

Suka flew to the residence of Padmāvati and sat at the top of a nagakesara tree From there, he saw Padmāvati lving down on a lotus shaped bed inside the palace, surrounded by her companions

nısvāsa vata tāpena layatım vadanam bujam utksıpantım sakhıdatta kamalam candanoksıtam

Her face looked dry and pale, due to her warm breathing, which was a sign of her intense separation from the Lord. She held a fully blossomed lotus flower smeared with sandalwood paste, slowly moving it from side to side.

#### Text 6

revā varī parīsnatam paragādhyam samāgatam dhrtanīram rasagatam nīndantīm pavanam prīyam

Although a gentle cooling breeze blew, carrying fine drops of water, the pollen of lotus flowers, and the aroma of various other flowers, which was certainly very pleasant, Padmāvatī did not take any pleasure in it at all, but instead criticized it.

#### Text 7

sukah sakarunah sadhu vacanais tāmto sayat sa, tvamehyehi, te svasthi svāgatam svasti me subhe

When Śuka saw Padmāvatī's pathetic condition, he attempted to pacify her with sweet words. Padmāvatī then said: O Śuka, may you achieve auspiciousness. I hope that you journey has been fruitful. The bird said: Yes, I feel that everything is going as planned.

#### Text 8

gate tvayyatı vvagrāham santiste'stu rasayanat rasayanam durlabham me sulabham te swasraye

Padmāvatī said: O parrot, since your departure, I have simply been waiting anxiously for your return Suka said: I think that there is a remedy

so that all of your misery will be vanquished. Padmā said: I must be very unfortunate because I am not able to gain any relief from my suffering. The bird said: O devotee of Lord Śiva, it will not be difficult to dispel your anguish.

#### Text 9

kva me bhagya vihinaya ihaiva varavarnini devi tam sarasastire pratisthapya gata vayam

Padmāvatī said: O Śuka, I am so unfortunate. How will my desire ever be fulfilled? Śuka said: O gentle lady, your desire will be fulfilled very soon. I have brought the Lord of your heart and He is waiting by the side of the lake.

#### Texts 10-12

evamanyo'nya samvada muduātma manorathe mukham mukhena nayanam navane sādvta dadau

vimalā malini lolu kamala kāmakandala vilasini carumati kumudetyasta nayikah

sakhya eta matastabhu jalakrdartham udyatah padmā praha sarastıram ayantu sa maya striyah

Upon realizing that her long cherished desire would soon be fulfilled, Padmāvatī became filled with joy and the hairs of her body stood on end She touched her lips to the lips of the parrot and fixed her eyes on his eyes Padmāvatī's eight principle companions—Vimalā, Mālinī, Lolā, Kamalā, Kāmakandalā, Vilāsinī, Cārumatī, and Kumudā—were preparing to go to the lake to enjoy playing in the water Padmā addressed her companions. My dear friends, let us go now to the lake and enjoy ourselves

itvakhva yasu sirakam aruhva paritarita sakhibhis carittesabhir bhutta srantah puradrah.h

pravavau tvarītam drastum bhaismi vadupātim vatha

After saying this, Padmāvati hurriedly mounted a palanquin and left the palace, along with her nicely dressed companions. She was in a hurry to see Lord Kalki, and she reminded one of how Rukmini had left her palace to meet Sri Krsna, the Lord of the Yadus

#### Text 14

janah pumamsah pathi ve purasthah pradudravuh stritia bhayad digantaram srmgatake va vipanisthita ve nijamgana sthapita punayakaryah

While Padmāvati was going to the lake, all the male citizens ran away, here and there, fearing that they might turn into females if they looked at the princess. After their wives had seen that they had returned home safely, the men peacefully engaged in the worship of the Supreme Lord.

#### Text 15

nıvarıtam tam sıvıkam vahantvah narvo ti matta valavattarasca padma sukoktava taduparvupastha yagama tabhih parvarıtabhih

In this way, the road became devoid of men Padamāvati's palanquin was carried by young, strongly built women According to the plan of Suka, Padmāvati traveled to the lake by palanquin, surrounded by her companions

## Text 16

sarojalam sarasa hamsanaditam praphulla padmodbhas a renus asitam cerurvi gahyasu sudhakaralasah kumuds ati namudayaya sobhanah Soon, Padmāvati and her companions, whose faces resembled full moons, and whose forms were very charming to behold, arrived at the lake The water of the lake was fragrant because of the presence of many fully blossomed lotus flowers. The swans and cranes created a beautiful sound. In this setting, all the girls entered the water and began playing with great merriment.

#### Text 17

tasam mukhamoda madandha bhrngah ı ıhana padmanı mukharatınde lagnah sugandhadhi kamakalasna nıt arıtas capi na tatvajuste

Bees became captivated by the aroma emanating from the girls' lotus like faces. Indeed, they became so intoxicated that they gave up enjoying the nectar of the lotus flowers. Although the girls repeatedly tried to drive the bees away, they kept coming again and again because of the heavenly fragrance and beauty of their faces.

#### Text 18

hasopahasaih sarasa prakasaih ı advaisca nrtvaisca jale ı iharaih karagrahaista jala vodha narttas cakarsa tabhn ı anitabhn uccaih

At this time, Padmāvati enjoyed playing with her friends. Their minds became enlivened by dancing, singing, playing musical instruments clapping their hands, joking, smiling, and teasing one another.

#### Text 19

sa kamatapta manasa sukoktim titicna padma sakhibhih sameta jalat samutthana maharhabhiisa jagama nirdista kadamta sandam

Thereafter, Padmāvati, who was becoming afflicted by the arrows of Cupid, remembered the words of Suka and then came out of the water, followed by her friends. She changed her clothes and decorated herself with beautiful ornaments, and then went underneath a kadamba tree that had been appointed as the place of rendezvous.

sukhe sayanam manivedika gatam kalkim purastad atisurva varcasam mahamani vrata vibhusana citam sukena sarddham tamudaiksa tesam

There, Padmāvati saw her beloved Lord Kalki peacefully sleeping on a raised platform that was decorated with jewels. The effulgence of His body defeated the brilliance of the sun. His entire body was decorated with varieties of precious jewels.

#### Texts 21

tamala nilam kamalapatim prabhum pitambaram caru saroja locanam ajanu bahum prthupina vaksasam sri vatsasat kaustubha kantirajitam

The complexion of the Lord of Laksmi was dark, like a *tamāla* tree, and He was dressed in yellow garments. He had lotus-like eyes, His arms reached to His knees, and His chest was very broad and displayed the mark of Srivatsa and Kaustubha gem

## Texts 22-23

tadadbhutam rupam aveksva padma samstambhita vismrta satkivartha suptam tu sambodhavitum pravittam nivaravamasa visankita sa

kadacı eso tı valo tırupı maddarsanat strıtvam upaıtı saksat tadutra kım me bhavıta bhavasva varena sapa (natımena lole

Upon seeing the transcendental form of the Lord, Padmāvati became stunned and fearful Indeed, she became so overwhelmed with emotion that she forgot to greet her Lord. When Suka attempted to awaken the Lord, she forbade him, saying. If this greatly attractive hero looks at me and is transformed into a woman, then what will be the use of the benediction that I had received from Lord Siva? Truthfully, I consider Lord Siva s benediction to be a curse.

caracaratma jagatama dhisah prabodhitas tadadhrdanam vivicya dadarsa padmam prinarupa sobham natha rama sri madhusudanagre

Lord Kalkı, the Supersoul of all living entities and master of the universe, understood Padmāvati's intentions and so woke up He saw that just as Laksmı stands by the side of Lord Nārāyana, the most beautiful and broad eyed Padmāvati stood in front of Him

#### Texts 25-26

samviksya mayamiva mohinim tam jagada kama kulitah sa kalkih sakhibhirisam samupa gatam tam kataksa viksepa vinamitasyam

ihaihi sustagatam astu bhaqvat samagamaste kusalava me svat tavananenduh kila kamapura tapapanodaya sukhava kante

When the Lord gazed at the princess, Padmāvati, who was surrounded by her friends, she lowered her head out of modesty. While gazing at His eternal consort, who was bewildering like Mayā devi, Lord Kalki said. O enchanting one, please come near Me May your arrival bring you auspiciousness. I have finally met you. Now, My affliction caused by Cupid's arrows has been vanquished by the soothing rays from your moon-like face.

## Text 27

lolaksi lavanya rasamitam te kamahi dastawa vidhaturawa tanotu santim sukrtena kitva sudurlabham jivanam asritawa

O restless eyed one, although I am the creator of the universe, My heart has been bitten by the poisonous snake of passion. Indeed, I find no other remedy than the nectar of your beautiful face. True peace and happiness are achieved only by accumulating a great mountain of

pious merit. To act piously is the only objective of those who are souls surrendered to the Supreme Lord.

#### Text 28

baha tavaitau kurutam manajñau hrdi sthitam kamam udantavasam carvavatau caru nakhamkusena dripam vatha sadi vidirna kumbham

Just as an elephant keeper brings a maddened elephant under control by using a goad, only your enchanting arms will pacify my mind by extinguishing the burning caused by the five arrows of Cupid

## Text 29

stanavimai utthita mastakau te kama pratodaviva i asasaktau mamorasa bhinna nijabhimanau suvarttulau vvadi satam privam me

Your two rounded breasts covered by a cloth stand with their heads held high, just like the goad of Cupid Let them be squeezed by My chest so that My heart's desire will be fulfilled

#### Text 30

kantasva sopanam idam valitravam sutrena lomavali lekha laksitam vibhajitam vedi vilagna madhvame kamasva durgasravamastu me privam

My dear one, your waist is very thin like the middle part of the sacrificial altar. The three lines on your abdomen, which is decorated with fine hair, appear to be the pathway of Cupid. May that abdomen now bring Me pleasure.

#### Text 31

nambhoru sambhoga sukhasa me syat nitami a i imi am pulino pamam te tani angi tani amsuka sangasobham pramatta kamu i imadodsa magham O Rambhoru' O beautiful one! Your hips can be compared to the banks of a river, and they are bound with fine garments. Your hips destroy the lusty desires of materialistic people who are overwhelmed by insatiable lust. Let these hips be the object of My enjoyment.

#### Text 32

padambujam te nguli potra citritam i aram marala kana nupurairtam kamahi dastassa mamastu santcise hrdi sthitam sadamaghane susobhane

Let your lotus feet, which are placed within the water of My heart, which is therefore adorned with leaves in the form of your toes, and which are decorated with anklets having tinkling bells, neutralize the poisonous effect caused by the biting of the snake of My passion

#### Text 33

sruti ai tadi acanamurtam kalikula dhiamsasya kalkeralam drsti a satpurusatvam asya mudita padma sakhibhii i rta

kantam klantamanah krtañjali puta provaca tat sadaram dhiram dhiram dhirapuraskrtam nijapatim natva namaskandhara

After hearing these transcendental words of nectar spoken by Lord Kalki, the destroyer of the contamination of Kali, princess Padmāvati became overwhelmed with happiness. Because her heart had been captivated by Lord Kalki, she offered her obeisances to Him and then, with great devotion, began to speak to her eternal husband.

Thus ends the translation of the ninth chapter of Siz Kalki Purāna

## (HAPTIR TIN

# The Marriage Of Lord Kalki To Padmavatı Prayers of The Kings To Lord Kalki

#### Texts 1

suta uvaca
sa padma tam harim
matva prema gaddabhasini
tustai a iridita deii
kanna i arunalayam

Sūta Gosvāmī said Padmāvati understood Lord Kalki to be nondifferent from Lord Hari, and thus she telt very shy With a voice choked with affection, she began to offer prayers

## Text 2

prasida jagatam natha dharmavarman ramapate vidito si visuddhatman vasagam trahi mam prabho

O husband of Laksmi, You are the Lord of the universe and the protector of religion O supremely pure Lord, I have now realized Your true position and so I take shelter of You, please protect me

#### Text 3

dhanyaham krtapunyaham tapodana japavrataih ti am pratosva duraradhyam labdham taia padambujam

Although You are rarely attained, I have obtained Your lotus feet by pleasing You with my austerities, gifts of charity, chanting of mantras, and observance of vows I believe that this is the cause of my great fortune

#### Text 4

ajñam kuru padambhojam tava samsprsya sobhanam bhai anam yami rajanam akhvatum si agatam tai a

Now, please order me so that I can go home after touching Your soft lotus feet and inform everyone of Your auspicious arrival

#### Text 5

iti padma rupa sadma gati a svapitaram nrpam proi ac agamanam kalker visnor amsasya dautyakaih

After speaking in this way, Padmāvati, whose beauty was matchless, returned home and informed her father through a messenger about the auspicious arrival of Lord Kalki, the incarnation of Lord Hari

## Text 6

sakhimukhena padmayah pani grahana kamyaya harer agamanam srutta saharso'bhud trhadrathah

When the king heard from Padmāvati's friends the news that Lord Hari had arrived with a desire to marry his daughter, he became merged in a great ocean of happiness

#### Texts 7-8

purodhasa brahmanaisca
patrair mitraih sumangalaih
vadya tandasa gitaisca
pujasojana panibhih

jagamanavitum kalkim sarddham nijajanaih prabhuh mandavitia karumatim pataka si arna toranaih

The King and his ministers, priests, brahmanas, friends, and relatives hurriedly went to greet Lord Kalki in a festive mood with singing, dancing, and music. By the king's order, the entire city of Kārumati was decorated with flags, gates, and auspicious articles.

## Texts 9-10

tato jala savabhvasam gatva visnu vasahsutam mani vedi kavasinam bhuvanaika gatim patim

bana dhanopari Natha sobhante rucirannaho tidnud indranudhadini tathan a bhusananyuta

When King Brhadratha approached the lake, he saw Lord Visnu, the son of Visnuyasa, the shelter of those without any shelter, and master of the universe, sitting on an altar bedecked with jewels. The ornaments on the Lord's blackish body appeared like lightning flashing in a dark cloud.

#### Text 11

sarire pitavasagra ghorabhasa vibhusitam rupalavanya sadane madanodyama nasane

The beauty of the Lord's transcendental body defeated the pride of Cupid Indeed, the Supreme Personality of Godhead is the origin of all kinds of beauty. He was dressed in yellow garments having dark borders

#### Texts 12-13

dadarse purato raja rupasila gunakaram sasiuh sapulakah siisam drsti a sadhu taman asat

jñana gocara metanme ta: agamanam is: ara ' vath.: mandhat: putrusva vadunath: na kanane

While gazing upon Lord Kalki, the embodiment of all transcendental qualities, the possessor of sublime characteristics, and the all attractive

husband of Laksmi, the goddess of tortune, the happiness of the king knew no bounds. Tears of love incessantly flowed from his eyes. After respectfully greeting the Lord, the king said. O Lord of the universe, just as Sri Krsna met the son of Māndhātā in a dense forest, by my good fortune, You are meeting me here today.

#### Text 14

itvuktva tam pujasitia samaniva nijasrame harmva prasada samiadhi sthapasitia dadau sutam

After greeting Lord Kalki, the king worshiped Him with great respect and then brought Him to his palace, which had decorated pillars, gates, and residential quarters. He then gave his daughter's hand in charity to the Lord

## Text 15

padmam padma palasaksim padmanetrava padminim padmajadesatah padma nabhavadad vathakramum

Thus King Brhadratha had his daughter, Padmāvati, whose eyes were like lotus petals, who had the fragrance of a lotus, and who was born at a place where many lotuses grew, married to the Supreme Lord, who possesses a lotus like navel

#### Text 16

kalkır labdhi a priyam bharyam sımhale sadhu satkrtah samui asa i isesajñah samıksya di ipam uttamam

While being united with His eternal consort at the island of Simhala, Lord Kalki was praised by many exalted personalities. He decided to reside there for some time, because He wished to take a tour of the island

#### Text 17

rajanah stritia mapannah padmayah sakhitam gutah drastam samıyustvarıtah kalkım visnum jagatpatım

The kings who had been transformed into females and were residing in Simhala as Padmāvati's companions, rushed to see the Lord of the universe, Kalki.

#### Text 18

tām strīyo'pī tamalokya samsprsya caranambujam punah pumstvam samapanna revāsnanat tadajñayā

Upon seeing the Lord, they went and touched His lotus feet. Then, by the Lord's order, they regained their original forms as men while bathing in the water of the Revā River.

#### Text 19

padmākalki gaurakrsnau viparitāntarā bubhau bahihsphutau nila pita vasovyajena pasyatu

Padmāvati's complexion was very fair and Lord Kalki's complexion was dark, like a rain cloud. In this way, they appeared to materialistic vision to be opposite one another. Princess Padmāvati was dressed in blue garments, and Lord Kalki was dressed in yellow garments.

## Text 20

drstvā prabhavam kalkestu rājānah paramad bhutam pranamya paraya bhaktayā tustavuh saranarthinah

Having witnessed Lord Kalki's extraordinary influence, all the kings surrendered unto Him as eternal servants and began to offer prayers with unalloyed devotion and profound humility.

#### Text 21

rajana ucuh jaja jaya nijamayaya kalpita sesa visesa kalpana parinama jalapluta lokatrayo upakaranam ākalasya manumanismya puritama vijanar vibhuta mahamina sarira ' tvam nijakita dharmasetu samraksana krtavatarah

The kings said: O Supreme Lord! All glories unto You' By the influence of Your supreme potency, this variegated universe has come into existence. Indeed, this material world is but the effect of Your external energy. When all objects within the three worlds were destroyed by the water of devastation, and thus the *Vedas* were also lost, You appeared as the Matsya incarnation to protect the religious principles that were previously established by You.

#### Text 22

punariha ditija bala parilamghi vāsaba sudanadrta jita bhuvana parākama hiranayāksa nidhana prthivyud dharana samkalpabhi nivesa dhrta kolāvatārah pahi nah

When the demons had defeated Indra, the king of heaven, and the greatly powerful Hiranyāksa, was about to kill him, just to vanquish the king of the demons and deliver the earth, You assumed the form of Lord Varāha. Now, please protect us.

#### Text 23

punariha jaladhi mathana drta deva danava gana mandaracala nayana vyākulitānām sahajye nadrta citta parvatoddharna amrta prasana racanai atai a kurmmākāra prasida paresa tvam dina nrpanam

Long ago, the demigods and demons agreed to cooperate to chuin the ocean of milk, for the purpose of producing nectar. They used Mount Mandara as the churning rod, but were unable to support its weight. At that time, You accepted the form of Lord Kūrma and supported Mount Mandara on Your back. O Lord, You assumed that form so that the

demigods could drink the nectar of immortality. Now, kindly be pleased upon these most fallen and wretched kings

#### Text 24

punariha tribhusana jasino maha bala parakramassa hiransakasipor ditanam deva saranam bhasabhitanam kalsanasa

diti suta vadhaprepsur brahmano varadanad vadhyasya na sastrastaratri diva svargamartya patalatale deva gandharva kinnara nagairiti vicintya

narahari rupena nakhagra bhinnarun dasta dantacchadam tsaktasum krtavanasi

When the greatly powerful Hiranyakasipu, who had conquered the three worlds, began to torment the demigods so that they lived in constant fear, just to protect them, you made up Your mind to annihilate that king of the demons Because of the benedictions of Brahmā, the demon was incapable of being killed by any man, demigod, Ganbdharva, Kinnara, Nāga, or weapon He could not be killed in the heaven planets, on earth, or in the lower planets, nor could he be killed during the day or at night Still, You assumed Your form as the half-man half-lion incarnation of Lord Nisimhadeva, so as not to nullify the words of the creator. As the demon attempted to bite You, You tore open his chest with Your sharp nails and thus sent him to the abode of Yamarāja

## Text 25

punanha trijagajjavino baleh
satre sakranujo vatui amanah
daitva sammohanava tripada
bhumivañcac chalena visi akavas
tadutsrsta jala samsparsa vii rddha
manobhilasatvtam bhutale valer
dauai arikati am angikrtam ucitam danaphalam

You appeared as the younger brother of Indra, assuming the form of a dwarf brahmana, Vāmanadeva, and then went to the sacrificial arena of

King Bali to deceive him You simply asked for three steps of land in charity. He agreed but then failed to keep his promise because You assumed a gigantic form that covered the entire universe with just two steps. Finally, you sent the king of the demons to reside in the lower planets, and to reciprocate his unalloyed surrender unto You, You remained with him as his doorkeeper.

#### Text 26

punariha haihavadi nrpanam amita bala parakramanam nana madollanghita marvada vartmanam nidhanaya

bhrgui amsajo jamadagnvah
pitrhoma dhenuharana
pravrddham anyui asat
trisapta krti o nihksatrivam pit hii im
krtai anasi parasuramavatarah

When the kings of the earth, such as Haihaya, became puffed up due to their great prowess and disregarded religious principles, You incarnated as Paraśurāma, of the Bhrgu dynasty, to annihilate them In that incarnation, You became enraged at the *ksatrivas* for stealing your father's wish-fulfilling cow, so that You made the earth devoid of *ksatriyas* twenty one times

## Text 27

punariha pulastsa vamsavatamsassa
visva sravassah putrassa nisavarassa
ravanassa lokatrava tapanassa
nidhanam urarikrtsa ravi kulajata
dasarathatmajo visvamitrad stransu
palabhsa vane sitaharana vasat
pravrddha mansuna vanarar
nibadhsa saganam dasakandharam
hatavanass ramavatarah

Later on, when the three worlds were being tormented by the demoniac son of sage Visravā of the Pulastya dynasty, the ten headed Rāvana, You incarnated as the son of King Dasaratha of the Sūrya

dynasty to destroy him You mastered the art of releasing arrows from the great sage Viśvāmitra and went to the forest in exile for fourteen years During that time, Rāvana kidnapped your wife, Sītā You thus became morose and then crossed the ocean by building a bridge with the help of Your monkeys soldiers and killed the lord of Lankā, Rāvana, along with his family

#### Text 28

punariha yadukula jaladhi kalanidhih sakala suragana sevita pādaravinda dvandvah vividha dānava daitya dalana lokatraya durita tapano vasudevatmajo ramavatāro balabhadrastvam asi

Thereafter, You appeared as the moon-like descendent of Yadu, Baladeva, the son of Vasudeva. You diminished the burden of the earth by annihilating many demons. At that time, all the demigods and devotees worshiped Your lotus feet.

#### Text 29

punarıha vidhikrta veda dharmānusthana pihita nanādarsana samghrnam samsara karma tyaga vidhina brahmābhāsa vilasa cāturim prakrti vimāna nāma sampadayan buddhāvatārastvam asi

Then, in due course time, You appeared as Lord Buddha and displayed hatred for the Vedic principles that had been prescribed by the creator. You instructed Your followers to give up their attachment for this illusory material world by renouncing all desires for sense gratification. Although You rejected the Vedas, You never disregarded worldly ethics.

#### Text 30

adhuna kalikula nāsavatāro
bauddha pāsanda mlecchadināñca
vedadharma setu paripālanāya krtavatarah
kalki rūpenāsman stritva nirayādudhrta
vanasi tavānukampam kimiha kathayāmah

Recently, You appeared as Lord Kalkı in order to eliminate the dynasty of Kalı by destroying the Buddhists, atheists, and *mlecchas*,

thereby protecting the true path of religion. What more can we say about Your causeless mercy?

#### Text 31

kva te brahmadınam avıdıta vilasava taranam kva nah kama vamākulıta mrga trsnartta manasam sudusprāpyam yusmaccarana jalaja lokanam idam krpa paravārah pramudīta drsāsvasaya nijan

Whereas we are ordinary human beings who are afflicted by the arrows of Cupid as soon as we see a beautiful woman and thus are always eager for sense gratification, You are the Supreme Personality of Godhead, whose glories are unknown even to the best of demigods, Brahmā It is extremely difficult for people like us to attain shelter at Your lotus feet. However, You are an ocean of mercy and we have taken shelter of You Kindly give us hope by allowing us to receive Your merciful glance.

Thus ends the translation of the tenth chapter of Srī Kalkı Purāna

## CHAPTER ELEVEN

# The Story of Ananata and How He was Influenced by Māyā

## Text 1

suta uiaca
srutia nrpanam bhaktanam
iacanam purusottamah
brahmanæ ksatraiit sudra
iarnanam dharma maha yat

Sūta Gosvāmī said After hearing the prayers of the kings, who were all His devotees, the Supreme Personality of Godhead, Kalki, spoke to them about the duties of the four varnas—brahmana, ksatriya, vaiśya, and sūdra

## Text 2

prairttanam nivrttanam karma yat paiikirttatam sariam samsravaya masa vedanam anusasanam

The Lord described the duties prescribed by the scriptures for all classes of men, whether they be attached householders or detached renunciates

#### Texts 3-5

iti kalkeriacah siutia rajano visadasayah pranipatya punah prahuh purvantu gatimatmanah

stritiam i aprathaia pumstiam kasra ia kena ia krtam jara vauiana balvadi sukha duhkhadi kañca vat

kasmat kuto xa kasmin xa kimeta diti xa vibho

# anırnatıtanya viditany api karmanı varnaya

By hearing the talks of Lord Kalki, the hearts of the kings became purified. They bowed down before Him once more and then inquired about their actual identities. They said. Why do human beings have male and female bodies? What is the reason for this? Why do our bodies change from childhood to boyhood and then to old age, and why are we subject to happiness and distress? O Lord, please explain all this. Apart from these things, we would also like hear about anything else that we do not even know how to inquire about

## Texts 6-8

tada tadakarnya kalkir anantam munim asmarat so'pyananto municaras tirtha pado brhadvratah

kalker darsanato muktim akalavya gatasti aran samagatva punah praha kim karisvami kutia ia

Nasyamiti vacah srutva kalkih praha hasan munim krtam drstam traya sarram mata vahva nu arttakam

adrstam akrtañceti srutea hrstamana munih

Lord Kalki then invoked the great sage, Ananta As soon as the Lord remembered the pure hearted ascetic who observed very formidable vows, he immediately arrived there, thinking that he would be delivered by Lord Kalki's darsana. He said. My dear lord, please order me—what shall I do in Your service? Lord Kalki smiled and said. You know everything about Me and My pastimes. Destiny cannot be changed. Without an action there cannot be a reaction.

Upon hearing these enigmatic words of Lord Kalki, the sage felt great satisfaction

## Text 9

gamanāyodyatam tam tu drstva nrpaganas tatah kalkım kamala patrāksam procur vismita cetasah

When the lotus-eyed Lord Kalkı prepared to depart, the kings were astonished and spoke as follows.

#### Text 10

rājān ūcuh kımanenapı kathıtam tvaya vā kımatānyuta sarvam tat srotum ıcchamah kathopa kathanam dvayoh

The kings said What did this great sage tell You? What did You say to him in reply? What had you two discussed previously? We are very eager to hear about this.

#### Text 11

nrpanam tadvacah sratvā tanāha madhusūdanah pracchantu tam munım sāntam kathopa kathanādrtah

To the kings' inquiry, Lord Kalki replied: If you would like to know what had transpired between us, then just ask this peaceful and sober age

## Text 12

iti kalker vaco bhūvah srutvā te nrpa sattamah anantam ahuh pranatāh prasnapa ati tirsavah

Being advised by Lord Kalki in this way, the assembled kings offered their obeisances to the great sage, Ananta, and then inquired from him as follows

#### Text 13

rajāna ucuh mune kimatra kathanam kalkinā dharma varmana durbodhah kena jātas tattvam varnaya nah prabho

The kings said O exalted sage, Lord Kalki is the protector of religious principles, and your conversation with Him must have been very confidential. We have an ardent desire to hear what you had said and so please oblige us.

## Text 14

muniruvāca
purikāyām pari purā
pitā me veda paragah
vidramo nāma dharmajñah
khyātah parahite ratah

The great sage, Ananta, said: Long ago, there lived a sage named Vidruma in the city of Purikā. He was well-versed in the Vedic literature, very highly qualified, and helpful to others. I am his only son.

#### Text 15

soma mama vibho māta pati dharma parāyana tayor vayah parinatau kāle sandākrtis tvaham

My mother, Somā, was a very chaste wife. I was born when my parents were quite old, and I was a eunuch.

#### Texts 16-17

sañjatah sokadah pitror lokanam nanditā krtih māmālokya pitā klivam duhkha soka bhayakulah

tyaktva grham sivavanam gatva tustava sankaram

# sampujyesam ridhanena dhupa dipanu lepanah

My parents were very sad to see that I was a eunuch and everyone began to gossip and criticize me Finally, my father became so distraught that he left home and went to a forest of Lord Siva, where he prayed to the husband of Pārvati after worshiping him with offerings of incense, a ghee lamp, and sandalwood paste

#### Text 18

t idruma uvaca sitam santam sart alokaika natham bhutat asam vasuki kantha bhusam jata juta baddha gangatarangam vande sandrananda sandohadaksam

Vidruma said I offer my obeisances to Mahādeva, who awards benedictions, and is very peaceful, the only real shelter for everyone, and the master of the universe He is decorated with a necklace of Vāsuki, he holds the Ganges in his matted hair, and he bestows transcendental happiness upon his devotees

## Text 19

ityadi bahubhih stotraih stutahsa swadah swa ersarudhah prasannatma pitaram praha me ernu

Being prayed to like this, Mahādeva became very pleased with my father While riding upon the back on his bull carrier, he appeared before my father and smilingly said. You can ask me for any benediction you desire

#### Text 20

ı ıdramo me pita praha matpumstram tapa tapitah hasan siro dadau pumstram parvatya pratimoditah

My father said I have begotten a son who is a eunuch, and so my heart is filled with distress

To this, the husband of Pārvati, who was standing by his side, gave my father the benediction that I would become a handsome and virile man

## Text 21

mama pumstvam varam labdhva pitanatah punargrham purusam mam samalokna saharsah prinana saha

After receiving this benediction, my father returned home and found that I had become an attractive male As a result, the happiness of my parents knew no bounds

## Text 22

tatah pravayasau tau tu pitarau dvadasabdake vivaham me karavitva bandhubhir mudamagatu

In due course of time, I grew up and became twelve years old. At that time, my elderly parents arranged for my marriage, and then celebrated it with great pomp, along with all their friends and relatives.

#### Text 23

yajñarata sutam patnim maninim rupasalinim prapyaham paritustatma grhasthah strivaso bhavam

I was married to the daughter of Yajñarāta She was exquisitely beautiful, being in the prime of her youth I was very attached to my household life and I soon became a henpecked husband

## Text 24

tatah katipave kale

pitarau me mrtau mpah
paralaukika karyani
suhrabhar brahman**a**u setah

Soon after my marriage, my father and mother left this world. I dutifully performed the required funeral rites and other rituals, in the association of my well-wishers and some qualified *brāhmanas*.

## Text 25

tayoh krtvā vidhānena bhojayitvā dvijān bahūn pitror viyoga tapto'ham visnusevā paro'bhavam

According to my capacity, I fed many qualified *brāhmanas*. Thereafter, being afflicted by intense separation from my parents, I devoted my time to the worship of the Supreme Lord.

## Text 26

tusto harırme bhagavān japa pūjādi karmabhih svapne māmāha māyeyam sneha moha vinirmitā

Soon, Lord Hari became pleased with me and appeared in my dreams. He said: All the perfections and attachments that you see in this world are simply displays of My illusory energy,  $m\bar{a}y\bar{a}$ .

#### Text 27

ayam piteyam māteti mamatā kulacetasām sokaduhkha bhayodvega jara mrtyu vidhāyikā

Those who are bewildered by such illusory displays think, "He is my father, she is my mother," and so on, and thus suffer terrible distress, fear, and anxiety, as well as old age and death.

#### Text 28

srutvett vacanam visnoh prativādārtham udyatam māmālaksyantarhitah sa vinidro'ham tato'bhavam After hearing these words of wisdom, spoken by Lord Hari, I was about to put up some kind of argument but then the Lord suddenly disappeared from my dream and I woke up with a start.

## Text 29

savısmayah sabhāryo'ham taktvā tām purikām purim purusottamākhyam srī visnor ālayamcā gamam nrpāh

I was greatly astonished and immediately left my city, Purikā. I went to Purusottama-ksetra, the transcendental abode of Lord Hari, along with my wife.

## Text 30

tatrawa daksine pāsrve nirmāyāsramam uttamam sabhāryah sānugāmatyah karomi harisevanam

There, by the right side of the Lord's temple, I built my āśrama and began to serve Him, along with my wife and followers.

#### Text 31

māyā sandarsanākāmksi harisadmani samsthitah gāyan nrtyan japan nāma cintayan samanāpaham

While residing in the abode of the Supreme Personality of Godhead, I developed a desire to see His illusory energy, māyā, and so I began to meditate on the Lord, the deliverer from the ocean of birth and death, while chanting, dancing, and singing His glories.

## Text 32

evam vrtte dvādasābde dvadasyām paranā dine snātukāmah samudre'ham bandhubhih sahito gatah In this way, twelve years passed Then once, before breaking my fast on Dvādaśī, I, along with my associates, went to bathe in the sea

#### Text 33

tatra magnam jalanıdhau laharı lola samkule samutthātum asaktam mam pratudantı jalecarah

As I entered the water to bathe, I suddenly lost my balance and was towed under by the current, so that I was convinced that I was about to die. In fact, some fish or crab began to nibble at me.

#### Text 34

nımajjanon majjanena vyakulı krta cetasam jala hillola milana dalıtangam acetasam

Sometimes I was submerged within the water, and at other times, I floated on the surface. My heart was very restless and frightened Gradually, by the pushing of the waves, I lost consciousness and my body became numb.

#### Texts 35-36

jaladher daksine kule patitam pavaneritam mam tatra patitam drstva brddhasarma dvi jottamah

sandhvāmupasya saghrnah svapuram mam samanayat sa brddhasarma dharmatma putradara dhananvitah

krtvarugnantu mam tatra putravat paryapalayat

Thereafter, being driven by the wind, I was washed onto the beach unconscious, somewhere in the south. At that time, an elderly *brāhmana* named Brddha-sharma saw me lying in the sand. He took compassion

upon me and so, after completing his worship of the Lord, he brought me to his house. This pious and wealthy Brddha-śarma resided with his wife and children, and he took care of me, treating me like a son

## Text 37

ahantu tatra dinatma digdesa bhijña eva na dampati tau svapitarau matva tatravasam nrpah

I could not understand anything about where I was, how I had come there, and so on. I felt very aggrieved but continued to live at the elderly *brāhmana*'s house, considering him as my father and his wife as my mother

## Texts 38-39

sa mam vijñava bahudha veda dharmesu anusthitam pradadau svam duhitaram vivahe vinasanvitah

labdhva cami karakaram rupa sila gunanvitam namna carumatim tatra maninim vismito'bhavam

Realizing that I had been initiated as a member of the twice-born society, Brddha-śarma gave his daughter, Cārumati, to me in marriage. This girl was very beautiful, with a complexion like molten gold, and she was a reservoir of good qualities, and very cultured Having received a glorious wife like that, I could not trust that my good fortune would last

#### Text 40

tayaham paritustatma nana bhoga sukhani itah janavitva pañca putran sammadenavrto' bhai am

Cārumatı always endeavored to please me. I lived with her in great happiness and eventually begot five sons. I became merged into an ocean of joy.

#### Text 41

jayasca vijayasyawa kamalo vimalas tathā budha ityadayah pañca viditastanayā mama

The names of my five sons were Jaya, Vijaya, Kamala, Vimala, and Budha

#### Text 42

sajanair bandhubhih putrair dhanair nānāvidhair aham viditah pūjito loke devairindro yathā divi

Just as the king of the demigods is worshiped in the heavenly planets by all the other demigods, I was respected by my children, friends, relatives, well-wishers, and others. Soon, my fame spread everywhere

#### Texts 43-44

budhasya jyestha putrasya vivāhārtham samudyatam drstvā dvijavarastusto dharmasāro nijām sutam

dıtsuh karmānı vedajñas cakārābhyu dayānyapı vādyair gitaisca nrtyaisca striganaih svarna bhūsitaih

In due course of time, I decided that my eldest son, Budha, should be married. There was a *brāhmana* named Dharmasāra who agreed to give his daughter to my son in marriage. On an auspicious day, he invited qualified *brāhmanas* and performed all the necessary rituals Many beautiful women who were dressed very gorgeously and decorated with golden ornaments danced joyfully. The whole atmosphere became filled with the sweet sounds of musical instruments.

# Text 45

ahañca putrabhyudaye pitrdevarsi tarpanam karttum samudra velayam pravistah parmadarat

For the welfare of my son, I went to the shore of the ocean and offered oblations to the forefathers, demigods, and great sages

## Text 46

vela lolāyīta tanur jalād utthāya satvarah tīre sakhīn snana sandhya parān viksya munmanah

After completing that ritual, as I prepared to depart, I suddenly spotted my previous friends and relatives who had resided with me at Purusottama-ksetra, worshiping the Lord at that place I was very surprised to see them.

## Text 47

sadyah samabhavam bhupah dvadasyam parnadrtan purusottama sambasan visnu sevartham udyatan

I was especially astonished when I saw how they were faithfully engaged in rendering devotional service to Lord Hari by breaking the vow of Ekādaśī on Dvādaśī.

#### Texts 48-49

te'pi mamagratah krtva tadrupa vayasam nidhim vismayavista manasam drstva mamabruvana janah

ananta visnu bhakto'si jale kim drstvaniha sthale va vyagramanasam laksayāmah katham tatah

To my surprise, I found myself to be the same handsome young man that had bathed in the sea on a Dvādaśī long ago When my friends of Purusottama-ksetra saw me, they were concerned and said O Ananta,

why do you look so anxious? You are a great Vaiṣṇava. Have you seen something wonderful, either in the water or on the land?

#### Text 50

paraṇaṁ kuru tad brūhi txakvā vismaxātmanaḥ tan bruvam ahaṁ nau a knīcid drstvam srutam janāḥ

If you have seen something amazing then tell us. Now you can break your Ekādaśī vow. To this, I replied: My dear friends, I have not seen or heard anything wonderful at all.

## Text 51

kāmatma tat kṛpaṇa dhīr māya saṁdarsanadṛtaḥ taṇā harer māyaṇāhaṁ mūdho vvākulitendrivah

I had become overwhelmed by lust and thus had lost my vitality. At that time, I desired to see Lord Hari's illusory energy. Then, by the influence of māyā, I forgot everything about myself and took up a new life that was full of lusty desires.

#### Text 52

na sarma vedmi kutrāpi sneha moha vasam gataḥ atmano vismṛtiriyam ko veda vulitām tu tām

Due to intense material affection and the influence of illusion, I was unable to understand my actual position. Actually, I could not understand how much I had forgotten my actual self. However, nobody else realized that I had become bewildered by the Lord's illusory energy, māyā.

#### Text 53

tti bharna dhanāgara putrod vāhānu raktadhih ananto'ham dinamānā na jāne svāpa sammitam My mind was simply absorbed in thoughts of my children, wife, wealth, and the arrangements for the marriage of my children. As a result, I felt great distress and lamentation. I even forgot that I was Ananta. The events of my life at Purusottama-kṣetra appeared to me like no more than a dream.

#### Text 54

mam viksya mänini bharya vivasam mudhavat sthitam kandanti kimaho'kasmät älapanti maman tike

When my proud wife saw me in that almost senseless condition, she lamented: Alas! What has happened! She then began to cry out loud

## Text 55

iha tam viksya tāms tatra smṛtvā katara manasam hamso' pyeko bodhayiturn āgato mam saduktibluḥ

As I gazed upon my wife that I had lived with at Purusottama-kṣetra, I immediately remembered everything about my children, wife, wealth, and so on. At this, my mind became perplexed and morose. Suddenly, a swan-like personality came before me and began to pacify me with proper reasoning.

#### Text 56

dhiro vidita sarvarthah pūrnah parama dharmavit

He was sober by nature, the knower of everything, fully satisfied, and absorbed in thought of the Supreme Personality of Godhead.

## Text 57

süryākaram sattvasaram prasāntam dantam suddham loka soka ksayisņum mamāgretam pūjayitva madangāḥ papraechus temat subha dhyana kamaḥ His effulgence was like that of the sun. He was situated in the mode of unalloyed goodness, and he was peaceful and pure-hearted. Indeed, the very sight of him could destroy the sufferings of all living entities My relatives faithfully worshiped that *paramahamsa* and then inquired from him about my welfare.

Thus ends the translation of the eleventh chapter of Śrī Kalki Purāna.

## CHAPTER TWELVE

## The Meeting of Ananta And Hamsa

Text 1

suta uvaca upaviste tadā hamse bhiksām krtvā yathocitam tatah prāhur anantasya sarirarogya kāmyaya

Sūta Gosvāmī said: After the paramahamsa had his meal and sat down comfortably, the brāhmanas of Purusottama-ksetra asked him how I could regain my previous health and mental stability.

## Texts 2-3

hamsastesām matam jñātvā praha mām puratah sthitam tava cārumati bhāryā putrah pañca budhādayah

dhana ratnanvitam sadma sambamdham saudha samkulam tyaktvā kadāgato'siha putrodvaha dine na tu

The paramahamsa understood the brāhmanas' concern and so he looked at me and said: My dear Ananta, what are you doing here? Where are you wife, Cārumati, and your five sons headed by Budha, as well as your house, wealth, and relatives? When did you come here, leaving them aside? Today is supposed to be the marriage of your eldest son, Budha.

#### Text 4

samudra tıra sañcarah purād dharma janadrtah nımantrya mamihayat soka sambigna manasah You reside on the south shore of the ocean and I saw you busily engaged in making arrangements for your son's wedding today. The people of that place respect you very much. You had invited me to attend your son's wedding today, but you left everything and came here. You seem to be confused about something.

## Text 5

tvañca saptati varsiyas tatra drsto maya prabho trimsad varsiyavat kasmāt ti me sambhramo mahan

My dear sir, I saw you there as an elderly man, seventy years old. How have you now become a young man of thirty?

## Text 6

iyam bharya sahaya te na tatrā lokita kvacit aham va kva kutastasmat katham vā kena kasitah

I never saw in that place this wife that is seated by your side. I don't know how I have come to see you here.

#### Text 7

sa cva va na vapi tvam naham va bhiksurevasah avayoriha samyogas cendra jala wabhavat

Are you really Ananta, or are you someone else? Am I the same sannyāsī who met you, or am I someone else? My meeting you here seems mysterious

#### Text 8

tvam grhasthah svadharmajño bhiksuko'ham paratmakah āvayoriha samvādo bālaka unmattayoriva You are a householder who faithfully executes your occupational duties and I am a beggar in the renounced order of life. Therefore, my meeting you here seems incompatible, like a conversation between a child and a madman.

#### Text 9

tasmādisasya mayeyam trijagan mohakarini jñana prāptya daita labhya manye'hamiti bho dvija !

Alas! All this was the pastime of supreme controller's illusory energy, which bewilders everyone within the three worlds. It is very difficult to understand this by mere common sense. Unless one understands the Supreme Lord as being one without a second, one cannot understand the activities of  $m\bar{a}y\bar{a}$ .

## Text 10

iti bhiksuh samasravya yadanyat praha vismitah markandeya! mahabhāga bhavisyam kathayami te

After speaking to me in this way, the *paramahamsa* turned and addressed the great sage, Mārkandeya, within the hearing of other great sages: O fortunate one, let me describe to you some events that will take place in the future. Please listen attentively.

#### Texts 11-12

pralaye yā tvaya drsta purusasyo darambhasi sā maya mohajanika panthanam bhanika yatha

tamo hyananta santāpa nodanodyatam aksarı vayedam akhilam lokam avrtyā vasthaya sthitam It has been said that the Lord's illusory energy,  $m\bar{a}y\bar{a}$ , remains within the water of devastation that is situated within the abdomen of the Supreme Lord. This  $m\bar{a}y\bar{a}$  bewilders everyone. Just as a prostitute roams throughout the town,  $m\bar{a}y\bar{a}$  spreads her influence throughout the three worlds.  $M\bar{a}y\bar{a}$ 's influence creates the ignorance that forces the conditioned souls to uselessly transmigrate from one body to another in this material world. Thus,  $m\bar{a}y\bar{a}$  is the cause of all material miseries.

#### Text 13

laye līne trijagati brahma tanmātragām gataḥ nirupādhau nirāloke sisrksur abhavat parah

At the time of dissolution, the three worlds merge into the water of devastation. All directions, the time factor, and everything else become unmanifest. Thereafter, the Supreme Personality of Godhead once again desires to create and so immediately all the material ingredients become manifest.

## Texts 14-15

brahmaṇyapi dvidhā bhūte puruṣa prakṛti svayā bhāsā samjanayāmāsa mahāntam kālayogatah

kāla svabhāva karmātmā so'hankāras tato'bhavat trivṛd viṣṇu siva brahma mayaḥ saṃsāra kāraṇam

By His own will, the Supreme Lord first divides Himself into two—puruṣa and prakṛti. In due course of time, the puruṣa manifests the mahat-tattva from prakṛti. From the mahāt-tattva, false ego is produced, and from false ego, the three modes of material nature. Brahmā, Viṣṛu, and Maheśa are the predominating deities of the three modes of material nature. It is these three personalities that engage in the act of creation.

## Text 16

tanmātrāṇi tataḥ pañca jajñire gūṇavanti ca mahābhūtānyapi tataḥ prakṛtau brahma saṁsrayāt

In the beginning, five subtle material elements are created from false ego and from these five subtle elements, five gross material elements are produced. This creation is set in motion after the Supreme Lord glances over the material nature,  $m\bar{a}y\bar{a}$ .

#### Text 17

jātā devāsura narā ye cānye jīvajātayaḥ brahmāṇḍa bhāṇḍa sabhāra janmanāsa kriyātmikāh

Thereafter, the demigods, demons, and human beings, as well as all other moving and non-moving entities, are created throughout the universe.

#### Text 18

māyayā māyayā jiva puruṣaḥ paramātmanaḥ saṁsāra saraṇa vyagro na vedātma gatiṁ kvacit

All of these categories of conditioned souls are covered by the illusory energy of the Supreme Lord, and this causes them to become attached, thinking, "This body is me and everything in relation to this body is mine." The conditioned souls are so foolish that they do not care to be delivered from the miserable material existence.

#### Text 19

aho balavati māyā brahmadyā yadvase sthitāḥ gāvo yathā nasi protā gunabaddhāh khagā eva

Alas! How strong is māyā! Being bewildered by māyā, even the demigods, up to Brahmā, are constantly wandering about within the

material world, like bulls tied with ropes through their noses, or birds kept in a cage

## Text 20

tām mayam gunamayım yetu titisainti munisvarāh sravantım vasananakām ta evartha vido bhuvi

The great souls and sages who desire to cross over the ocean of māyā that induces the conditioned souls to enjoy material sense gratification, which is filled with formidable waves, and which consists of the three modes of material nature, are certainly glorious and celebrated as knowers of the truth.

## Texts 21-22

saunaka rsı uvaca markandeyo vasısthasca vamadevā davo'pare sratva guruvaco bhūyah kımahuh sravanādrtāh

ranano'nanta vacanam iti srutvā sudhopayam kim vā prāhuraho suta bhavisvamiha varnaya

Śaunaka Rsi said: What did the exalted sages, headed by Mārkandeya, Vaśistha, and Vāmadeva, say after hearing this wonderful talk? What did the kings who had been listening to Ananta say? Kindly narrate the future events that were referred to.

#### Text 23

iti tadvaca asrutya sūtah satkrtya tam punah kathayamasa karsnyena sokamoha vighātkam After hearing these questions of Śaunaka Rsi, Romaharsana Sūta praised him very highly and then described in detail the spiritual knowledge that destroys all lamentation and grief.

## Text 24

suta uvaca tatrananto bhusaganaih prstah praha krtadarah tapasā mohanidhanam indriyanañca nigraham

Sūta Gosvāmī said: When the kings respectfully requested Ananta to continue speaking, Ananta explained how one can overcome  $m\bar{a}y\bar{a}$  and control his senses by executing severe penance

## Text 25

ananta uvaca ato'ham vanamasādya tapah krtva vidhanatah nendriyanam manaso nigraho'bhuta kadacana

Ananta said: Thereafter, I began to reside in a nearby forest and engage in the practice of penance, according to the prescribed rules and regulations. However, in spite of my efforts, I failed to regulate my mind and senses.

#### Text 26

vane brahma dhyayate me bharyaputra dhanādikam visayañcantarā sasvat samsmarayati me manah

Whenever I sat down in the forest to meditate upon the Supreme Lord, thoughts of my wife, children, and assets keep surfacing within my mind, greatly disturbing me.

## Text 27

tesām smarana matrena duhkha soka bhayadayah pratudanti mama prāṇān dhāraṇā dhyāna nāsakāḥ

As soon as this would happen, my mind would become greatly disturbed and I would become filled with fear and lamentation. As a result, my meditation was broken.

## Text 28

tato'ham niscitam atir indriyāṇāñca ghātane manaso nigrahastena bhaviṣyati na saṃsayaḥ

The mind can be controlled only when the senses are regulated. While thinking in this way, I resolved to conquer my senses.

## Text 29

ato māmindriyāṇāñca nigraha vyagra cetasam tadadhiṣṭhāṭṛ devāsca drṣṭvā māmī urañjasā

However, as soon as I attempted to control my senses, the predominating deities of the senses turned their attention upon me.

#### Texts 30-31

rūpiņo māma thocuste bho'nanta! iti te dasa digvātārka praceto'svi vanhīndro pendra mitrakā

indriyāṇām vayam devās tava dehe pratiṣthitāḥ nakhāgra kāṇḍa sambhinnān nāsmān kurtum ihārhasi

The controlling deities of the ten senses personally appeared before me and said: Ananta, we are Dik, Vāyu, Sūrya, Pracetā, the Aśvinī-kumāras, Agni, Indra, Upendra, and Mitra. Although we subtly reside within your body, we have now come before you. You should not cause us harm by your severe austerity.

Text 32

na sreyo hi tavānanta mano nigraha karmaṇi chedane bhedane'smākaṁ bhinnamarmā marisyasi

Simply by performing severe austerities, you will not receive any benefit, nor will your mind or senses be controlled. Rather, because of torturing us, you will suffer greatly.

Text 33

andhānām vadhirāṇāñca vikalendriya jīvinām vane'pi viṣayavyagram mānasam laksayā mahe

It is a fact that even blind, deaf, and deformed people go to live in the forest and yet they cannot resist thinking about material enjoyment.

## Text 34

jīvasyāpi gṛhasthasya deho geham mano'nugaḥ buddhirbhāryā tadanugā vayamitya vadhāraya

The material body is a house, the spirit soul is the owner of the house, intelligence is the owner's wife, and the mind is a servant. We are also servants controlled by the wife of the house, in the form of intelligence.

#### Text 35

karmāyattasya jīvasya mano mano bandha vimuktikṛt saṁsārayati lubhdasya brahmaṇo yasya māyayā

The conditioned souls are forced to enjoy the fruits of their activities. The mind is certainly the cause of bondage or liberation. According to the directions given by the illusory energy of the Lord of the universe, the mind takes a greedy person here and there throughout the material world.

#### Texts 36-37

tasman mano nigrahārtham visnubhaktim samācara sukha moksa prada nitam dahika sarvakarmanam

daitadvaita pradānanda sandoha haribhaktika haribhaktya jivakosa vināsānte mahamate

Therefore, if you desire to control your mind, you should engage it in the devotional service of Lord Hari with determination. All reactions to *karma* are exhausted by one's engagement in the devotional service of Lord Hari. Thus it is concluded that devotional service is the best means for achieving liberation from material existence. The understanding that the living entities are simultaneously one with and different from the Supreme Lord should be cultivated. There is no doubt that devotional service to Lord Hari awards one transcendental bliss. Attachment to the gross and subtle bodies is destroyed by engagement in unalloyed devotional service.

#### Texts 38-39

param prāpsyasi nirvanam kalker alokanat tvayā ityaham bodhitastena bhaktya sampujya kesavam

kalkım didrksur ayatah krsnam kalkı kulāntakam

If you simply have the *darśana* of Lord Kalki, you will attain liberation from material bondage.

Having been instructed in this way by the controlling deities of the ten senses, I devotedly worshiped Lord Hari with a desire to see Lord Kalki, who dissipates the contamination of Kali. It is for this reason that I have come here.

#### Text 40

drstam rūpam arupasya sprstas tatpada pallavah apadasya srutam vākyam avacyasya paratmanah

I was fortunate to see the form of the Supreme Lord, who has no material form. I touched the lorus feet of the Supreme Brahman, who has no material feet. I heard the words of the Lord of the universe, who never utters a material sound vibration.

#### Text 41

ityanantah pramuditah padmānātham nijasvaram kalkim kamalapatrāksam namaskrtya yayau munih

After saying this, Ananta offered his obeisances to the lotus-eyed Lord Kalki, the husband of Padmāvati, and then departed in a joyful mood.

## Text 42

rajano munivakyena nirvana padavim gatah kalkim abhyarca padmāñca namaskrtya munivratah

After the kings heard the talks of the sage, Ananta, they also began to observe vows while following the rules and regulations prescribed by the scriptures. Thus, like sages, they cleared their path to liberation by worshiping Lord Kalki and Padmāvati.

#### Text 43

suka uvāca anantasya katham etām ajñana dhvantanāsınım mayanıyantrım prapathan srnvan bandhād vimucyate

Śuka said: Anyone who hears this story of Ananta will be freed from the clutches of māyā His darkness of ignorance will be dissipated and his

material bondage cut to pieces, so that ultimately, he will attain liberation from material existence.

#### Text 44

samsārābdhi vilāsa lālasa matiḥ srī viṣṇusevādaro bhaktyākhyānam idam svabheda rahitam

nirmāya dharmātmanā jñānollāsa nisāta khaḍgam uditaḥ sadbhakti durgāsrayaḥ, ṣaḍvaryam jayatādaseṣa jagatām ātma sthitam vaiṣṇavaḥ

The devotees of Lord Hari who are inclined to follow the principles of religion while at the same time desire to enjoy sense gratification in the ocean of material existence, should use the sharp sword of transcendental knowledge gained from this narration to cut to pieces the six principal enemies that reside within the body, headed by lust, after taking shelter in the fort of *bhakti-yoga*.

Thus ends the translation of the twelfth chapter of Śrī Kalki Purāna.

# CHAPTER THIRTEEN

# Viśvakarmā Reconstructs the Village of Śambhala on the Order of Indra The Arrival of Lord Kalki

## Text 1

sūta uvāca gate nṛpagaṇe kalkiḥ padmayā sahā siṁhalāt samla grāma gamane matiṁ cakre svasenayā

Śuta Gosvāmī said: After all the kings had departed, Lord Kalki decided to leave Simhala island, taking His wife, Padmāvatī, and His army, and go to the village of Śambhala.

## Text 2

tatah kalker abhiprāyam viditvā vāsastvaran visvakarmāṇam āhūya vacanam cedam abaravıt

Meanwhile, when Indra realized the intention of Lord Kalki, he called for Viśvakarmā and gave him orders.

#### Text 3

indra uvāca visvakarmana sambhale tvam grhodyā nāṭṭya ghaṭṭitam prāsāda harmya sambhādham racaya svarṇasañcayaiḥ

Indra said: O Viśvakarmā, you should immediately go to the village of Śambhala and construct many palaces, ornamental gates, residential buildings, and apartments, using as much gold as possible, and decorate the village with beautiful gardens.

#### Text 4

ratna sphaṭika vaidūrya nānāmaṇi vinirmitaiḥ tatraiva silpa naipuṇyam tava yaccāsti tat kuru

The entire village should be bedecked with precious jewels and crystal. Do not hesitate to display your full expertise in the art of architecture.

#### Text 5

srutvā harervaco visvakarmā sarma nijam smaran sambhale kalamesasya svastyādi pramukhān grhān

Being ordered by Indra in this way, and realizing that this was a golden opportunity to attain true benefit, Viśvakarma immediately went to Śambhala village and began constructing a beautiful residence for the husband of Laksmī.

#### Text 6

hamsa simha suparṇādi mukhāms cakre sa visvakṛt uparyu pari tāpagna vātāyana manoharān

Indeed, he built many houses. One house was shaped like a swan, another house was shaped like a lion, and still another house looked like the face of a donkey. These buildings were two, three, or even more stories tall, and they were all centrally air-conditioned.

#### Text 7

nānāvana latodyāna sarovāpi susobhitaḥ sambhalas cābhavat kalker yathendrasya amarāvatī

The entire village was decorated with forests, gardens, lakes, and public wells. Indeed, the village of Śambhala came to resemble Indra's abode, Amarāvatī.

Texts 8-10

kalkistu simhalād dvīpad vahiḥ senā ganairvṛtaḥ tyaktvā kārumatım kūle pāthodhare karot sthitim

bṛhadrathastu kaumudyā sahitaḥ snehakātaraḥ padmayā sahitāyāsmai padmanāthāya viṣṇave

dadau gajānāma yutam lakṣam mukhyañca vājinām rathānāñca dvisāhasram dāṣinām dve sate mudā

Meanwhile, Lord Kalki, His army, and associates left Kārumati and started for Śambhala. After traveling some distance, the Lord set up camp on the shore of the ocean. Out of affection for his daughter, King Bṛhadratha mounted a buffalo named Kaumudi and followed his son-in-law, Lord Kalki, and daughter, Padmāvatī, up to the sea shore, where he gave them ten thousand elephants, one hundred thousand horses, two thousand chariots, and two hundred maidservants.

#### Text 11

dattvā vāsāmsi ratnāni bhakti snehāsru locanaḥ tayormukhā lokanena nāsakat kiyadī ritum

With great affection, he also gave them various kinds of jewels and fine garments. The king couldn't take his eyes off the beautiful faces of his son-in-law and daughter. Indeed, he could not utter a word, being overcome by strong emotions.

#### Text 12

mahāviṣṇu dampatī tau prasthāpya punarāgatau pūjitau kalki padmābhyām nijakāru matīm purīm Lord Kalki and Padmāvatī honored and pacified King Bṛhadratha, and then begged permission to depart. Feeling great distress in separation, King Brhadratha finally returned to his capital, Kārumati.

## Texts 13-14

kalkistu jaladherambho vigāhya pṛtanāgaṇaiḥ pāram jigamiṣum drṣṭvā jambukam stambhito'bhavat

jalastambham athālokya kalkiḥ sabala vāhanaḥ prayayau payasām rāser upari srī niketanaḥ

Lord Kalki then bathed in the ocean, along with His associates. Suddenly, He saw a jackal crossing the ocean, appearing to walk on the surface of the water. Upon looking more closely, however, Lord Kalki saw that there was a bridge spanning the ocean. Taking advantage of this bridge, the Lord, His carriers, and His army crossed over to the mainland.

### Text 15

gatvā pāraṁ sukaṁ prāha yāhi me sambhalālayam

After arriving at the far shore, Lord Kalki addressed His parrot: O Śuka, go now to My house in the village of Śambhala.

## Text 16

visvakarma kṛtam yatra deva rājājñayā bahu sadma sambhādham amalam matpriyārtham susobhanam

There you will find that Viśvakarma, the architect of the demigods, has constructed many beautiful palaces and residential quarters for My pleasure, by the order of Indra.

#### Text 17

tatrāpi pitror jñātinām svasti brūyā yathocitam yadatrāṇga vivāhādi sarvam vaktum tvamarhasi

Go ahead and convey the news of my welfare to my father, mother, and other relatives. Tell them everything about My marriage.

#### Text 18

pascāda yāmi vṛtastai taistvamādau yāhi sambhalam

You go on ahead, and I will soon arriver there, with My army.

#### Text 19

kalker vacanam ākarṇya kiro dhirastato yayau ākāsa gāmi sarvajñaḥ sambhalam surapūjitam

Being ordered in this way by Lord Kalki, Śuka, who was very sober by nature, immediately flew into the sky and in a very short while, arrived at Śambhala, which was highly regarded even by the demigods.

#### Text 20

saptayojana vistirņam cāturvarņa janākulam sūrya rasmi pratīkāsam prāsāda satasobhitam

The village was seven *yojanas* across, and inhabited by members of all four *varṇas*. Throughout the village were memorial columns made of white marble that shone like the sun.

#### Texts 21-22

sarvarttu sukhadam ramyam sambhalam vihvalo'visat grhād grhāntaram drṣṭvā prāsādādapi cāmvaram vanād vatāntaram tatra vṛkṣād vṛkṣāntaram vrajan

The wonderful quality of this village was that no one experienced distress because of the climate during any season. Śuka's heart became filled with wonder upon seeing the beauty of this village. He went from one house to another, from one palace to another, up into the sky, over the numerous gardens, flying from one tree to another.

## Texts 23-24

sukaḥ sa viṣṇuyasasaḥ sadanaṁ mudito'brajat taṁ gatvā rucirā lāpaiḥ kathayitvā priyāḥ kathāḥ

kalker āgamanam prāha simhalāt padmayā saha

At last, Śuka arrived at Viṣṇuyaśa's house with great delight. In a very sweet voice, he informed Viṣṇuyaśa of Lord Kalki and Padmā's arrival from the island of Simhala.

#### Text 25

tatantvaran viṣṇuyasāḥ samānārghya prajājanān visākha yūpa bhūpālaṁ kathāyāmāsa harṣitaḥ

Viṣṇuyaśā then hurriedly went to see King Viśākhayupa in a happy mood and disclosed to him the news, which quickly spread to all the distinguished citizens.

#### Text 26

sa rājā kārayāmāsa pura grāmādi maṇḍitam svarṇakumbhaiḥ sadambhobhiḥ pūritais candanokṣitaiḥ

King Viśākhayūpa ordered his servants to decorate the entire village with pitchers filled with water and decorated with designs drawn with sandalwood paste.

Text 27

kālā guru sugandhāḍhayair dīpa lājām kurākṣataiḥ kusumai sukumāraisca rambhā puga phalaṇvitai

susubhe sambhala grāmo vibudhānām manoharah

Śambhala, which was pleasing to the hearts of even demigods, was thus smeared with *aguru* and other fragrant substances, illuminated with many excellent lamps, and decorated with garlands of fragrant flowers, fruit, twigs, rice paddy, and so on.

Text 28

tam kalkiḥ prāvisad bhīma senāgaṇa vilakṣaṇaḥ kāminī nayanānanda mandirāṅgaḥ kṛpānidhiḥ

Finally, the merciful Lord Kalki, who gives pleasure to the eyes of all young women, and who possesses a most enchanting form, entered the village, surrounded by His formidable army.

Text 29

padmayā sahitah pitroh pādayoh praṇato'patat sumatir muditā putram snusām sakram sacīmivā

dadrse tvamarāvatyām pūrņa kāmādithiḥ sati

First, Lord Kalki and Padmāvati offered obeisances to Viṣṇuyaśā and his wife. Just as Aditi becomes jubilant upon seeing her son, Indra, the king of the demigods, along with his wife, Śacī, the chaste Sumati became very satisfied to see her son and daughter-in-law.

Texts 30-31 smbhala grāma nagari patākā dhvaja sālini avarodha sujaghanā prāsāda vipulastanī

mayūra cūcukā haṁsa saṁgha hāra manoharā paṭta vāsodyota dhūma vasanā kokila svanā

sahāsa gopura mukhī vāmanetrā yathāṅganā kalkiṁ patiṁ guṇavatī prāpya reje tamiśvaram

It appeared that the village of Sambhala was also a jubilant woman welcoming the return of her husband, Lord Kalki. Being decorated so beautifully, she appeared very charming. The interior of the village was her thighs, the palaces were her breasts, the peacocks were her nipples, the swans were her necklace of pearls, the fragrant smoke was her garments, the sounds of the cuckoos were her words, and the gates were her enchanting smile. The village thus appeared like a very clever girl casting a sidelong glance.

#### Text 32

sa reme padmyā tatra varṣa pūgāna jāsrayaḥ sambhale vihvalācāra kalkiḥ kalka vināsanaḥ

The unborn Lord Kalki, who is the shelter of everyone and the destroyer of all sins, appeared to forget His mission as He spent many years enjoying life with Padmāvati.

## Texts 33

kaveḥ patnī kāma kalā suṣuve parameṣṭhinau vṛhat kīrtti vṛhadbāhū mahābala parākramau

After some time, Lord Kalki's brother, Kavi, begot two sons in the womb of his wife, Kāmakalā. Their names were Bṛhatkīrti and Bṛhatvāhu.

#### Texts 34-35

prājñasya sannatir bhāryā tasyārn putrau babhūvatuḥ yajñavijñau sarvaloka pūjitau vijitendriyau

sumantrakastu mālinyāṁ janayāmāsa sāsanam vegavantañca sādhūnāṁ dvāvetāvu pakārakau

Prājñā also begot two sons within the womb of his wife, Sannati. They were named Yajña and Vijña. These two boys were self-controlled, and thus respected by everyone. Sumantu also begot two sons, named Śāsana and Vegavāna, in the womb of his wife, Mālinī. These sons were the benefactors of human society.

#### Text 36

tataḥ kalkisca padmāyam jayo vijaya eva ca dvau putrau janayāmāsa lokakhyātau mahābalau

Lord Kalki also begot two sons in the womb of Padmāvati. Their names were Jaya and Vijaya, and both possessed incomparable prowess.

## Texts 37-39

etaiḥ parivṛto'mātaiḥ sarvamsampat samanvitau vājimedha vidhānārtham udyatam pitaram prabhuḥ samikṣya kalkiḥ provāca pitāmaham ivesvaraḥ

disām pālān vijityāham dhanānyā hṛtya ityuta kārayiṣyāmyi asvamedham yāmi digvijayāya bhoḥ Lord Kalki appeared to flourish, being surrounded by all these family members. Once, Lord Kalki's father, Viṣṇuyaśa, who was on the level of Lord Brahmā, decided to perform a horse sacrifice. Understanding the intention of His father, Lord Kalki said: My dear father, I will go out and defeat all other kings in battle and thus bring you sufficient wealth so that you can conduct the horse sacrifice properly.

#### Text 40

iti praṇamya tam prītyā kalkiḥ para purañjayaḥ senāgaṇaiḥ parivṛtaḥ prayayau kīkaṭam puram

Lord Kalki, who was certainly capable of conquering all other kings, offered His obeisances to his father and then set out with his army to first conquer Kikaṭapura.

## Text 41

buddhālayam suvipulam vedadharma vahişkṛtam pitṛdevārcanā hīnam paraloka vilopakam

Most of the inhabitants of this city were Buddhists, who never offered oblations to their forefathers, nor worshiped the demigods. In fact, they never even considered what kind of life they would have after death.

#### Text 42

dehātma vāda bahulam kulajāti vivarjitam dhanaiḥ stribhir bhakṣya bhojyaiḥ svaparābheda darsinam

They accepted their bodies as the self because they had no information of the eternal soul. They did not designate themselves or their families in terms of caste, and thus there was no conception of high or low birth. As far as earning wealth, marriage, or eating were concerned, they had no sense of discrimination.

### Texts 43-44

nānājanaiḥ parivṛtam pāna bhojana tatparaiḥ srutvā jino nijagaṇaiḥ kalker āgamanam krudhā

akṣauhiṇībhyām sahitaḥ sambabhūva purādvahiḥ

The people of that city were interested only in eating, drinking, and making merry. When the ruler of that city, who was named Jina, heard that Lord Kalki had come to fight, He quickly gathered an army consisting of one *aksauhini*.

### Text 45

gajaratha turagaiḥ samācitā bhū kanaka vibhūṣaṇa bhūṣitair varāngaiḥ satasata rathibhir dhṛtāstra sastrair dhvaja patārāji nivāritāta pairbabhau sā

Very soon, the city became filled with numberless horses, chariots, elephants, chariot drivers decorated with golden ornaments, and infantry soldiers. All of the soldiers were fully equipped with weapons, and they carried their flag. The whole city thus seemed transformed into a beautiful battlefield.

Thus ends the translation of the thirteenth chapter of Śrī Kalki  $Pur\bar{a}na$ .

## CHAPIER FOURIEEN

# Lord Kalki Conquers the Buddhists Who Opposed Him

#### Text 1

suta uvāca tato visnuh sarvajisnuh kalkih kalka vinasanah kalayamasa tām senām karinimiva kesari

Sūta Gosvāmī said: Just as a lion, the king of the jungle, attacks a female elephant, Lord Kalki, the life and soul of all living entities, attacked the army of Buddhists.

#### Texts 2-3

senānganām tam rati sangaraksatim raktaka vastram vivrtoru madhyam palāyatim caru vikirna kesām vikujatim praha sa kalkinayakah

re bauddhah ma polayadhvam nivatadhvam ranangane yudhyadhvam paurusam sadhu darsayadhvam punarmoma

Thereafter, a fierce battle took place between the Buddhists and Lord Kalki. When the Buddhists became disheartened and began fleeing from the battle, Lord Kalki, acting as the commander-in-chief of His army, addressed the opposing warriors, who were injured in the battle, whose garments and armor were scattered here and there, whose hair had become loosened, and who were screaming loudly in pain: O Buddhists, do not run away from the battlefield. Stay here and fight to the best of your ability so that you will avoid the shame of being considered cowards

## Texts 4-5

jino hinabalam kopat kalker ākarnya tadvacah pratiyoddhum vrsarudhah khadgacarma dharo yayau

nana prahara nopeto nanāyudha visaradah kalkinā yuyudhe dhiro devānām vismayavahah

Although Jina had been injured, he became enraged upon hearing Lord Kalki's taunting words. After picking up his sword and shield, he rushed at Lord Kalki, who was sitting on His horse. In the duel that ensued, both fought with great enthusiasm so that even the demigods, who were watching from the heavens, became surprised to witness Jina's skill in fighting.

#### Text 6

sulena turagam viddhvā kalkim vanena mohayan kodikrtya dratam bhumer nāsakat tolanadrtah

The greatly powerful Jina pierced Kalki's horse with his trident and then made the Lord fall unconscious by his onslaught of arrows. At this, the wicked Jina attempted to capture Lord Kalki, but was unable to pick Him up.

#### Text 7

jino visvambharam jñātvā kodha kulita locanah cicchedāsya tanutranam kalkeh sastrañca dasavat

Lord Kalkı had become so heavy that Jina could not even move Him and this fueled his rage. Being unable to take Lord Kalkı prisoner, Jina finally took His crown and weapons and fled.

#### Text 8

visākha yūpo'pi tathā nihatya gadayā jinam mūrcchitam kalkimādāya lilayā rathamaruhat Meanwhile, King Viśākhayūpa, who had accompanied Lord Kalki, became furious upon seeing this and so he went and struck Jina with his club. After accomplishing this feat, the king carefully picked up Lord Kalki and placed Him on his chariot.

#### Text 9

labdhasamjñas tathā kalkiḥ sevakotsāha dāyakaḥ samutpatya rathāt tasya nrpasya jinamā yayau

Soon Lord Kalki regained consciousness and began to rally His soldiers. The Lord then jumped from Viśākhayūpa's chariot and charged at Jina.

#### Texts 10-11

sūlavyathām vihāyājau mahāsattvastu rangamah ringanair bhramanaih pāda vikṣepahana nairmuhuḥ

daṇḍāghātaiḥ saṭākṣepair bauddha senā gaṇāntare nijadhāna ripūn kopāt sataso'tha sahasrasah

Although Lord Kalki's wonderful horse had been injured by Jina's trident, he soon regained his composure and began roaming over the battlefield, jumping fiercely while angrily attacking hundreds and thousands of Buddhist soldiers. In this way, Lord Kalki's horse killed many sinful men.

#### Text 12

nisvāsa vātai ruddīya kecid dvīpāntare'patan hastyasva ratha sambhādhāḥ patitā ranamūrddhani

Indeed, the heavy breathing of Lord Kalki's horse caused many opposing soldiers to fly into the sky and then fall down at distant places.

Some of them fell upon the horses and chariots as they descended onto the battlefield.

## Text 13

gargyā jaghnuh ṣaṣṭīsatam bhargyah koṭi satāyutam visālastu sahasrāṇām pañcavimsam rane twaran

Within a short period of time, Gargyā and his associates killed six thousand Buddhist warriors. Bhargya killed ten million enemy soldiers with the help of his army, and Viśāla killed twenty-five thousand.

#### Text 14

ayute dve jadhānājau putrābhyām sahitaḥ kaviḥ dasalalam tathā prājñaḥ pañcalaksam sumantrakah

Kavi and his two sons fought valiantly, killing twenty thousand enemy soldiers. One million soldiers were killed at the hands of Prājña, and five hundred thousand were eliminated by Sumanta.

#### Text 15

jinam prāha hasan kalkis tiṣṭhāgre mama durmate daivam mām viddhi sarvatra subhāsubha phalapradam

Thereafter, Lord Kalki addressed Jina: O sinful one, do not run away! Come before Me and fight! Know Me to be the personification of destiny, which awards everyone the results of their pious and sinful acts.

#### Text 16

madvāṇa jāla bhinnāngo niḥsaṅgo yāsyasi kṣayam na yāvat pasyatāvat tvam bandhūnām lalitam mukham

Very soon your body will be pierced by My arrows so that you will be forced to leave this world forever, without any companion. Thus, you

have very little time left to show your face to your relatives

## Texts 17-18

kalker iti ritam srutva jinah prāha hasan bali dawam tvadrsyam sastre te badho'yam urarikrtah

pratyaksa vadino bauddhā vayam yuyam vrthāsramah yadi va daiva rūpastvam tathāpyagre sthita vayam

yadı bhettası vānaughais tada bauddhaih kimatra te

After hearing the speech of Lord Kalki, Jina laughed sarcastically and replied Fate cannot be seen. I believe in direct perception because I follow the philosophy of Buddhism. We do not believe anything unless we can perceive it We believe that destiny can be changed because this is the verdict of our scriptures. If You are actually the Supreme Personality of Godhead as You claim, then kill us What can be gained by merely uttering boasting words? We Buddhists will never accept You

#### Text 19

sopālambham tvaya khyātam tvayaye vāstu sthiro bhava iti krodhad vānajaleh kalkim ghoraih samavrnot

Whatever You have claimed to be my destiny will actually be Your own Just remain before me and see

After saying this, Jina covered the entire body of Lord Kalki with his sharp arrows.

#### Text 20

sa tu vanamayam varsam ksayam ninyer'ka vaddhimam

As fog is dissipated by the rising of the sun, Jina's shower of arrows vanished by the influence of Lord Kalki's potency

#### Texts 21-22

brahmam vayavyam agneyam parjanyam cānyadāyudham kalker darsanamātrena nisphalānya bhavan ksanat

yathosare vijamuptam dānama srotriye yatha yathā visnau satām dvesāt bhaktiryena krtāpyaho

Simply by Lord Kalki's presence, all of the enemy's weapons, including the *brahmāśtra*, *āgneyastra*, *vāyavyastra*, and *pārjanyastra*, were rendered ineffective, just like seeds sown in the desert, donations given to unworthy persons, or devotional service to Lord Hari executed out of envy.

#### Text 23

kalkıstu tam vrsārūdham avaplutya kace'grahit tatastau petatur bhumau tamracudavıva krudhā

In an instant, Lord Kalki jumped into the air and caught hold of Jina's hair as he sat upon his bull carrier. Both Lord Kalki and Jina fell to the ground, like two *tāmracūda* birds, and began to wrestle.

#### Text 24

patitvā sa kalki kacam jagraha tatkaram kare

Jina then grabbed Lord Kalki by the hair with one hand warded off His blows with the other.

## Text 25

tatah samutthitau vyagrau yatha cānūra kesavau dhrtahastau dhrtakacau rksaviva mahābalau

yuyudhāte mahavīrau jīnakalkī nīrāyudhau Thereafter, appearing just like Cānūra and Lord Krsna, the two stood up and continued wrestling, grabbing each other's hair and arms. The two great heroes had no weapons in their hands as they fought each other like two powerful bears.

### Text 26

tatah kalkır mahayodhı padāghātena tatkatım vibhājya pātayā māsa tālam mattagajo yathā

As a maddened elephant breaks a palm tree, the most expert of all fighters, Lord Kalki, broke Jina's spine with a powerful kick, so that the king of the Buddhists fell dead onto the ground.

#### Text 27

jınam nipatitam drstva bauddhā haheti cukrusuh kalkeh senāgana viprā jahrsur nihatārayah

When the Buddhist soldiers saw their leader lying dead upon the ground, they began to wail in agony. O *brāhmanas*, the killing of Jina immersed the soldiers of Lord Kalki into an ocean of great happiness.

#### Text 28

jine nipatite bhrātā tasya suddhodano bali pādacāri gadapānih kalkim hantum drutam yayau

After witnessing the death of his brother, the greatly powerful Śuddhodana picked up a club and charged at Lord Kalki, bent upon destroying Him.

## Text 29

kavistu tam vānavarsaih parivārya samantatah jagarja paraviraghno gajamāvrtya simhavat In response, Lord Kalkı, who very expertly killed all the heroic warriors that opposed Him as they were seated on the backs of their elephants, released an incessant shower of arrows at Śuddhodana while roaring like a lion.

#### Text 30

gadāhastam tamalokya pattim sa dharmavit kavih padātigo gadāpānis tasthau suddhodanāgratah

When the pious hero, Kavi, saw Śuddhodana coming with a club in his hand, he got down from his elephant and obstructed his path while wielding his own club.

## Texts 31-32

sa tu suddhodanastena yuyudhe bhima vikramah gajah prati gajeneka dantābhyām sagadā vubhau

yuyudhate mahāvnau gadāyuddha visāradau krta pratikrtau mattau nadantau bharavān ravan

A fierce battle then ensued between Kavi and Śuddhodana. As an elephant fights with another inimical elephant with its tusks, the great hero, Kavi, who was very expert in fighting with the club, confronted Śuddhodana. Because they were intoxicated by fighting, they roared loudly while challenging one another with harsh words. Both tried their best to defend themselves from their opponent's blows.

#### Text 33

kavistu gadayā gurvya suddhodana gadām nadan karada pāsyasu taya svayā vaksasya tadayat Finally, while roaring like a lion, Kavi struck Śuddhodana with his club so forcefully that Śuddhodana's club fell from his hands. Taking advantage of this opportunity, Kavi landed a very powerful blow to the chest of his enemy.

## Text 34

gadaghatena nihato virah suddhodano bhuvi patitvā sahasottthaya tam janghe gadayā punah

Although the powerful Śuddhodana fell to the ground, he quickly regained his composure and stood up after picking up his club. By maneuvering very quickly, he was able to smash his club upon Kavi's head.

## Text 35

samtādītena tenapī sīrasā stambhītah kavih na papāta sthītasra sthānuvad vihyalendrīyah

That blow was so forceful that although Kavi did not fall to the ground, he was dazed and thus stood motionless.

#### Text 36

suddhodanas tamalokya sahāsāram rathāyunaih prāvrtam tarasā mayā devimāne tumāyayau

Still, Śuddhodana understood that Kavi was not an ordinary warrior but was immensely powerful and surrounded by thousands of chariots. Therefore, he decided to leave the battlefield and bring Māyā-devī.

#### Text 37

yasyā darsana mātrena devasura narādayah nıhsārāh pratimākarā bhavanti bhuvanāsrayāh His reason for summoning Māyādevī was that as soon as any demigod, demon, or human being within the three worlds would see her, he would immediately become stunned, like a statue.

#### Text 38

bauddhā sauddhodanadyagre krtva tamagratah punah yoddhum samāgatā mleccha koti laksa satairvrtah

After regrouping, Śuddhodana and his millions of *mleccha* soldiers, entered the battlefield, keeping Māyā-devī in front

## Text 39

sımha dhvajotthıta ratham pheru kaka ganāvrtām sarvāstra sastra jananım sadvarga parisevitām

Māyā-devī sat on a chariot whose flag was marked with the symbol of a lion, and she manifested various kinds of weapons. Crows and vultures surrounded her, screaming with shrill voices. The six enemies, headed by lust, engaged in her personal service.

## Texts 40-41

nānārūpām balavatım trīguna vyaktı laksītām māyām nīrīksya puratah kalkīsenā samapatat

nıhsārāh pratımākārāh samastah sastrapānayah

Being confronted by the incredibly powerful Māyā-devī, who can assume any form at will, and who is constituted of three modes of material nature, the army of Lord Kalki gradually weakened. Indeed, all the great warriors in Lord Kalki's army, who were well-equipped with celestial weapons, lost their prowess so that they simply stood motionless, like statues.

## Text 42

kalkistānā lokya nijān bhrātṛjñāti suhṛjjanān māyayā jāyayā jirṇān vibhurāsit tadagratah

Lord Kalki saw that His brother and the other warriors had become afflicted by His inferior energy,  $m\bar{a}y\bar{a}$ , and so He quickly approached her.

#### Text 43

tāmālokya varārohām srī rūpām harirīsvaraḥ sā priyeva tamālokya praviṣṭā tasya vigrahe

Suddenly, much to everyone's astonishment, beautiful Māyā-devī, who is an expansion of Lakṣmī, merged into the body of Lord Kalki, like a beloved consort.

## Text 44

tāmanālokya te bauddhā mātaram katidhā varāḥ ruruduḥ samghaso dīnāḥ hīnasva balapaurusāh

vismayāviṣṭa manasaḥ kva gateyam athābruvana

Because of Māyā-devī's sudden disappearance, the hearts of the Buddhist leaders became filled with anxiety. They lost all their strength and began to cry like lost children. They cried out: Alas! Where did our mother go?

#### Text 45

kalikaḥ samālokanena samutthāpya nijān janān nisāta masimādāya mlecchān hantum mano dadhe



Meanwhile, simply by Lord Kalki's compassionate glance, all of His warriors regained their composure so that they easily slaughtered the *mlecchas* with their sharp swords.

## Texts 46-47

sannaddham turagārūḍha drḍhahasta dhṛtatsarum dhanurniṣangam anisam vāṇajāla prakāsitam

dhṛtahasta tanutrāṇa godhāṁguli virājitam

Lord Kalki mounted His horse after putting on armor. He equipped Himself with a sharp sword, bow, and a quiver full of arrows. In this scene, Lord Kalki appeared very beautiful.

## Text 48

megho paryupta tārābham damsana svarņavindukam kirīta koṭi vinyasta maṇirāji virājitam

Golden dots on the Lord's dark forehead appeared like twinkling stars in the cloudy sky. His diamond crown enhanced His beauty even further.

## Text 49

kāmini nayanānanda sandoha rasamandiram vipakṣa pakṣa vikṣepa kṣipta rūkṣa kaṭākṣakam

Desiring to annihilate the enemy warriors, Lord Kalki, whose glance increases the pleasure of all young girls, and who is the abode of transcendental mellows, glared at them in a very angry mood.

#### Text 50

nijabhaktajanollāsa samvāsa caranāmbujam

# nırıksya kalkım te bauddhas tatra surdharma nındakah

The hearts of the devotees became joyful while gazing at the Lord's lotus-like face in this angry feature. However, the Buddhists, who always blaspheme religious principles, became extremely frightened while looking at Lord Kalki, who is the reservoir of all pleasure, and especially the giver of pleasure to the eyes of women.

#### Text 51

jahrsuh surasanghā khe yagahuti hutāsanah

The hearts of the demigods became jubilant when they understood that they would once again receive their shares of sacrificial offerings.

#### Text 52

subala milana harsah satrumasaika harsah samara vara vilasah sadhu satkara kasah

svajana durīta hartta jīvajātasya bhartta racayatu kusalam vah kama puravatārah

Lord Kalkı, who incarnates for the pleasure of His devotees, removes the distress of the pious, is the maintainer of all living entities, and appears in this world to fulfill the desires of all saintly persons, was determined to eliminate His enemies by utilizing the prowess of His vast army.

Thus ends the translation of the fourteenth chapter of Śrī Kalkı Purāna

## CHAPTER FIFTEEN

# Lord Kalki Is Attacked By The Mleccha Women Instructions by the Weapons Personified

#### Text 1

sūta uvaca tatah kalkır mlecchaganan karavālena kalıtān vanaıh samtadıtānanyan anayad yamasādanam

Sūta Gosvāmī said: Some of the *mlecchas* were killed when they were pierced by Lord Kalki's arrows, and some of them went to the abode of Yamarāja after being cut to pieces by His sword.

### Text 2

vısākhayūpo'pı tathā kavıprājña sumantrakah gārgya bhargya vısālādyā mlecchan jaghnur asesatah

Innumerable other *mleccha* warriors were killed by the Lord's associates, such as Viśākhāyūpa, Kavi, Prājña, Sumantu, Gārgya, Bhargya and Viśāla.

#### Text 3

kapota romā kakāksah kaka krsna dayo'pare bauddhah sauddhadanā yatā yuyudhuh kalk: saınıkaıh

Many Buddhists, headed by Kapotaromā, Kākāksa, Kākakrsna, and Śuddhodana joined the battle against Lord Kalki's army

#### Text 4

tesam yuddham abhud ghoram bhayadam sarvadehinam

# bhutesananda janakam rudhirā runa kardamam

Everyone who witnessed that great battle became astonished and frightened, although the Lord of the living entities felt blissful. Indeed, the entire battlefield became mired with blood.

## Text 5

gajasva rathasamghānām patatām rudhīra sravaih sravanti kesasaīvālā vājīgrāhā sugahīka

So much blood poured from the bodies of the slain elephants, horses, and chariot drivers that a river of blood was created. In that river, the grass appeared like foam and the crocodiles in the form of horses created a terrifying sight.

## Texts 6-7

dhanustarangā duspārā gajarodh pravāhını sırah kurmā rathatarıh pānımına srgāsagā

pravrttā tatra bahudha harsayantı manasvınām dundubheya ravā pheru sakunananda dāyını

The arrows floating on the river of blood appeared like waves, the elephants seemed to form the two banks of that great river, the severed heads appeared like tortoises, the broken chariots looked like boats, the severed hands appeared to be fish, and the beating of the drums seemed to be the sound of the rushing currents. The sounds of the delighted crows and vultures could be heard on the banks of that river of blood. This scene, although apparently ghastly, made the devotees jubilant.

#### Text 8

gajarrgajā naraīrasvāh kharaīrusta rathai rathah

# nıpeturvana bhınnāngas chınna bahvamghrı kandharāh

Countless warriors who fought from atop their horses, elephants, camels, and chariots fell down into that river with their hands, legs, and heads either pierced by arrows or severed from their bodies by the powerful enemy warriors.

#### Text 9

bhasmanā gunthīta mukhā raktavastra nīvarītāh vikirnakesāh parīto yānti samnyāsīno yathā

Some of the warriors had their garments stained with blood, some had their faces covered with ashes, and some had disheveled hair. Out of shame, the survivors fled the battlefield like mendicants running from material entanglement.

#### Text 10

vyagrāh ke'pi palayante yācantyanye jalam punah kalkisena sugaksunnā mleccha no sarma lebhire

Some of the warriors retreated and some felt thirsty and so begged for water. In this way, the *mleccha* soldiers scattered after being attacked by Lord Kalki's army.

## Texts 11-12

tesām striyo ratharudhā gajārūdha vihangamaih samarudhā hayarudha kharostr vrsavahanah

yoddhu samayayus tyaktvā patyā patya sukhasrayān rupavatyo yuvatyo'ti valavatyah pativratāh The wives of the *mleccha* warriors then arrived on chariots, elephants, horses, camels, birds, asses, and bulls, to help their husbands fight. These women were young and beautiful, and strong, and they were not concerned about their children at home

#### Text 13

nanābharana bhūsadhyah sannaddha visadaprabhāh khadga sakti dhanur vāna valayākta karambujah

These women were decorated with golden ornaments and they wore clothing that was suited for fighting. They came to the battlefield with swords, tridents, and bows and arrows in their hands. They had steel bangles on their wrists.

### Text 14

svairinyo'pyati kaminyo pumscalyasa pativrata yuyuryoddhum kalkisainyaih patinam nidhanaturāh

Some of these women were promiscuous, some were chaste, and some were simply prostitutes. Being overwhelmed by the death of their husbands or fathers, they marched onto the battlefield determined to fight with Lord Kalki's army.

#### Text 15

mrdbhasma kasthacıtranām prabhutamnāya sasanāt sāksat patinam nidhanam kim yuvatyo'pı sehire

It is said that people try to protect even insignificant possessions, such as things made of clay or wood, and so how is it possible that they would quietly tolerate the death of their beloved husbands?

#### Text 16

tah striyah svapatin vana bhinnat vyakuli yendriyan

# krtva pascād yuyudhīre kalkisainyair dhrtā yudhāh

The *mleccha* women kept their husbands, who were bewildered by the incessant attack of arrows, behind them and advanced to fight with weapons in their hands.

## Text 17

tāh strīrudvīksya te sarve vīsmaya smīta mānasāh kalkīm āgatya te yodhāh kathayāmāsur ādarāt

When the soldiers of Lord Kalki saw these women engaged in fighting, they became astonished and quickly approached the Lord to tell him of what was taking place.

## Text 18

strınāmeva yuyutsūnām kathāh srutvā mahāmatih kalkih samuditah prāyāt svasainyaih sānugo rathaih

When the greatly heroic Lord Kalki heard about how His army was being attacked by a band of furious women, He was surprised. He mounted His chariot and went to the battlefield, accompanied by His brothers and their associates.

#### Text 19

tāh samālokya padmesah sarva sastrāsra dhārınıh nāna vāhana samrūdhāh krtavyūhā uvāca sah

Lord Kalkı, the husband of Padmāvatī, came before the *mleccha* women, who were well-equipped with all kinds of weapons and arranged in a military phalanx while seated upon their carriers, and spoke as follows.

### Text 20

kalkiruvāca
re striyaḥ sṛṇutāsmakaṁ
vacanaṁ pathyam uttamam
striyā yuddhena kiṁ puṁsāṁ
vyavahāro'tra vidyate

Lord Kalki said: My dear beautiful ladies, please listen to My words, which are meant for your benefit. It is not proper etiquette for a woman to fight with a man.

### Text 21

mukheşu candra vimveşu rājitālaka paṅktişu praharişyanti ke tatra nayanānanda dāyisu

Your moon-like faces are decorated with ornamental dots. By seeing your beautiful faces, everyone becomes happy. How can anyone discharge a weapon at such faces, or smash them with his fist?

#### Text 22

vibhrānta tāra bhramaram navakoka nadaprabham dirghāpange kṣaṇam yatra tatra kah praharisyati

On your moon-like faces, there are lotus-like eyes around which beelike stars are slowly moving. How could a man hit such a charming face?

#### Text 23

vakṣojaa sambhū sattāra hāravyāla vibhūsitau kandarpa darpa dalanau tatra kah praharisyati

Your *śiva-liṅga* shaped breasts are beautifully adorned with snake-like necklaces. Their beauty certainly defeats the pride of Cupid. Who would like to smash these lovely breasts?

### Text 24

lola lilā lakavrāta cakorākānta candrakam mukhacandram cihnahınam kastam hantum ihārhati

Your moon-like faces have been attacked by *cakora* birds in the form of your disheveled hair. Who would be capable of injuring such a spotless moon-like faces?

## Text 25

stanabhāra bharākānta nitānta kṣiṇa madhyamam tanuloma latā bandhaṁ kah pumān praharisyati

Who could be shameless enough to hit your thin and charming waists, which are bent due to the burden of your heavy breasts, and which are decorated with fine lines of hair?

# Text 26

nitrānandena netreņa samāvṛtam aninditam jaghanam sughanam ramyam vāṇaiḥ kaḥ prahariṣyati

Who would be able to shoot arrows into your attractive thighs, which are very pleasing to the eyes of all men, which are very attractive, and which are broad and without flaw?

## Text 27

iti kalkervacah srutvā prahasya prāhurādrtāh asmākam tvam patīn hamsi tena naṣṭā vayam vibho

hantum gatānomastrāņi karānyevā gatānyuta After being flattered by Lord Kalki in this way, the *mleccha* women said: My dear sir, because our husbands have been killed by You, we have also been killed by You.

After saying this, the women prepared to attack Lord Kalki, but they soon found that all of their weapons remained unmovable in their hands.

#### Text 28

khadga sakti dhanurvāṇa sūla tomara yaṣṭayaḥ tāḥ prāhuḥ purato mūrttāḥ kārttasvara vibhūsanāh

The next moment, all of the swords, tridents, bows, arrows, clubs, rods, and spears appeared before the women in their personified forms and spoke as follows.

### Text 29

sastrāṇyūcuḥ yamāsādya vayaṁ nāryo hiṁsayāmaḥ svatejasā tamātmānaṁ sarvamayaṁ jānīta kṛtaniscayāh

The personified weapons said: My dear ladies, you should understand that this person is Lord Kalki, the incarnation of the Supreme Personality of Godhead. It is from Him alone, the Supreme Soul, that we receive our power to kill living entities. He is one without a second and the supreme controller of all existence. Have full faith in our words.

#### Text 30

tamīsam ātmanā nāryas carāmo yadanujñayā yatkṛtā nāma rūpādi bhedena viditā vayam

We move about only by His order, and it is by His mercy that we have received our names and forms. We play a part in world events only because of Him.

#### Text 31

rūpagandha rasasparsa sabdādyā bhūtapañcakāḥ caranti yadadhiṣṭhānāt so'yaṁ kalkiḥ parātmakaḥ

Being empowered by the Lord, the five gross material elements, which are the basis of the five objects of the senses, perform their duties. He is the Supersoul, residing within the hearts of all living entities and within every atom as well.

#### Text 32

kalasvabhāva samskāra nāmādyā prakṛtiḥ parā yasyecchayā sṛjatyaṇḍam mahā haṅkāra kādikān

According to His supreme will, the *mahat-tattva*, or aggregate material ingredients, acts as the original cause of the cosmic manifestation, including the time factor.

#### Text 33

yanmāyayā jagadyātrā sargasthityanta samjñitā ya evādyaḥ sa evānte tasyāyaḥ so'yam īsvaram

It is the Lord's illusory energy,  $m\bar{a}y\bar{a}$ , which manifests this material world and bewilders all the conditioned souls. The Supreme Lord is the ultimate cause of the creation and annihilation of everything. Anything considered auspicious exists in this world only because of Him.

#### Text 34

asau patirme bhāryāham asya putrāpta vāndhavāḥ svapnopa māstu tanniṣṭhā vividhāscaindra jālavat

The bodily conception of life, which causes people to think, "He is my husband, she is my wife, he is my son, he is my friend, or he is my relative,"

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is illusory and not at all factual, like a dream. This bodily conception of life is also made possible by Him alone

#### Text 35

sneha moha nibaddhanam yatāyāta drsam matam na kalki sevinam raga dvesa vidvesa parmām

Those who are beyond the influence of material attachment and affection consider birth and death to be like temporary interruptions of an eternal journey. The devotees of Lord Kalki are above the duality of attachment and hatred and so they know very well that whatever is experienced in this world is not ultimate reality.

## Text 36

kutah kālah kuto mrtyuh ka yamah kvasti devata sa eva kalkir bhagavan mayayā bahulikrtah

How did the time factor come into existence? Under whose direction is death taking its toll? Who are the demigods? It is Lord Kalki alone who has assumed different forms with the help of His various energies.

#### Text 37

na sastrāni vayam na naryah sampraharyā na ca kvacit sastra prahartr bhedo'yam avivekah paratmanah

My dear ladies, we are not simply weapons, nor do we have the power to kill anyone independently. "I am a weapon, I am a killer." Such conceptions are created by the illusory energy of the Supreme Lord,  $m\bar{a}y\bar{a}$ .

## Text 38

kalkı dasasyapı vayam hantum nārhah kathodbhutam hanısyamo daityapateh prahladasya yathā harım When Lord Harı accepted the form of Lord Nrsımhadeva, by the request of Prahlāda, who was born in the family of Daityas, we were unable to strike Him. Now also we will not be able to injure Lord Kalkı.

#### Text 39

ityastranam vacah srutva striyo vismitamanasāh sneha moha vinirmuktās tam kalkim saranam yuyuh

After hearing these statements of the personified weapons, the ladies became rhoughtful. Indeed, they had a change of heart, giving up all attachment and affection for their husbands, by taking shelter of Lord Kalki.

#### Text 40

tāh samālokya padmesah pranatā jñānanisthaya provaca prahasan bhakti yogam kalmasa nāsanam

Padmāvati's husband, Lord Kalki, became pleased by the sincere surrender of the wives of the Buddhist soldiers. Thereafter, the Lord spoke to them about devotional service, which relieves one of all sinful reactions.

### Text 41

larmayogañca ātmanıstham jñanayogam bhidāsrayam naiskarmya laksanam tāsām kathayāmasa madhavah

Lord Kalkı described to them the science of the self, and how to execute *karma-yoga*. He also explained how one could actually become the master of his own destiny.

#### Text 42

tāh strīyah kalkīgadīta jñanena vijitendrīyah bhaktyā paramapustad yoginām durlabham padam These women learned how to control their senses by putting into practice the transcendental knowledge received from Lord Kalki and thus attain the supreme destination that is achieved by perfect yogīs in devotion.

## Text 43

dattva moham mleccha bauddha striyanām krtva yuddham bhairavam bhimakarmā hatvā bauddhān mleccha saghāmsca kalkis tesam jyotih sthānamāpūrya reje

In this way, Lord Kalki, the performer of very wonderful pastimes, defeated the Buddhists and *mlecchas* after a fierce battle. By His causeless mercy, the slain *mlecchas* and Buddhists returned to the effulgent abode of the Supreme Lord, and their wives also attained liberation.

## Texts 44-45

ye srnvantı bauddha nıdhanam mlecchaksayam sādarat lokāh sokaharam sada subha karam bhakıpradam madhave

tesāmeva punarna janma maranam sarvārtha samparakaram māya moha vinasanam pratidinam samsāra tapacchidam

One who faithfully hears or recites this narration of how Lord Kalki defeated the Buddhists and *mlecchas* will be freed from all kinds of lamentation. He will achieve a life of auspiciousness and manifest devotional service unto Lord Hari. He will no longer have to suffer the pangs of repeated birth and death. Simply by hearing this narration, one is awarded wealth, freedom from delusion, and relief from the miseries of material existence.

Thus ends the translation of the fifteenth chapter of Śrī Kalkı Purāna

## CHAPTER SIXTEEN

# The Killing of the Rāksasī, Kuthodarī

## Text 1

sūta uvaca tato bauddhan mlecchaganan vijitya saha sainikaih dhanānyā daya ratnāni kikatāt punara brajat

Sūta Gosvāmī said. After killing the Buddhists and *mlecchas* of Kikatapura, Lord Kalki took their wealth and returned to His capital, along with His vast army

## Text 2

kalkih parama tejasvi dharmanam pariraksakah cakrarirtham samagatya snānam vidhivad acarat

Lord Kalkı, the unlimitedly powerful protector of religious principles, next went to Cakratīrtha and took a ritualistic bath, according to prescribed procedure.

#### Text 3

bhratrbhir lokapālābhair bahubhih svajanair vrtah samayātān munimstatra dadrse dinamānasan

One day, as the Lord was sitting in His assembly, surrounded by the *lokapālas*, His relatives, and other associates, He saw that some miserable-looking sages were approaching

Texts 4-6 samudbhiya gatamstatra paripahi jagatpate ityukta vanto bahudhā ye tānāha hariḥ paraḥ

bālakhilyādikānalpa kāyān cīra jaṭādharān vinayā vanataḥ kalkis tānāha kṛpāṇan bhayāt

kasmād yūyam samāyātāḥ kena vā bhīṣitā vata tamaham nihan iṣyāmi yadivā syāt purandarah

These sages had come out of fear and they pleaded: O master of the universe, please protect us.

These sages were the Bālakhilyas. They were very short in stature, they were crowned with matted hair, and they wore torn cloth. Lord Hari inquired: Where are you coming from? Who are you afraid of? I will kill him, even if he is the lord of the demigods.

## Text 7

ityāsrutya kalkivākyam tenollāsita mānasāḥ jagaduh puṇḍarīkṣam nikumbha duhituḥ kathāḥ

When the sages heard the Lord give them this assurance, their happiness knew no bounds. Thereafter, the sages narrated the story of Nikumbha's daughter.

#### Text 8

munaya ūcuḥ sṛṇu viṣṇuyasaḥputra kumbhakarṇāt majātmajā kuthodarīti vikhyātā gaganārddha samutthitā

The sages said: My dear Lord, please hear our prayer. Kumbhakarṇa's son, Nikumbha, has a daughter named Kuthodarī. She is so tall that she reaches half way to the sky.

kālakañjasya mahiṣī vikañja jananī ca sā hımālaye siraḥ kṛtvā pādau ca nisadhācale

sete stanam pāyayanti vikanja prasthita stanı

Her husband's name is Kālakañja. This demoniac couple has a son named Vikañja. Just now, Kuthodarī is lying down, breast-feeding her son, Vikañja. Her head rests on the Himālaya mountains and her legs reach to the Niṣadha mountain.

## Text 10

tasyā nisvāsa vātena vivasā vayamāgatāḥ daivenaiva samānītāḥ samprāptās tatpadāspadam

munayo rakṣaṇīyāste raksaḥsu ca vipatsu ca

We have been pushed here by the force of her strong breath and so we consider it to be the arrangement of providence that we have met You. Now, kindly save us from the wrath of this Rāksasī.

## Text 11

iti teṣām vacaḥ srutvā kalkiḥ para purañjayah senāgaṇaiḥ parivṛto jagāma himavadvirim

After hearing this from the sages, Lord Kalki immediately left for the Himālayas, accompanied by His army.

## Texts 12-13

upatyakām samāsādya nisāmikām nināya saḥ prātar jigamışuḥ sainyair dadrse ksıra nımnagām



samkhendu dhavalakarām phenilām vrhatim drutam calantim viksya te sarve stambhita vismayanvitāh

The Lord passed the first night in a valley, and as He was about to proceed the next morning, He spotted a river of milk. The river was broad and white, like a conch shell, or moon rays, and it flowed very swiftly, so that everyone became astonished to see it.

## Texts 14-16

senagana gajasvadı rathayaudhaih samāvrtah kalkistu bhagavamstatra ¡ñātartho'pi munisvaran

papraccha ka nadı ceyam kathām dugdha vahābhavat te kalkestu vacah srutva munayah prahur adarat

srnu kalke payasvatyāh prabhavam himavadvirau samayatā kuthodaryah stana prasra vanādiha

Even though Lord Kalkı knew very well about that river, He nevertheless questioned the sages, who were accompanying Him: What is the name of this river? Why is it filled with milk, and not water? The sages replied. My dear Lord, we will disclose to You the truth of this river. This river has been created from the milk that flows from one of Kuthodarī's breasts.

## Text 17

ghatika saptakaih canyā payo yasyati vegitam hinasara tatakāra bhavisyati mahāmate

After seven hours, another similar river will be created. After some time, this river of milk will freeze to become a sheet of white ice.

iti srutvā muninantu vacanam sainikaih saha ah• kimasyā rāksasyah stanādekā tviyam nadi

Upon hearing this from the sages, Lord Kalki and His soldiers exclaimed: Alas! How wonderful this is! A river has been created from the breast milk of a Rāksasī!

## Text 19

ekam stanam payayatı
vikañjam putram adarāt
na jane'syāh sarırasya
pramanam katı va bhavet

This Rāksasī affectionately feeds the milk from one of her breasts to her son, Vikañja. The size of that Rāksasī's body is beyond anyone's imagination.

## Text 20

balam vasya nisācarya ityūcur vismayanvitāh kalkih parātmā sannahya senabhih sahasā yayau

Alas! Who can estimate the strength of that Rāksasī? As they were discussing the Rāksasī in this way, Lord Kalki and His soldiers approached her, who hunts her prey at night.

#### Text 21

muni darsita mārgena yatrāste sa nisācari puptram stana payayanti giri murdhni ghanopama

With the assistance of the great sages, Lord Kalki ascended the mountains until He finally spotted the Rāksasī with a very dark complexion sitting on the peak of a mountain, breast-feeding her son.

svāsa vatati vātena dura ksipta vanadvipah yasyāh karnavile sukham prasuptah simhasamkulāh

She breathed so heavily that even wild elephants were thrown far away into the forest. Lord Kalki and his soldiers were astonished to see lions sleeping peacefully inside the cavities of her ears.

#### Text 23

putra pautra parivrta giri gahvara vibhramāh kesamūlam upalambaya harinā serate ciram

Deer were sleeping in the pores of her body, along with their calves, having mistaken them to be mountain caves. They were freed from all fear of hunters and so the deer clung to the Rāksasī's body like lice in a person's hair.

## Texts 24-25

yuka wa na ca vyagrā lubdhājātankaya bhrsam tāmālokya girermurdhni girwat paramādbhutam

kalkıh kamala patrāksah sarvāmstanaha saınıkan bhayodvingnan buddhihinan tyaktodyama paricchadān

Upon seeing the Rāksasi, who resembled a dark mountain, lying on a mountain peak, the lotus-petal eyed Lord Kalki gave assurances to His soldiers, who had become very frightened and had thus lost the will to fight and were preparing to throw down their weapons.

## Text 26

kalkıruvāca gırırdurge vanhıdurgam krtva tısthantu mamakah gajasva rathayodhā ye samāyāntu maya saha

Lord Kalkı said: The infantry soldiers should construct a fort on this mountain and while remaining within, they should keep it surrounded by fire at all times. The rest of you warriors should mount your horses, elephants, and chariots and accompany Me as I accomplish My mission

## Text 27

aham svalpena samyena yamyasyāh sanmukham sanaih praharttum bana sandohaih khadgasakti parasvadhaih

My strategy is that I will take only few soldiers and challenge the Rāksasī while showering our arrows, swords, and axes.

## Text 28

ityuktvä sthäya pascattan vänaistäm samahanad vali sa kruddhotthäya sahasa nanarda paramädbhutam

After saying this, Lord Kalki left His vast army and approached the Rāksasī while showering torrents of arrows upon her. At this, the Rāksasī began to scream with rage.

## Text 29

tena nādena mahata vitrastās cābhavan janah nipetuh sainikah sarve murcchiya dharanitale

Her screams were so loud that everyone's senses were stunned. What to speak of the ordinary soldiers, even the generals fell unconscious onto the ground.

## Text 30

sā rathamsca gajamscapi vivrtāsya bhayānaka jaghan prasvāsa vataih samāniya kuthodari

Kuthodarī, the ferocious Rāksasī, then opened her mouth wide and swallowed all the chariots, elephants, and horses after pulling them toward her by her powerful inhalation.

#### Text 31

senāganas tadudaram pravistah kalkinā saha yatharksa mukhavatena pravisanti pipilikah

When a bear breathes heavily, many insects and ants are drawn into his mouth. In the same way, Lord Kalki and His soldiers were forced to helplessly enter the Rāksasī's mouth.

## Text 32

tad drstvā devagandharva hahakāram pracakıre tatrastha munayah sepur jepuscanye maharsayah

This stunned all the demigods and Gandharvas who were watching from the heavens, and made them bitterly lament. Some great sages cursed the Rāksasī while others recited prayers and *mantras* for the welfare of Lord Kalki.

## Text 33

nıpeturnye duhkhārtta brahmana brahmavadınah ruruduh sıstayodha ye jahrsus tannısācarah

Many qualified *brāhmanas* simply watched quietly, unable to even attempt to counteract their great distress. The devotees of Lord Kalki cried out in frustration, whereas the demons shouted with glee.

#### Text 34

jagatam kadanam drstva sasmaratmanam ātmana

## kalkıh kamala patrāksah surārātı nısūdanah

When Lord Kalki, the slayer of the demons who are inclined to harass the devotees, witnessed the distress of the spectators, He could not tolerate it and so He made up His mind to put an end to the Rāksasī without delay.

## Text 35

vānāgnim cela carmābhyam rathanair yāna dārubhih prajvālyodara madhyena karabalam samādade

Within the dark stomach of the Rāksasī, Lord Kalki created fire with one of His arrows and then made it blaze up by adding cloth, leather, and wood. When the fire blazed brightly, the Lord raised His powerful sword.

## Texts 36-37

tena khadgena mahata dāksyam nirbhidya bandhubhih balibhir bhrātrbhir vāhair vrtah sastrāsra pānibhih

vahırbabhūva sarvesah kalkıh kalkavınāsanah sahasrakso yathā vrtra kuksım dambholı nemınā

Just as Indra had previously pierced the abdomen of Vrtrāsura with his thunderbolt so that he could come out of the demon's body, Lord Kalki, the master of the universe and destroyer of all sinful reactions, emerged from the Rāksasī's abdomen, along with His friends, brothers, and soldiers, who were all well-equipped with weapons, after tearing open the right side of her ribcage.

## Text 38

yonırandhrad gajarathastu uragās cābhavan bahıh nāsıkā karna vıvarāt ke'pı tasyāh vınırgatah Some elephants, horses, chariots, and infantry soldiers emerged from the abdomen of the night-stalking Rāksasī, while others emerged through the holes of her body.

## Text 39

te durgatās tatastasyah sainikā rudhiroksitāh tām vivyadhur niksipantim tarasa caranau karau

After the blood-soaked soldiers came out from the Rāksasī's body, they saw her writhing in pain, flailing her arms and legs wildly, and so they picked up their bows and began showering their arrows upon her.

#### Text 40

mamara sā bhinna deha bhinnakuksi sirodhara nādayanti diso dyoh kham cūrnayanti ca parvatān

Thus, the Rāksasī's entire body was pierced by sharp arrows, and this created a vast pool of blood. She screamed and her convulsions shook the mountain. In this way, her life came to an end.

## Text 41

vikañjo'pi tathā viksya mātaram kātaro'bhavat sa vikañjah kudhā dhavan senāmadhye nirāyudhah

When the Rāksasī's son, Vikuñja, witnessed the death of his mother, he became enraged and jumped in the midst of the ocean that was Lord Kalki's army, without even bothering to pick up a weapon.

#### Text 42

gajamala kulam vakso vajirāji vibhusanah mahāsarpa krtosnisah kesari mudritangulih Slain elephants appeared like a garland on his chest, horses were his ornaments, snakes became his crown, and lions were the rings on his fingers.

## Texts 43-44

mamarda kalkısenām tām matur vyasana karsıtah sa kalkıstam brahmam astram rāmadattam jighāmsaya

dhanusa pañcavarsiyam rāksasam sastramādade tenāstrena sirastasaya chitva bhumāva patayat

Being overwhelmed by grief because of his mother's death, Vikañja began to torment Lord Kalki's soldiers. To eliminate this five-year-old Rāksasa, Lord Kalki invoked the *brahmāstra* that was given to Him by His teacher, Paraśurāma, That supreme weapon proceeded to sever Vikañja's head from his body.

## Text 45

rudhıraktam dhātu cıtram gırı srngam ıvādbhutam saputrām raksasım hatva munınam vacanad vibhuh

In response to the pleas of the great sages, Lord Kalkı thus destroyed the formidable Rāksasī and her son on the peak of a mountain in the Himālayas.

## Text 46

gangātire haridvare nivāsam samakalpayat devānam kusumasārair munistrotraih sapuņtah

After witnessing the death of the terrible Rāksasī, the demigods showered flowers upon Lord Kalki, and the sages offered Him nice prayers. Thereafter, Lord Kalki departed. That evening, He made His camp at Hardwar, on the banks of the River Ganges.

nınaya tam nısām tatra kalkıh parıjanavrtah pratar dadarsa gangāyas tıre muniganān bahun

tasyah snanabyāja visnor ātmano darsanā kulān

Lord Kalkı, the incarnation of Lord Harı, passed the night at Hardwar, along with His associates and soldiers. Early the next morning, the great sages approached Lord Kalkı on the pretext of bathing in the Ganges, being very eager for His darśana.

## Text 48

haridvāre gangatata nikata pindāraka vane vasantam srī mantam nijagana vrtam tam muniganah stavaih stutvā

stutva vidhivad uditair janhu tanayam prapasyantam kalkim muni janagana drustuma gaman

As Lord Kalkı and Hıs associates were enjoying the beautiful sight of the sacred river Ganges at Hardwar, the great sages approached Hım and offered their obeisances. After doing so, the sages endeavored to please the Lord by offering Him selected prayers with great devotion.

Thus ends the translation of the sixteenth chapter of Śrī Kalki Purāna

## CHAPTER SEVENTEEN

# The Descendents of the Sūrya Dynasty and Lord Rāmacandra's Pastimes

#### Text 1

sūta uvāca sukhagatan munin drstvā kalkih parama dharmavit pūjayitva ca vidhivat sukhāsinà nuvaca tān

Sūta Gosvāmī said: After the great sages were comfortably seated, Lord Kalkı, the protector of religious principles, worshiped them and then spoke as follows.

## Text 2

kalikaruvāca ke yuyam suryya samkāsā mama bhagya dupasthitāh tirthātanotsuka loka trayānām upakārakah

Lord Kalkı said: You are as brilliant as the sun, inclined to reside in holy places of pilgrimage, and engaged in work for the welfare of the world. Who are you? You must have come here as a result of My good fortune.

#### Text 3

vayam loke punyavanto bhagyavanto yasasvinah yatah krpā katāksena yusmābhir avalokitāh

We are certainly most fortunate because today your soothing glances are cast upon Me.

Texts 4-7

tataste vamadevo'trır vasıstho galavo bhrguh parasaro narado'svatthāma ramah krpastrıtah

durvasa devalah kanvo vedapramitir angirah ete canye ca bahavo munayah samsitavratāh

krtvagre marudevāpi candrasuryya kulodbhavau rājānau tau mahāviryyau tapasyā bhiratau ciram

ūcuh prahrsta manasah kalkim kalkavinasanam mahodadhes tiragatam visnum suragana yatha

In response, the great sages, Vāmadeva, Atrı, Vasistha, Gālava, Parāśara, Nārada, Asvatthāmā, Parasurāma, Krpācārya, Trıta, Durvāsa, Devala, Kanva, Vedapramıtı, and Angırā, as well as many others, along with King Maru and King Devapī of the Candra and Sūrya dynasties, all of whom were enriched by their severe penance, replied all together. The sages spoke to Lord Kalkı just the demigods had previously spoken to Lord Harı on the shore of the Milk Ocean.

#### Text 8

munaya uvācah jayāsesa jagannātha viditākhila manasa srsthi sthiti layadhyaksa paramatman prasida nah

The sages said All glories to You, Lord of the universe! You reside within the hearts of all living entities. O Supreme Soul, You are the creator, maintainer, and destroyer of the universe. Please be merciful to us

kalakarma gunāvāsa prasarīta nijakrīya brahmadinuta pādabja padmanātha prasīdanah

O husband of Padmāvatī, You are the eternal time factor and all activities within the universe are thus impelled by You alone. Even demigods like Brahmā glorify Your lotus feet. Please be satisfied to us.

#### Text 10

iti tesām vacah srutva kalkih prāha jagatpatih kavetau bhavatāmagre sahāsattvau tapasvinau

After hearing these prayers, the Lord of the universe, Kalki, said. O sages, who are these two kings? They appear to be very powerful, as if they are enriched by the performance of severe penance.

#### Text 11

kathamatrā gatau stutvā gangam mudīta manasau ka va stutustu jānhavyā yuvayor namani ca ke

Why have they come here after offering prayers to the Ganges? Lord Kalki then turned to the two kings and said: Why are you engaged in glorifying the River Ganges? Who are you? What are your names?

## Text 12

tayormaruh pramuditah krtañjali puptah krti ādavuvāca vinayi nijavamsānu kirttanam

After hearing the words of Lord Kalki, King Maru, who was the more qualified of the two, folded his hands and very humbly narrated the history of his dynasty.

maruruvāca sarvam vetsi parātmāpi antaryāmin hrdi sthitaḥ tavājñayā sarvametat kathayāmi srnu prabho

King Maru said: You are the Supersoul, residing in everyone's heart. You know the intentions of all living entities. O Lord, in accordance with Your order, I will describe everything You have inquired about.

## Texts 14-18

tava nābher abhūd brahmā marīcis tatsuto'bhavat tato manus tatsuto' bhūd iksvākuh satyavikramah

yuvanāsva iti khyāto māndhātā tatsuto' bhavat purukusat statsuto' bhūd anaraṇyo mahāmati

trasadasyuḥ pitā tasmāt haryyasvastrya ruṇastataḥ trisaṁkus tatsuto dhimān hariscandraḥ pratāpavān

haritastat sutastasmāt bharukas tatsuto vṛkaḥ tatsutaḥ sagaras tasmād samañjās tatoṁ'sumān

tato dilīpas tatputro bhagīratha iti smṛtaḥ yenānītā jānhavīyaṁ khyātā bhāgīrathı bhuvi

stutā nutā pūjiteyam tava pāda samudbhavā O Lord, Brahmā was born from Your navel, from Brahmā, Maricī was born, from Maricī, Manu was born, from Manu, Satyavikrama was born, and from him, Ikṣavāku. From Ikṣavāku, Yuvanāśva was born, from him, Māndhātā was born, from Māndhātā, Purukuṣat was born, from Purukuṣat, Anaraṇya was born, and from him, Trasadasyu was born. From Trasadasyu, Haryayaśva was born, from Haryayaśva, Tryaruṇa was born, from him, Tṛśaṅku was born. From Tṛśaṅku, Hariścandra was born, from Hariścandra, Harita was born, from Harita, Bharuka was born, and from him, Vṛka was born. From Vṛka, Asamañyā was born, from Asamañyā, Aṅśumāna was born, from Aṅśumāna, Dilīpa was born, and from him, Bhagiratha was born. Because Bhagiratha brought the Ganges to this world, she is also known as Bhāgirathī. Because the Ganges originated from Your lotus feet, everyone glorifies, offers obeisances to, and worships her.

#### Texts 19-22

bhagırathāt sutastasmān nābhastasmāda bhūda balī sindhudvīpa sutastasmāt ayutāyus tato'bhavat

ṛtuparṇas tatsuto'bhūt sudāsas tatsuto'bhavat saudāsas tatsuto dhīmān asmakas tatsuto matah

mūlakāt sa dasarathas tasmādeḍa viḍastataḥ rājā visva sahastasmāt khaṭvāṅgo dīrghabāhukaḥ

tato rathurajas tasmāt suto dasarathaḥ kṛtī tasmādrāmo hariḥ sākṣād āvirbhūto jagatpatih

From King Bhagiratha, Nābha was born, from Nābha, Sindhudvīpa was born, from Sindhudvīpa, Ayutāyu was born, and from him, Rtuparṇa was born. From Rtuparṇa, Sudāsa was born, from Sudāsa, Saudāsa was

born, from Saudāsa, Aśmaka was born, and from him, Mūlaka was born. From Mūlaka, King Daśaratha was born, from Daśaratha, Edavida was born, from Edavida, Viśvasaha was born, and from him, Khatvanga was born. From Khatvanga, Dīrghavāhu was born, from Dīrghavāhu, Raghu was born, from Raghu, Aja was born, and from Aja, Daśaratha was born. This Daśaratha was the father Lord Rāmacandra, the incarnation of Lord Hari, the master of the universe.

## Text 23

rāmāvatāram akarnya kalkıh paramarsıtah marum praha vıstarena srı rāmacarıtam vada

Lord Kalkı became very pleased while hearing about the glorious dynasty of Lord Rāmacandra. He then requested King Maru to narrate Lord Rāmacandra's glories.

## Text 24

maruruvaca sitapateh karma vaktum kah samartho'sti bhūtale sesah sahasra vadanair api lalāyito bhavet

King Maru said: My dear Lord, no one can properly describe the pastimes of the Lord of Jānakī. What to speak of others, even Lord Ananta with one thousand mouths is unable to do so.

#### Text 25

tathapı semusı me'stı varnayāmı tavājñaya rāmasaya carıtam punyam pāpatapa pramocanam

Still, by Your order, I will describe to the best of my ability the transcendental characteristics and pastimes of Lord Rāmacandra, the hearing of which nullifies all sinful reactions and destroys all miseries.

## Texts 26-27

ajadi vibudharthi'to jani caturbhir amsaih kule raveraja sutadajo jagati yātu dhanacayah

sısuh kusıkajādhvara ksayakara ksayo yo balada balı lalıtakandharo jayatı jānakıballabhah

muneranu sahānujo nikhilasastra vidyātigo yayavati valaprabho janaka raja rajatsabham

vidhāya janamohana dyutim ativa kāmadrahah pracandakara candimā bhavanabhañjane janmanah

Long ago, at the request of the demigods, headed by Brahmā, Lord Rāmacandra, the husband of Sītā, who brought an end to the dynasty of Rāvana, appeared as the son of Mahārāja Daśaratha of the Sūrya dynasty Lord Rāma distinguished Himself in His youth by killing many demons, headed by Tādakā, in the sacrificial arena of the sage, Viśvāmitra. It is only by the mercy of the supremely powerful Lord Rāmacandra that one does not return to this material world. He is the master of the art of discharging weapons, and His transcendental form is most charming to behold. He appeared in this world along with His brother, Laksmana. The Lord, His brother, and Viśvāmitra went to the assembly of King Janaka.

## Text 28

tamapratim atejasam dasarathatmajam sanujam muneranu yathavidheh sasivad adidevam param niriksya janako

muda ksiti sutapatim sammatam nijocita panaksamam manasi bhartsayannā yayau In that assembly, Rāma and Laksmana sat behind the great sage, Viśvāmitra, just as Candra sits behind Brahmā in his assembly. When King Janaka saw the greatly effulgent Rāmacandra, the original Personality of Godhead, the Supreme Absolute Truth, he was convinced that He was the suitable husband for his daughter. Although the king had arranged for certain conditions to be met by the person who would accept his daughter's hand in marriage, he regretted this and so approached Lord Rāmacandra.

#### Text 29

sa bhupa paripujito janaka jeksitair arccitah karāla kathinam dhanuh kara saroruhe samhitam

vibhajya balavad drdham jaya raghuhety uccakair dhvane trijagati gatam parividhaya rama babhau

After being worshiped by King Janaka, and receiving the sidelong glance of Sītā, Rāma, the son of Daśaratha, effortlessly picked up the bow of Lord Śiva and broke it in half. A tremendous sound filled the four directions. All the assembled kings and sages were astonished to see Rāma's extraordinary prowess.

#### Text 30

tato janaka bhūpatir dasarathātmajebhyo dadau catasra usatirmuda varacaturbhya udvahane svalamkrta nijātmajah

pathi tato balam bhargavas cakāra urari nijam raghuyatau mohogram tyajan

Thereafter, the pious King Janaka greeted Rāma and His three brothers, according to the prescribed procedure, and then handed over his four nicely dressed and decorated daughters to them Thereafter, when Lord Rāmacandra was returning to Ayodhyā after His marriage, He met Paraśurāma, who was filled with great rage.

tatah svapuram āgato dasarathastu sitāpatim nrpam sacīva samyuto nījavicītra simhāsane

vidhatum amala prabham parijanaih kriyākāribhih samudyatam atim tada druta vārayat kaikeyi

Finally, when Rāmacandra returned to His palace at Ayodhyā, King Daśaratha consulted His ministers and decided to install Him as heir apparent to the throne. However, one of Daśaratha's queens, Kaikeyi, having been influenced by a wicked maidservant, approached the king and forbade him to install Rāma as the future king.

## Text 32

tato guru nidesato janakaraja kanyāyutah prayānam akarot sudhir yadanugah sumitrāsutah vanam nijaganam tyajan guhagrhe

vasannādarāt visrīya nrpalāñchanam raghupatir jatāsirabhrt

As a result, Rāmacandra, along with His wife, Sītā, and brother, Laksmana, went to the forest in exile by the order of His father. The morose citizens followed them as far as they were permitted. After walking some distance, Lord Rāmacandra arrived at the kingdom of Guhaka. There, the Lord gave up His royal dress and put on clothing made of tree bark and kept His hair matted.

## Text 33

priyanuja yutastato munimato vane pūjitah sa pamcavatikasrame bharatam āturam sangatam

nıvaryya maranam pıtuh samavadharyya duhkhāturas

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# tapovana gato'vasad raghupatis tatastāh samāh

In the forest, Lord Rāma, along with His wife and brother, lived like a sage. Everyone who chanced to meet Him in the forest worshiped Him with great devotion. Eventually, the Lord built a cottage at Pañcavati and continued to reside there. This was where Bharata came to try and persuade Lord Rāma to return to Ayodhyā. Lord Rāma refused and continued to live in the forest for a period of fourteen years, despite knowing that His father had passed away in His absence.

## Text 34

dasānana sahodarām visama vana vedhaturām samiksya vararūpinim prahasatim satim sundarim

nıjāsrayam abhīpsatım janaka japatır laksmanat karāla karavalatah samakaro dvirupām tatah

One day, as Sītā, Rāma, and Laksmana were sitting peacefully, Surpanakhā, the sister of ten-headed Rāvana, who was dressed very beautifully and thus appeared very charming with her smiling face, came there under the influence of lusty desires. Lord Rāma made a gesture to Laksmana, who then took His sharp sword and disfigured the Rāksasī by cutting off her nose.

## Text 35

samāpya pathi danavam kharasaraih sanaihr nāsayan caturdasa sahasrakam samahanat kharam sānugam dasanana vasānugam kanakacaru camcan mrgam priyāpriyakaro vane samavadhid balad raksasam

Thereafter, Lord Rāmacandra killed Surpanakhā's brothers, Khara and Dusana, who commanded an army of fourteen thousand Rāksasa soldiers, for the pleasure of Rāvana. Finally, in order to please His wife, Sītā, Rāma killed the Rāksasa, Mārīca, who had assumed the form of a golden deer.

tato dasamukhastvarams
tamabhiviksya rāmam rusā
brajantam anulaksmanam
janakajam jaharāsrame tato
raghupatih priyam dala kutira
samsthapitām na viksya tu
vimūrcchito bahu vilapya siteti tam

Finding Sītā alone in her cottage, the king of the Rāksasas, Rāvana, kidnapped her by means of deception. When Lord Rāma returned home and could not find His beloved Sītā, He lamented, crying out, "O Sītā!" and fell unconscious.

#### Text 37

vane nijaganāsrame nagatale jale pallavale vicitya patitam khagam pathi dadarsa saumitrinā jatayu vacanat tato dasamukha

hrtām jānakim vivicca krtavan pitari vanhikrtyam prabhuh

Lord Rāmacandra searched for Sītā everywhere, even in the hermitages of great sages and mountain caves, and throughout the forests. Finally, the Lord found the king of birds, Jatāyu, as he was about to give up his life, and learned from him how Sitā had been kidnapped by Rāvana. The Lord performed the last rites for Jatāyu, who was just like His father.

#### Text 38

priyaviraha kātaro'nuja purahsaro
rāghavo dhanurdhara dhurandhar
haribalam nabālapinam dadarsa
rsabhācalad ravija bali rajanuja priyam
pavana nandanam parinatam hitam presitam

Lord Rāmacandra, the master of releasing arrows, became terribly afflicted by feelings of separation from Sītā. In that condition, He went with Laksmana to Rsabhā Hill, where He met Hanumāna, the son of Pavana, who was a friend of Sugrīva and very expert at fighting.

tatas tadudītam matam pavana putra sugrīvayos trnāvī patibhedana nījanrpāsana sthapītam vivicya vyavasāyakair

nijasakha priyam bālinam nihatya haribhupatim nijasakham sa ramokarot

Thereafter, at the request of Sugrīva and Hanumān, Lord Rāma killed Vali with an arrow known as *sapta-pātāla-bheda* and thus cemented His friendship with Sugrīva. By His mercy, Sugrīva became the king of the monkeys.

#### Text 40

athottaram ımām harır janakajam samanvesanyan jatāyu vihagoditair jalanıdhım taran vāyujah dasanana puram visañjanakajam samanandayann asoka vanikasrame raghupatım punah prāyayau

Then, as indicated by Jatāyu, Hanumān, the son of Pavana, while searching for Sītā, crossed the ocean and went to Lankā, where he found Her in a grove of *aśoka* trees. Hanumān conversed with Sītā, and after gaining Her confidence, he returned to Lord Rāma.

## Text 41

tato hanumatā balad amīta raksasam nāsanam įvalajįvalana samkula įvalīta dagdha lankapuram vivicya raghunayako jalanīdhim rusa

sosayan babandha hariyuthapaih parivrto nagairisvarah babhamja purapattanam vividha sarga durgaksamam nisacara pateh krudhā raghupatih krti sadgatih

By employing his immense prowess, Hanumān killed many Rāksasas and set fire to the city of Lankā. Lord Rāmacandra, after becoming enraged at the ocean, built a bridge across the water by floating stones and in this way reached Lankā, along with His monkey soldiers. Thereafter,

they began to destroy the gardens, fortresses, walls, and gates of that great city.

## Text 42

nato'nuja yuto yudhi
prabala candako dandabhrt
saraih kharataraih krudhā
gajarathāsva hamsākule
karāla karavālatah prabalakāla
jihvāgrato nihataya vararāksasān
narapatir babhau sānugah

Thereafter Lord Rāma and Sumitrā's son, Laksmana, encased Themselves in armor and equipped themselves with all kinds of celestial weapons and began to destroy innumerable Rāksasas, so that They appeared like the tongue of a poisonous serpent.

## Text 43

tato'ti balabānarar giri mahi ruhodyat karaih karāla taratādanaiar janaka jārusā nāsitān nijaghnu ramarārddanān atibalan dasasyānugān nalāngada harisvara'su gasutarksa rājādayah

Nala, Angada, Sugrīva, Hanumān, Jāmvavān, and other very powerful monkey soldiers of Lord Rāma also killed many of the ten-headed Rāvana's followers, using big trees and mountain peaks as weapons. They were mad with rage at Rāvana, the sworn enemy of the demigods, because he had kidnapped Sītā.

## Text 44

tato'tı bala laksmana strıdasa nātha satrum rane jaghana ghana ghosanānuga ganar srkprāsanah prahasta vikatādi kānapi nisacarān

sangatan nikumbha makarāksasan nisīta khadga pataih krudhā The unlimitedly powerful Laksmana killed Rāvana's son, Indrajit, who drank the blood of others and was surrounded by his wicked followers. He also sent Prahasta, Nikumba, Makarāksa, Vikata, and others to the abode of Yamarāja by means of His sharp sword.

## Text 45

tato dasamukho rane gajarathāsva
pattisvarair alamghya ganakotibhih
parivrto yuyodhayudhaih kapisvara
camupateh patimananta divyāyudham
radhudvahama ninditam sapadi sangato durjayah

Thereafter, the invincible and arrogant Rāvana, who was surrounded by millions of warriors seated upon elephants, chariots, and horses, as well as infantry soldiers, approached Lord Rāma, the worshipable leader of the army of monkeys. The incomparably powerful Lord Rāma was equipped with celestial weapons as Rāvana attacked Him.

## Text 46

dasānanam arım tato
vidhivarasmayā varddhitam
mahābala parakramam giri
mivācalam samyuge jaghana
raghunayako nisita sāyakair
uddhatam nisāsara camūpatim
prabala kumbhakarnam tatah

Lord Rāmacandra of the Raghu dynasty released His arrows at Rāvana, the king of the Rāksasas, who was protected by the benedictions of Brahmā, who appeared like a great mountain on the battlefield, and who was the avowed enemy of all godly persons, and his brother, Kumbhakarna.

#### Text 47

tayoh kharataraih sarair gaganam acchāditam babhau ghanaghata samam mukharamattarid vanhibhih

dhanurguna mahāsanı dhvanıravrtam bhūtalam

# bhayankara nırantaram raghupatesca raksahpate

Soon, the entire sky became covered with the arrows released by Lord Rāma and Rāvana, so that it appeared to be full of dark clouds. As the arrows and other weapons clashed, they created terrible sounds and sparks, so that the sky appeared to be lit with flashes of lightning. The sounds of drums were heard on that great battlefield, which took on a very grim appearance.

## Text 48

tato dharani jarusā vividha rama vanaujasa papāta bhuvi rāvanas trīdasanātha vidrāvanah

tato'ti kutuki harirj jvalana raksitam jānakim samarpya raghupungave nijapurim yayau harsitah

Finally, ten-headed Rāvana, who creates fear even in the mind of the king of the demigods, was killed by a powerful arrow of Lord Rāmacandra, compounded by the curse of angry Sītā. Hanumān joyfully reunited Sītā, who was pure like fire, with Lord Rāmacandra, before they all returned home.

## Text 49

purandara kathādarah sapadi tatra raksahpatim vibhisanam abhisanam samakarot tato raghavah

By the request of Indra, the king of the demigods, Lord Rāmacandra entrusted the responsibility for ruling the kingdom of Lankā to Vibhīsana.

Text 50

harisvara ganāvrto'
vanisutayutah sānu je

rathe siva sakherite suvimale lasatpuṣpake

munīsvara gaṇārccito raghupatis tvayodhyām yayau vivicya munilācchanam guhagṛhe'ti sakhyam smaran

Thereafter, Lord Rāmacandra, surrounded by the best of monkeys and accompanied by Lakṣmaṇa and Sītā, returned to Ayodhyā after mounting the celestial Puṣpaka chariot that was given to Him by Kuvera. While passing over the forests in which He had earlier resided during His exile, the Lord remembered how He had lived like a sage, and had become a good friend of Guhaka.

## Text 51

tato nijagaṇāvṛto bharatam āturaṁ sāntvayan svamātṛgaṇā vākyataḥ pitṛnijāsane bhūpatiḥ vasistha munipuṅgavaih krta

nijābhişeko vibhuḥ samasta janapālakaḥ surapatir yathā sambabhau

After His return to Ayodhyā, the Lord was worshiped by the great sages. He pacified His brother, Bharata, who had been greatly pained due to separation from Him. By the order of His mothers, Lord Rāma sat on His father's throne and commenced ruling the kingdom. His coronation ceremony was performed by great sages, headed by Vaśiṣṭha Muni. While seated upon the throne as the King of Ayodhyā, Lord Rāma appeared like the king of the demigods and master of all living entities.

#### Text 52

narābahudhanakarā dvijavarās tapas tatparāḥ svadharma kṛta niscayāḥ svajana saṅgatāḥ nirbhayāḥ

ghanāḥ subahu varṣiṇo vasumati sadā harṣitā bhavatyati bale nṛpe raghupatā vabhūt sajjagat

Simply by the Lords' presence, the kingdom of Ayodhyā flourished in all respects. The *brāhmaṇas* cheerfully engaged in performing their austerities and all the subjects scrupulously observed religious principles. Because the clouds showered sufficient rain at the proper time, the earth appeared green and full of prosperity. Indeed, the people of the entire world became peaceful and pious.

## Text 53

tatoyuta samāh priyair
nijaguṇaih prajā rañjayan
nijām raghupatim priyām
nijamano bhavair mohiyan
munīndra gaṇasamyuto'pyayajad
ādidavān makhair dhanair vipula
dakṣinair atula vājimedhaistribhih

By exhibiting His transcendental qualities, Lord Rāmacandra, the reservoir of pleasure, fulfilled the desires of everyone, and especially pleased the heart of Sītā. In this way, the Lord ruled Ayodhyā for eleven thousand years. He satisfied the demigods by performing many gorgeous sacrifices, including three horse sacrifices.

#### Text 54

tataḥ kimapi kāraṇam manasi bhāvayan bhūpatir jahau janakajām vane raghuvaras tadā nirghṛṇaḥ tato nijamatam smaran samanavat pracetaḥ suto nijāsramam udāradhī raghupateḥ priyām duḥkhitām

Then, for some reason, Lord Rāma exiled Sītā to the forest, so that He appeared to act mercilessly. At that time, the magnanimous sage, Vālmiki, gave Sītā shelter in his āśrama.

## Texts 55-56

tatah kusalavau sutau prasusuve dharitri suta mahābala parakamau raghupater yasogāyanau

sa tāmapi sutanvitām munivarastu rāmāntike samarsayad aninditām suravaraih sadā vanditam

tato raghupatistu tām sutayutam rudantim puro jagāda dahane punah pravisa sodha nayatmanah itiritam

aveksya sa raghupateh padābje nata vivesa janani yutā mani ganojjvalam bhūtalam

In due course of time, Sitā gave birth to two glorious sons, named Lava and Kuśa, at the hermitage of the sage, Vālmiki. After growing up, they sang the narration of Lord Rāmacandra's pastimes composed by Vālmiki. When Vālmiki brought Sītā and Her two sons to see Lord Rāma, the Lord said to Her: You must again enter fire to prove Your purity. Upon hearing these words, mother Sītā entered within the earth and went to Rasātala.

## Text 57

nırıksya raghunāyako
janakaja pravānam smaran
vasistha guru yogato'nulayuto'gamat
svam padam purahsthita janaih svakaih
pasubhirisvarah samsprsan mudā
sarayujivanam rathavaraih parito vihhuh

Thereafter, Lord Rāmacandra, His family priest, Vasistha, and His brothers, followers, and indeed all the inhabitants of Ayodhyā, including the animals, happily bathed in the River Sarayu, and then ascended to Vaikuntha on celestial chariots.

ye srnvantı raghūdvahasya cantam karnāmrtam sādarat samsararnava sosanañca pathatām āmodadam moksadam

rogānāmiha santaye dhanajana svargādi sampattaye vamsānāmapi vrddhave prabhavati srī sah paresah prabhuh

By faithfully hearing these nectarean narrations of Lord Rāmacandra's pastimes, one gets relief from all material pangs, is awarded good children, wealth, and followers, and ultimately attains the spiritual world. While hearing this narration, one's mind floats in an ocean of transcendental bliss as the ocean of material existence dries up, so that by the mercy of the Lord of Laksmī, one attains liberation.

Thus ends the translation of the seventeenth chapter of Śrī Kalkı Purāna.

# The Descendents of Lord Rāmacandra King Maru and King Devāpi

Texts 1-4

rāmāt kuso'bhūda tithis tato' bhūnniṣa dhānnabhaḥ tasmād abhūt puṇḍarīkaḥ ksema dhanvā'bhavat tatah

devānīmka stato hīnaḥ pāripātro'tha hīnataḥ balāhakas tator'kasa rajanābhas tato'bhavat

khagaṇād vidhṛtas tasmād hiraṇya nābha saṅjñitaḥ tataḥ puṣpāda dhruva tasmāt syandano'thāgnir varnakah

tasmācchighro'bhavat putraḥ pitā me'tulavikramaḥ tasmān maruṁ māṁ ke'piha budhañcāpi sumitrakam

From Lord Rāma was born Kuśa, Kuśa's son was Atithi, Atithi's son was Niṣada, whose son was Nabha, and his son was Puṇḍarika. Pundarika's son was Kṣemadhanvā, whose son was Devānīka, Devānīka's son was Hīna, and his son was Paripātra. Paripātra's son was Balāhaka, Balāhaka's son was Arka, Arka's son was Rājanābha, his son was Khagana, Khagana's son was Vidhṛta, whose son was Hiraṇyanābha, and Hiraṇyanābha's son was Puṣpa. Puṣpa's son was Dhruva, Dhruva's son was Syandana, Syandana's son was Agnivarṇa, and his son was the very powerful Śihgra, who is my father. My name is Maru, but some people call me Budha, or Sumitra.

## Texts 5-6

kalāpa grāmam āsādya viddhi sattapasi sthitam tavāvatāram vijñāya vyāsāt satyavati sutāt

pratikṣya kālam lakṣābdam kaleḥ prāptas tavāntikam janmakoṭyam hasām rāser nāsanam dharmma sāsanam

yasaḥkirttikaram sarvam kāmapūram parātmanaḥ

I have been residing at the village of Kalāpa, practicing penance. Recently, I heard of your incarnation from Satyavati's son, Vyāsadeva, and so I have come here to see You. About one hundred thousand years of Kali-yuga have passed. You are the Supersoul, residing within the hearts of all living beings. Simply by surrendering to You, all of one's sinful reactions accumulated during millions of lifetimes are vanquished, one's piety and reputation are enhanced, and all of one's desires are fulfilled.

## Text 7

kalkiruvāca jñātastavānvayam tvām ca sūryyavamsa samudbhavam dvītīyaḥ kā' paraḥ srīmān mahāpuruṣa laksaṇaḥ

Lord Kalki said: My dear Maru, after hearing about your ancestors, I can understand that you belong to the Sūrya dynasty. Who is this person accompanying you? He appears to possess all auspicious characteristics.

#### Text 8

iti kalki vacah srutvā devāpir madhurākṣaram vānīm vinaya sampannah pravaktum upacakrame



Upon hearing the words of Lord Kalki, King Devāpi very humbly spoke as follows.

#### Texts 9-10

devāpi vāca pralayānte nābhipadmāt tavābhū caturānanah tadiya tanayād atres candra tasmattato budhah

tasmāt pururavā jajñe yayātır nāhussastatah devayānyām yayātıstu yadum turvasum eva ca

Devāpi said: After the final dissolution of the universe, four-headed Brahmā was born from Your lotus-like navel. His son was Atri, whose son was Candra. Candra's son was Budha, Budha's son was Purūravā, Purūravā's son was Nahusa, and Nahusa's son was King Yayāti. Yayāti begot two sons, named Yadu and Turvasu, within the womb of his wife, Devayāni.

#### Text 11

sarmısthayām tathā druhyuñ canum puruñca satpate janayāmāsa bhutadır bhūtanıva sısrksayā

O Lord of the universe, later on, Yayāti begot three more sons named Druhya, Anu, and Puru, in the womb of Śarmistha. Just as, during the creation of the universe, false ego creates the five gross material elements, King Yayāti begot these five sons.

#### Texts 12-13

purorjanmejayas tasmat pracinvana bhavat tatah praviras tanmanasyur vaiva tasmacvābhayado'bhavat uruksayacca trayrunis tato bhut puskararunih vrhat ksetrad bhuddhasti yannāmnā hastināpuram

Puru's son was Janmejaya, whose son was Prācinvān. Prācinvān's son was Pravīra, Pravīra's son was Manasyu, Manasyu's son was Abhayada, Abhayada's son was Uruksaya, Uruksaya's son was Tryaruni, whose son was Puskarāruni. Puskarāruni begot a son named Brhatksetra, whose son was Hasti, after whom the city of Hastinapur was named.

## Texts 14-16

ajamidho'himidhasca puramidastu tatsutāh ajamidhad abhudrksas tasmat samvaranat kuruh

kuroh pariksit sudhanur janhur nisadha eva ca suhotro'bhūt sudhanusas cayavanacca tatah krti

tato brhad rathas tasmat kusagra drsabho'bhavat tatah satyajitah putrah puspavān nahusas tatah

Hasti had three sons named Ājamīdha, Ahimīdha, and Puramīdha. Ājamīdha's son was Rk, whose son was Sanvarana Sanvarana's son was Kuru, Kuru's son was Pariksit, and Pariksit's sons were Sudhanu, Jahnu, and Nisada. Sudhanu's son was Suhotra, Suhotra's son was Cyavana, and Cyavana's son was Brhadratha, whose son was Kuśāgra, Kuśāgra's son was Rsabha, Rsabha's son was Satyajit, Satyajit's son was Puspavān, and his son was Nahusa.

## Texts 17-18

brhad rathānya bharyyayam jarasandhah parantapah sahadevas tatas tasmat somapiryāt srutasravah



suratād vidrathas tasmān sarvabhaumo'bhavat tatah jayasenād rathaniko'bhud yutāyusca kopanah

Brhadratha had also begotten the wicked Jarāsandha, within the womb of another wife. Jarāsandha's son was Sahadeva, Sahadeva's son was Simāpi, Simāpi's son was Śrutaśravā, Śrutaśravā's son was Suratha, and his son was Viduratha. The son of Viduratha was Sārvabhauma, Sārvabhauma's son was Jayasena, Jayasena's son was Rathānika, and his son was the wrathful king, Yutāyu

## Text 19

tasmad devatīthis tasmād rksas tasmād dilīpakah tasmat pratīpakas tasya devāpīr ahamīsvara

The son of Yutāyu was Devātithi, Devātithi's son was Rksa, Rksa's son was Dilīpa, and his son was Pratipaka. My dear Lord, I am the son of Pratipaka, and my name is Devāpi.

#### Text 20

rājyam sāntanave dattvā tapasyeka dhiyā ciram kalapa gramam asādya tvām didrksu rihagatah

I handed over my kingdom to Śāntanu and went to reside at the village of Kalāpa, where I perform austerities with undivided attention After hearing about Your appearance within this world, I came here to see You.

#### Text 21

marunā'nena munibhir ebhih prāpya padāmbujam tava kala karālasyād yāsyami atmavatam padam Maru and I, along with other sages, will certainly attain the exalted destination attained by self-realized souls, by the mercy of Your lotus feet. Thus, we will never again fall into the jaws of death

#### Text 22

tayorevam vacah srutvā kalkıh kamalalocanah prahasya marudevapı samāsvāsya samavravıt

Upon hearing this, lotus-eyed Lord Kalki smiled and then spoke in an assuring manner.

# Text 23

kalkıruvaca yuvam parama dharmajñau rajānau viditāvubhau madādesa karau bhūtvā nijarajyam bharisyathah

Lord Kalkı said: What you have said is correct. Both of you are very pious kings. Now, by My order, you should go to your traditional abodes, and prepare to rule your kingdoms.

#### Text 24

maro tvām abhiseksyāmi nijayodhya pure'dhuna hatva mlecchāna dharmisthan prajābhūta vihimsakān

My dear King Maru, very soon, I will destroy all the sinful *mlecchas* who simply torment the citizens. After doing so, I will come to your capital city, Avodhyā, where I will perform your coronation ceremony.

#### Text 25

devāpe tava rajye tvam hastinapura pattane abhiseksyāmi rājrse hatvā pulkasakān rane My dear King Devāpi, after I decimate the wicked Pulkaśas, I will come to your capital city, Hastināpura, and perform your coronation ceremony.

## Texts 26-30

mathurayamaham sthitva harisyami tuvo bhayam sayyākarnānustr mukhan eka janghān bilodaran

hatvā krtam yugam krtvā palayisyamyaham prajāh tapovesam vratam tyaktva samāruhya rathottamam

yuvām sastrastra kusalau senagana parichadau bhutvā maharathau loke maya saha carisyathah

visākha yūpa bhupālas tanayām vinayānvitām vivahe rucirāpangim sundarim pradasyati

maro bhūpala lokanam svastaye kuru me vacah rucīrasva sutam santām devāte tvam samudvaha

I will continue to give you all protection while residing at Mathurā. I will kill Śayayākarna, Ustramukha, Ekajangha, and Bilodara and thereafter, re-establish Satya-yuga for the welfare of all pious souls. Both of you are very expert in understanding all kinds of scriptures and employing all types of weapons. You should now give up your garb as ascetics, and to destroy the enemies of the earth, put on your royal garments and armor and travel with Me as My associates.

My dear Maru, King Viśākhayupa has a beautiful and highly-qualified daughter that he will give you in marriage. You will become the king of

the land and for the benefit of all your subjects, act according to My instructions. My dear Devāpi, you will marry Śāntā, the daughter of Rucirāsva.

#### Text 31

ityäsvasa kathah kalkeh srutva tau munibhih saha vismaya vista hrdayau menäte harimisvaram

After hearing these words, King Maru, King Devāpi, and all the assembled sages joyfully accepted Lord Kalki as the incarnation of the Supreme Personality of Godhead, Lord Hari.

# Texts 32-33

iti brudhatya bhayade ākāsāt sūryyasannibhau rathau nānāmani vrata ghatitau kāmagau purah

samayātau įvaladdivya sastrastraih parivaritau dadrsuste sadomadhye visvakarmma vinirmitau

bhrpa muniganah sabhyah saharsa kimitiritāh

As Lord Kalkı was thus conversing with the kings and sages, two celestial chariots that were brilliant like the sun and decorated with countless jewels, which were constructed by Viśvakarmā and filled with celestial weapons, and which fulfill all of one's desires, descended from the sky. With great enthusiasm, everyone exclaimed: What are we seeing!

# Texts 34-35

kalkıruvaca
yuvam adıtya somendra
yamavaı sravanangajau
rajanau lokaraksārtham
avırbhu tau vidantyami

kālena ācchādītā kārau mana saṅgādi hoditau yuvāṁ rathāvāruhatāṁ sakrudattaṁ mamājñayā

Lord Kalki said: It is understood that both of you are powerful kings who embody the potency of Sūrya, Candra, Yama, and Kuvera, and have descended to protect the earth. Up until now, you remained incognito. By My order, take these two chariots, which are given to you by Indra, the king of heaven.

#### Text 36

evam vadati visvese pādmānāthe sanātane devā vavarṣuḥ kusumais tustu vurmu nayo'gratah

As Lord Kalki, the husband of Padmāvatī and maintainer of the universe, was speaking, the demigods began to shower flowers from the sky while the assembled sages offered Him selected prayers.

# Text 37

gangāvāri pariklinna sorobhūti parāgavāna sanaiḥ parvatajā sanga sivavat pavano bavau

Cool and pleasing breezes began to blow, making the atmosphere very soothing. These breezes had crossed the waves of the River Ganges, which rests on the head of Mahādeva, and thus caresses Pārvatī's soft limbs, giving her pleasure.

#### Text 38

tatrāyātaḥ pramudita tanus tapta cāmi karābho dharmmāvāsaḥ surucira jaṭā cīrabhrda danda hastah

lokātīto nijatanu maru nāsitā karmasaṁ.ghas

# tejorāsiḥ sanakasadṛso maskarī puṣkarākṣah

Thereafter, an effulgent lotus-eyed mendicant, who looked like sage, Sanaka, arrived there. This exalted personality was always in a joyful mood. His complexion was the color of molten gold, and he appeared to be the shelter of religious principles. He was beautifully dressed, matted hair crowned his head, and he carried a staff. He was extraordinary. Simply by contact with the breezes that touched his body, one became purified.

Thus ends the translation of the eighteenth chapter of Śrī Kalki Purāṇa.

# CHAPTER NINETEEN

# The Appearance of Satya-Yuga, and a Description of the Different Manus

#### Text 1

sūta uvāca atha kalkiḥ samālokya sada sāmpatibhiḥ saha samutthāya vavande tam pādyārgha ācamanādibhiḥ

Sūta Gosvāmī said: As soon as they saw this mendicant, Lord Kalki and His associates stood up to show respect, and then worshiped him with offerings of pādya, arghya and ācamanīya.

# Text 2

vṛddham saṃvesya tam bhiksum sarvāsrama namaskṛtam papraccha ko bhavānatra mama bhāgyādi hāgataḥ

After comfortably seating that member of the renounced order of life, who was greatly respected by the members of the other āśramas, the Lord inquired: Who are you? You must have come here as a result of My good fortune.

## Text 3

prāyaso mānavā loke lokānām pāraņecchayā caramti sarvasuhṛdaḥ pūrṇā vigata kalmaṣāḥ

Great souls, who are the well-wishers of all living entities, often travel throughout the world just to deliver the fallen conditioned souls.

#### Text 4

maskaryuvaca aham krtayugam srisa tavādesa karam param tavāvir bhāva vibhava prkṣaṇārtham ihāgatam

Maskarī said: O husband of Lakṣmī, I am your eternal servant. the personification of Satya-yuga. I have come here to see Your present incarnation and thus witness its opulence.

#### Texts 5-6

nirupādhir bhavān kālaḥ sopādhitvam upāgataḥ kṣaṇa daṇḍala vādyaṅgair māyayā racitaḥ svayā

pakṣāhorātram āsarttu samvatsara yugādayaḥ tavecchayā carantyete manavascca caturdasa

You are without any material designations and beyond the influence of time, and yet You have appeared for some time within the vision of the materially-designated souls, by the arrangement of Your internal potency. Material time, measured in moments, hours, days, nights, fortnights, months, seasons, years, yugas, and the reign of the fourteen Manus, moves by Your supreme will.

#### Texts 7-11

svāyambhuvastu prathamas tataḥ svārociṣo manuḥ tṛtīya uttamas tasmāt caturthas tāmasah smrtah

pañcamo raivataḥ ṣaṣṭhas cākṣuṣaḥ parikīrttitaḥ vaivasvataḥ saptamo vai tatah sāvarnır astamah

navamo dakṣa sāvarnir brahma sāvarnikas tatah dasamo dharmasavarnır ekādasah sa ucyate

rudra savarnikas tatra manurvaivā dvādasah smrtah trayodasa manurveda savarnir lokavisrutah

caturdasendra sāvarnīr ete tava vibhūtayah yantyayānti prakasante nāma rūpādi bhedatāh

There are fourteen Manus who appear in one day of Brahmā. They are Svāyambhuva, Svārocisa, Uttama, Tāmasa, Raivata, Cāksusa, Vaivasvata, Sāvarni, Daksa Sāvarni, Brahma Sāvarni, Dharma Sāvarni, Rudra Sāvarni, Loka Viśruta, Veda Sāvarni, and Indra Sāvarni. These Manus are fragmental parts of Your supreme opulence. They assume various names and forms, just to carry out their respective duties.

#### Texts 12-13

dvādasābda sahasrena devanañca caturyugam catvarı trını dve caıkam sahasra ganıtam matam

tāvat chatanı catvārı trını dve caikameva hı sandhyakramena tesantu sandhyamso'pı tathāvıdhah

Twelve thousand years of the demigods is the duration of the four yugas on earth. The duration of Satya-yuga is four thousand celestial years, Tretā-yuga is three thousand celestial years, Dvāpara-yuga is two thousand celestial years, and Kali-yuga is one thousand celestial years. The transitional periods of the four yugas are four hundred, three hundred, two hundred, and one hundred celestial years, respectively. In this way, the total comes to twelve thousand celestial years.

#### Text 14

ekasaptatikam tatra yugam bhunkte manurbhuvi manunamapi sarvesam evam parinatir bhavet

dīva prajāpates tattu nīsā sa parīkirtīta

The duration of the reign of each Manu is seventy-one cycles of the four *yugas*. Fourteen Manus reign during one day of Brahmā. This is also the duration of Brahmā's night.

## Text 15

ahoratrañca paksaste masa samvatsararttava sadupādhi krtah kālo brahmano janmamrtyukrt

In this way, Brahmā passes his days, nights, fortnights, months, seasons, and years, until the duration of his allotted time is over

# Text 16

sata samvatsare brahma layam prāpnoti hi tvayi layante tvannābhi madhyad utthitah srjati prabhuh

Brahmā lives for one hundred years and after death, he merges into Your existence. After the final dissolution of the universe, Brahmā once again is born from Your lotus navel.

# Text 17

tatra krta yugante'ham kalam saddharma palakam krtakrtyāh prajā yatra tannāmnā mam krtam viduh

I am the personified Satya-yuga. During my lifetime, pure religious principles are observed and protected. I have received the name Satya because the people this age are pious and truthful.

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#### Texts 18-20

iti dadva ca asrutya kalkir nijajanāvrtah praharsam atulam labdhva srutva tadvacanamrtam

avahittham upalaksya yugasyaha janan hitan yoddhukamah kaleh puryam hrsto visasane prabhuh

ga¡a ratha turagān naramsca yodhan kanaka vicitra vibhūsanā citangan dhrta vividha varāstra pūgān yudhi nipunān ganayadhva mānayadhvom

Lord Kalkı was surrounded by His associates, and after hearing these words of Satva-yuga, He felt delighted. The Lord, in consideration of the airival of Satva-yuga, ordered His devotees as follows, with a desire to root out Kali: Pick up your weapons and prepare yourselves to march. Make an estimate of the strength of our army. How many chariot warriors, how many elephant warriors, how many horse soldiers, and how many foot soldiers do we have?

Thus ends the translation of the nineteenth chapter of Śrī Kalkı Purāna

# CHAPTER TWENTY

# Lord Kalki Goes Out to Conquer Kali and His Allies

Text 1

suta uvaca tti tau marudevapi srutva kalaker vacah purah krtodvāhau rathārūdhau samāyatau mahābhujau

Sūta Gosvāmī said: Thereafter, according to the desire of Lord Kalki, the mighty-armed King Maru and King Devāpi attended to their marriages and then returned to the Lord.

# Texts 2-3

nānāyudha dharaih sainyair āvrtau suramāninau baddha godhanguli trānau damstau baddhahastakau

kārsnayasa sırastranau dhanurddhara dhurandharau aksauhınıbhih sadbhistu kampayantau bhuvam bharaih

Both were famous as heroic warriors and the foremost among wielders of the bow. They were surrounded by their soldiers, who were equipped with all varieties of weapons. Due to the presence of their vast armies, the earth trembled.

#### Texts 4-6

visākhayūpa bhūpastu gajalaksaih samāvrta asvaih sahasra niyutaih rathaih sapta sahasrakaih

padatibhir dvilaksaisca sannadrair dhrtakārmukaih vatoddhūtottar usnisaih sarvatah parivāritah

rudhırāsva sahasranam pañcasadbhır maharathaıh gajair dasa satair mattair nava laksair vrtao babhau

King Viśākhayūpa commanded an army consisting of one hundred thousand elephants, ten million horses, and seven thousand chariots. He was also accompanied by two hundred thousand infantry soldiers, equipped with sharp weapons. Their *chādaras* and turbans flapped in the breeze Apart from these soldiers, the king had amassed fifty thousand reddish horses, ten thousand maddened elephants, a countless number of chariots, and nine hundred thousand foot soldiers.

#### Texts 7-9

aksuhınıbhır dasobhıh kalkıh para purañjayah samavrtas tatha devair evamındro divi svarat

bhratr putra suhrdbhisca muditah samikair vrtah yayau digvijayākānksi jagatam isvarah prabhuh

kale tasmın dvijo dhutvā dharmah parajanaih saha samaja gama kalinā balināpi nirakrtah

Lord Kalkı, the conqueror of conquerors and Lord of the universe, had an army of ten *aksauhınīs*. Surrounded by His nephew and other relatives and well-wishers, He appeared like Indra, the king of heaven, surrounded by all the demigods Just as Lord Kalkı was about to cheerfully depart on His conquest of the entire world, Dharma, who had been obstructed by the powerful Kalı, arrived there in the garb of a *brāhmana*.

#### Texts 10-13

rtam prasādam abhayam sukham muda matha svayam yogamartha tatodarpam smrtim ksemam pratisrayam

naranarāyanau cobhau hareramsau tapovratau dharmastvetan samadaya putrān striscagatastvaran

sraddha maitri dayā sāntis tustih pustih kiyonnatih buddhir medha titiksa ca hrir mūrttir dharmapalakah

etastena sahayata nija bandhuganaih saha kalkim ālokitum tatra nijakaryam niveditum

Just to have the *darśana* of Lord Kalkı, and to inform Him of their activities, Rta, Piasāda, Abhaya, Sukha, Prīti, Yoga, Anahankāra, Smrii, Ksema, Pratiśraya, and Nara-nārāyana, the plenary portions of Lord Hari, as well as Dharma's wife and children, Śraddhā, Maitrī, Dayā Śānti, Tusti, Pusti, Kriyā, Unnati, Buddhi, Medhā, Titiksā, and Lajjā, who are all maintainers of genuine religious principles, along with their friends and relatives, accompanied Dharma

# Texts 14-15

kalkır dvıjam samasadya pūjayıtvā yathavıdhı provāca vınayāpunnah kastvam kasmādı hagatah

strībhih putraisca sahītah ksinapunya īva grahah kasya va visayadrājñas tattattvam vada tatvatah Upon seeing the *brāhmana* approach, Lord Kalki humbly greeted him and then worshiped him according to the prescribed procedure Theieafter, the Lord inquired: My dear sir, who are you? From which kingdom have you come, along with your wife and children, appearing like a lusterless planet? Tell Me everything in detail.

#### Text 16

putrah triyasca te dināh hina sva vala paurusāh vaisnavah sādhavo yadvad pasandaisca tiraskrtah

As the devotees of Lord Visnu may lose their strength and enthusiasm when tortured by the atheists, your wife and sons appear similarly disheartened.

#### Text 17

kaikeriti vacah srutva dharmah sarma nijam smaran provaca kamalānātham anāthastu atikatarah

After hearing these words of Lord Kalki, the husband of Kamalā, Dharma, who appeared to be without shelter and thus morose, began to narrate his story.

#### Text 18

putraih stribhir nijajanaih krtañjali putair harim stutvā natva pujayitva muditam tam dayaparam

Before speaking, Dharma, along with his wife, sons, and followers, worshiped the reservoir of pleasure, Lord Kalki. After doing so, he offered his obeisances and then stood before the Lord with folded hands and spoke as follows.

#### Text 19

dharma uvaca srnu kalke mamakhyanam dharmo'ham brahmarūpinah

# tava vaksahsthalajjatah kamadah sarvadehmam

Dharma said: My dear Lord Kalki, please hear my story. I was born from Your chest, just as Brahmā was born from Your navel My name is Dharma and my duty is to fulfill the desires of all living entities.

#### Text 20

devanām agranīrhavya kavyanam kamadhug vibhuh tavājñaya caramyeva sādhukitti krdanvaham

I am the foremost of demigods. I receive a share of sacrifice performances. I fulfill the desires of saintly persons by awarding them the results of their religious practices. By Your order, I work for the welfare of all pious souls.

# Text 21

so'ham kālena balınā kalınapı nırakrtah saka kamboja savaraıh sarvaır avasa vasına

At present, various clans of *mlecchas*, like the Śakas, Kāmbojas, and Śabaras, reside under the control of Kali. Kali is very powerful and he has defeated me by his superior influence.

#### Text 22

adhunā te'khilādhara padamulam upāgatah yatha samsāra kalagni samtaptāh sadhavər'dītah

O shelter of the world, at piesent, all the saintly persons of the world are being harassed by Kali and are thus burning in the fire of material existence. It is for this reason that I have come to take shelter of Your lotus feet.

# Texts 23-24

iti vagbhir purvabhir dharmena paritositah kalkıh kalkaharah srımān āha samharsayan sanaıh

dharma krtayugam pasya marum candamsu vamsajam mam janasi yathā jātam dhatr prārthita vigraham

After hearing these piteous words of Dharma, Lord Kalki, the remover of distress, gave assurances to everyone, saying: O Dharma, just see how Satya-yuga personified has also come here. This is King Maru of the Sūrya dynasty. You know very well that at the request of Grandfather Brahmā, I have assumed this form of Kalki avatāra.

#### Text 25

kıtake bauddha dalanam ıtı matvā sukhı bhava avaısnavānām anyesam tavopadrava karmam

jighamsuryami senābhis cara gām tvam vinirbhayah

You will be happy to learn that I have already defeated the Buddhists residing at Kītaka-deśa. My mission is to destroy all the miscreants who are envious of you and the other Vaisnavas. You can now wander fearlessly over the earth because I am just about to set out on a tour to conquer all the kings of the world.

#### Text 26

ka bhitiste kva moho'sti yajñadana tapovrataih sahita sañcara vibho mayi satye vyupasthite

Because Satya-yuga is about to commence, and because I am personally present on this earth, there is no reason for you to be afraid. Why should you come under the influence of illusion? Just live happily, along with sacrifice, charity, penance, and vows

#### Text 27

aham yumi tvayagaccha svaputrair bāndhavaih saha disam jayartham tvam satru nigrahartham jagatpriya

O Dharma, every pious person within the universe loves you. You and your sons and followers should go out and conquer all directions by subduing your enemies. Very soon I will follow you.

#### Text 28

iti kaklervacah srutvā dharmah parama harsitah gantum kria matistena ādhipatya mamum smaran

By hearing Lord Kalki's pleasing speech, Dharma experienced great satisfaction. Becoming convinced of his ability to subdue his enemies, by the Lord's mercy, Dharma made up his mind to set out.

### Text 29

sıddhāsrame nıjajanan avasthāpya striyasca tah

When Dharma departed to conquer the world, his wives and children stayed at Siddhāśrama.

#### Texts 30-31

sannaddhah sadhu satkārair veda brahma maharathah nana sastranvesanesu sankalpa vara kāmukah

sapta svarāsvo bhudeva sārathır vanhırasrayah krıyābheda balopetah prayayau dharma nayakah

To assist Dharma in his fight against Kali, saintly persons became his military garments and armor, the *Vedas* and Brahman became his chariot, the supplementary Vedic literature became his arrows and his determination, the seven notes of the musical scale became the seven horses driving his chariot, the *brāhmanas* became his chariot driver, and Agni became his seat. In this way, Dharma set out to conquer Kali, along with a formidable army.

# Texts 32-33

yajñadana tapah patrair yamaisca niyamair vrtah khasa kambojakan sarvān savaran varvarānapi

jetum kalkır yayau yatra kaleravāsam ipsitam bhutavasa balopetam sārameya varakulam

Lord Kalki also departed, along with His associates, including personified sacrifice, charity, penance, self-control, and the prescribed rules and regulations, with the intention of defeating the clans of *mlecchas*, such as the Khasas, Kambojas, Śavaras, and Vaivaras The Lord went to the favorite residences of Kali, which were the playgrounds of ghosts, foxes, and jackals.

# Text 34

gomamsa puti gandhadhyam kakoluka sivavrtam strinām durdyuta kalaha uvada vyasanāsrayam

These places were permeated with the foul odor of decaying beef, and they were infested with crows and owls. Kali's domain can be found wherever there is gambling and intoxication, as well as where women constantly quarrel.

# Texts 35-38

ghoram jagadbhayakaram kamini svaminam giham kalih srutvodyamam kalkeh putra pautra vrtah krudha puradvisasanan prayat pecakaksa rathopari dharmah kalim samalokya rsibhih parivaritah

yuyudhe tena sahasa kalkıvākya pracoditah rtena dambhah samgrame prasādo lobha mahvayat

samayad bhayam krodho bhayam sukhamupayayau nırayo mudamasadya yuyudhe vividhayudhaih

Kali's favorite places of residence are always causes of fear and danger. The men in these places are controlled by women When Kali received the news of Lord Kalki's impending arrival, he quickly gathered his sons and grandsons and left his kingdom, the city of Viśasana, after mounting his chariot, which bore the symbol of an owl. When Dharma saw Kali fleeing, by the order of Lord Kalki, he confronted him, along with the sages. Rta battled Dambha, Prasāda fought with Lobha, Abhaya challenged Rosa, and Sukha attacked Bhaya. Niraya vigorously fought with Prīti, showering various weapons.

#### Text 39

ādhir yogena ca vyadhih ksemena ca baliyasa prasrayena tatha glānir jarāsmrtim upahvayat

Yoga contended with Ådhi, the powerful Ksema fought with Vyādhi, Praśraya fought with Glāni, and Smrti attacked Jarā.

#### Text 40

evam vrtto mahaghoro yuddhah parama darunah tam drastum agata deva brahmādyah khc vibhutibhih The fighting soon became very intense, as the demigods appeared overhead as spectators.

#### Text 41

maruh khasaisca kāmbojair yuyudhe bhima vikramaih devāpih samare cinairvar varvarais tangamnair abi

King Maru entered the ranks of the powerful Khasas and Kāmbojas while King Devāpi fought with the Colas and the Varvaras.

#### Text 42

visakhayupa bhupalah pulindaih svapacaih saha yuyudhe vividhaih sastrair astrair divyair mahāprabhaih

Kıng Vıśākhayūpa fought valiantly against the Pulindas and Candālas, employing celestial weapons.

## Text 43

kalkih koka vikokabhyam vahinibhir varayudhaih tau tu koka vikokau ca brahmano varadarpitau

Surrounded by His army and invoking many celestial weapons, Lord Kalki fought with Koka and Vikoka, who were excessively proud due to receiving a benediction from Brahmā.

#### Text 44

bhratarau danava sresthau mattau yuddha visāradau ekarupau mahasattvau devanam bhayavarddhanau

These two brothers were the foremost among the demons, they were always intoxicated, and they were very expert fighters. They were like two halves of one body, exceedingly powerful, and a cause of great fear for the demigods.

#### Text 45

padatikau gadāhastau vajrāngau jayinau disam suraih parivrtau mrtyu jitavekatra yodhanau

Their bodies were as hard as thunderbolts and thus impervious to weapons. They had been engaged in conquering all directions. When they fought together, they were so formidable that they could defeat even death personified. Surrounded by powerful soldiers, they fought with clubs in their hands.

### Text 46

tābhyām sa yuyudhe kaklıh senāgana samanvıtah subhanam kalkı saınyānām samarastu mulo'bhavat

In the battle between Lord Kalkı and the two brothers, Koka and Vıkoka, the leaders of both armies fought fiercely.

# Text 47

hvesitair brhitair danta sabdais tankāra naditaih surot kastair bāhu vegaih samsabdais talatādanaih

The battlefield redounded with the terrific sounds made by the elephants and horses, the gnawing of teeth, the challenging words of the combatants, the twanging of the bows, as well as the slaps and punches.

# Text 48

sampūrītāh dīsah sarva lokā no sarma lebhīre devāsca bhoyasamtrastā dīvī vyasta pathā yuyuh

The frightening sounds of war cries spread all directions. It seemed that no one was able to escape the jaws of death. The demigods became so astonished while gazing at the ghastly scene that they practically feltom their celestial chariots.

# Text 49

pāsair daṇḍaiḥ khaḍga saktya ṣṭisūlair gadāghātar vāṇa pātaisca ghoraiḥ yuddhe sūrāschinna bāhvaṅghrdṅghri madhyāḥ petuli saṃkhye satasaḥ koṭisasca

Due to the onslaught of innumerable weapons, including iron rods, swords, *śakti* weapons, tridents, spears, clubs, and arrows, the entire battlefield became littered with severed arms, legs, and trunks.

Thus ends the translation of the twentieth chapter of Śrī Kalki Purāṇa.

# CHAPTER TWENTY-ONE

# The Followers of Kali Are Defeated The Killing of Koka And Vikoka

#### Text 1

sūta uvāca
evam pravṛtte samgrāme
dharmaḥ paramakopanaḥ
kṛtena sahito ghoram
yuyudhe kalinā saha

Sūta Gosvāmī said: As the fighting raged, Dharma and Satya-yuga personified very angrily confronted Kali.

#### Text 2

kalistva mitra vānoghair dharmasyāpi kṛtasya ca parābhūtaḥ purim prāyāt tyaktvā gardhabha vāhanam

Being injured and afflicted by showers of arrows, Kali got down from his donkey carrier and returned to his capital.

# Text 3

vicchinna pecaka rathaḥ sravadraktānga sañcayaḥ chuchurgandhah karālāsyaḥ strīsvāmikam gādgṛham

Kali's chariot, which was adorned with a flag having the symbol of an owl, was shattered. His entire body was soaked with blood, the smell of a decaying mouse emanated from his body, and his face appeared fraught with fear. In this condition, He entered his residence.

# Text 4

dambhah sambhogarahita uddhrata vāṇa gaṇāhatah



vyakulah svakulāngaro nihsarah pravisad grham

Meanwhile, Dambha, who was a disgrace to his family and a man of hollow character, being seriously wounded by the onslaught of sharp arrows, lost all enthusiasm to fight and returned home

#### Text 5

lobhah prasādā bhihato gadaya bhiannamastakah sārameya ratham chinnam tyaktvag ādradhiram vaman

Lobha was soundly defeated by Prasāda, who smashed his adversary's head with his club Lobha's chariot, the flag of which bore the emblem of a dog, was pulverized, and so he ran away from the battlefield while vomiting blood.

#### Text 6

abhayena jitah krodhah kasāyikrta locanah gandhākhuvaham vicchinnam tyaktvā visasanam gatah

Abhaya defeated Krodha after a hectic fight. Krodha's eyes became blood-red, and his foul-smelling chariot, the flag of which bore the emblem of a mouse, was smashed to pieces so that he had no option but to return to his city, Viśasana.

#### Text 7

bhayam sukha talāghātadg tatasurnya patad bhuvi nirayo mudamusthibhyam pidito yamamayayau

Sukha slapped Bhaya so forcefully that he immediately gave up his life. Niraya also fell down dead onto the battlefield after being pummeled by Prīti.

# Text 8

ādhı vyadhyadayah sarve tyaktva vāham upādravan

# nanādesan bhayodvigna krtavana prapiditah

Satya-yuga personified fought so heroically while showering his arrows that Ādhi and Vyādhi dismounted their carriers and fearfully ran to safety.

#### Text 9

dharmah krtena sahito gatvā visasanam kaleh nagaram bāna dahanair dadaha kalina saha

After the enemy had been routed, Dharma and Satya-yuga personified entered Kali's capital, Viśasana, and set the whole city ablaze by releasing fiery arrows. Indeed, Kali was also burnt in the conflagration, but he managed to survive.

# Text 10

kalır vıplusta sarvango mrtadaro mrtaprajah jagāmaiko rudan dino varsāntaram alaksitah

Because his sons and wives were killed in the fire, Kali felt he had no alternative but to renounce his kingdom. He left the city alone and traveled to another country, while continually shedding tears out of distress.

#### Text 11

marustu sakakāmbojān jaghne divyāstra tejasa devapih savaramscolan varvarams tadganan api

Meanwhile, many *mlecchas*, including the Śakas and Kāmbojas, were vanquished by the celestial weapons of King Maru King Devāpi vanquished the Śavaras, Colas, and Varvaras, with verv little effort.

#### Text 12

dıvyāstra sastra sampataır ardayāmasa viryavān

# vısakhayüpa bhüpālah pulindān pulkasānapi

The greatly powerful King Viśākhayūpa invoked celestial weapons to defeat the Pulindas and Pulkaśas.

#### Text 13

jaghana vimala prajñah khadgapatena bhūrina nanastrasastra varsaiste vodha nesuranekadha

The pure devotee, King Viśākhavūpa, continued to slay his enemies with his sharp sword and torrents of arrows. Within a short while, most of the enemy soldiers lay dead upon the battlefield.

# Text 14

kalkıh koka vikokābhyām gadāpānr yudhām patih yuyudhe vinyasa vijño lokanām janayan bhayam

Lord Kalki, who was especially accomplished in the art of fighting with a club, caused a great fear to enter the hearts of the enemy as He oppressed Koka and Vikoka.

## Text 15

vrkāsurasya putrau tau naptarau sakuner harih tavoh kalkih sa yuyudhe madhukaita bhayor vatha

Koka and Vikoka's father was Vrkāsura, and Śakuni was their grandfather. Just as Lord Hari had previously fought with the demons, Madhu and Kairabha, Lord Kalki now fought with these two brothers.

# Text 16

tayorgada prahārena curmītāngasva tatpateh karat cyutāpatadbhumau drstvo curītvaho janah The two brothers then managed to land a terrible blow of the club upon the body of Lord Kalki, so that He appeared injured. Indeed, the Lord's club fell from His hands, and upon seeing this, the spectators became astonished.

#### Text 17

tatah punah krudhā visnur jagajjisnur mahābhujah bhallakena sirastasya vikokasyacchinat prabhuh

The Lord, the conqueror of the three worlds and master of the universe, remained unperturbed, however, and in a fit of rage. He retaliated by severing Vikoka's head with His lance.

#### Text 18

mrto vikokah kokasya darsana dutthito bali tad drstva vismitā devāh kalkisca paravirahā

Although Vikoka appeared to be dead and gone, when his brother simply gazed upon him, he was at once revived. Upon seeing this, the demigods, and also Lord Kalki, the destroyer of His enemies, were amazed.

#### Text 19

prati korttur gadāpaneh kokasyapyacchinacchirah mrtah koko vikokasya drsthipatat samutthitah

In retaliation for Koka's bringing his brother back to life, Lord Kalki immediately severed his head. Once again, however, simply by Vikoka's glance, Koka's head was replaced and he continued fighting as if nothing had happened.

#### Text 20

punastau militau tena yuyudhate mahabalau

# kamarupa dharau virau kalamrtyū iva parau

The two powerful and deceitful demon brothers felt renewed enthusiasm as they continued to attack Lord Kalki, appearing like fate and death personified.

## Texts 21-22

khadga carma dharau kalkım praharantau punah punah kalkıh krudhā tayos tadvad vanena sırası hate

punarlagne samalokya hariscinta paro'bhavat visa santāva athalokya turagas tava tadayat

With swords and shields in their hands, Koka and Vikoka struck the Lord, again and again. Lord Kalki became further enraged and at last, He simultaneously cut off both their heads. And yet, much to His surprise, both heads miraculously rejoined their trunks as everyone looked on in astonishment. Lord Kalki anxiously contemplated the matter for a moment, and then the two brothers resumed their attack. At this time, Lord Kalki's horse began to very forcefully kick the two brothers.

#### Text 23

kalakalpau duradharsau turagenarditau bhrsam kalkestam jaghnatur vanair amarsā tamralocanau

This made the two invincible demons mad with rage, so that their eyes became red. Turning their attention away from the Lord, they pierced His horse with their sharp arrows

# Text 24

tayorbhujantaram so'svah krudhā samadasad bhrsam tau tu prabhinnāsthibhujau visastangada kārmukau puccham jagrhattuh sapter gopuccham bālakaviva

The infuriated horse then bit Koka and Vikoka's arms, breaking their bones and causing their bangles and amulets to fall to the ground. In retaliation, the two demons caught the horse by its tails, just as a boy sometimes grabs the tail of a calf

# Text 25

dhrtapucchau tu tau jñatva saptih parama kopanah pascat padbhayam drdham jaghne tayorvaksasi vajravat

The enraged horse then kicked both demons in the chest with its hind legs, and the blows felt just like thunderbolts

#### Text 26

tyaktapucchau mūrcchītau tau tatksanat punarutthītau puratah kalkīmalokya babhāsāte sphutaksarau

Although the two heroes fell unconscious onto the ground, they quickly regained their senses and stood up, challenging Lord Kalki to continue fighting.

# Text 27

tato brahmā tamabhyetya krtañjali putah sanaih provaca kalkım naicāmu sastrastrarr vadhamarhatah

Meanwhile, Lord Brahmā, who had been watching the battle from the sky, approached Lord Kalki and spoke with folded hands. My dear Lord, You will not be able to kill these two demons with weapons.

#### Text 28

karaghata dekakāler ubhayor nirmīto vadhah ubh**a**yor darsanadeva nobhayor maranam kvacu

# viditveti kurusvatman yugapacca nayorvadham

You will have to kill them simultaneously with the use of Your baie hands. As long as one of them remains alive, he can instantly bring back the life of his brother.

# Text 29

iti brahmavacah srutva tyakta sastrastra vahanah tuyoh praharatoh svarram kalkudana vayoh krudhā

mustibhyam vajrakalpābhyām vabhañja sirasi tayoh

After hearing the words of Brahmā, who was born from the universal lotus flower, Loid Kalki abanJoned His horse and weapons. Being inflamed with rage, the Lord suddenly landed two powerful punches that were just like thunderbolts, simultaneously smashing the two brothers' heads.

#### Text 30

tau tatra bhagna mastiskau bhagna srangava gaviva petatur divi devānam bhayadau bhuvi badhakau

In this way, the two demons, who were a great cause of fear even for the demigods, and so what to speak of others, fell onto the ground like two great mountains, their heads smashed.

# Text 31

tad drstva mahadascaryam gandharvāpsa rasām ganāh nanrtur jagus tustava usca munayah vidhacaranah

devasca kusumasaraır varvasur hısta manasah Being overjoyed, the Gandharvas began to sing, the Apsarās danced in ecstasy, and the sages offered prayers while the demigods, Siddhas, and Cāranas showered flowers from the sky upon Lord Kalki

# Text 32

dwi dundubhayo neduh prasannasca bhavan disah tayorvadha prabhuditah kavir dasa sahasrakan

sasvan mahagthan saksad ahanad divya sayakath

Lord Kalkı felt great satisfaction after finally attaining victory over Koka and Vikoka. By invoking celestial weapons, the Lord proceeded to killed ten thousand enemy warriors while smashing their chariots and slaying their horses.

# Text 33

prajñah satasahasranam yodhanam ranumurddhani ksayam ninye sumanirastu rathinam pañcavimsaum

The formidable Prājña killed one hundred thousand enemy soldiers and Sumantu killed twenty-five thousand

#### Text 34

evamanye gargya bhargya visaladya maharathan nijagnuh samare kruddha nisadan mleccha varvaran

Other powerful warriors, filled with a terrible rage, including Gārgya, Bhargya, and Viśāla, also joined the tray, killing innumerable mlecchas and Nisādas.

#### Text 35

evam vijitya tan sarvan kalkir bhupaganaih saha

# sayyakarnaisca bhallāta nagaram jetu mayayau

After defeating all His enemies, Lord Kalkı and His associates proceeded towards the city of Bhallātanagara, which was inhabited by Sayyākarnas.

# Text 36

nanavadyair loka samghair varastraih nanavastrair bhusārnai bhusitāngaih nanāvāhaiscama rairvijyamanaih yato yoddhum kalkir atyugrasenah

While going, Lord Kalki and the kings accompanying Him were glorified by everyone and music filled the air. The Lord was fanned by cāmaras as His entourage, which consisted of countless soldiers bearing celestral weapons, proceeded in a joyful mood, riding upon their chariots, horses, and elephants.

Thus ends the translation of the twenty-first chapter of Śrī Kalkı Purāna

# CHAPTER TWENTY-TWO

# Lord Kalki Travels To Bhallāṭanagara Ruled By Śaśidhvaja A Great Battle Takes Place

#### Text 1

suta uvāca senāganaih parivrtah kalkir narayanah prabhuh bhallata nagaram prāyāt khadgadhrk saptivahanah

Sūta Gosvāmī said: After a short while, Lord Kalki, sword in hand and riding upon His horse, arrived at the city of Bhallāta, accompanied by His vast army.

## Text 2

sa bhallatesvaro yogi jñatva visnum jagatpatim nijasenā ganaih pūrne yoddhukāmo harim yayau

The king of Bhallāta was a great mystic yogī who was aware that Kalki was an incarnation of the Supreme Personality of Godhead, Lord Hari. Still, he came out of his city, along with his army, to fight with the Lord.

#### Text 3

sa harsotpulakah srimān dirghāngah krsna bhavanah sasidhvaj• mahāteja gajāyuta balah sudhi

This king, named Śaśidhvaja, was actually a devotee of Lord Krsna, and he was constantly merged in transcendental ecstasy. He was very intelligent, handsome, wealthy, and very powerful.

# Texts 4-5

tasya patni mahadevi visnuvrata parāyana susanta svammam praha kalkina yoddhum udyatam

natha kantam jagannātham sarvantaryammam prabhum kalkım narāyanam sāksāt katham tvam prahartsyasi

His chaste and devoted wife, Suśāntā, observed many religious vows in relation to Lord Hari. When she saw that her husband was about to tight with Lord Kalki, she said: My dear husband, Kalki is the Supreme Lord and Supersoul of all living entities. How can you dare to strike and injure His body?

#### Text 6

sasidhvaja uvaca susante paramo dharmah prajapati vinirmitah yuddhe praharah sarvatra gurau sisye hareriva

King Śaśidhvaja said· O goddess Suśāntā, in battle, there is no tault in injuring the body of an elderly person, or even one's disciple. This principle has been ordained by Brahmā himself.

#### Text 7

jivato rajabh•gah syan mrtah svarge pramodate yuddhe jayo va mrrtyur va ksatriyanam sukhavahah

If one comes out victorious in battle, he can enjoy his kingdom without any hindrance, and if he dies on the battlefield, he goes to enjoy celestial happiness in heaven. Therefore, for a *ksatriya*, both victory and defeat are auspicious.

#### Texts 8-9

susantovaca devatvam bhupatitvam va visavavista kaminam unmadanam bhave deva na hareh padasevinam

tvam sevakah sa capi sastva n niskamah sa capradah yuvayor yuddha milanam katham mohād bhavisyati

Suśāntā said: The enjoyment of a kingdom without hindrance, and the attainment of the heavenly planets may be accepted as the goal of life by those who are intoxicated by thoughts of sense gratification, but they are most insignificant for those who render service at the lotus feet of Lord Hari. O lord, you are a servant and Lord Kalki is the master. You have no desires for material enjoyment, and He is the bestower of the fruits of action. Considering this, how is it possible for you to fight with Him?

# Text 10

sasidhvaja uvaca dvandvatite yadi dvandvam isvare sevake tatha dehavesal lila yawa sa seva syattatha mama

King Śaśidhvaja said: My dear goddess, both the Supreme Lord and Hisservants are transcendental to the dualities of material existence, such as happiness and distress. Material designations are mistakenly attributed to the Lord and His devotees because they appear in bodies resembling those of the material world. Therefore, fighting is simply another of our pastimes.

#### Text 11

dehavesad isvarasya kamadya daihika gunah mayanga yadi jayante visayasca na kim tatha

Because the Supieme Lord appears in a human-like form, He displays anger, ambition, and other human qualities. Therefore, why should He not display the desire for enjoyment?

# Text 12

brahmato brahmatesasya sariritve saririta sevakasya bheda drsas tvevam janmalayodayah

The Supreme Personality of Godhead is eternal, and full of knowledge and bliss. When He incarnates within this world, He remains as He is, even though He assumes a body similar to that of a human being. He and His servant's birth, activities, and disappearance are transcendental, although to materialists they appear mundane.

#### Text 13

sevya sevakata visnor maya seveti kirttitä dvaitadvaitasya cestaisā trivarga janika satām

The object of service, the servant, and the service are creations of the Lord's internal potency. A devotee's realization that the living entities are simultaneously one with and different from the Supreme Lord awards him the three objectives of life.

#### Text 14

ato'ham kalkmayoddham syamı kante svasenaya tvam tam pujaya kante'dya kamalapatım ısvaram

O goddess, it is for this reason that I am eager to fight with Lord Kalki. You should now worship the Lord of Laksm $\bar{\imath}$  with great attention.

#### Text 15

susānta uvaca krtartho'ham tvayavısnu seva sammılıtatmanā svamınnıha paratrapı vaisnavi prathita gatih Suśāntā said: O lord, I am very glad that you have such a wonderful service attitude toward Lord Hari. There is no other objective in this world or the next than Lord Visnu.

#### Text 16

iti tasyā valgu vābhih pranatayah sasidhvajah ātmanam vaisnavam mene sāsrunetro harim svaran

Upon hearing Suśānta speak in this way, and seeing her offer obeisances to the Lord, King Śaśidhvaia remembered Lord Hari as tears came to his eyes. Indeed, he felt proud to be a devotee of Lord Visnu.

#### Text 17

tamalıngaya pramudıtah surair bahubhirāvrtah vadannāma smaran rupam vaisnavair yoddhu māyayau

Thereafter, the king joyfully embraced his wife and then entered the battlefield while remembering Lord Hari and chanting His holy names, along with countless Vaisnava warriors.

# Text 18

gatvā tu kalkisenāyām vidrāvya mahatim camum sayyakarna ganair viraih sannadvair udyatāyudhaih

After entering the battlefield, King Sasidhvaja created great destruction in the ranks of the army of Lord Kalki. At this time, the powerful Sannadhas and Śayyākarnas picked up their weapons and fought along with their king.

#### Text 19

sasidhvaja sutah sri mān sūryaketur mahabalah marubhūpena yuyudhea vaisnavo dhanvinām varah Sasidhvaja's son, Śrīmān Suryakeru, was a great warrior and master bowman, and a devotee of Lord Hari He fought with king Maru of the Sūrya dvnasty

#### Text 20

tasyanujo vrhatketuh kantah kokila nisvanah devapina sa yuvudhe gadavuddha visaradah

Suryaketu's younger brother was named Brhatketu He was very handsome, he had a voice like a cuckoo, and he was very expert at fighting with a club He fought with King Devāpi

# Text 21

visakhayupa bhupastu sasidhvaja nrpena ca yuyudhe vividhaih sastraih karibhih parivaritah

King Visākhayūpa, surrounded by many elephant warriors and brandishing celestial weapons, confronted King Sasidhvaja

#### Text 22

rudhirasvo dhanurdhari laghuhastah pratapavan rajasvanena yuvudhe bhargyah santena dhansina

In the midst of the dust raised by the hooves of the horses, the greatly powerful Gārgya, a master bowman whose arms moved like the wind and who rode upon a red horse, engaged in fighting with the very expert bowman. Śānta

#### Text 23

suloih prasair gadaghatair vana saktyrsti tomaraih bhallaih khadgair bhusandibhih kuntaih samabhavadranah The battle became very intense as all these powerful warriors fought with their tridents, clubs, arrows, anchors, spears, swords, maces, and axes

# Text 24

patakabhir dhvajais cinhais tomarais chatra camaraih proddhuta dhuli patalair andhakaro mahanabhuta

The battlefield became a collage of flags, poles, emblems, clubs, umbrellas, *camaras*, and dust raised by the hooves of the horses

# Text 25

gagane'nughana devah ke va vasam na cakire gandharveh sadhusandarbhan gayanair amrtayonaih

The demigods observed this fierce battle from their positions behind the clouds. The Gandharvas hovered over the battlefield, singing in sweet voices

# Texts 26-28

drustum samagatoh sarve lokoh samaram adbhutam sankha dundubh sannadar asphotair vrmhitair api

hvesitair yodhanot krustair loka muka wabhavan rathino rathibhih sakam padatasca padatibhih

haya hayara bhascebhaih samaro'mara danavaih vathabhavat sa tu ghano yamarastra warddhanah Indeed, a huge crowd gathered to witness the battle. Because of the deafening noise created by the blowing of conch shells, beating of drums, challenges of the warriors, cries of the elephants, neighing of horses, and clash of weapons, no one could hear what their companions were saying Everyone engaged in fighting with their equals. Soon, the battle came to resemble a great fight between the demigods and demons, thus giving Yamarāja many candidates for punishment.

#### Text 29

sasidhvaja camūnathaih kalki senādhi paih saha nipetuh samikā bhumau chinna vahvanghri kandharāh

Numerous soldiers belonging to the armies of both Lord Kalki and Śaśidhvaja lost their arms, legs, and heads in that great battle

# Text 30

dhavanto'bhi druwantasca viklavanto'srguksitāh uparyupari sanchannā gajāsva ratha marditāh

Some injured soldiers ran here and there, screaming with pain, others made grotesque sounds, while still others lav soaked with blood. Some wounded soldiers fell onto other warriors, and others were crushed under the legs of horses and elephants, and the wheels of chariots.

#### Text 31

nıpetuh pradhane vırah kotı kotı sahasrasah bhutesānanda sandohāh sravanto rudhı rodakam

In that great battle, may tens of millions of great warriors lost their lives, so that the battlefield became a river of blood. Although certainly a ghastly sight, ghosts, hobgoblins, jackals, demons, and foxes were very happy to see that river.

#### Text 32

usnisahamsāh sañchinna gaja rodho rathasnavāh karoruminābharana masi kāñcana valukah

The crowns floating in that river of blood appeared like swans, the slain elephants looked like its banks, the chariots were boats, the severed hands and legs were fish, and the innumerable swords looked like so much golden sand on the shore.

# Text 33

evaṁ pravrttah sangrāme nadyah sadyo'tı darunah

In this way, the entire battlefield wore the appearance of a mighty river.

# Text 34

suryaketustu marunā sahīto yuyudhe balī kālakalpo durāgharso marum vānaīr tadayat

marustu tatra dasabhir mārganair ahanad bhrsam

The strongly-built Suryaketu, who looked like a second Yamarāja, covered King Maru with showers of arrows. In retaliation, Maru released ten wonderful arrows that injured Suryaketu.

# Texts 35-36

marubanāhato virah sūryaketura marsitah jaghān turagān kopat padodghatena tadratham

curnayıtvā'tha tenapı tasya vaksasya tādayat gadāghātena tenapı marur murccham avapaha Being pierced by Maru's arrows, Suryaketu became enraged and countered by killing the king's horses, one by one. He then broke King Maru's chariot to pieces, smashing it with his club. Due to being struck by one of the blows, King Maru lost his balance and fell to the ground unconscious.

#### Text 37

sarathıs tamapovāha rathenanyera dharmavıt brhatketusca devapım vānaih pracchadayad bali

King Maru's loyal charioteer quickly came and placed him on another chariot. Meanwhile, the powerful Brhatketu dazed Devāpi with his incessant stream of arrows.

#### Text 38

dhanui vikrsya tarasā niharena yathā ravim sa tu vanamayam varsam parivarya nijāyudhaih

As thick fog covers the sun, Devāpi, who had been greatly afflicted by Brhatketu's arrows, picked up his bow and countered his adversary's arrows with his own.

# Text 39

brhatketum drdham jaghne karkapatraih silāsitaih bhrnnam sulam athalokya dhanurgrhya pata tribhih

King Devāpi then employed his wonderful golden arrows to break Brhatketu's tridents and other weapons into pieces. Brhatketu, who had also became inflamed with rage, picked up his how and showered more arrows upon his adversary.

# Text 40

sıtadhāraih svarna pumkhair gardha patrair ayomukhaih devāpīm āsugair jaghne brhatketuh sasainikam

Brhatketu then released golden arrows having iron tips and vultures' teathers, piercing Devāpi all over his body.

# Text 41

devapis taddhanur divyam ciccheda nisitaih saraih chinnadhanva brhatketuh khadgapair jighāmsaya

Devāpi countered with his sharp arrows and managed to break Brhatketu's celebrated bow. Finding no other means, Brhatketu unsheathed his sword and charged at Devāpi in a final attempt to kill him.

# Texts 42-43

devapeh sārathım sasvam jaghne suro mahamrdhe sa devāpir dhanus tyaktva talenahatya teripum

bhujayor antarāniya nispipesa sa nirdayah tam tryasta varsam niskantam mūrcchitam satrunārditam

That great warrior, Brhatketu, was able to kill Devāpi's horses and chariot driver as the fierce battle continued. Devāpi then threw down his bow and gave his enemy a powerful blow with his fist. Brhatketu was stunned and so Devāpi grabbed him and began squeezing his neck as it was held between his arm and chest. As a result of this, the twenty-four-year-old Brhatketu fell down unconscious onto the battlefield, as if dead.

#### Text 44

ajam viksaya devāpir mughni sūryadhvajo'vadhit mustinā vajrapātena so'patan mūrchito bhuvi

# murcchitasya ripuh krodhat senaganam tadayat

Upon seeing his brother as if bereft of life, Suryaketu brought his fist down onto Devāpi's head. As a result of that terrible blow, which appeared like the striking of a thunderbolt, Devāpi also fell down unconscious. At this, Suryaketu mercilessly attacked Devāpi's soldiers, causing them to scatter.

# Text 45

sasidhvajah sarvajagannwasam kalkim purastad abhisūryavarcasam syamam pisangamvaram ambujeksanam brhadbhujam caru kirita bhūsanam

At about that time, King Śāśidhvaja happened to see Lord Kalki roaming the battlefield The Lord's eyes were like lotus petals, His complexion was very dark, and His effulgence was as bright as the sun He appeared to be the shelter of the universe. He was dressed in yellow garments and His arms extended to His knees. On His head was placed a transcendental crown.

### Text 46

nana mani vrata citanga sobhava nirasta lokeksana hrttamomayam visakhayupadibhir avrtam prabhum dadarsa dharmena krtena pūjitam

Lord Kalki's body appeared even more brilliant due to the reflections of His jeweled ornaments. The Lord presented a very pleasing sight for everyone. Indeed, His darśana destroyed the contamination within everyone's heart. All the kings, headed by Viśākhayūpa, surrounded the Lord, and Dharma and Satya-yuga personified were seen worshiping Him.

Thus ends the translation of the twenty-second chapter of Śrī Kalkı Purāna

# CHAPIER TWENTY-THREE

# King Śaśidhvaja Brings the Unconscious Lord Kalki to His Palace

#### Text 1

suta uvaca hrdi dhyanaspadam rupam kalker drstva sasidhvajah purnam khadgadharam caru turagarudham avravit

Sūta Gosvāmī said: As King Śaśidhvaja gazed upon the enchanting form of Lord Kalki, the incarnation of Lord Hari, and thus the only real object of meditation, who was seated on His celestial horse, holding a sword, he spoke as follows.

#### Text 2

dhanurvana dharam caru vibhūsana varangakam papatapa vmāsārtham udyatam jagatam param

Loid Kalki, the master of the universe, is decorated with transcendental ornaments and equipped with a bow and arrows, so that it appears as if He is about to destroy all the suffering and sins of this material world

#### Text 3

praha tam paramātmanam hrsta roma sasidhvajah ehyehi pundarikaksa praharam kuru me hrdi

His mind surcharged with feelings of ecstasy, King Śaśidhvaja said O lotus-eyed Lord, please come and strike my chest.

# Texts 4-5

athavatman vanabhiya tamo'ndhe hrdi me visa nırgunasya gunajñatvam advaıtasyastra tadanam

nıskāmasya jayodyoga sahayam yasya saınıkam lokāh pasyantu yuddhe me dvırathe paramatmanah

O Supersoul, situated within the hearts of all living entities, out of fear of my arrows, please hide within my heart, which is filled with darkness Although You are without material qualities, You possess unlimited transcendental qualities. Although You are one without a second, You are prepared to attack Your enemies. Although You are without material desires, You have accepted the support of an army for achieving victory I would like to fight with the Supersoul of all living entities while everyone else stands aside as spectators.

# Text 6

parabuddhir yadi drdham prahartta vibhave tvayi siva visnor bhedakrte lokam yāsyāmi samyuge

You are the almighty Lord. I will strike You hard, and while doing so, if I forget that You are the Supreme Lord, then I hope to achieve that inferior destination which is attained by those who discriminate between Lord Siva and Lord Hari.

#### Text 7

iti rajño vacah srutvā akrodhah kruddhavad vibhuh vanaira tadayat samkhye dhrtayudham arindamam

Upon hearing these words of King Śaśidhvaja, the slayer of his enemies who possessed all kinds of weapons, Lord Kalki displayed some symptoms of anger, although by nature He is always peaceful, and thus began to release His arrows

Text 8

sasıdhvajas tatprahāram

aganasya varayudhaih tam jaghne vanavarsena

dhārabhiriva parvatam

However, King Śaśidhvaja did not take this onslaught of arrows very seriously. As a mountain remains undisturbed by the cloud that showers rain upon it, King Śaśidhvaja remained steady as he counteracted the Lord's arrows with his own

# Text 9

tadvana varsabhinnantah kalikah paramakopanah divyaih sastrāstra sanghatais tayor yuddham avarttata

King Śaśidhvaja's attack appeared to injure Lord Kalki and this made the fire of His rage burn brightly Thereafter, a fierce battle ensued wherein both combatants discharged celestial weapons

# Text 10

brahmāstrasya ca brahmastrair vāyavasya ca pārvataih agneyasya ca pārjanyaih pannagasya ca garudhaih

Both neutralized the effects of each other's brahmāstra by invoking another brahmāstra, pārvatīastra by employing another pārvatiastra, vāyuastra by discharging another vāyu-astra, parjanyāstra by invoking an agniastra, and garudāstra by employing a pannagāstra

#### Text 11

evam nanavidhan astrair any•'nyam abhijaghnatuh lokāh sapalah samtrasta yugantabhiva menireh

In this way, Lord Kalki and King Śaśidhvaja fought furiously while discharging their entire arsenal of weapons. As they witnessed this

contest, all the spectators, including the rulers of the universe, became frightened, thinking that the time of annihilation had arrived.

# Texts 12-13

devā kālāgni samtrastā agaman khagamāḥ kila tato'ti vitathod yogau vāsudeva sacīdhvajau

nirastrau bāhuyuddhena yuyudhāte parasparam padāghārais talāghātair muṣṭi praharaṇais tathā

As the demigods watched the battle from their vantage point in the sky, when they saw a fiery weapon being discharged, their hearts became overwhelmed with fear. After awhile, Lord Kalki and King Śaśidhvaja put aside their bows and arrows and began wrestling—kicking, punching, and slapping each other with all their strength.

#### Texts 14-15

niyuddha kusalau virau mumudāte parasparam varāhoddhṛta sabdena tam talenāhanaddhariḥ

sa mūrcchito nṛpaḥ kopāt samutthāya ca tatkṣaṇāt muṣṭibhyām vajrakalpābhyām avadhīta kalkimojasā

sa kalkistatprahāreņa papāta bhuvi mūrechitaḥ

Both Lord Kalki and King Śaśidhvaja were very powerful warriors and expert in the art of fighting. Both became pleased to witness each other's skill. When Lord Kalki slapped King Śaśidhvaja, causing him to lose consciousness, the sound produced by that blow reminded everyone of

the sound made by Lord Varāha as He delivered the earth from the nether regions at the beginning of creation. Within a moment, King Śaśidhvaja regained his senses and stood up. In a fit of rage, the king smashed his fist upon the body of Lord Kalki, making Him fall unconscious onto the ground.

#### Text 16

dharmaḥ kṛtañca taṁ drṣṭvā murcchitaṁ jagadisvaram samāgatau tamānetuṁ kakṣe tau jagṛhe nṛpaḥ

Upon seeing this, Dharma and Satya-yuga personified rushed to where Lord Kali, the master of the universe, was lying. However, before they could reach Him, King Śaśidhvaja restrained them, holding them tightly in his arms.

#### Text 17

kalkim vakṣasyu pādāya labdhārthaḥ prayayau gṛham yuddhe nṛpāṇām anyeṣām putrau dṛṣṭvā sudurjayau

The king then embraced Lord Kalki to his chest and brought Him to his palace, considering himself to be very fortunate. He thought that no king of the earth would now be able to defeat his two sons.

# Text 18

kalkim surādhipa patim pradhane vijitya dharmam kṛtañca nijakakṣa yuge nidhaya harṣollasad hṛdaya utpulakah

pramāthi gatvā gṛham harigrhe dadrse susantām

Thus, King Śaśidhvaja returned home in a jubilant mood after defeating Lord Kalki, the Lord of the demigods, carrying Him on his chest



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and Dharma and Satya-yuga personified in his armpits. Upon returning home, the king saw his wife Śusāntā, sitting in the temple of Lord Hari.

#### Text 19

drstvā tasyāh sulalīta mukham vaisnavināñca madhye gāyantinām harīguna kathastāmatha praha rāja

devādinām vinaya vacasā sambhale janmana vidyālabham parinayavidhim mlecchā pasanda nasnam

Many other female devotees surrounded the queen, glorifying Lord Hari. The king looked at Śusāntā's lotus-like face and said: He who has taken birth in the village of Śambhala by the request of the demigods is this personality I am holding to my chest. He received an education, was married, and then vanquished many atheists and *mlecchas*.

# Text 20

kalkıh svayam hrdı mamāya mıhā gato'ddhā mūrcchacchalena tava bhaktı samıksanartham dharmam krtañca mama kaksayuge susante kante vilokaya samarcaya samvidhehi

O goddess, Lord Kalkı, the Lord of the heart, has now come to our house on the pretext of being unconscious. Dharma and Satya-yuga are also our guests and so you can worship them.

#### Text 21

iti nrpavacasā vinodapūrnā harikrta dharmayutam pranamya nātham saha nijasakhibhir nanartta rāmā hariguna kirttana varttana vilajja

Śuśāntā offered her obeisances to Lord Kalki, Dharma, Satya-yuga, and her husband. Then, along with her companions, she began to dance while singing the glories of Lord Hari without inhibition.

Thus ends the translation of the twenty-third chapter of Śrī Kalki Purāna.

# CHAPTER TWLNTY-FOUR

# The Prayers of Susāntā Lord Kalki Marries King Śaśidhvaja's Daughter

#### Text 1

susantovaca jay hare'ma radhisa sevitam tave padambujam bhuri bhūsanam kuru mamagratah sādhu satkrtam tyaja mahāmate mohamatmanah

Śusāntā said: O Lord Hari, all glories unto You. Please give up Your illusory pastime of being unconscious. O most intelligent one, kindly show me Your lotus feet, which are faithfully served by saintly persons and demigods.

#### Text 2

tave vapur jagadrupa sampadā viracitam satām manase sthitam ratipater mano mohodayakam kuru vicestitam kamapuranam

Your body is fully spiritual and thus it is the most valuable object within the universe. This form of Yours is present within the hearts of the devotees. Your beautiful form bewilders even the mind of Cupid. Now, please do whatever You consider to be beneficial for me.

#### Text 3

tave yaso jagacchoka nāsanam mrdu kathamrta prītīdāyakam sthīta sudhoksītam candravan mukham tava karotvalam lokamangalam

The world of lamentation goes far away if Your transcendental glories enter someone's ears. The shower of nectar in the form of the sweet words emanating from your moon-like mouth pleases everyone. Your face is adorned with a sweet smile Please speak something with Your lotus mouth that will benefit all classes of men.

# Text 4

mama patistvaym sarvadurjayo yadi tavāpriyam karmāṇa caret jahi tadātmanaḥ satrum udyatam kuru kṛpām nacedīdrg isvarah

My husband is a person who irritates everyone. If he has caused You any pain, kindly give up Your anger and display some compassion. Otherwise, how will people believe that You are all-merciful?

#### Text 5

mahadaham yutam pañcamātrayā prakṛti jāyayā nirmitam vapuḥ tava nirikṣaṇāl līlayā jagat sthiti layodayam brahmakalpitam

The material body has been created with the five gross material elements as its ingredients, as well as the three subtle elements, all of which are manifestations of Your external energy. In the beginning, You glanced over material nature for the sake of Your pastimes, and then You enacted the creation, maintenance, and annihilation of the universe by Your three qualitative incarnations.

#### Text 6

bhuviyan marudvāri tejasām prācitibhiḥ sarīrendriyāsritaiḥ triguṇyā svayā mayayā vibho kuru kṛpām bhavat sevanārthinām

My dear Lord, please bestow Your mercy upon us, who aspire for engagement in Your devotional service, even though we possess material bodies and senses that act under the direction of Your illusory energy, māyā, which consists of three modes.

#### Text 7

tava guṇālayam nāma pāvanam kalimalapaham kirttayanti ye bhavabhayakṣayam tapatāpitā muhuraho janāh samsaranti no Those who always chant Your holy names, which destroy the contamination of Kali, removes the fear of material existence, and enables one to develop transcendental qualities, even though undergoing material miseries at present, will never again have to accept a material body.

#### Text 8

tava januh satām mānavarddhanam dijakulodayam devapālakam kṛtayugārpakam dharmapūrakam kalikulantakam santanotu me

Because of Your appearance within this world, the prestige of the devotees has been reinstated, the *brāhmaṇas* once again engage in their ritualistic performances, the demigods feel secure, Satya-yuga will soon commence, religious principles are being obeyed, and the influence of Kali has slackened. May I also receive the benefit of Your incarnation.

#### Text 9

mama gṛham patiputra naptṛkam gajarathair dhvajais cārair dhanaiḥ maṇivarāsanam sat kṛtim vinā tava padābjayoḥ sobhayanti kim

I have a husband, sons, grandsons, elephants, horses, flags, chariots, cāmaras, wealth, jeweled āsanas, and countless other possessions but without the presence of Your lotus feet, all these things appear to be of very little value.

# Text 10

tava jagadvapuh sundarasmitam mukham aninditam sundarāravam yadi na me priyam valgucestite parikarotyaho mṛtyurastivaha

O Lord of the universe, if Your enchanting smiling face, from which captivating and meaningful words emanate, does not cast its soothing glance upon me, then let me die without delay.

#### Text 11

hayacara bhayasara karahara sarana kharatara varasara dasabala manthana jayahata parabhara bhavavaya samana sasadhara sata samarasa bharavadana

As You traverse the surface of the earth, riding upon Your horse, Your presence removes all fear. You are the shelter of Brahmā and Śiva. You vanquish even the most powerful warriors with Your sharp arrows. You give protection to those who seek Your shelter after being defeated by You in battle. Your lotus face is as soothing as a hundred moons.

### Text 12

iti tasyāḥ susāntāyā gītena paritositaḥ uttasthau raṇasayyāyāḥ kalkiryuddhas thavīravat

Being greatly satisfied by Śusāntā's prayers, Lord Kalki awakened from His state of unconsciousness and once again assumed the role of an invincible warrior.

#### Texts 13-14

susāntām purato drṣṭvā kṛtam vāme tu dakṣiṇe dharmam sasidhvajam pascāt prāheti vrīḍitānanaḥ

kā tvam padmapalāsākṣi mama sevārtham udyatā kānte sasidhvajaḥ suro mama pascād upasthitah

Seeing Suśāntā in front of Him, as well as Satya-yuga personified to His left, Dharma to His right, and King Śaṣidhvaja behind Him, Lord Kalkī spoke as if embarrassed: O lotus-eyed one, who are you? Why are you serving Me? Why is the great hero, Śaśidhvaja, standing behind Me?

# Text 15

he dharma he kṛtayuga kathaṁ atrāgatā vayam raṇāṅganaṁ vihāyāsyāḥ satrorantaḥ pure vada

O Dharma! O Satyayuga! Instead of remaining on the battlefield, why have I been brought to the palace of the enemy?

# Text 16

satrupatnyaḥ katham sādhu sevante māmarim mudā sasidhvajaḥ suramānī mūrcchitam hanti no katham

I am the enemy of these women. Why are they serving Me in great happiness? I fell unconscious. Why did the great hero, Śaśidhvaja, not kill Me?

#### Text 17

susāntovāca
pātāle divi bhūmau vā
naranāga surā'surāḥ
nārāyaṇasya te kalke
ke vā sevām na kurvate

Suśāntā said: Who is there in Pātālaloka, Svargaloka, or Bhūloka, whether he is a human being, serpent, demon, or demigod, that would not serve Lord Kalkī, the incarnation of Lord Hari?

# Text 18

yatsevakānām jagatām mitrāṇām darsanādapi nivarttate satrubhāvas tasya sākṣāt kuto ripuḥ

All the people of the world are Your servants. It is the duty of everyone to adopt a friendly attitude toward You. My dear Lord, simply by seeing You, one's animosity is vanquished. Who would dare to exhibit his enviousness by fighting with You, hand to hand?

#### Text 19

tvayā sārddham mama patiḥ satrubhāvena samyuge



yadi yogyas tadānetum kim samartho nijālayam

Had my husband not fought with You in the mood of an enemy, would he have been able to bring You to his house?

#### Text 20

tava dāso mama svāmi aham dāsi nijā tava āvayoḥ samprasādāya āgato'si mahābhuja

My husband is Your eternal servant, and I am Your eternal maidservant. O mighty-armed Lord, You have come here simply to benefit us.

#### Text 21

dharma uvāca aham tavaitayor bhaktyā nāmarūpānu kirttanāt kṛtārtho'smi kṛtārtho'smi krtārtho'smi kaliksaya

Dharma said: O vanquisher of Kali, I am very impressed to see how this couple renders devotional service unto You. They chant Your holy names and they take great pleasure in glorifying You,

#### Text 22

kṛtayuga uvāca adhunāham kṛtayugam tava dāsasya darsanāt tvamīsvaro jagat pūjya sevaka syāsya tejasā

Satya-yuga said: My dear Lord, I consider myself to be very fortunate to have witnessed the activities of these great devotees. By the influence of Your devoted servants, Your worship spreads throughout the universe.

#### Text 23

sasidhvaja uvāca daņḍayaṁ māṁ daṇḍaya vibho yoddhrtvād udyatā yudham yena kāmādi rāgeņa tvayyāt manyapi vairitā

King Śaśidhvaja said: My dear Lord, I had pierced Your body with many arrows while fighting with You. Therefore, I am a great offender and so please punish me. You are our life and soul and yet, under the influence of uncontrollable lust and anger, I treated You as an enemy.

# Text 24

iti kalkir vacasteṣām nisamya harsitānanaḥ tvayā jito'smīti nṛpam punah punaruvāca ha

After hearing the king speak with such humility, Lord Kalkī said: The simple fact of the matter is that you defeated Me in the battle.

# Text 25

tataḥ sasidhvajo rājā yuddhā dāhūya putrakān susāntāyā matim buddhvā ramām prādāt sa kalkaye

Thereafter, King Śaśidhvaja summoned his sons from the battlefield and, as desired by his wife, handed over his daughter, Ramā, to Lord Kalki in marriage.

# Texts 26-27

tadaitya maru devāpī sasidhvaja samāhṛtau visākha yūpa bhūpasca rudhirāsvasca saṃyugāt

sayyā karṇa nṛpe ṇāpi bhallāṭaṁ puramāyayuḥ senāgaṇair asaṁkhyātaiḥ sā purī mardditā bhavat

At that time, the kings Maru, Devāpi, Viśākhayūpa, Sayyākarṇa, and Rudhirāśva arrived at Bhallāta, at the invitation of Śaśidhvaja. Thus, the city became very crowded with the soldiers of these rulers of men.

#### Text 28

gajāsva ratha sambādhaih particchatra ratha dhvajaih kalkinapi ramayasca vwahotsava sampadam

The marriage ceremony of Lord Kalki and Ramā was performed with great pomp with many elephants. horses, chariots, soldiers present, so that a great tumult was created.

#### Texts 29-30

drustum samauyus tvarita harsāt sabala vahanah samkha bheri mr**d**angānām vāditranañca niss anaih

nrtya gita vidhanaisca purasiri krta mangalaih vivāho ramaya kalker abhuda ati sukhāvahah

Everyone arrived on their various vehicles and carriers in a mood of joyful anticipation, eager to witness the wedding. The festive mood was enhanced by the auspicious and delightful sounds of drums, conch shells, and mrdangas, as well as the singing, dancing, and clapping of the ladies

#### Texts 31-32

nrpā nanā vidhair bhojyaih pujita vivisuh sabham brāhmanah ksatriya vaisyah sūdrasca vara jatayah

vicitra bhoga bharanah kolkim drastum upavisan tasyam sabhayam susubhe kolkih kama lalocanah

All the kings were provided with an incredible variety of sumptuous food and drink. The *brahmanas*, *ksatriyas*, *vaiśayas*, *śudras*, and outcastes were also very nicely fed and given charity when they came to see

Lord Kalkı. All the while, the lotus-eyed Lord remained seated in the assembly.

# Text 33

naksatro gana madhyasthoh purnah sasadharo yathā reje raja ganadhiso lokān sarvan vimohayan

Just as the moon looks very beautiful in the midst of innumerable stars, so Lord Kalki, the king of kings, appeared glorious in the midst of that assembly.

### Text 34

rama patim kalkim aveksya bhupah sabhagata padma dalāyate ksanam jāmātaram bhakti yutena karmana vivudhya madhye nisasāda tatra ha

King Śaśidhvaja słowly approached the lotus-eved Lord Kalki, the husband of Ramā, and sat beside Him in a mood of awe and reverence, although he considered Him to be his son-in law.

Thus ends the translation of the twenty-fourth chapter of Śrī Kalkı Purāna.



# CHAPTER TWENTY-FIVE

# The Devotion of Śaśidhvaja And His Previous History

# Texts 1-2

sūta uvaca tatrahuste sabha madhye vaisnavam tam sasidhvajam munibhih kathita sesa bhakti vyasakta vigraham

susantāñ ca krtenāpi dharmena vidhivad yutam

Sutā Gosvāmī said: The kings then began to speak to the exalted King Śaśidhavaja and his wife, Suśāntā, in that assembly which included Dharma and Satya-yuga personified.

#### Texts 3-4

rajana ucuh yuvām nārāyana syasya kalkeh svasuratām gatau vayam nrpa ime loka rsayo brāhmanāsca ye

preksya bhaktı vıtānam vam harau vismita manasāh prechamastva miyam bhaktih kva labdha paramatmanah

The kings said: You are now the in-laws of Lord Kalki, who is non-different from the Personality of Godhead, Nārāyana. We are very impressed by the devotional attitude of both of you, and so are the assembled sages, *brāhmanas*, and others. We would like to know how you became so advanced on the path of devotional service to the Supreme Lord.

#### Texts 5-6

kasyava saksıtā rajan kımvā naısargıkı tava sotrumicchāma he rājan tri jagajjana pavanım

kathām bhagavatım tvattah samsara āsrama nāsınım

My dear king, did someone give you instruction regarding the devotional service of the Lord, or is your devotion spontaneous? We simply would like to know how you became such an advanced devotee of the Lord. We know that by hearing this narration, the inhabitants of the three worlds will be purified, because such talks uproot the root cause of material existence.

# Text 7

sasidhvaja uvaca stripumsorā vayos tattat srnutā mogha vikramah vrttam majjanma karmadi smrtim tadbhakti laksanam

King Śaśidhvaja said: O kings, please listen attentively as I narrate to you the story of my previous life, and how I came to be a king who is devoted to the Lord.

#### Text 8

purā yuga sahasrante grdhro'ham pūti mamsa bhuk grdhriyam me priyāranye krtanido vanaspatau

Thousands of years ago, I was born as a meat-eating vulture. My wife, Suśāntā, was a female vulture living in a nest at the top of a tree in the forest.

#### Text 9

cacāra kamam sarvatra vanopavana sankule



# mṛtānām pūti māmsaughaiḥ prāṇānām vṛttikalpakau

She would travel from forest to forest and tree to tree, according to her desire. We sustained our lives by eating the rotting, stinking flesh of dead bodies.

### Texts 10-11

ekadā lubdhakaḥ krūro lulubha pisitāsanau āvām vikṣya gṛhe puṣṭam gṛdhram tatrāpya yojayat

tam vikṣya jāta visrambhau kṣudhayā paripiḍitau stripumsau patitau tatra māṃsa lobhita cetasau

One day, a cruel hunter saw us and so desired to capture us. For this purpose, he brought his tame vulture. At that time, we were famished and so when we saw the tame vulture, we approached it in the hopes of getting some flesh in charity.

### Text 12

vaddhā vāvām vikṣya tadā harṣādāgatya lubdhakaḥ jagrāha kaṇṭhe tarasā cañcva grāghāta piditah

However, the result was that we fell into the trap of the hunter. As soon as he saw us ensnared within his net, the hunter joyfully came running and grabbed me by the neck. We tried our best to defend ourselves with our beaks.

#### Text 13

āvām gṛhitvā gaṇḍakyāḥ silāyām salilāntike maṣtiṣkaṁ cūrṇayāmāsa lubdhakah pisitāsan**a**ḥ Wanting our flesh, the hunter took us to the banks of the Gandaki River, which is as good as the Ganges, and killed us by smashing our heads against a śālāgrāma-śilā.

# Texts 14-15

cakānkita silā gangā maraṇādapi tatkṣaṇāt jyotir maya vimānena sadyo bhūtvā caturbhujau

prāptau vaikuņṭha nilayam sarva loka namaskṛtam tatra sthitvā yugasatam brahmaṇo lokamāgatau

Because we had given up our lives while touching a śalāgrāma-śilā on the shore of the holy Gaṇḍaki River, we were instantly awarded four-armed forms and ascended to Vaiṇkuṇṭha in an effulgent celestial chariot. We resided there for one hundred yuga cycles and then were transferred to Brahmaloka.

#### Text 16

brahma loke pañca satam yugānām upabhujya vai devaloke kālavasad gatam yuga catuḥsatam

In Brahmaloka, we resided for five hundred *yuga* cycles and then descended to Svargaloka, where we resided for four hundred *yuga* cycles.

# Text 17

tato bhuvi nṛpāstāvai baddha sūnurahaṁ smaran harer anugrahaṁ loke sālagrāma silāsramam

After residing in the heavenly planets, we were born in this mortal world. I can clearly remember how everything was made possible simply by the mercy of the śālāgrāma-śilā and Lord Hari.

#### Text 18

jātismaratvam gaṇḍakyāḥ kim tasyāḥ kathayāmyaham yajjala sparsa mātreṇa māhātmyam mahad adbhatam

It is astonishing to think how one can remember his past lives after giving up his life on the banks of the River Gandaki. Simply by touching the water of that river, one can feel something extraordinary.

#### Text 19

cakānkita silāsparsa maraņasye drsam phalam na jāne vāsudevasya sevayā kim bhavisyati

When such a wonderful result is obtained by giving up one's life while touching a śālāgrāma-śilā, then what can be said of the result obtained by those who serve Lord Hari with devotion?

#### Text 20

ityāvām hari pūjāsu harṣa vihvala cetasau nṛtyantāvanu gāyantau viluṇṭhantau sthitāviha

Thinking in this way, we remained absorbed in the worship of the Supreme Lord, sometimes dancing in ecstasy, sometimes singing the glories of Lord Hari, and sometimes rolling on the ground with a heart overwhelmed by feelings of love of God. In this way, we passed our lives.

#### Text 21

kalker nārāyaṇāṁ sasya avatāraḥ kalikṣayaḥ purā vidita vīryasya pṛṣṭo brahma mukhāt srutaḥ

I had already heard from Brahmā that Lord Hari would incarnate as Lord Kalki, to destroy the influence of Kali. I am thus well-aware of His unexcelled prowess.

# Text 22-24

iti rāja sabhāyām saḥ srāvayitvā nijāḥ kathāḥ dadau gajānām ayutam asvānām lakṣam ādarāt

rathānām ṣaṭ sahasrantu dadau pūrņasya bhaktitaḥ dāsinām yuvatināñca ramānāthāya ṣaṭsatam

ratnāni ca mahārghyāṇi dattvā rājā sasidhvajaḥ mene kṛtārtham ātmānaṁ svajanair bāndhavaiḥ saha

Thus, King Śaśidhvaja narrated his history in that assembly. He considered himself and his family members to be supremely fortunate as he gave Lord Kalki, the husband of Ramā, ten thousand elephants, one hundred thousand horses, six thousands chariots, one hundred young maidservants, and countless valuable jewels.

# Text 25

sabhāsada iti srutvā pūrva janmoditāḥ kathāḥ vismayā visṭa manasaḥ pūrṇaṁ taṁ menire nṛpam

After hearing this description of the king's previous life, all the members of the assembly were astonished and began to regard him even more highly.

#### Text 26

kalkim stuvanto dhyāyanto prasam santo jagajjanāḥ punastamāhū rājānam laksanam bhakti bhaktayoh Everyone in that assembly began to glorify the Supreme Lord and meditate upon His transcendental form. After some time, they inquired from King Śaśidhvaja about the characteristics of pure devotional service.

#### Text 27

nıpa ucuh bhaktıka syad bhagavatah ko va bhakto vidhānavit kım karoti kımasnatı kva vā vasatı vaktı kım

The kings said: What are the characteristics of devotional service to the Lord? Who is a genuine devotee, and what are the prescribed rules and regulations? What does a devotee do, what does he eat, where does he live, and what does he speak about?

# Texts 28-29

etan varnaya rajendra sarvam tvam vetsi sadarāt jatismaratvai krsnasya jagatam pāvanecchayā

iti tesam vacah srutva praphulla vadano nrpah sadhuvādaih samamantrya tāṇāha brahmanoditam

O king, you are the knower of everything and so please describe whatever was requested by us.

The king was very happy to hear these questions, which were all in relation to Lord Hari, and so he thanked them. Then, with a desire to purify the world with the sound of the holy names of Lord Krsna, the king, having the power to remember his previous lives, began to repeat whatever he had previously heard from Lord Brahmā.

# Text 30

sasidhvaja uvaca pura bra¹ıma sabha madhye maharsı gana sankule sonako naradam praha bhavadbhir yastvihoditah

King Śaśidhvaja said Once, long ago, in the assembly of Lord Brahmā, there were many great sages present. At that time, the sage Sanaka asked Nārada Muni the very questions that you have put before me

# Text 31

tesam anugrahenaham tatrositva srutah kathah yastah samkathayamiha srnudhvam papa nasanah

I was also present in that assembly of great sages and by their mercy, I heard everything that was spoken by them. O you who are capable of removing the sins of the conditioned souls, please listen attentively as I repeat whatever I had heard.

# Text 32

sanaka uvāca ka bhaktih samsrtihara harau loka namakrta tāmādau vamaya mune nara davahita vayam

Sanaka said. O sage among the demigods, what kind of devotional service to Lord Hari has the power to free one from the cycle of repeated birth and death? What inethod of devotional service is most praiseworthy? Please speak on this subject, for we are very eager to hear.

# Text 33

narada uvāca manah sasthani indriyani samyamya paraya dhiyā guravapi nyaseddeham loka tantra vicakyanah

Nārada Muni said. One who desiies to engage in the devotional service of the Lord should learn the codes of good conduct after fully surrendering himself at the lotus feet of the spiritual master and carefully

controlling his mind and five knowledge-acquiring senses with the help of good intelligence.

#### Texts 34-36

gurau prasanne bhagavān prasīdati hariḥ svayam praṇavāgni priyāmadhye namo'rnam tannidesatah

smared ananyayā budhyā desikaḥ susamāhitaḥ pādyārghya ācamaniyādyaiḥ snāna vāsovibhūsanaih

pūjayitvā vāsudeva pāda padmam samāhitaḥ sarvānga sundaram ramyam smaret hrtpadma madhyagam

If the spiritual master is pleased, then it is to be understood that Lord Hari is pleased. By the order of the spiritual master, one should chant the mantra, om namo svāhā. The disciple should worship the lotus feet of Lord Vāsudeva by offering Him pādya, arghya, ācamanīya, snānīya, vasana, and ornaments. All the while, he should meditate on the enchanting form of Lord Vāsudeva as it is situated within his heart.

# Text 37

evam dhyātvā vākya mano buddhindriya gaṇaiḥ saha ātmānam arpayed vidvān harāvekānta bhāvavit

A sincere and intelligent devotee should surrender his speech, mind, intelligence, senses, and indeed, his very self at the lotus feet of the Supreme Lord.

# Text 38

angāni devāstveṣāntu namāni viditānyuta viṣṇoḥ kalker anantasya tānye vānyanna vidyate All of the demigods are considered to be Lord Hari's bodily limbs. He possesses unlimited transcendental forms having corresponding transcendental names.

# Text 39

sevyaḥ kṛṣṇaḥ sevako' manye tasyātma mūrttayaḥ avidyo pādhayo jñānād vadanti prabhavādayah

Lord Kṛṣṇa is the actual object of service for all living entities. The constitutional position of the spirit souls is that they are the Lord's eternal servants, being part and parcel of Him. This is the conclusion of those who know the truth, but due to the dense darkness of ignorance, people in general forget this.

#### Text 40

bhaktasyāpi harau dvaitam sevya sevaka vattadā nānyad vinā tamityeva kva ca kiñca ca vidyate

The relationship between the Lord and His devotees is one of master and servant. Actually, there is nothing that can exist independently of Lord Kṛṣṇa.

#### Text 41

bhaktaḥ smarati tam viṣṇum tan nāmāni ca gāyati tat karmāṇi karotyeva tadānanda sukhodayaḥ

The devotees always think of Lord Hari, sing His holy names, and engage in menial service for His satisfaction. By engaging in devotional service in this way, the devotees feel transcendental pleasure.

#### Text 42

nṛtya tyuddhata vadrauti hasati praiti tanmanāḥ viluṇṭhatyātma vismṛtyā na vetti kiyadantaram The devotees dance in ecstasy, cry, laugh, and roll on the ground. and while doing so, they completely forget themselves. Pure devotees never discriminate, but rather see everyone equally on the spiritual platform.

# Text 43

evam vidhā bhagavato bhaktir avya bhicāriņi punāti sahasā lokān sadevāsura mānuṣān

Such unadulterated devotional service to the Supreme Lord quickly purifies everyone—demigods, demons, and human beings.

# Text 44

bhaktiḥ sā prakṛtir nityā brahmasampat prakāsitā siva viṣnu brahma rūpā vedādyānām varāpi vā

Bhakti-devī is the Lord's eternal spiritual potency and she is described in all Vedic literature. She is the embodiment of Brahmā, Viṣṇu, and Śiva.

#### Text 45

bhaktāḥ sattva guṇādhyāsāt rajasendriya lālasāḥ tamasā ghora samkalpā bhajanti dvaita drgjanāḥ

Persons in the mode of goodness are called devotees, persons in the mode of passion are mad after sense gratification, and persons in the mode of ignorance engage in all kinds of abominable activities.

#### Text 46

sattvā nirgunatām eti rajasā viṣayas pṛhām tamasā narakam yānti samsāre dvaita dharmiņi

People who cultivate the mode of goodness can raise themselves to the transcendental platform. Those who cultivate the mode of passion become filled with material desires, and those who cultivate the mode of ignorance go to hell.

# Text 47

ucchiṣṭam avaɪsistam vā
pathyam pūtam abhɪpsitam
bhaktānām bhojanam viṣṇor
naivedyam sātviakam matam

Food that is pure, juicy, and nutritious, and that has been offered to Lord Viṣṇu, is considered to be in the mode of goodness.

#### Text 48

indriya prīti jananam sukra sonita varddhanam bhojanam rājasam suddham āyurārogya varddhanam

Food that is prepared with only the satisfaction of the senses in mind, and which is intended to increase one's blood and semen, and thus enhance one's duration of life, is considered to be in the mode of passion.

#### Text 49

ataḥ praraṁ tāmasānāṁ kaṭvam loṣna vidāhıkam pūti paryūṣitaṁ jñeyaṁ bhojanaṁ tāmasapriyam

Food that is bitter, spicy, hot, sour, stale, burnt, dry, or rotten is considered to be in the mode of ignorance. Only people deeply imbedded in the mode of ignorance will relish such food.

#### Text 50

sāttvikānām vane vāso grāme vāsustu rajasah tāmasam dyūta madyādi sadanam parikīrttitam

People in the mode of goodness like to reside in the forest, people in the mode of passion like to reside in a city or village, and people in the mode of ignorance like gambling casinos and brothels.

### Text 51

na dātā sa hariḥ kiñcit sevakastu na yācakaḥ tathāpi paramā prītis tayoḥ kimiti sāsvati

Lord Hari does not award His devotee material comforts, nor does a pure devotee ask anything from the Lord, and yet there are exchanges of love between them at every moment. The dealings of the Lord and His devotees are not like those of materialistic people in this miserable world.

#### Text 52

ityetat bhagavat isvarasya viṣṇor guṇa kathanaṁ sanako vivudhya bhaktyā savinaya vacanaih surarsi

varyam parinutavendra puram jagāma suddhah

After hearing these talks in relation to Lord Hari, the master of everyone, the pure-hearted sage, Sanaka, returned to his abode after sufficiently glorifying Nārada Muni.

Thus ends the translation of the twenty- fifth chapter of Śrī Kalki Purāṇa.

# CHAPTER TWENTY-SIX

# The Glories of the Devotees of Lord Hari

# Text 1

sasidhvaja uvāca etad vaḥ kathitaṁ bhūpāh kathanıyoru karmaṇaḥ kathā bhaktasya bhaktesca kimanyaṁ kathayāmyaham

King Śaśidhvaja said: My dear kings, I have thus described the glories of the devotional service of the Lord, and the wonderful characteristics of the devotees. Now, what more shall I tell you?

# Text 2

bhūpā ūcuḥ tvam rājan vaiṣṇavasreṣṭhaḥ sarvasattva hite rataḥ tavāvesaḥ katham yuddha raṅge himsādikarmani

The kings said: My dear king, you are certainly the foremost Vaiṣṇava, for you are always engaged in working for the welfare of others. Why did you take part in the violence of war?

### Text 3

prāyasaḥ sādhavo loke jīvānām hitakāriṇaḥ prāṇabuddhi dhanairvāgbhiḥ sarveṣām viṣayātmanām

It is seen that saintly persons engage in working for the benefit of others, with their lives, intelligence, wealth, and speech.

### Text 4

sasidhvaja uvāca dvaitaprakāsini yātu prakrtih kāmarūpini

# sā sūte trijagat krtsnam vedāsinsca trigunātmikā

King Śaśidhvaja said: The concept of duality arises from the interaction of the three modes of material nature. From material nature, the creation of the three worlds was enacted, and thereafter the *Vedas* appeared.

## Text 5

te vedāstrijagaddha dharma sāsanā dharma nāsanāḥ bhakti pravarttakā loke kāminām visayaisīn**ā**m

Just to fulfill the desires of materialistic people, the *Vedas* propagate the path of fruitive action. At the same time, the *Vedas* establish the genuine principles of religion and present the path of pure devotional service to the Lord.

# Text 6

vātsyāyanādi munayo manavo vedapāragāḥ vahanti valimīsasya vedavākyānu sāsitāḥ

Under the guidance of the *Vedas*, grear sages like Vātsyāyana propagate the worship of Lord Hari, the master of the universe, within human society.

### Text 7

vayam tadanugāh karma dharmaniṣthā raṇapriyāḥ jighām santam jighāmsāmo vedārtha kṛta niscayāḥ

Following in the footsteps of the great sages, we sometimes engage in fighting in a way that is in accordance with religious principles. According to the Vedic injunctions, it is the duty of a king to kill all aggressors.

## Text 8

avadhyasya vadhe yāvāms tāvān vadhyasya raksane ityāha bhagavān vyasaḥ sarvavedārtha tatparah

Lord Vyāsadeva, the compiler of the *Vedas*, has said that just as it is a sin to kill someone who deserves protection, so it is a sin to protect someone who deserves to be killed.

## Texts 9-11

prāyascittarii na tatrāsti tatrā dharmah pravarttate ato'tra vāhinīm hatvā bhavatām yudhi durjayām

dharmam kṛtañca kalkintu samāniyā gatā vayam eṣā bhaktir mama matā tavābhipretamīraya

aham tadanu vakṣyāmi devavākyānu sārataḥ yadi viṣṇuḥ sa sarvatra tadā kam hanti ko hataḥ

If someone intentionally commits a sin, then no amount of atonement can purify him. That is why I killed innumerable soldiers who apposed me, and then brought Lord Kalki to my palace, along with Dharma and Satya-yuga personified. In my opinion, this was bona fide devotional service. Now, all of you can express your opinions, and I will give my replies in accordance with the Vedic injunctions. Lord Viṣnu is present everywhere. If this fact is established, then who can harm anyone?

# Text 12

hantā viṣṇurhato viṣṇur vadhah kasyāsti tatra cet yuddha yajñādiṣu vadho na vadho vedasāsanāt

Who can be killed without the sanction of the Lord? The actual killer of everyone is Lord Viṣṇu, the protector of everyone is also Lord Viṣṇu, and the person being killed is part and parcel of Lord Viṣṇu. The

*Vedas* therefore say that killing in a righteous battle or in a sacrificial performance does not constitute killing.

## Text 13

iti gāyanti munayo manavasca caturdasa ittham yuddhaisca yajñaisca bhajāmo viṣṇum isvaram

This is also the verdict of the great sages and Manus. We worship Lord Hari by fighting, and so this is our form of sacrifice.

# Text 14

ato bhāgavatīm māyām āsritya vidhinā yajan sevya sevaka bhāvena sukhī bhavatī nānyathā

Thus, a devotee under the shelter of the Lord's internal energy engages in the worship of Lord Hari in the mood of a servant and achieves true happiness, and not otherwise.

# Text 15

bhūpā ūcuḥ nimer bhūpasya bhūpāla guroḥ sāpān mṛtasya ca tādrse bhogāyatane virāgaḥ katham ucyatām

The kings said: O ruler of men. King Nimi had to give up his life as a result of the curse of his spiritual master, Vasiṣṭha. The question is—how did he develop detachment from his body, which is the source of all kinds of enjoyment? Why did he not agree to re-enter his body when the demigods revived him?

### Text 16

siṣyāsāpāt vasiṣṭhasya dehāvaptir mṛtasya ca srūyate kila muktānāṁ janma bhakta vimuktatā It has been heard that the great sage, Vasistha, also had to give up his life because of the curse of his disciple, but then received another body. The devotees of the Lord certainly attain liberation. How, after liberation, does a devotee again take birth?

## Text 17

ato bhagavatı māyā durbodhyā vijitātmanām vimohayanti samsāre nānātvadi indrajālavat

The illusory energy of the Supreme Lord is incomprehensible, even to highly elevated sages. This  $m\bar{a}y\bar{a}$ , with her variegatedness, bewilders the entire world, just like an expert magician.

# Text 18

iti teṣām vaco bhūyaḥ srutvā rājā sasidhvajaḥ provāca vadatām sreṣṭho bhakti pravaṇayā dhiyā

Upon hearing these words of the kings, Śaśidhvaja, who was a very eloquent speaker, continued his talks with a heart filled with devotion for the Lord.

### Text 19

sasidhvaja uvāca bahūnām janmanāmante tīrtha kṣetrādi yogataḥ daivāda bhavet sādhu saṅgas tasmād īsvara darsanam

King Śaśidhvaja said: As a result of performing many pious activities and visiting many holy places for many lifetimes, a person receives the association of saintly persons by the grace of the Lord. By that sādhusaṅga, he gradually becomes qualified to approach the Supreme Lord.

### Text 20

tataḥ sālokyatām prāpya bhajantyā drta cetasah

# bhuktva bhogan anupaman bhakto bhavati samsrtau

Such a person ultimately attains the abode of Lord Visnu, where he engages in the service of the Lord without impediment. A devotee of the Lord enjoys a very blissful life and he achieves fame in this world as a saintly person.

# Text 21

rajojusah karmapara haripujā parah sada tannamani pragayanti tadrupa smaranotsukāh

Pure devotees worship Lord Hari with great enthusiasm, incessantly chant His holy names, and constantly try to keep the remembrance of His transcendental form within their hearts.

# Text 22

avataranu kırana parvata vrata mahotsavah bhagavadbhaktı pūjadhyah paramananda samplutah

They sometimes perform dramas of the pastimes performed by the Lord's incarnations, they observe sacred vows such as Ekādaśī, and they organize grand festivals wherein they worship the Lord with great pomp. The devotees perform all of these activities with great pleasure

### Text 23

ato moksan na vāñchanti di stamukti phalodayāh muktva labhante janmāni haribhava pi akasakah

The devotees so much relish their engagement in devotional service that they do not even care for liberation. Sometimes liberated souls take birth in this world just to exhibit the truth of Krsna consciousness.

harirupah ksetratirtha pavana dharmatatparah sarasara vidah sevya seraka dvaitavigrahah

The devotees are non-different from Lord Hari. Even holy places of pilgrimage become sanctified by their presence. The devotees take the essence of life, knowing very well that only devotional service to the Lord can satisfy the self.

# Text 25

yathavatarah krsnasya tatha tatsevinani iha evam tasya nimisata lila bhaktasya locane

As Lord Krsna sometimes appears in this world, so His devotees also come to this world on His behalf. The Supreme Lord is always visible within the hearts of the pure devotees. This is one of His pastimes

# Text 26

muktasyāpi vasisthasya sarīra bhajanadarah etad vah kathītam bhupa māhatmyam bhaktībhaktayoh

It is for this reason that the great sage, Vasistha, although a liberated soul, accepted a material body O kings, I have thus briefly described the glories of devotional service and the Lord's devotees

# Text 27

sadyah papaharam pumsam haribhakti vivarddhanam sarvendriyastha devanam ananada sukhasañcayam

kama ragadi dosaghnam maya moha nivaranam By hearing these discussions, all of one's sinful reactions are quickly vanquished so that one's devotional service to Lord Hari is nourished. The controlling deities of the various limbs of his body also become pleased by such discussions. Such hearing counteracts all kinds of impediments, such as lusty desires and ignorance.

# Text 28

nānāsāstra purāņa veda vimala vyākhāmṛtāmbho nidham sammathyā ciram triloka munayo vyāsādayo bhāvukāḥ

kṛṣṇe bhāvamananya mevam amalaṁ haiyaṅga vinaṁ navaṁ labdhvā saṁsṛti nāsanaṁ tribhuvane srī kṛṣṇa tulyāyate

Exalted devotees throughout the three worlds, by following in the footsteps of Śrīla Vyāsadeva, have attained the platform of unalloyed devotional service, which frees one from material bondage. Such devotion is attained by churning the ocean of the *Vedas*, *Purāṇas*, and the other Vedic literature. Unalloyed devotees are considered to be as good as Lord Kṛṣṇa, due to being His dear associates.

Thus ends the translation of the twenty-sixth chapter of Śrī Kalki Purāna.

# CHAPTER TWENTY-SEVEN

# The Story of Dvivida Gorilla King Śaśidhvaja's Previous Birth as King Satrājit

## Text 1

sūta uvāca iti bhūpaḥ sabhāyām saḥ kathayitvā nijāḥ kathāḥ sasidhvajaḥ pritamanāḥ prāha kalkim kṛtāñjaliḥ

Sūta Gosvāmī said: After happily narrating his story to all the members of the assembly, King Śaśidhvaja addressed Lord Kalki with folded hands.

### Text 2

sasidhvaja uvāca tvam hi nātha tril•kesa ete bhūpās tvadāsrayāḥ mām tathāviddhi rājānam tvannidesa karam hare

King Śaśidhvaja said: My dear Lord! O master of the three worlds, all these kings are under Your protection. We are ready to carry out whatever Your order.

### Text 3

tapastaptam yāmi kāmam haridvāram munipriyam ete matputra pautrāsca pālanīyās tvadāsrayāḥ

I now wish to go to Hardwara, which is very pleasing to the sages, and execute penance. My sons and grandsons have taken shelter of You and so please protect them.

mamāpi kāmamjānāsi purā jāmvavato yathā nidhanam dvividasyāpi tadā sarvam suresvara

O Lord of the demigods, I know that You are already aware of my intention. I am sure that You remember how in Your previous incarnation, You had defeated Jāmbavān, the king of the bears, and killed Dvivida gorilla.

# Texts 5-6

ityuktvā gantum udyuktam bharyayā sahitam nṛpam lajjayādho mukham kalkim prāhur bhūpāh kimityuta

he nātha kinamenoktam yatccha tvā tvamadho mukhaḥ katham tadbrūhi kāmam naḥ kim vā nah sādhi samsayāt

When the king finished speaking and prepared to depart along with his wife, Lord Kalki exhibited a mood of embarrassment and lowered His head. Upon seeing this, the kings said: My dear Lord, what did King Śaśidhvaja say to You just now? Why have You lowered your head after hearing his words?

# Text 7

kalkiruvāca amum pṛcchata vo bhūpā yuṣmākam samsayacchidam sasidhvajam mahāprājñam madbhakti kṛtaniscayam

Lord Kalki said: My dear kings, you should ask this question of King Śaśidhvaja. He will certainly clarify everything because he is very intelligent and firmly devoted to Me.

iti kalkervacah srutvā te bhūpāh proktakārinah rājānam tu punah prāhuh samsayāpanna manasāh

Being advised by Lord Kalki in this way, the assembled kings turned to King Śaśidhvaja and spoke as follows.

## Text 9

nṛpā ūcuḥ kiṁ tvayā kathitaṁ rājan sasidhvaja mahamate kathaṁ kalkıs tadvadidam srutvaivābhūd adhomukhaḥ

The kings said: You are certainly very intelligent. What did you say to Lord Kalki, and why did He lower His head after hearing it?

## Text 10

sasidhvaja uvāca purā rāmāvatāre ca lakṣmaṇād indrajidvadham mokṣaṁcā lakṣya dvivido rākṣasatvāt sa dāruṇāt

King Śaśidhvaja said: At the time of Lord Rāmacandra's manifest pastimes, Lakṣmaṇa killed Indrajit. As a result, this son of Rāvaṇa was delivered from his life as a Rākṣasa.

### Text 11

agnyāgāre brahma vīra vaṭenaikā hiko jvaraḥ lakṣmaṇasya sarīreṇa praviṣṭ• mohakārakah

As a result of killing a *brāhmaṇa* with a fiery weapon, Lakṣmaṇa was afflicted by an incapacitating fever.

tam vyākulam abhiprekṣya dvivido bhiṣajām varaḥ asvivamseta sañjātaḥ svāpayāmāsa laksmanam

Upon seeing Lakṣmaṇa in that pitiful condition, Dvivida gorilla, who was a renowned physician belonging to the dynasty of the Aśvinī-kumāras, whispered a *mantra* into His ear.

## Text 13

likhitvā rāmabhadrasya samjñāpatrīm atandritaḥ lakṣmaṇam darsayāmāsa ūrdhvastisthan mahābhujah

He also wrote down that mantra, placed it over Laksmana's head, and asked Him to look at it.

## Text 14

lakṣmaṇo vikṣya tāṁ patrıṁ vijvaro balavāna bhūt sa tato dvividaṁ prāha varaṁ varaya vānara

When Lakṣmaṇa saw this *mantra*, His fever instantly subsided so that He became completely cured. Lakṣmaṇa then requested Dvivida Gorilla to ask for a benediction.

### Text 15

dvividas tadvacaḥ srutvā lakṣmaṇaṁ prāha hṛṣṭavat tvatto me maraṇaṁ prārthyaṁ vānaratvācca mocanam

In response, Dvivida Gorilla cheerfully said: I pray that I will die at Your hands and thus be relieved of this lower form of body.

## Text 16

punastam laksmanah prāha mama janmāntare tava

# mocanam bhavatā kīsa balarāma sarīrinah

To this, Lakṣmaṇa said: When, in the future, I appear as Balarāma, you will be killed by Me and thus freed from your life as a monkey.

### Text 17

samudrasyotare tire dvivido nāma vānarah

Anyone who writes "Dvivida Gorilla lives on the northern shore of the salt ocean" on a palm leaf and gazes at it will be instantly cured of his fever.

## Text 18

iti mantrākṣaram dvāri likhitvā tālapatrake yastu pasyati tasyāpi nasyatyaikā hikojvarah

If one simply writes this *mantra* and keeps it above his doorway so that he sees it every day, he will also be cured of fever very easily.

### Text 19

iti tasya varam labdhvā cirāyuḥ susthavānaraḥ balarāmāstra bhinnātmā mokṣamāpā kudobhayam

Having received this benediction from Lakṣmaṇa, Dvivida Gorilla continued to live a long and healthy life. Ultimately, he was killed by Lord Balarāma and thus attained liberation.

### Text 20

tathā kṣetre sūtaputro nihato lomaharṣaṇaḥ balarāmāstra yuktātmā naimiṣe'bhūt svavāñchayā

Similarly, by his own will, Romaharṣaṇa Sūta gave up his life at the hands of Lord Balarāma at Naimiṣaraṇya.

jāmvavāmsca purā bhūpā vāmanatvam gate harau tasyāpyūrdhva gatam pādam tatra cakre pradakṣiṇam

O kings, when the incarnation of the Lord, Vāmanadeva, covered the three worlds with two steps, Jāmbavān circumambulated His raised foot.

## Text 22

manojavam tam nirīkṣya vāmanaḥ prāha vismitaḥ matto vrņu varam kā mrkṣādhīṣa mahābala

Lord Vāmana became astonished to witness his great speed and said: O king of the bears, you are certainly very powerful. Now ask Me for a benediction.

# Text 23

iti tam hṛṣṭa vadano brahmāmso jāmbuvān mudā prāha bhoscakra dahanāt mama mṛṭyur bhaviṣyati

Jāmbavān, who was an expansion of Lord Brahmā, replied with great pleasure: Please award me the benediction that I may die by means of Your Sudarsana cakra.

## Text 24

ityukte vāmanaḥ prāha kṛṣṇajanmani me tava mokṣas cakreṇa sambhinna sirasiḥ sambhaviṣyati

Lord Vāmana said: When I descend to the earth in My original form as Lord Kṛṣṇa, I will cut off your head with My *cakra* so that you will be liberated from material existence.

mama krsnāvatāre tu sūryabhaktasya bhūpateḥ satrājitastu maṇyarthaṁ durvādaḥ samajāyata

Thereafter, at the time of Lord Krsma's manifest pastimes, I took birth as King Satrājit, a great devotee of the sun-god. Because of a rumor spread by me, Lord Kṛṣṇa's reputation became tarnished.

# Text 26

prasenasya mama bhārtri vadhastu maṇihetukaḥ simhāt tasyāpi maṇyarthe vadho jāmbavatā kṛtaḥ

I had a younger brother named Prasena. It so happened that Jāmbavān killed a lion that had taken my precious jewel.

# Text 27

durvada bhayabhītasya kṛṣṇasya amita tejasah maṇyanveṣaṇa citasya ṛkṣṇā bhūdrane vile

The unlimitedly powerful Lord Kṛṣṇa, out of fear of defamation, was searching for this jewel at this time. Finally, He came upon Jāmbavān within a mountain cave and for the sake of the jewel, they fought.

## Text 28

sa nijesam parijñāya taccaka grasta bandhanam mukto babhūva sahasā krṣṇam pasyat salakṣmaṇam

The king of bears gradually came to recognize his worshipable Lord, so that the duel ended peacefully. Thus, there was no need for Jāmbavān to be killed by Lord Kṛṣṇa's cakra. The king of bears attained liberation simply by receiving the darśana of the Supreme Personality of Godhead.

nava durbādala syāmam drṣṭvā prādāt nijātmajām tadā jāmvavata kanyām pragrhya maninā saha

Jāmbavān gave not only the jewel, but also his daughter, Jāmbavatī, to Lord Kṛṣṇa, whose complexion was the color of tender  $d\bar{u}rv\bar{a}$  grass.

# Text 30

dvārakām puramāgatya sabhāyām māmupa hvayat āhūya mahyam pradadau manim muniganārccitam

Thereafter, Lord Kṛṣṇa returned to Dvārakā and summoned me. He returned the jewel to me, even though His queens would have certainly cherished it.

# Text 31

so'ham tām lajjayā tena maṇina kanyakām svakam vivāhena dadāvasmai lāvaṇyājja gṛhe maṇim

I was embarrassed to discover that I had spread a false rumor about the Lord. To save face, I insisted that the Lord keep the jewel, and I also gave Him my daughter, Satyabhāmā, in marriage. The Lord graciously accepted both from me.

## Text 32

tām satyabhāmām ādāya maṇim mayyarpya sa prabhuḥ dvārakām āgatya punar gajāhvayama gādvibhuḥ

After some time had passed, Lord Kṛṣṇa returned the jewel to me and went to Hastināpura, along with Satyabhāmā.

gate kṛṣṇe mām nihatya satadhanvā'grahīn maṇim ato'ham iha jānāmi pūrvajanmani yat kṛtam

While the Lord was thus away from Dvārakā, a king named Śatadhanvā killed me and took the jewel. I clearly remember everything that Lord Kalki did in His previous incarnation.

## Text 34

mithyābhi sāpāt kṛṣṇasya naivābhūn mocanam mama ato'ham kalkirūpāya kṛṣṇāsya paramātmane

dattvā ramām satyabhāmā rūpinim yāmi sadgatim

I had falsely accused Lord Kṛṣṇa of stealing my jewel and so I was not liberated from material existence at the time of my death. Therefore, in this lifetime, I will attain my goal by handing over my daughter, Ramā, the incarnation of Satyabhāmā, to Lord Kalki, the incarnation of Lord Kṛṣṇa.

### Text 35

sudarsanāstra ghātena maraṇam mama kāmkṣitam maraṇe'bhūditi jñātvā rane vāñchāmi mocanam

I had hoped to be killed by Lord Kṛṣṇa's Sudarśana *cakra*. I was convinced that if I was killed by Him in battle, then I would attain liberation.

# Text 36

ityasau jagatāmīsaḥ kalkiḥ svasura ghātanam srutvaivādho mukhastasthau hviyā dharmabhiyā prabhuh After hearing how He had sanctioned the killing of His father-inlaw, Lord Kalki, the master of the universe, exhibited embarrassment by lowering His head out of fear of defamation.

# Text 37

atyāscaryam apūrvam uttamam idam srutvā nṛpā vismitā lokāḥ samsadı harsitā munigaṇaḥ kalker gunākarsuāḥ ākhyānam

poramādarena sukhadam dhanyām yasasyam param srīmad bhūpa sasidhvajerita vaco mokṣapradam cā'bhavat

All the assembled kings became very pleased and astonished while hearing this wonderful story while the sages became so absorbed in contemplating Lord Kalki's transcendental qualities that they forgot their separate existence. Those who hear this story as narrated by King Śaśidhvaja will be awarded happiness, fame, and prosperity in this lifetime, and ultimately attain liberation from material existence.

Thus ends the translation of the twenty-seventh chapter of Śrī Kalki Purāṇa.

# Lord Kalki Travels to Kāñcananagara Where He Delivered Viṣakanyā

### Text 1

sūta uvāca tataḥ kalkir mahātejāḥ svasuraṁ tam sasidhvajam samāmantrya vacascitraih saha bhūpair yayau hariḥ

Sūta Gosvāmī said: Lord Kalki satisfied His father-in-law, King Śaśidhvaja, by His pleasing talks, and then departed, along with the kings.

## Text 2

sasidjvajo varam labdhvā yathākāmam mahesvaram stutvā māyām tyakta māyaḥ sapriyah prayayau vanam

King Śaśidhvaja received a benediction from Lord Kalki that enabled him to free himself from the bondage of the Lord's illusory energy, māyā, by offering her suitable prayers. After some time, he decided to go and reside in the forest, along with his wife.

### Text 3

kalkiḥ senāgaṇaiḥ sārddham prayayau kāñcanim purīm giri durgāṣṭhanām guptām bhogibhir visavarsibhih

Lord Kalki and His vast army proceeded toward the city of Kāñcananagara, which was located in a valley and surrounded by high mountains. The unique feature of this city was that it was protected by poisonous serpents.

## Texts 4-5

vıdārya durgam sagaṇah kalkiḥ para purañjayah chittvā viṣāyudhānvāṇais tām purīm dadrse'cyutaḥ

maṇikāñcana citrāḍhyāṁ nāgakanyā gaṇāvṛtām haricandana vṛkṣāḍhyāṁ manujaiḥ parivarjitāṁ

Lord Kalki, the conqueror of His enemies, penetrated the fort at Kāñcananagara and killed all the poisonous snakes. Then He entered the city, along with His army, and saw that it was lavishly decorated with jewels and gold. Many young girls (Nāgakanyās) were seen roaming here and there, and there were innumerable wish-fulfilling trees. And yet, the Lord could not find even a single human being.

## Text 6

vilokya kalkiḥ prahasan prāha bhūpan kimityaho sarpasyeyam purī ramyā narānām bhayadāyini

nāganāri gaņā kirņā kim yāsyāmo vadantivaha

Lord Kalki smiled and said: Look at this wonderful city, which is the abode of serpents. It is very pleasant for Me to behold, but it would be a great cause of fear to human beings. I only see Nāgakanyās. Should we continue to tour the city?

### Texts 7-8

iti karttavyatā vyagram ramānāthamharim prabhum bhūpāms tadanu rūpāmsca khe vāgāhā sarīriņi

vilokya nemāṁ senābhih pravestum bhostvamarhasi

# tvām vinānye marisyanti visakanyā drsādapi

As Lord Kalki, the husband of Ramā, and the kings were contemplating what to do, they suddenly heard a voice from the sky announce: My dear Lord Hari, it would be better for Your army not to enter this city because everyone, except for You, would die from the poisonous glances of the Nāgakanyās.

# Text 9

ākāsa vāṇīmā karṇya kalkiḥ suka sahāyakṛt yayāvekaḥ khaḍga dharas taragena tvarānvitah

After hearing this unembodied voice, Lord Kalki unsheathed His sword and entered the city on horseback with His parrot as His only companion.

## Text 10

gatvā tām dadrse virām dhirāṇām dharya nāsinim rūpeṇā lakṣya lakṣmisam prāha prahasi tānanā

After going a short distance, the Lord came upon an enchanting young girl, whose beauty could certainly distract the mind of even a great scholar. As soon as this girl saw the all-attractive Lord Kalki, she smiled and spoke as follows.

# Text 11

viṣakanyovāca
samsāro'smin mama nayanayor
vikṣana kṣiṇa dehā lokā
bhapāḥ kati kati gatā
matyu matyugra viryāḥ sāham
dināsura suranara prekṣaṇa
premahīnā te netrābja
dvayarasasudhā sāvitā tvām namāmi

The Viṣakanyā said: So far, hundreds of powerful kings have traversed to difficult path to the abode of Yamarāja after being burnt to ashes by my glance. Because of this, I feel that there is no one more unfortunate and miserable than I. It seems that I will never be able to receive the love of a male human being, demigod, or demon. Still, I feel soothing relief because of Your magnanimous glance, and so I offer my obeisances unto You.

## Text 12

kvāham viṣekṣaṇā dmā kvāmṛtekṣaṇa saṅgamaḥ bhave'smm bhāgyahīnāyāḥ kenāho tapasā krtah

Because my glance is full of poison, I am most unfortunate and wretched. On the other hand, Your glance is full of nectar. I do not know what pious acts I performed in the past so that now I am able to see You.

# Text 13

kalkiruvāca kāsi kalyāņi susroņi kasmādeṣā gatistava brūhi mām karmaṇā kena viṣanetram tavābhavat

Lord Kalki said: O beautiful one, who are you? Who is your father? What is the cause of your misfortune? What did you do so that now you possess a poisonous glance?

### Text 14

viṣakanyovāca citragrīvasya bhāryāham gandharvasya mahāmate sulocaneti vikhyātā patyur atyanta kamadā

The Viṣakanyā said: O magnanimous one, my name is Sulocanā. The Gandharva, Citragrīva, is my husband. Previously, I was quite happily engaged in satisfying my husband in all regards.

# Texts 15-16

ekādāham vimānena patyā pithena saṅgatā gandhamadana kuñjeṣu reme kama kalākulā

tatra yakṣa munım drṣṭvā vıkṛtā kāram āturam rūpa yauvana garveṇa katāksena'hasam madāt

One day, I went to the Gandhamādana Mountain with my husband, traveling in a celestial chariot. We then entered a delightful grove and began enjoying amorous pastimes on a slab of stone. Suddenly, the sage Yakṣa appeared on the path of my vision. Being very proud of my beauty and youthfulness, and upon seeing the sage's deformed body, I ridiculed him while glancing at him with malice.

# Text 17

sopālambham muniḥ srutvā vacanañca mamāpriyam sasāpa mām krudhā tatra tenāham viṣadarsanā

The sage became enraged while hearing my taunts, and so he cursed me. As a result of his curse, my glance became poisonous.

### Text 18

niksiptāham sarpapure kāñcanyām nāginigaņe patihinā daivahinā carāmi viṣavarṣini

Ever since that time, I have resided in this city of Kāñcananagara, in the association of female poisonous serpents. I am very unfortunate to be without my husband. Wherever I glanced, rays of poison would emanate from my eyes.

## Text 19

na jāne kena tapasā bhavaddṛṣṭi pathaṁ gatā

# tyakta sāpāmṛtākṣāham patilokam vrajāmyatah

I do not know what kind of austerity I previously performed so that now I am able to have Your *darśana*. As a result of seeing You, I have been relieved of my curse, so that my vision is no longer poisonous. Indeed, it is now full of nectar and so I would like to return to my husband.

## Text 20

aho teṣāmastu sāpaḥ prasādo mā satāmiha patyuḥ sāpādryer mokṣāt tava pādāvja darsanam

A saintly person's curse is actually a manifestation of his mercy. I now understand that the sage's curse was actually a blessing. As a result of the sage's curse, I was able to see You face to face.

# Text 21

ityuktvā sā yayau svargam vimānen ārkavarcasā kalkistu tatpurādhīsam nrpam cakre mahāmatim

After saying this, the Viṣakanyā boarded an effulgent celestial chariot and departed for the heavenly planets. Lord Kalki then entrusted the responsibility of ruling Kāñcananagara to King Mahāmati.

### Text 22

amarşas tatsuto dhimān sahasro nāma tatsutaḥ sahasrataḥ sutascāsid rājā visruta vānasih

Mahāmati's son was Amarṣa, whose son was Saharsa. The son of exalted Saharsa was named Asi.

## Texts 23-26

vṛhannalānāṁ bhūpānāṁ saṁbhūtā yasya vaṁsajāḥ tam manum bhūpasārdūlam nānāmuni ganairvrtah

ayodhyāyām cābhişicya mathurāmā gamaddhariḥ tasyām bhūpam sūrya ketum abhisicya mahāprabham

bhūpam cakre tato gatvā devāpim vāraņāvate aristhalam vṛkasthalam mākandañca gajāhvayam

pañcadesesvaram kṛtvā hariḥ sambhalam āyayau saumbham pauṇḍram pulindañca surāṣṭṛam magadham tathā

kavi prājña sumantubhyaḥ pradadau bhrātṛvatsalaḥ

Lord Hari enthroned Kings Manu, who belonged to dynasty descending from Vṛhannalā, as the ruler of Ayodhyā, and then returned to Mathurā with the sages. The Lord installed King Suryaketu as the ruler of Mathurā and then departed for Vāraṇāvata. There, He installed King Devāpi as the ruler of Arithala, Vṛkasthala, Mākanda, Hastināpura, and Varaṇāvata. Lord Kalki, exhibiting affection toward His brothers, installed Kavi, Prājña, and Sumantu as the rulers of the Śaumbhas, Paunḍras, Surāstras, Pulindas, and Magadhas.

## Text 27

kıkatam madhya karnātam andhra modram kalingakam angam vangam svagotrebhyah pradadau jagadisvarah

Lord Kalki also installed other relatives as the rulers of Kīkaṭa, interior Karṇāṭaka, Andhra, Modra, Kaliṅga, Aṅgam, and Baṅga.

svayam sambhala madhyastha kankakena kalāpakān desam visākhayūpaya prādātkalkiḥ pratāpavān

Thereafter, the unlimitedly powerful Lord Kalki continued to reside at Sambhala, and He give Kankaṇadeśa and Kalāpadeśa to King Viśākhayupa to rule.

## Text 29

cola varvara karvākhyān dvārako desa madhyagān putrebhyaḥ pradadau kalkiḥ krtavarm puraskrtān

Later on, Lord Kalki ordered His son, Kṛtavarmā, to rule numerous other kingdoms, such as Cola, Varvara, and Karva, which were under the jurisdiction of Dvārakā.

# Text 30

pitre dhanāni ratnāni dadau parama bhaktītaḥ prajñāḥ samasvāsya hariḥ sambhala grāmavāsīna

Lord Kalki respectfully offered heaps of jewels and other kinds of wealth to His father, and indeed, He satisfied all the citizens of Sambhala. He then continued to happily reside there as a householder, along with His wives, Ramā and Padmāvatī. It was at this time that Satya-yuga recommenced.

### Texts 31-32

padmayā ramayā kalkir grhastho mumude bhrsam dharmas catuṣpāda bhavat krtapūrnamjagattrayam

devā yathokta phaladās caramti bhuvi sarvatah sarvasasyā vasumatī hrsta pusta janāvrtā

sāṭhyā cauryyā nṛtair hīnā ādhi vyādhi vivarjitā

The demigods resumed moving about freely, bestowing benedictions upon their worshipers. The fields became filled with food grains as prosperity reigned throughout the world. Everyone became happy and well-nourished. Cheating, stealing, lies, duplicity, natural disasters, and disease vanished from the face of the earth.

## Text 33

viprā vedavidaḥ sumangala yutā nāryastu cāryā vrataiḥ pujā homa parāḥ pativrata dharā yāgodyatāh ksatriyāḥ

vaisyā vastuṣu dharmato vīnimayaih srī viṣṇupūjāparāḥ sūdrāstu dvija sevanād hari kathālāpāh saparyāparāh

The *brāhmaṇas* resumed studying the Vedas, the ladies performed religious rituals, executed holy vows, and participated in the sacrificial performances of their husbands. In this way, the ladies remained chaste and pious. The *kṣatriyas* engaged themselves in the performance of fire sacrifices. The *vaiśyas* worshiped Lord Hari with great pomp, and the *śudrus* maintained themselves by serving the higher three classes of men. By serving the *brāhmaṇas*, the *śudras* received the opportunity of hearing the glories of Lord Hari and taking part in His worship.

Thus ends the translation of the twenty-eighth chapter of Śrī Kalkı Purāṇa.

# Prayers Offered to Māyā-Devī, and the Deliverance Of King Śaśidhvaja

## Text 1

saunaka rṣi uvāca sasidhvajo mahārājaḥ srutvā māyāṁ gatāḥ kṛtaḥ kā vā māyāstutiḥ sūta vada tattvavidāṁ vara

yā tvatkathā viṣṇukathā vaktvyā sā visuddhaye

Śaunaka Ḥṣi said: O Sūta, where did King Śaśidhvaja go after offering prayers to Māyā-devī? You only speak for the glorification of Lord Hari and you certainly know the truth of this matter. Please describe to us these prayers offered to Māyā-devī.

### Text 2

sūta uvāca sṛṇudhvam munayaḥ sarve mākaṇḍeyāya pṛcchate sukaḥ prāha visuddhātmā māyāstavam anuttamam

Sūta Gosvāmī said: O sages, long ago, at the request of the great sage, Mārkaṇḍeya, the great soul, Śukadeva Gosvāmī, had narrated these excellent prayers offered to Māyā-devī. Please listen attentively as I repeat them to you.

### Text 3

tacchṛṇūṣva pravakṣyāmi yathādhitam yathāsrutam sarvakāma pradam naṇām pāpatāpa vināsanam It is the duty of the spiritual master to simply faithfully repeat whatever he has heard from his predecessors. By reciting these prayers, all one's desires will be fulfilled and the miseries of material existence will be vanquished.

# Text 4

suka uvāca bhallāṭa nagaram tyaktvā viṣṇu bhakta sasidhvajaḥ ātma samsāra mokṣāya māyās tavamalam jagau

Śukadeva Gosvāmī said: King Śaśidhvaja, who was an unalloyed devotee of Lord Hari, left the city of Bhallāta and while residing in the forest, recited these prayers to Māyā-devī, desiring to attain liberation from material existence.

# Text 5

sasidhvaja uvāca
om hvimkārām sattvasārām
visuddhām brahmādinām
mātaram vedabodhyām
tanvīm svāhām bhūta

tanmātrakakṣāṁ vande vandyāṁ deva gandharva siddhaih

King Śaśidhvaja said: I offer my obeisances unto the goddess who is invoked by the sound vibration *hrin*i. She is situated in pure goodness as the cause of Brahmā, Viṣṇu and Śiva, and she is the truth to be known by all the *Vedas*. Her form is subtly worshiped by the chanting of *svāhā*. The five gross and three subtle elements are present within her abdomen. She is worshiped by the best of demigods and Gandharvas.

### Text 6

lokātitām dvaitabhūtām samiḍe bhūtair bhavyām vyāsa sātātapādyaiḥ vidvad gitām kāla kallola lolām lilāpānga ksipta samsāra durgām I glorify Māyā-devī, who is situated beyond the limits of this material universe, who is simultaneously one with and different from the Supreme Personality of Godhead, who is praised by great sages such as Vyāsa and Śātātapa, as well as all intelligent human beings, who conducts the activities of the conditioned souls by the waves of time, and by whose sidelong glance the people of this world remain as if drowning in the ocean of material existence.

### Text 7

pūrṇām prāpyāma dvaita labhyām saraṇyām ādye se.se madhyato yā vibhāti nānārūpair deva tiryan manuṣyais tamādhārām brahmarūpām namāmi

I offer my obeisances to Goddess Bhagavatī, who can never be fully understood, who is the maintainer of the surrendered souls, who remains as she is before the material creation, during its maintenance, and after the dissolution, who expands into different forms of demigods, human beings, and lower species, who is the shelter of everyone, and who appears in a multitude of forms.

### Text 8

yasyā bhāsā trijagadbhāti bhutairna bhātye tattada bhāve vidhātuḥ kālo daivam karma copādhayo ye tasyārn bhāsā tām visiṣṭām namāmi

I offer my obeisances unto the goddess by whose prowess the three worlds became manifested from the five gross material elements. It is by her influence that time, providence, and actions are made possible.

## Text 9

bhūmau gandho rasatāpsu pratiṣṭhā rūpaṁ tejasyeva vāyau spṛsatvam khe sabdo vā yacvidā bhāsti

nānātā mabhyetām visvarūpām namāmi By her will, the earth manifests the property of fragrance, water the property of taste, fire the property of form, air the property of touch, and sky the property of sound. She is the form of the universe and thus she has entered into everything manifested within the cosmic manifestation. My humble obeisances to this goddess.

### Text 10

sāvitrī tvam brahmarūpā bhavāni bhūtesasya srī pateḥ srī svarūpāh sacī sukasyāpi nākesvarasya patnī sreṣṭhā bhāsi māye jagatsu

You are Sāvitrī, the consort of Brahmā, who was born on the universal lotus flower. You are Pārvatī, the consort of Śiva, Ramā, the consort of Lord Viṣṇu, and Śacī the consort of Indra, the king of the demigods. O goddess, you have expanded your influence to manifest the universe.

### Text 11

bālye bālā yuvatī yauvane tvam vārddhakye yā sthavirā kālakalpā nānākārair yāgayogair upāsyā jñānātitā kāmarūpā vibhāsi

You are a small girl in childhood, a grown-up girl in youth, and an elderly lady in old age. You are the personification of eternal time. People worship you by employing various procedures. You are situated beyond the reach of the mundane mind, senses, and power of speech.

### Text 12

vareṇyā tvam varadā lokasiddhyā sādhvi dhanyā lokamānyā sukanyā caṇḍī durgā kālikā kālikākhyā nānādese rūpavesair vibhāsi

You are the most beloved goddess because you easily bestow benedictions upon your worshipers. Indeed, you award perfection to everyone, according to their aspirations. You are chaste, glorious, worshipable, beautiful, and young, and you appear in various forms with appropriate names, such as Candī, Dūrgā, and Kāli.

tava caraṇa sarojam devi devādivandyam yadi hṛdayasaroje bhāvayantiha bhaktyā srutiyuga kuhare vā samsrutam dharmasampaj janayati jagadādye sarvasiddhiñca teṣām

O worshipable goddess of the world, if one devotedly meditates on Your lotus feet, which are adored by the demigods, as being situated within one's heart, or if one simply hears your name, he will certainly proceed on the path to material prosperity.

# Text 14

māyāstavam idam puṇyam suka devena bhāṣitam mārkaṇḍeyāda vāpyāpi siddhim lebhe sasidhvajaḥ

Śukadeva Gosvāmī thus recited this glorification of Māyā-devī. Having received these prayers from the sage, Mārkaṇḍeya, King Śaśidhvaja attained the perfection of life.

## Text 15

kokāmukhe tapastaptvā harim dhyātvā vanāntare sudarsanena nihato vaikuntham saranam yayau

King Śaśidhvaja performed severe austerities at a place known as Kokāmukha. He fixed his mind on the transcendental form of Lord Hari so that ultimately, he attained the Lord's eternal abode, Vaikuntha, after being slain by the Sudarśana *cakra*.

Thus ends the translation of the twenty-ninth chapter of Śrī Kalki Purāṇa.

# CHAPTER THIRTY

# Lord Kalki And Viśnuyasā Perform Sacrifices Instructions by Nārada Muni

### Text 1

sūta uvāca
etad vah kathitam viprāḥ
sasīdhvaja vimokṣaṇam
kalkeḥ kathāma pratimām
smvantu vivudhar sabhāh

Sūta Gosvāmī said: O brāhmaṇas, I have thus described the liberation of King Śaśidhvaja. Now I will continue to narrate Lord Kalki's transcendental pastimes.

## Text 2

vedo dharmaḥ kṛtayugam devā lokās carācarāḥ hṛṣṭāḥ puṣṭāḥ susantuṣṭāḥ kalkau rājani cābhavan

With Lord Kalki sitting upon the royal throne, the *Vedas*, religious principles, Satya-yuga personified, the demigods, and indeed all other moving and non-moving living entities became greatly satisfied.

### Texts 3-4

nānā devādi lingesu bhūsaņair bhūsitesū ca indrajālikavad vṛtti kalpakāh pujakā janāh

na santi māyāmohāḍhyāḥ pāṣaṇḍāḥ sādhuvañcakāḥ tilakārcita sarvāngāḥ kalkau rājani kutracu

In the previous yuga, the brāhmaṇas had worshiped the demigods, and to bewilder the masses of people, they had displayed some miniscule

mystic powers. During the reign of Lord Kalki, all such cheating practices were stopped so that no atheists or hypocrites could be seen within His kingdom.

# Text 5

sambhale vasatastasya padmayā ramayā saha prāha visņuyasāḥ putram devān yastum jagaddhitān

Lord Kalki thus happily resided in the city of Śambhala. One day, His father said: O benefactor of the demigods and all the people of the world, we should perform a grand sacrifice for the welfare of the earth.

# Texts 6-7

tatcchṛtvā prāha pitaram kalkiḥ paramaharṣitaḥ vinayāvanato bhūtvā dharma kāmārtha siddhaye

rājasūyor vājapeyoir asvemedhair mahāmakhaiḥ nānāyāgaiḥ karmatantrair 1 je kratupatim harim

Being thus ordered by His father, Lord Kalki very humbly said: I will worship Lord Hari by performing the Rājasūya, aśvamedha, and other sacrifices, which are prescribed in the karma-kāṇḍa sections of the Vedas, so that everyone can advance in the three objectives of life—religiosity, economic development, and sense gratification.

### Texts 8-9

kṛparāma vasiṣthāsiṣṭhādyair vyāsa dhaumyākṛta vraṇaiḥ asvatthāma madhucchando mandapālair mahātmanaḥ

gaṅgā yamunayor madhye snātvāva bhrthamādarāt

# dakşinābhiḥ samabhyarcya brāhmaṇān vedapāragān

Lord Kalki first worshiped all the sages, headed by Kṛpa, Paraśurāma, Vyāsa, Vaśiṣṭha, Dhaumya, Akṛtavraṇa, Aśvatthāmā, Madhucchanda, and Mandapāla, as well as those *brāhmaṇas* who were learned scholars of the *Vedas*. He then arranged to perform a sacrifice at a place located between the Ganges and Yamunā. After taking a ritualistic bath, He gave sufficient dakṣiṇā to everyone.

## Texts 10-13

carvyaiscoṣyaisca peyaisca pūpa saṣkuli yāvakaiḥ madhu māmsair mūlaphalair ramyaisca vividhair dvijān

bhojayāmāsa vidhivat sarvakarma samṛddhibhiḥ yatra vanhirvṛtaḥ pāke varūṇo jalado marut

pariveṣṭā dvijān kāmaiḥ sadannādyair toṣayat vādyair nṛtyaisca gītaisca patiyajña mahotsavaiḥ

kalkiḥ kamala patrākṣaḥ praharṣaḥ pradadau vasu stribāla sthavirādibhyaḥ sarvebhyasca yathocitam

Lord Kalki sumptuously fed all the *brāhmaṇas* the four kinds of food that are chewed, licked, sucked, and drank, and this included vegetable preparations, soup, cakes, meat, fruit, roots, and many other items. The sacrifice was then performed exactly as prescribed by the scriptures. During this great sacrifice, Agni acted as the cook, Varuṇa distributed water to the guests, and Anila served the food. The lotus-eyed Lord Kalki pleased everyone by feeding them very delicious food and arranging for entertainment with dancing, singing, and music. The mood was one of

great merriment and at the conclusion, everyone, including the young, elderly, and women, received gifts of wealth.

# Texts 14-15

rambhā tāladharā nandī hūhūr gāyati nṛtyati dattvā dānāni pātrebhyo brāhmaṇebhyaḥ sa isvaraḥ

uvāsa tīre gangāyāḥ pitrvākyānu moditaḥ sabhāyām viṣṇuyasasaḥ pūrvarāja kathāḥ priyāḥ

At this sacrificial performance, Rambhā danced, Nandi played musical instruments, and the Gandharva, Huhu, sang very melodiously. Lord Kalki, the maintainer of the world, gave charity to the *brāhmaṇas* and others as He continued to reside on the banks of the Ganges under the order of His father. The *brāhmaṇas* sang narrations of former pious kings in that assembly, which was presided over by Viṣṇuyaśā. One day, the great sage, Nārada, who is worshiped by the demigods, arrived there, playing his vīnā.

# Texts 16-17

kathayanto hasantasca harşayanto dvijā budhāḥ tatrāgatas tumburuṇā nāradah surapūjitah

tam pūjayāmāsa mudā pitrā saha yathā vidhi tau sampūjya viṣṇuyasāḥ provāca vinayānvitaḥ

nāradam vaiṣṇavam prītyā viṇāpāṇim mahāmunim

Viṣṇuyaśā cheerfully greeted the exalted sage and then worshiped him in a mood of humility and devotion. He then addressed the great sage, Nārada, who is a topmost Vaisnava and master of the vīṇā.

#### Text 18

viṣṇuyasā uvāca aho bhāgyam aho bhāgyam mama janma satārjitam bhavaddhidhānām pūrṇānām yanme mohāya darsanam

Viṣnuyaśā said: That I am seeing you present here must be the result of pious activities performed by me during countless previous lifetimes. Although you are self-satisfied and thus have nothing to accomplish, I believe that you have come here to deliver me from material existence.

#### Text 19

adyāgnayasca suhutās tṛptāsca pitaraḥ param devāsca parisantuṣṭās tavāveksana pūjanāt

Today, my forefathers must be very pleased, for I have received your *darśana* and the opportunity to worship you. Today, my offering of oblations into the sacrificial fire has born fruit. Today, all the demigods must be pleased with me.

#### Text 20

yatpūjāyām bhavet pūjyo viṣṇur janma darsanam pāpasamgham sparsanacca kimaho sādhusaṅgamaḥ

A conditioned soul is very rarely blessed with the association of a devotee like you. By worshiping you, Lord Hari is worshiped. Your darśana ensures the cessation of the cycle of repeated birth and death in this world. You touch destroys all sinful reactions.

#### Text 21

sādhūnām hrdayam dharmo vāco devāḥ sanātanāḥ karmakṣayām ca karmāṇi yatah sādhur harih svayam The heart of a saintly person is the abode of religious principles, his words are those of the eternal Lord, and his activities destroy the reactions of karma. Therefore, a saintly person is non-different from Lord Hari.

#### Text 22

manye na bhautiko deho vaisnavasya jagattreye yathāvatare krsnasya sato dusta vinigrahe

When Lord Krsna appears in this world as an incarnation to annihilate the miscreants, His body is fully transcendental. Similarly, the body of a Vaisnava, even in this world, is transcendental and thus eternal, and not made of the five gross material elements.

# Text 23

prcchami tvāmato brahman māyā samsāra vāridhau naukāyām visnubhaktya ca karnadhāro'si parakrt

You are the expert captain of the ship of devotional service to the Lord that can take one across the ocean of material existence. My dear sage, kindly allow me to inquire from you about the purpose of the human form of life.

#### Text 24

kenāhām yātanagārāt nırvana padam uttamam lapsyamıha jagad bandho karmana sarma tadvad

O well-wisher of everyone, how can I free myself from the entanglement of material existence so that I can attain the platform of eternal existence? I know this to be my actual self-interest.

# Text 25

narada uvāca aho balavatı mayā sarvascarya mayı subhah

# pitaram mātaram visnur naiva muñcanti karhicit

Nārada Muni said: Alas! How strong is the illusory energy of the Lord, māyā! She works in an extraordinary manner and must be considered most auspicious. How astonishing it is that the father of the Supreme Lord is inquiring from me about the means of his deliverance from illusion!

## Text 26

purno nārayano yasya sutah kalkır jagatpatih tam vihaya visnuyasa matto muktim abhipsati

Visnuyaśā has attracted Lord Kalki, the incarnation of the Supreme Personality of Godhead, Nārāyana, and master of the universe, making Him act as his son, and still, he is inquiring about liberation from me.

#### Text 27

vivicyattham brahmasutah prāha brahmaya sasutam vivikte visnuyasasam brahmasampad vivirddhanam

The great sage, Nārada, the son of Brahmā, thought over this matter for some moments with a bemused smile and then began his spiritual instructions to Visnuyaśā, the son of Brahmayaśā, in a secluded place.

# Text 28

nārada uvāca dehāvasāne jīvam sa drstva dehava lamvanam mayāya karttum icchantam yanme tacchrnu moksadam

vındhyadrau ramanı bhutva mayouvaca yathecchaya

Nārada Muni said: I will now repeat to you what Māyā-devī once said to a living entity when she saw him desiring another material body after giving up his old and useless one at death. One who hears this

conversation between Māyā-devī and the living entity will be liberated from material entanglement. Once, at the Vindhya Mountain, Māyā-devī assumed the form of an ordinary woman and began to speak.

# Text 29

mayovāca ham māya maya tyaktah katham jīvītum īcchasī

Māyā-devī said: I am Māyā-devī, the destroyer of your life. Considering this, why do you want to accept another material body?

# Text 30

jiva uvaca sāham jivamyaham maye kaye'smin jivanasraye ahamityanyatha buddhir vinā deham katham bhavet

The Jīva said: O Māyā-devī, I want to have another material body because it is my only shelter. Without a material body, how could one think in terms of "I" and "mine"?

#### Text 31

mayovaca dehavandhe yatha slesāt tatha buddhih katham tava māyadhinam vina cesta visistam te kuto vada

Māyā-devī said. You identify the body as the self because your intelligence is now polluted. All your endeavors are made under the direction of māyā, but if you free yourself from her influence, you can attain a higher platform of existence.

#### Text 32

jiva uvaca mam vina prajñata maye prakasa visayasprha The jīva said: O Māyā-devī, without me, your wisdom, manifestations, and desires for material enjoyment would never fructify.

# Text 33

māyovāca māyayā jivati naras cestate hatacetanah nihsārah saravad bhāti gajabhukta kapitthavat

Māyā-devī said: The living entities move like machines, by the influence of  $m\bar{a}y\bar{a}$ , they live in the arrangement of  $m\bar{a}y\bar{a}$ , and they appear to be like wood apples eaten by an elephant because their bodies are temporary.

#### Text 34

jiva uvaca mama samsarga jata tvam nana nāma svarupini mam vinindasi kim mudhe svairini svaminam yatha

The Jīva said: O fool, your very existence, and so what to speak of your various names and forms, is because of me. As an unchaste wife blasphemes her husband, why are you criticizing me?

#### Text 35

mamabhāve tavabhavah prodyat surye tamo yatha mamāvarya vibhasi tvam vavim navaghano yatha

As darkness remains only in the absence of the sun, so without me, you have no existence. You have covered me, just as a dark cloud covers the sun.

#### Text 36

lilavija kusulasi mama maye jaganmaye nādyante madhyato bhāsi nanatvadindra jalavat O Māyā-devī, you are like the bark of the tree of pastimes in this world, you create a sense of duality, and you remain unchanged, even as the universe progresses through the stages of creation, maintenance, and destruction.

#### Text 37

evam nirvisayam nityam mano vyapara varjitam abhautikamajivañca sariram viksya sa'tyajat

Even though Māyā-devī sees the living entities' eternal forms, which are devoid of mental concoction and free from the propensity for material enjoyment, she awards them temporary material bodies.

# Text 38

tyaktvā mām sa dadau sapamīti loke tavaprīya na sthitirbhavītā kastha kudyopama kathañcana

While destroying his material body at the time of death, Māyā-devī cursed this living entity, saying: My dear soul, you will never have a permanent existence in this world, for you will be little better than a piece of wood or a wall.

#### Text 39

sa māyā tava putrasya kalker visvātmanah prabhoh tam vijñaya yathākāmam cara gam haribhāvanah

(The great sage Nārada Muni said:) Such is the illusory energy of your son, Lord Kalki, who is the life and soul of the universe. Try to understand the workings of Māyā-devī so that you will be able to live in this world freely after surrendering yourself unto Lord Hari.

# Text 40

nırāse nırmamah santah sarvabhogesu nısprhah visnau jandidam jñatvā visnur jagati vāsakrt

ātmanyām atmanam āvesya sarvato birato bhava

If you can see how you are being controlled by māyā, this will help free you from desiring to enjoy the fruits of your karma. Genuine knowledge leads to detachment from material ambitions. Know for certain that the universe is situated in the energy of Lord Hari, and that Lord Hari has entered the universe to sustain it. You should therefore fix your mind on the Supersoul after renouncing all material engagements.

#### Text 41

evam tam visnu yasasam amantrya ca munisvarau kalkim pradaksinikrtya jagmatuh kapilasramam

After instructing Visnuyaśā in this way, the great sage, Nārada, departed for Kapilāśrama after circumambulating Lord Kalki.

# Text 42

nāraderītam akarnya kalkim sutam anuttamam narayanam jagannatham vanam visnuyasā yayau

Visnuyaśā could understand from the words of the great sage, Nārada, that his son, Kalki, was truly the incarnation of the Supreme Personality of Godhead, Lord Hari. After some time, he gave up his family life and left home to reside within the forest.

#### Text 43

gatvā vadarīkāranyam tapastaptva sudarunam jīvam vrhatī samyojya purnas tatvaja bhautīkam He went to Badarıkāśrama and performed severe austerities there. He united his self with the Supreme Self by means of *bhakti-yoga*, and then relinquished his material body after achieving perfection.

#### Text 44

mrtam svamınam alıngaya sumatıh snehavıklava vıvesa dahana sādhvı sarvesair divi samstuta

The chaste wife, Sumati, embraced the dead body of her husband and thus entered his funeral pyre. The denizens of the heaven praised her very highly for this courageous act.

# Text 45

kalkıh srutva munımukhat pitror niryanam isvarah savaspa nayanam snehat tayoh samakarat kriyam

When Lord Kalki heard the news of His parents' demise, He appeared to become overwhelmed by grief so that tears rolled down His cheeks. As a dutiful son, the Lord performed the last rites of His parents.

#### Text 46

padmaya ramaya kalkıh sambhale suravañchite cakara rajyam dharmātma lokaveda puraskrtah

Lord Kalkı, who set the example by perfectly observing the codes of good conduct, continued to reside in the village of Śambhala, which was desired by even the demigods of heaven. He lived with Padmāvatī and Ramā as He continued to rule His kingdom.

# Text 47

mahendra sikharādramas tirtha paryatanādrtah prayat kalker darsanartham sambhalam tirtha tirthakrt Meanwhile, Lord Paraśurāma, who resides at Mount Mahendra and whose presence purifies holy places of pilgrimage, arrived at Śambhala, desiring to see Lord Kalki, in the course of His tīrtha-yātra.

#### Text 48

tam drstvā sahosatthāya padmayā ramayā sahā kalkıh prahasto vidhivat pujañcakre vidhānavit

As soon as Lord Kalkı, the perfect follower of the codes of good conduct, saw His spiritual master, Paraśurāma, He cheerfully got up from His throne, along with Padmāvatī and Ramā, to greet him.

#### Text 49

nanārasair gunamayair bhojayitvā vicitrite paryamke'narghya vastradhye sāyayitvā mudam yayau

Lord Kalkı fed Paraśurāma many varieties of delicious food and then offered him valuable garments. After doing this, Lord Kalkı had Paraśurāma rest on an opulent couch.

# Texts 50-51

tam bhuktavantam visrantam pada samvāhanair gurum santosya vinayapannah kalkir madhuram avravit

tava prasadat siddham me guro trawargikañca yat sasidhvaja sutāyāstu srnu rāma nweditam

As His spiritual master, Paraśurāma, was resting after his meal, Lord Kalki gently massaged his feet and spoke with a very sweet and gentle voice. My dear spiritual master, by your mercy, I have accomplished the three objectives of life. Now, the daughter of Śaśidhvaja has a request and so please hear it.

#### Text 52

iti pativacanam nisamya rāmā
nija hrdayepsita putralābham iṣṭam
vrata japa niyamair yamaisca
kairvā mama bhavatiha
mudāha jāmadagnyam

Being introduced by her husband in this way, King Śaśidhvaja's daughter said: What penance, rules and regulations, and vows should I observe so that I will receive the son of my desire?

Thus ends the translation of thirtieth chapter of Śrī Kalki Purāṇa.

# The Vow of Rukmini

#### Text 1

sūta uvāca jamadannyaḥ samākarṇya ramām tām putra kānkṣiṇım kalker abhimatam buddhvā kārayad rukmiṇivratam

Sūta Gosvāmī said: Thereafter, Paraśurāma, with the desire to please Lord Kalki, began to describe the Rukminī *vrata* for the satisfaction of Ramā.

#### Text 2

vratena tena ca ramā putrāḍhyā subhagā sati sarvabhogena saṃyuktā babhūva sthirayauvanā

Thereafter, by executing this pious vow, the chaste Ramā became very satisfied, having achieved an ever-youthful form that indicated her good fortune, as well as the fulfillment of her ardent desire to have a good son.

#### Text 3

saunaka rṣi uvāca vidhānaṁ brūhi me sūta vratasyāsya ca yat phalam purā kena kṛtaṁ dharmyaṁ rukmini vratam uttamam

Śaunaka Ṣṣi said: O Sūta, what are the rules and regulations prescribed for the execution of the Rukminī *vrata*? What is the actual benefit of observing this vow? Who was the person that initially observed this great vow? Please describe all this to me.

#### Text 4

suta uvāca sṛṇu brahman rājaputrī sarmiṣṭhā vārsaparvaṇī avagāhya sarontram somam haram apasyata

Sūta Gosvāmī said: O *brāhmaṇa*, I will reply to all that you have inquired about and so please listen attentively. One day, while Śarmiṣṭhā, the daughter of Vṛṣaparvā, the king of the demons, was bathing in a lake, she suddenly saw Lord Mahādeva passing by.

# Text 5

sā sakhībhiḥ parivṛtā devayānyā ca saṅgatā sambhubhītayā samutthāya paryadhur vasanaṁ drutam

Śarmiṣṭhā was with Devayānī and her companions, playing in the water, and when she saw Lord Mahādeva, she came out of the water to get dressed, out of respect.

#### Text 6

tatra sukasya kanyāyā vastravyatyayam ātmanaḥ saṁlakṣya kupitā prāha vasanam tyaja bhikṣuki

Devayānī, the daughter of Śukrācarya, the spiritual master of the demons, had kept her clothes in the same place as Śarmiṣṭhā. By mistake, Śarmiṣṭhā put on Devayānī's clothes, and when she saw this, Devayānī became very angry and said: You beggar, return my clothes at once!

#### Text 7

ato dānavakanyā sā dāsībhiḥ parivāritā tām tasyā vāsasā baddhvā kūpe ksiptvā gatā grham

Śarmiṣṭhā, the daughter of the king of the demons, was surrounded by her friends and maidservants, and when she heard this, she also became very angry. After tying Devayānī's hands and legs, she threw her into a well and returned home.

#### Text 8

tām magnām rudatīm kūpe jalārtho nahuṣātmajaḥ kare spṛṣṭvā samudvatya prāha kā tvam varānana

Devayānī loudly cried out for help inside the well and as if by the will of providence, the son of Nahuṣa, King Yayāti, came there at that time to drink some water. The king pulled Devayānī out of the well and inquired: O girl with a beautiful face, who are you?

# Text 9

sā sukaputrī vasanam paridhāya hiyā bhiyā sarmiṣṭhāyāḥ kṛtaṁ sarvaṁ prāha rājānam īkṣati

Śukrācārya's daughter quickly dressed while narrating to the king the story of her fight with Śarmiṣṭhā.

#### Text 10

yayātis tadabhiprāyam jñātyā'nu brajya sobhanam āsvāsya tām yayau geham tasyāḥ pariṇayādrtaḥ

King Yayāti understood the actual intention of Devayānī, and he also desired to accept her hand in marriage. While giving her assurances, he followed her for some distance and then returned to his palace.

#### Texts 11-12

sā gatvā bhavanam sukram prāha sarmiṣṭhayā kṛtam tacchrutvā kupitam vipram vrsaparvāha sāntvayan

daṇḍyaṁ nāṁ daṇḍaya vibho kopo yadyasthi te mayi

# sarmiṣṭhāṁ vāpyapa kṛtāṁ kuru yanmana sepsitam

When Devayānī returned home, she informed her father of what Śarmiṣṭhā had done to her. As soon as Śukrācārya heard about what had happened, he became inflamed with rage. The king of the demons, Vṛṣaparvā, tried his best to pacify his spiritual master, saying: O lord, if I have behaved offensively, please punish me, and if my daughter has aroused your anger, then punish her as you wish.

## Texts 13-14

rājān praṇatam pāde piturdrṣṭvā ruṣā'vravīt devayānī tviyam kanyā mama dāsī bhavatviti

samāniya tadā rājā dāsye tām viniyujya saḥ yayau nijagṛham jñānı daivam paramākam smaran

When the angry Devayānī saw that the king of the demons had fallen at her father's feet, she intervened, saying: Let your daughter become my slave!

The intelligent king very well understood that destiny is incontrovertible and so he summoned his daughter and gave her to Devayānī as a maidservant. After doing so, he returned home.

#### Text 15

tataḥ sukas tamānīya yyātim pratilomakam tasmai dadau tām vidhivat devayānīm tayā saha

Thereafter, Śukrācārya, although a *brāhmaṇa*, invited King Yayāti to accept the hand of his daughter, Devayānī, in marriage. At that time, Śarmiṣṭhā went with Devayānī to reside with her husband, King Yayāti.

# Text 16

dattvā prāha nṛpaṁ vipro'pyenāṁ rājasutāṁ yadi sayane hvayase sadyo jarā tvāmupa bhokşayati

At the time of the marriage of Devayānī with Yayāti, Śukrācārya, the spiritual master of the demons, gave this warning to the king regarding Śarmiṣṭhā: If you invite the princess to your bed, then you will immediately be afflicted with old age.

# Text 17

sukrasyai tad vacaḥ srutvā rājā tām varavarṇinīm adṛsyām sthāpayāmāsa devayānya nugām bhiyā

Being warned in this way by Śukrācārya, the king meticulously avoided contact with Devayānī's companion, the beautiful princess Śarmiṣṭhā.

#### Text 18

sā sarmiṣṭhā rājaputrī duḥkhasokabhayākulā nityam dāsī satākīrņā devayānīntu sevate

Princess Śarmiṣṭhā, who became morose as a result of the unfortunate turn of events, engaged in the service of Devyāni, along with one hundred other maidservants.

# Text 19

ekadā sā vanagatā rudatī jānhavī taṭe visvāmitraṁ muniṁ tatra dadrse strībhirāvrtam

One day, as Śarmiṣṭhā was seated in a forest by the side of the Ganges, crying, she saw the great sage, Viśvāmitra, surrounded by many beautiful women.

#### Text 20

vratinam punyagandhābhiḥ surupabhiḥ susevitam kārayantam vratam mālya dhūpa dīpa upahārakaiḥ

The sage was seated in the midst of these beautiful ladies, who were all very nicely decorated with ornaments and sandalwood paste, instructing them in the procedure for observing a vow which involved offerings of incense, a ghee lamp, and flower garlands.

#### Text 21

nirmāyāṣṭadalam padmam vedikāyām sucinhitam rambhāpotais caturbhistu catuṣkoṇam virājitam

First, the sage painted a lotus flower having eight petals and then he decorated it by placing four banana trees at the four corners.

#### Text 22

vāsasā nirmita grhe svarnapattair vicitrite nirmitam srī vāsudevam nānāratna vighattitam

This was done by the side of a golden altar inside a room that was decorated with silk cloth. The sage next installed a Deity of Lord  $V\bar{a}$  sudeva on that lotus and decorated Him with jeweled ornaments.

#### Texts 23-24

pauruṣeṇa ca sūktena nānāgandho dakaiḥ subhaiḥ pañcāmṇtair pañcagavyair yathāmantrair dvijeritaih

snāpayitvā bhadrapithe karņikāyām prapūjayet pañcabhi darsabhir vāpi sodasair upacārakaiḥ

The procedure for worshiping the Deity was that one should first bathe Him with perfumed water, the five products of the cow, and five other substances, while chanting the Purusa-sūkta mantras as the brāhmaṇas recited Vedic hymns. The Deity should then be placed on the beautifully decorated altar and adorned with the mark of a lotus. After worshiping the Deity with either sixteen, ten, or five articles, one should pray as follows.

# Text 25

pādyam ardhva sramaharam sıtalam sumanoharam paramānanda janakam grhāna paramesvara

My dear Lord, this cooling *pādya* with remove Your fatigue and so please happily accept it.

#### Text 26

dūrvācandana gandhāḍyam ārghyaṁ yuktaṁ prayatnataḥ gṛhāna rukmiṇ nātha prasannasya mama prabho

O beloved Lord of Rukmiṇī, I made a great endeavor to make this arghya with  $d\bar{u}rv\bar{a}$  grass, sandalwood paste, and other fragrant substances. Please cheerfully accept it.

#### Text 27

nānātirthodbhavam vāri sugandhi sumanoharam gṛhāṇ ācamaniyam tvam sri nivāsa sriyā saha

O abode of Lakṣmī, this water has been brought from numerous holy places of pilgrimage, and it is pure and very fragrant. It is our desire that You, along with Lakṣmī, accept this ācamana.

#### Text 28

nānā kusuma gandhādyam sūtra grathītam uttamam vakṣaḥ sobhākaram cā ru mālyam naya suresvara O Lord of the demigods, this garland was prepared with many fragrant flowers. It will certainly enhance the beauty of Your chest and so please accept it.

#### Text 29

tantu santāna samghāna racitam bandhanam hare gṛhāṇāvaraṇam suddham nirāvaraṇa sapriya

My dear Lord Hari, although Your transcendental position can never be covered, it is our desire that You and Lakṣmī will accept these nicely woven garments made with purified thread.

# Text 30

yajñasūtram idam deva prajāpati vinirmitam grhāṇa vāsudeva tvam rukmiṇvā ramayā saha

My dear Vāsudeva, You are the Supreme Personality of Godhead, accompanied by Your consorts, Ramā and Rukmiṇī. This sacred thread was prepared by Lord Brahmā and so kindly accept it.

# Text 31

nānāratna samāyuktam svarņamuktā vighaṭṭitam priyayā saha devesa gṛhāṇā bharaṇam mama

O Lord of lords, it is our desire that You and Your beloved Rukmiṇī will accept this necklace of pearls, jewels, and gold.

#### Text 32

dadhi kṣira guḍānnadi pūpa laḍḍuka khaṇḍakān gṛhāṇa rukmiṇīnātha sanāthaṁ kuru-māṁ prabho O Lord of Rukmiṇī, please accept these offerings of yogurt, milk, gur, rice, cakes, laddus, and milk sweets, and award me shelter at Your lotus feet.

#### Text 33

karpūra aguru gandhāḍhya paramānan dadāyakam dhaṣam gṛhāṇa varada vaidarbhvā priyayā saha

O bestower of benedictions, may You and Your dear Rukmiṇī-devī accept this incense made with camphor and other perfumed substances.

# Text 34

bhaktānām gehasaktānām samsāra dhvānta nāsanam dīpam ālokaya vibho jagadālokan ānādara

My dear Lord, You dispel the darkness of ignorance within the hearts of those devotees who are still attached to the material world. Please accept this ghee lamp and illuminate our vision of You.

#### Text 35

syāmasundara padmākṣa pītāmvara caturbhuja prapannam pāhi devesa rukminyā sahitācyuta

O lotus-eyed Lord! O Śhyāmsundara, who is dressed in yellow garments! O four-armed Lord! O master of the demigods! O Lord Acyuta, I take shelter of You. May You and Rukmiṇī please protect me.

# Text 36

iti tāsām vratam drṣṭvā munim natvā suduḥkhītā sarmiṣṭhā miṣṭavacanā krtāñjalīr uvāca tāḥ When the greatly distressed Śarmiṣṭhā saw the powerful sage conducting this vow on behalf of many women, she went and offered her obeisances to him and then spoke very sweetly with folded hands.

#### Text 37

sarmışthovāca rājaputrīm durbhagām mām svāminā parivarjītām trātumar hatha he devyo vratenānena karmaṇā

Śarmiṣṭhā said: O goddesses, I am a most unfortunate princess, being bereft of a husband. Please deliver me by instructing me in the observance of this yow.

#### Text 38

srutvā tu tā vacastasyāḥ kāruṇyācca kiyat kiyat pūjopakaraṇaṁ dattvā kārayāmā surādarāt

After hearing this, the women felt compassion for Śarmiṣṭhā and so they invited her to join them in observing this *vrata* with the paraphernalia they had collected.

#### Text 39

vratam kṛtvā tu sarmıṣṭhā labdhvā svāminam ısvaram sūtvā putrān susantuṣṭā samabhūt sthira yauvanā

It was by the execution of this vow that Śarmiṣṭhā received her husband so that she was blessed with good children and an ever-youthful body.

#### Text 40

sıtā cās•ka vanikā madhye saramayā saha vratam kṛtvā patım lebhe rāmam rāksasa nāsanam While residing in the aśoka grove outside Lańkā, Sītā observed this vow along with Saramā and as a result, she was reunited with Her husband, Lord Rāma, the destroyer of the dynasty of Rākṣasas.

#### Text 41

vṛhadasva prasādena kṛtvemaṁ draupadi vratam patiyuktā duḥkhamuktā babhūva sthirayauvanā

By the mercy of Vṛhadaśva, Draupadi observed this vow and was thus blessed to always remain with her husbands, to be freed from all miseries, and to possess and ever-youthful body.

# Text 42

tathā ramā site pakṣe vaisākhe dvādasī dine jāmadagnyād vrataṁ cakre pūrnaṁ varsa catustayam

After hearing this narration, Goddess Ramā, the consort of Lord Kalki, observed the vow on the Dvādaśī of the fortnight of the waxing moon in the month of Vaiśākha for four years under the guidance of Paraśurāma.

#### Texts 43-44

paṭṭasūtraṁ kare baddhvā bhojayitā bhojayitvā dvijān bahūn bhuktvā haviṣyam ksırāktaṁ sumṣṭaṁ svāminā saha

bubhuje pṛthivim sarvām apūrvām svajanair vṛtā sā putrau suṣuve sādhvi meghamāla balāhakau

At the conclusion of the vow, she tied a silk thread around her wrist and fed innumerable *brāhmaṇas*. With her husband, she ate nicely prepared *haviṣyāma* and condensed milk, and thereafter enjoyed life in this world without any hindrance in the association of her relatives. In

due course of time, Lord Kalki begot two sons, named Meghamāla and Balāhaka, within the womb of Ramā.

# Text 45

devānām upakarttārau yajñadāna tapovrataiḥ mahotsāhau mahāvīryau subhagau kalkisammatau

These two sons were very dear to Lord Kalki. They were supremely fortunate, very powerful, and enthusiastic. They satisfied the demigods by performing many sacrifices.

#### Text 46

vratavaram iti kṛtvā sarva sampat samṛddhyā bhavati vidita tatvā pūjitā purṇa kāmā

hari caraṇa saroja dvandva bhaktaika tānā brajati gatim apūrvām brahma vijñair agamyām

By observing this vow, women can become prosperous due to the fulfillment of all their desires, and they can acquire spiritual knowledge so that they will be respected by all classes of people. Because this vow also awards one devotional service at the lotus feet of Lord Hari, it enables one to achieve the ultimate goal of life, which is rarely attained even by elevated personalities.

Thus ends the translation of thirty-first chapter of Śrī Kalki Purāṇa.

# CHAPTER THIRTY-TWO

# Lord Kalki Enjoys Pastimes With His Consorts

#### Text 1

sūta uvāca
etadvaḥ kathītam viprā
vratam trailokya visrutam
taḥparam kalki kṛtam
karma yacchrnuta dvijāh

Sūta Gosvāmī said: O brāhmaṇas, I have thus described the vow known as Rukmaṇī vrata. I will now narrate more pastimes of Lord Kalki.

#### Text 2

sambhale vasatastasya sahasra parivatsarāḥ vyatītā bhrātṛputra svajñāti sambandhibhiḥ saha

Lord Kalki continued to reside in the village of Śambhala, along with His brothers, sons, other relatives, and associates, for one thousand years.

#### Texts 3-4

sambhale susubhe sreṇī sabhāpaṇaka catvaraiḥ patakādhvaja citrāḍhyair yathendrasyām amrāvati

yatrāṣṭa ṣaṣṭi tırthānāṁ sambhavaḥ sambhale'bhavat mṛtyormokṣaḥ kṣitau kalker akalkasya padāsrayāt

The entire village of Śambhala, which was as good as the heavenly planets, appeared very beautiful with its assembly houses, gates, raised platforms, and flags flapping in the breeze that had been placed here and

there. Anyone who gave up his material body at Śambhala was freed from all sinful reactions and awarded shelter at the lotus feet of Lord Kalki.

# Text 5

vanopavana santāna nānākusuma samkulaiḥ sobhitam sambhalam grāmam manye moksapadam bhuvi

Thus, the village of Śambhala, which was profusely decorated with blooming flowers, pious trees, forests, and gardens, became a holy place that granted liberation from material existence.

#### Text 6

atra kalkih purastriņām nayanānanda varddhanaḥ padmayā ramayā kāmam rarāma jagatībatih

The master of the universe, Lord Kalki, who was especially pleasing to the eyes and minds of women, happily resided with Padmāvatī and Ramā in the village of Śambhala.

#### Texts 7-8

surādhipa pradattena kāmagena rathena vai nadı parvata kuñjeşu dvīpesū parayā mudā

ramamāṇo visanpadmā ramādyabhi ramāpatiḥ divānisaṇ na bubudhe straināsca kāmalampatah

The Lord would mount His celestial chariot, which had been given to Him by Indra, and periodically visit holy rivers, mountains, groves, and islands. In this way, He would enjoy pleasure pastimes with Padmāvatī and Ramā. He thus appeared to be a most perfect, passionate male, afflicted by transcendental lust. Indeed, the Lord of Ramā became so absorbed in thought of His consorts that He completely forgot whether it was day or night.

#### Texts 9-11

padmā mukhāmoda sarojasīdhu vāsopa bhogi suvilāsa vāsaḥ prabhūta nīlendra maṇi prakāse guhāvisese pravivesa kalkih

padmā tu padmāsata rūparūpā ramā ca piyūṣa kalā vilāsā patı praviṣṭaṁ girigahvare te nārı sahasrā kulita tvagātām

padmā patim prekṣya guhāniviṣṭam rantum manujñā pravivesa pascāt ramābalā yūtha samanvitā tat pascād gatā kalki mahograkāmā

One day, Lord Kalki, who was very fond of relishing the sweet nectar emanating from the lotus-like face of Padmāvatī, and who was decorated with a nice blue sapphire, entered a mountain cave. When Padmāvatī, who was like a golden lotus flower, and Ramā, who was like a pot of nectar, saw their husband entering a cave with many beautiful women, they followed Him in expectation of enjoying conjugal bliss.

#### Text 12

tantrendra nılopala gahvarānte kāntābhi rātma pratimābhir isam kalkiñca drṣṭvā navanīradābham tataḥ sthitam prastaravan mumoha

Padmāvatī saw Lord Kalki enjoying the association of many beautiful women, who were as charming as herself. However, upon seeing this, Padmāvatī became stunned so that she appeared to be a stone statue.

#### Text 13

ramā sakhibhhh pramadābhirārttā vilokayanti disamāku lākṣi padmāpi padmāsata sobhamānām viṣaṇṇa cittā na babhau sma cārttā

Ramā and her companions anxious surveyed the scene as tears welled up in their eyes. Padmāvatī normally appeared to be as attractive as hundreds of lotus flowers, but upon seeing her husband engaged in this way, she lamented and thus lost her luster.

# Text 14

bhūmau likhantī nijakajjalena kalkim sukam tam kucakum kumena kastūrikābhistu tadagram agre nirmmāya cālingaya nanāma bhāvāt

With her tears that had turned black due to being mixed with her eye ointment, Padmāvatī made a drawing of Lord Kalki on the ground with her toe. She also drew His parrot with the *kunkuma* that had been applied to her breasts, and she made a border with musk

# Text 15

ramā kalālāpa parā stuvantī kāmārdditā tam hṛḍaye nidhāye dhyātvā nijānta karaṇaiḥ prapūjya tasthau viṣaṇṇā karuṇā vasannā

The sweet-speaking Ramā, who was afflicted by the arrows of Cupid, placed Lord Kalki within her heart and worshiped Him with offerings of flowers. She then fell to the ground, being overburdened by distress and lamentation.

#### Text 16

kṣaṇāt samutthāya ruroda rāmā kalāpinaḥ kaṇṭhanibhaṁ svanātham hṛdāpa gūḍhaṁ na punaḥ pralabhya kāmārdditetyāha hare prasīda

After a short while, she got up and cried loudly, like a female peacock. Being unable to embrace Lord Kalki within her heart, she became agitated by unrequited passion, saying: O Lord Hari, please be kind to me.

#### Text 17

padmāpi nirmucya nijāngabhūṣā scakāra dhūlipaṭale vilāsam kaṇḍañca kastūri kayāpi nilam kāmam nihantum sivatāmupetya Padmāvatī took off her ornaments and rolled on the ground, so that her body was soon covered with dust, although her throat appeared bluish because of the musk. Indeed, it appeared as if she had assumed the form of Lord Śiva to vanquish Cupid.

#### Text 18

kalāvatmām kalayākalayya kṣiṇe kṣāṇānām harirārtta bandhuḥ kāma prapūrāya sasāra madhye kalkiḥ priyāṇām suratotsavāya

Understanding the feelings of His poor, beloved wives, knowing that they wanted to perform conjugal pastimes with Him, Lord Kalki, the friend of the distressed, approached them so that He could fulfill their desires.

# Texts 19-20

tām sādareṇātma patim manojña kareṇabo ūtha patim yatheyuḥ sānanda bhāvā visadhānu vṛttā vaneṣu rāmāḥ paripūrṇa kāmāḥ

vaibhrājake caitrarathe supuṣpe sunandane mandara kandarānte reme sa rāmābhir udāratejā rathena bhāsvat khagamena kalkih

As female elephants meet the king of elephants, the Lord's consorts jubilantly greeted Him within that forest and thus fulfilled their cherished desire. Thereafter, Lord Kalki, along with His consorts, mounted an effulgent celestial chariot that coursed through the sky. In this way, they enjoyed amorous pastimes in the Vaibhrāja forest, Kuvera forest, and a cave at Mount Mandara.

#### Text 21

padmā mukhābjāmṛta pānamatto ramā samālingana vāsarangi varānga nānām kucakum kumākto ratiprasamge viparīta yuktaḥ

# mukhe vidasto rasanā vasistā modah sa kalkirnahi veda deham

Lord Kalki enjoyed the nectar of Padmāvatī's lotus-like face, and took pleasure in tightly embracing Ramā. Thus, He became smeared with the *kuṅkuma* from their breasts as they affectionately bit His body. The Lord became so overwhelmed by love for His consorts that He appeared to have lost all control over His body.

#### Text 22

ramāḥ samānāḥ puruṣottamam tam vakṣojamadhye vinidhāya dhīrāḥ parasparāsleṣaṇa jātahāsā remur mukundam vilasa sarīrāh

These two equally beautiful and gentle women embraced Lord Hari, the supreme enjoyer, to their chest, and thus felt transcendental bliss. The hairs of their bodies stood on end due to transcendental ecstasy and this sight made everyone laugh with glee.

## Text 23

tataḥ sarovaram tvarā striyo yuyuḥ klamajvarāḥ priyeṇa tena kalkinā vanāntare vihāriṇā

saraḥ pravisya padmayā vimoha rūpayā tayā jalam dudurvarāṇgganāḥ karenavo yathā gajam

After enjoying pastimes of love in many forests, the Lord's consorts became exhausted and so they went to a nearby lake with their beloved Lord Kalki. As female elephants throw water on the king of elephants, so the uniquely charming consorts of the Lord entered the water of the lake and began to splash water their husband's transcendental body.

# Text 24

iti ha yuvati lilo lokanāthaḥ sa kalkiḥ priya yuvati parītaḥ prema bhaktaika labdhyaḥ nıja ramana vinodaih sikşayan lokavargān jayati vibudhar bharttā sambhale vāsudevah

All glories to Lord Kalki, the master of the demigods, the incarnation of the Supreme Personality of Godhead, who takes pleasure in sporting with His consorts, and who can only be approached by those who have imbibed the mood of unalloyed devotional service. By performing wonderful pastimes with of His beloved consorts at the village of Śambhala, Lord Kalki satisfied everyone.

## Text 25

ye sṛṇvanti vadanti bhāva caturā dhyāyanti santaḥ sadā kalkeḥ srī puruṣottamasya caritaṁ karṇāmṛtaṁ sādarāḥ

teṣām no sukhayatyalam mura aripor dāsyābhilāṣam vinā samsārah parimocanañca paramānanda amṛtām bhonidheḥ

Those who are very fortunate will hear about, sing, and meditate upon the nectarean characteristics of Lord Kalki. For the pure devotees of the Lord, apart from the service of Lord Murāri, anything considered most wonderful by the materialists, even liberation from the ocean of material existence, appears to be very insignificant.

Thus ends the translation of the thirty-second chapter of Śrī Kalki Purāna.

# The Demigods Arrive at Sambhala The Disappearance of Lord Kalki

#### Text 1

sūta uvāca tato devagaņāh sarve brahmaņā sahitā rathaih svaih svair gaņaih parivṛtāh kalkim draṣṭm upāyayuh

Sūta Gosvāmī said: Once, all the demigods and great *brāhmaṇas*, along with their followers, mounted their celestial chariots and went to the village of Śambhala, to see Lord Kalki.

#### Text 2

maharsyah sagandharvāh kinnarās cāpsarogaṇāh samājgmuḥ pramuditāḥ sambhalam surapūjitam

Many exalted sages, Gandharvas, Kinnaras, and Apsarās cheerfully arrived at Śambhala, which was highly desired even by the demigods.

#### Text 3

tatra gatvā sabhā madhye kalkim kamalalocanam tejonimdhim prapannānām janānām abhayapradam

As they entered the palace courtyard, they saw the greatly effulgent lotus-eyed Lord Kalki giving assurances to all those who had come to take shelter of Him.

#### Text 4

nıla jimūtasamkāsam dīgha pīvara bhāhukam kiruṭenārka varnena sthiravidyun nibhena tam His transcendental body was the color of a dark rain cloud. His arms were long and very powerful. His head was adorned with a brightly shining crown that resembled the sun.

#### Text 5

sobhamānam dyu maṇinā kuṇḍalonābhi sābhinā saharṣālāpa vikasad vadanam smita sobhitam

The beauty of His face was enhanced by His earrings, which were as brilliant as the sun. His lotus-like face appeared to blossom as He sweetly smiled while speaking.

# Texts 6-7

kṛpākaṭākṣa vikṣepa parikṣiptavi pakṣakam tāra hārollasad vakṣas candrakānta manısriyā

kumudvatī modavaham sphurat sakrāyudhāmvaram sarvadānanda sandoha rasollasita vigraham

Everyone surrounding Him was favored by His merciful glance. Lotus flowers adorning His chest appeared more delightful because of the rays of the moonstone that shone in His beautiful necklace. His garments appeared like a rainbow, thus further increasing his beauty.

# Text 8

nānāmaṇigaṇodyota dīpitaṁ rupam adbhutam dadrsur deva gandharvāṁ ye cānye samupāgatāh

His entire body shone brilliantly due to the light reflected from countless jewels. This is how all the demigods, Gandharvas, and Apsarās saw Lord Kalki.

#### Text 9

bhaktyā paramayā yuktāh paramānanda vigraham kalkim kamala patrākṣam tuṣṭavuh paramādarāt

All of the residents of heaven began to ecstatically offer their prayers to the lotus-eyed Lord Kalki at the same time.

#### Text 10

devā ūcauḥ jayāseṣa samklesa kaksa prakīrṇā naloddāma samkīrṇa hīsa surādhīsa vesvesa bhūtesa bhāvaḥ tavānanta cāntah sthitā'ngāpta ratna prabhābhāta padājita anantasakte

The demigods said: O Lord of lords! O master of the demigods! O worshipable Lord of the living entities! O unlimited Personality of Godhead, everything is present within You. Your bodily effulgence has made everything visible. O Lord of the universe, You are like the blazing fire that burns the dry straw of our sinful reactions to ashes. All glories to You.

#### Text 11

prakāsi krtā sesa loka trayātra vakṣaḥ sthale bhāsvat kaustubha syāmā meghaugha rājat dvijādhisa sarīra trāhi visṇo sadārāḥ vayaṁ tvāṁ prasannā saseṣaḥ

All the universes have emanated from the pours of You body. Your complexion is the color of a dark rain cloud. Your chest is adorned with the Kaustubha gem, appearing like the full moon illuminating a dark cloud. O Lord Hari, we and our wives take shelter of You, and so please protect us.

#### Text 12

yadyastyanugraho'smākam vraja vaikuntham īsvara tyaktvā sāsita bhūkhandam sarvadharma avirodhatah O master of the universe, if You would like to display Your compassion for us then return to Your transcendental abode in the spiritual sky. Truthfulness has now prevailed within the world and so people will follow religious principles without hindrance.

# Text 13

kalkıs teşāmiti vacaḥ srutvā paramaharşitaḥ pātramitraiḥ parivṛtas cakāra gamane matim

After hearing the prayers of the demigods, Lord Kalki ecstatically expressed His own desire to return to Vaikuntha, taking with Him His eternal associates.

#### Text 14

putrānāhūya caturo mahābala parākramān rājye nikṣipya sahasā dharmiṣṭhān prakṛtı prıyān

Thereafter, Lord Kalki summoned His four very powerful sons, all of whom were very dear to the citizens because they were very pious and influential, and handed over the rule of the kingdom to them.

# Text 15

tataḥ prajā samāhūya kathayitvā nijāh kathāḥ prāha tān nija niryāṇam devānām uparodhataḥ

The Lord then addressed His subjects, revealing His intention. Lord Kalki said: At the request of the demigods, I will have return to Vaikuntha.

# Text 16

tacchrutvā tāḥ prajāḥ sarvā rurudur vismayānvitāḥ taṁ prāhuḥ pranatāḥ putrā yathā pitaram isvaram When the inhabitants of Sambhala heard this, they were shocked and began shedding tears of grief. Just as sons address their fathers, the people began speaking to the Lord after offering their obdisances.

#### Text 17

prajā ūcuḥ bho nātha sarvadharmajña nāsmān tyaktum ihārhasi yatra tvam tatra tu vayam yāmah praṇatavatsala

The citizens said: My dear Lord, You are the original propounder of genuine religious principles. It is not proper for You to leave us, for You always displayed affection for those who had sincerely surrender unto You. Wherever You go, please allow us to accompany You.

# Text 18

priyā gṛhā dhanānyatra
putrāḥ prāṇāstavānugāḥ
paratreha visokāya
jñātvā tvāṁ yajñāpūrūṣam

Although everyone considers his wife, children, wealth, and house to be very dear, Your servants know that You are the supreme enjoyer who, by awarding detachment, vanquishes all suffering in this life and the next. Because of knowing You in truth, are lives are dedicated to You.

#### Text 19

iti tadvacanam srutvā sāntvayitvā saduktibhiḥ prayayau klinna hṛdayaḥ patnībhyām sahito vanam

After hearing the prayers of His subjects, Lord Kalki pacified them as far as possible and then departed for the forest, taking with Him His two consorts.

# Texts 20-21

himālayam munigaṇair ākırnam jāhnavıj alaih paripūrņa devagaņaiḥ sevitam manasaḥ priyam

gatvā viṣṇuḥ suragaṇair vṛtascāru caturbhujaḥ uṣɪtvā jānhavɪtıre sasmārātmānam ātmanā

Thereafter, Lord Kalki, surrounded by many sages, traveled to the Himalaya Mountains, which are adorned by the Ganges River, which is worshiped even by the demigods and which gives pleasure to the heart. The Lord sat by the side of the Ganges and then assumed His four-armed form while entering deep into meditation upon Himself.

#### Text 22

pūrņajyotirmayah sākṣi paramatmā purātanah babhau sūrya sahasrāṇām tejorāsi samadyutih

The Lord appeared as brilliant as thousands of suns, and thus looked very attractive. He was the witness of everything, the eternal Lord, and the Supersoul of all living entities.

#### Text 23

sankha cakra gadā padma sārngādyaiḥ samabhiṣṭutaḥ nānālaṁkaraṇānāñca samalaṅkar anākrtih

His form was the ornament of all ornaments. He held a conch, dice, club, lotus, and bow in His hands.

#### Text 24

vavrsustam surāḥ puspaiḥ kaustubhā mukta kandharam sugandhi kusumāsārair deva dundubhi nihsvanaih On His chest was the Kaustubha gem. The demigods showered fragrant flowers as the sounds of beating drums could be heard in the four directions.

#### Text 25

tuṣṭuvur mumuhuḥ sarve lokāḥ sasthāṇu jangmāḥ drṣṭvā rūpam arūpasya niryāṇe vaṣṇavam padam

In this way, Lord Kalki enacted His pastime of disappearance from this world. All moving and non-moving living beings that witnessed the disappearance of the Lord glorified Him in a mood of great astonishment.

#### Text 26

taddṛṣṭavā mahadāscaryam patyuḥ kalker mahātmanaḥ ramā padmaca dahanam pravisya tamavāpatuh

Padmāvatī and Ramā saw Lord Kalki's transcendental form as if devoid of life and realizing this to be an illusory display of the external energy, although greatly astonished, they entered fire so as to rejoin their husband in His eternal abode.

#### Text 27

dharmah krtayugam kalaker ājñayā pṛthivitale nihsapatnau susukhinau bhūlokam ceratusciram

Meanwhile, Dharma and Satya-yuga personified wandered throughout the world without any fear of enemies, by the order of Lord Kalki. They happily resided within the world now that Satya-yuga had commenced.

#### Text 28

devāpisca maruḥ kāmam kalker ādesa kārmau prajāḥ sampālayantau tu bhuvam jugupatuh prabhuh By the order of Lord Kalki, the two kings, Maru and Devāpī, executed their duties of protecting the people of the world.

#### Text 29

visākhayūpa bhūpālaḥ kalker niryāṇam īdrsam srutvā svaputram viṣaye nṛpam krtvā gato vanam

When King Viśākhayupa heard of Lord Kalki's disappearance from this world, he installed his son upon the throne and then went to reside in the forest.

#### Text 30

anye nrpatayo ye ca kalker viraha karsitāḥ tam dhyāyanto japantasca viraktāḥ syur nrpapāsane

Many other kings who were associates or followers of Lord Kalki, being greatly afflicted by separation from the Lord, renounced their kingdoms and passed their remaining days chanting the holy name of the Lord and meditating upon His transcendental form.

#### Text 31

iti kalker anantasya kathām bhuvana pāvanīm kathayitā sukaḥ prāyāt nara nārāyaṇāsramam

After narrating the transcendental pastimes of Lord Kalki, the incarnation of the Supreme Personality of Godhead, Śukadeva Gosvāmī departed for the āśrama of Nara-nārāyana Ŗṣi.

#### Text 32

mārkaṇḍeyādayo ye ca munayah prasamāyanāḥ srutvānubhāvam kalkeste tam dhyāyanto jaguryasaḥ The great sages, headed by Mārkaṇḍeya, who were undisturbed by the dualities of material existence, began to practice meditation on the eternal form of Lord Kalki after hearing His transcendental pastimes

# Texts 33-35

yasyānu sāsanād bhūmau nādharmiṣṭhāḥ prajājanāḥ nālpāyuṣo daridrāsca na pākhaṇḍā na haæukāḥ

nādhay vyādhayaḥ klesā deva bhūmātma sambhavāḥ nirmatsarāḥ sadānandā babhuvur jīvajātayaḥ

ityetat kathitam kalker avatāram mahodayam dhanyam yasasyām āyuṣyam svargyam svastyayanam param

I have thus narrated the pastimes of the incarnation of the Supreme Personality of Godhead, Lord Kalki. During His reign, by His supreme will, no one in the world was sinful or impoverished. There were no atheists or cheaters, and everyone enjoyed a long duration of life. All living entities were freed from the threefold material miseries, as well as disease, envy, and death. Thus, everyone lived peacefully and prosperously. Lord Kalki was a very magnanimous incarnation of Lord Hari. Simply by hearing these pastimes of Lord Kalki, all of one's desires will be fulfilled. One will receive prosperity, fame, a long duration of life, heavenly enjoyment, and ultimately, the goal of human life.

#### Text 36

soka santāpa pāpaghnam kali vyākulanāsanam sukhadam mokṣadam loke vāmchitārtha phalapradam

Discussions of Lord Kalki's glories award one happiness in this life and liberation from material existence after death. Such hearing and chanting destroys all lamentation, distress, and sinful reactions, because it clears away the contamination of Kali. All of one's desires can be fulfilled simply by hearing these narrations.

#### Text 37

tāvat sāstra pradīpānām prakāso bhuvi rocate bhati bhānuḥ purāṇākhyo yāvalloke'ti kāmadhuk

Only for as long as this sublime literature is not heard, thus illuminating one with perfect understanding, other books can continue to display their prominence.

# Text 38

srutvaitad bhṛgavaṁsajo munigaṇaih sākaṁ saharṣo vasī jñātvā sūtam ameya bodha viditaṁ srī lomaharṣatmajam

srikalker avatāra vākyam amalam bhaktipradam srī hareḥ susrūṣuḥ punarāha sādhu vacasā gangāstavam satkṛtaḥ

After hearing about the spotless characteristics of Lord Kalki, the incarnation of Lord Hari, who bestows devotional service upon His devotees, the self-controlled sages, headed by Śaunaka Ŗṣi, the son of Bhṛgu, felt deeply satisfied at heart. They considered Romaharṣaṇa's son, Sūta Gosvāmī, to be the most intelligent personality within the world. Thereafter, with a desire to hear the glories of Gangā-devi, they spoke as follows.

Thus ends the translation of the thirty-third chapter of Śrī Kalki Purāna.

# CHAPTER THIRTY-FOUR

# Prayers Offered to Mother Ganga

#### Texts 1-2

saunaka rṣi uvāca he sūta sarvadharmajña yattvayā kathītam purā gangām stutvā samāyātā munayah kalki sannidhīm

stavam tam vada gangāyāḥ sarvapāpa praṇāsanam mohaghnam subhadam bhaktyā srṇvatām pathatāmiha

Śaunaka Ŗṣi said: O Sūta Gosvāmī, foremost knower of religious principals, you had mentioned that the sages went to see Lord Kalki after offering prayers to the River Gaṅgā. We would like to hear these prayers to Gaṅgā-devī. By faithfully hearing or reciting such prayers, one's life becomes auspicious, all sinful reactions are destroyed, and ultimately one attains liberation from material existence.

# Text 3

sūta uvāca srņu hvamṛsayaḥ sarve gangastavam anuttamam sokamohaharam pumsām ṛṣibhih parikṛrttitam

Sūta Gosvāmīsaid: My dear sages, please listen attentively as I recite the excellent prayers to the Gaṅgā that were offered by the sages, and which remove all lamentation and distress.

#### Text 4

ṛṣaya ūcuḥ ıyam suratarangini bhavana vāridhestāriņi stutā harīpadāmbujād upagatā jagatsamsa ah sumeru sikhara amra priyajalā malakṣālinī prasannavadanā subhā bhavabhayasya vidrāviņī

The great sages said: The holy Gangā descended from the heavenly planets to deliver all the conditioned souls from the vast ocean of material existence. Gangā-devī emanated from the lotus feet of Lord Hari and so everyone happily glorifies her. The water of the Gangā is enjoyed by the demigods who reside on the peak of Mount Sumeru. By bathing in her water, all one's sinful reactions are vanquished. By pleasing Gangā-devī, one can easily gain release from the bondage of material existence.

# Text 5

bhagıratham athanugā surakarımdra darpāpahā mahesamukuṭa prabhā girisiraḥ patākāsitā surāsuranaroragair ajabhavācyutaiḥ samstutā vimukti phalasālinī kalusa nāsinī rājate

This holy river followed the footsteps of King Bhagīratha. Because of her, the pride of Airāvata, the carrier of Indra, was destroyed. She increases the beauty of Lord Mahādeva's crown. She is like a white flag on top of the Himālaya mountains. Everyone glorifies her, be they demigods, demons, human beings, or serpents, or even Brahmā, Viṣṇu, or Śiva. She destroyed all sinful reactions and awards liberation.

#### Text 6

pitāmaha kamaṇḍalu prabhava muktivijālatā sruti smrti gaṇāstutā dvijakulāla bālāvṛtā sumeru sikharābhidā nipatitā trilokāvrtā sudharma phalasālini sukhapalāsinī rājate

She was produced from the water pot of Lord Brahmā. She is the creeper grown from the seed of liberation. She is surrounded by many qualified <code>brāhmaṇas</code> glorifying her by reciting passages from the revealed scriptures. She descended upon the peak of Mount Sumeru and then spread throughout the three worlds. Religiosity is her fruit and happiness is her leaves.

#### Text 7

carad vihagamālini sagara varnsa muktipradā munimdra vara nandinī divimatā ca madākinī sadā duritanāsinī vimala vāri samdarsana praņāma guņa kırttanādişu jagatsu samrājate

By seeing her pure water, by offering her obeisances, and by singing her glories, one's mountain of sinful reactions is destroyed. Birds walk on her banks or swim in her water. By her mercy, the sons of Sagara achieved liberation. She is considered to be the daughter of the sage, Jahnu. She is known as the Mandākınī in the heavenly planets.

# Text 8

mahābhidha sutānganā himagirīsa kūṭastanī saphenajalahāsinī sita marāla sancāriņi calallahara satkarā vara saroja mālādharā rasollasita gāminī jaladhi kāminī rājate

She became the queen of King Śāntanu. The peaks of the Himālayas are her breasts, her foamy water is her smile, white swans are her movements, her waves are her hands, and the fully blossomed lotus flowers are the flower garland that adorns her chest. In this way, she travels to the sea in a cheerful mood.

## Text 9

kvacit kalakalasvanā kvacid dhīrayādoganāḥ kvacin mrīnigaṇaiḥ stutā kvacid ananta sampūjitā kvacid ravi karojvalā kvacid udagra pātākulā kacij jana vigāhitā jayati bhīsmamātā satī

Somewhere by the side of the Gangā, great sages are engaged in reciting prayers, somewhere Lord Ananta worships the Supreme Lord, somewhere ferocious crocodiles are playing, somewhere the sun is reflected on the surface of the water, somewhere her water makes a loud splashing sound, and somewhere people are bathing. May the chaste mother of Bhīṣma be glorified.

#### Text 10

sa eva kusalo janah praṇamatiha bhāgirathim sa eva tapasām nidhirjapati jānhavīm ādarāt sa eva puruṣottamaḥ smarati sādhu mandākinī sa eva vijayı prabhuh surataranginīm sevate Anyone who offers obeisances to the Gangā is benefited. He is a great ascetic who faithfully chants her names. He is the best of all persons who meditates on her. One who serves the Mandākinī is always victorious, and is considered the master of everyone.

#### Text 11

bhavāmala jalācitam khaga sṛgāla mīnakṣatam calalla hari lolitam rucira tīra jambālitam kadā nijavapur mudā suranaro ragaiḥ samstuto' pyaham trpathagāmini priyamatīva pasyāmyaho

O traveler throughout the three worlds, when will I see my body halfeaten by the aquatic birds and animals who reside in your pure water? When will I see my body pushed, pulled, and rolled by your forceful waves? When, upon seeing me in this condition will the demigods, best of human beings, and serpents glorify me?

#### Text 12

tvattıre vasatim tavāmalajalasnānam tava preksaṇam tvannāma smaraṇam tavā dayakathā samlāpanam pāvanam gange me tava sevonaika nipuṇo'pyānanditas cādrṭaḥ stutvā tvadgatapātako bhuvi kadā sāntas carisyāmyaham

O holy river, when will I reside on your shore, bathe in your pure water, chant your holy name, discuss your appearance and activities, engage in your worship, and joyfully wander throughout the world singing your glories?

#### Text 13

ityetad ṛṣibhiḥ proktam gaṅgāstavam anuttamam svargyam yasasyam āyuṣyam paṭhanāt ṣṛvaṇādapi

By reciting or hearing these supremely auspicious prayers to Gangā that were offered by great sages, one can ascend to the spiritual world, and even in this lifetime, his fame and duration of life will be enhanced.

#### Text 14

sarvapāpaharam pumsām balam āyur vivarddhanam

# prātar madhyāhna sāyāhne gangāsānnidhyatā bhavet

One who recites or hears these prayers, either in the morning, at noon, or in the evening, will receive the association of Gaṅgā-devī, all his sinful reactions will be eradicated, and his strength and duration of life will increase.

# Text 15

ityetad bhārgavākhyānam sukadevān mayā srutam paṭhitam srāvitam cātra puṇyam dhanyam yasaskaram

I heard these prayers from the mouth of Śukadeva Gosvāmī. One who hears or recites these sacred prayers will be awarded heaps of pious merit, wealth, and fame.

#### Text 16

avatāram mahāviṣṇāḥ kalkeḥ paramam adbhutam paṭhatām ṣṛṇvatām bhaktyā sarvāsubha vināsanam

Those who repeatedly hear the transcendental glories of the Kalki incarnation of Lord Mahā-Viṣṇu with devotion will find that all inauspiciousness within their hearts has been reduced to nil.

Thus ends the translation of thirty-fourth chapter of Śrī Kalki Purāna.

# CHAPTER THIRTY-FIVE

# The Glories of Hearing Śrī Kalki Purāṇa

Texts 1-27

sūta uvāca atrāpi sukasamvādo mārkaņdeyena dhīmatā adharma vamsa kahtanam kaier vivaraņam tataḥ

devānām brahma sadana prayāṇam gobhuvā saha brahmarṇe vacanād viṣṇor janma viṣṇuyasogrhe

sumatyām svāmsakair bhrātṛ caturbhiḥ sambhale puro pituḥ putreṇa samvādas tathopanayanam hareḥ

pureṇa saha samvāso vedādhyayanam uttamam sastrāstrāṇām parijñānam siva sandarsanam tatah

kalkeḥ stavam suvapuro varalābhaḥ sukāpanam sambhalāgamanam cakre jñātibhyo varakirttanam

visākhayūpa bhūpane nijasarvātma varņanam mahābhāgyād brāhmaṇanām sukasyāgamanam tatah

kalkinā sukasamvādaḥ simhalākhyān anuttamam swadattavarā padmā tasyā bhūpa svayaṁvare

darsanād bhūpa saṃghānāṁ stribhāva parikirttanam tasyā viṣadah kalkestu vivāhārthaṁ samudyama

sukaprasthāpanam dautye tayā tasyāpi darsanam sukapadmāparicayaḥ srī visnoh pūjanādikam

pādādi deha dhyānañca kisāntam parivarņitam saka bhūṣaṇa dānañca punah suka samāgamah

kalkeḥ padmā vivāhārtham gamanam darsanam tayoḥ jalakrīḍāprasangena vivāhas tadanantaram

pumstva prāptisca bhūpānām kalker dasana mātrataḥ anantāgamanam rājñā samvādastena samsadi

saṇḍatvād ātmano janma karma cātra sivastavaḥ mate pitari tadviṣṇoḥ ksetre māyāpradarsanam

atrākhyānam anantasya jñāna vairāgya vaibhavam rājñām prayāṇam kakesca padmayā saha sambhale

visvakarma vidhānañca vasatih padmayā saha jñāti bhrātṛ suhṛtputraiḥ senābhir yuddha nigrahah

kathitascātra teṣāñca strīṇām samyodhanāsrayaḥ tato'tra bālakholyānām munīnām svanivedanam

saputrāyāḥ kuthodaryā badhascātra prakīrttataḥ haridvāra gatasyāpi kalker muni samāgamah

sūryavamcāsya kathanams somasya ca vidhānatah sri rāma caritam cāru sūryavamsānu varnane

devāpesca maroḥ saṅgo yuddhāyātra prakīrttiḥ mahāghora rane koka vikoka vinipātanam

bhallāṭa gamanam tatra sayyākarṇādibhiḥ saha yuddham sasidhvajenātra susāntā bhaktikirttanam

yuddhe kalker ānayamam dharmasya ca kṛtasya ca susāntāyāḥ stavastatra ramodvāhastu kalkinā

sabhāyām pūrvakathanam nijagṛdhratva kāraṇam mokṣaḥ sasidhvajasyātra bhaktiprārthayitu rvibhoḥ

viṣakanyā mocanañca nrpānām abhisecanam māyāstavaḥ sambhaleṣu nānāyajñādi sādhanam

nāradād visņuyasaso mokṣascātra prakīrttitaḥ kṛtadharma pravṛttisca rukmiṇi vrata kīrttanam

tato vihāraḥ kalkesca putra pautrādi sambhavaḥ kathito deva gandharva gaṇāgamanam atra hi

tato vaikunthagamanam viṣṇoḥ kalker ihoditam suka prasthāna mucitam kathayitvā kathāh subhāh

gangāstrotram iha proktam purāņe munisammatam jagatām ānandakaram purāṇam pamca lakṣaṇam

Sūta Gosvāmī said: The contents of this sanctified Śrī Kalki Purāna are: A conversation between the great soul, Mārkandeya, and Śuka; a description of the dynasty of irreligion' topics regarding Lord Kali' the demigods travel to Brahmaloka, along with mother earth, who had assumed the form of a cow; Lord Hari's appearance at the house of Visnuyaśā at request of Brahmā; the birth of Lord Kalki's four brothers from the womb of Sumati; a conversation between the father and son; Lord Kalki's sacred thread ceremony; Lord Kalki grows up with His father; Lord Kalki studies the Vedas, Lord Kalki learns how to employ weapons, Padmāvatī's meeting with Śiva; Padmāvatī's prayers to Śiva; Padmāvatī receives a benediction from Śiva; Lord Kalki receives His parrot; Lord Kalki returns to Śambhala; Padmāvatī describes Śiva's benediction to her relatives; Lord Kalki reveals Himself to King Viśākhayupa; the glories of the brāhmanas; the arrival of Suka: a conversation between Lord Kalki and Suka: Suka describes the situation in Simhala; the svayamvara of Padmāvatī; the lamentation of Padmāvatī, Lord Kalki desires to marry Padmāvatī; Lord Kalki sends Śuka

as a messenger; Padmāvatī meets Śuka; the procedure for worshiping Lord Hari; the procedure for meditating on the Lord's form; Padmāvatī gives her ornament to Śuka; Śuka returns to Lord Kalki; Lord Kalki goes to Simhala to marry Padmāvatī; the Lord meets Padmāvatī on the pretext of playing in the water, Lord Kalki marries Padmāvatī, the kings regain their masculinity simply by seeing Lord Kalki; the arrival of the sage Ananta; a conversation between Ananta and the kings; the story of Ananta's previous birth; glorification of Lord Siva; Ananta's father meets Māyādevī after death; the characteristics of Ananta; Ananta's knowledge and detachment; the departure of the kings; Lord Kalki returns to Sambhala with Padmāvatī; Viśvakarmā reconstructs the village of Śambhala; the Lord resides at Sambhala along with Padmāvatī and His relatives, wellwishers, children, and army; the oppression of the Buddhists; the wives of the Buddhists go to war; the arrival of the sages known as the Vālakhillas; the process of surrender; the killing of the Kuthodarī witch; the meeting of Lord Kalki with the sages of Hardwar; a description of the Sūrya and Candra dynasties; the pastimes of Lord Rāmacandra; the meeting of Maru and Devāpī; the killing of Koka and Vikoka; Lord Kalki goes to Bhallatanagara; the battle between Lord Kalki and Śayayākarna; the battle between Lord Kalki and King Śaśidhvaja; the devotional service of Suśāntā; King Śaśidhvaja brings Lord Kalki, Dharma, and Satya-yuga personified to his home; Suśāntā offers prayers to Lord Kalki; the marriage of Lord Kalki and Ramā; a description of Śaśidhvaja's previous lives; the cause of his taking birth as a vulture; King Śaśidhvaja attains liberation; the deliverance of Visakanyā; the coronation ceremony of various kings; the glorification of Māyā-devī; various sacrifices performed at Śambhala; Visnuyaśā achieves liberation by the mercy of Nārada Muni; the commencement of Satya-yuga; discussion of the vow known as Rukminī vrata; the glorious pastimes of Lord Kalki; The birth of Lord Kalki's sons and grandsons; the demigods and Gandharvas visit Sambhala; Lord Kalki returns to Vaikuritha; Śukadeva Gosvāmī departs; and the prayers to Gangā-devī spoken by the sages. This Kalki Purāna consists of five branches of knowledge-creation, sub-creation, the dynasties of the sun and moon, the Manus, and the pastimes of the descendents in the dynasties of the sun and moon.

#### Text 28

sakala siddhidam slokaiḥ ṣaṭ sahasram satādhikam sarvasāstrārtha tattvānām sāram sruti manoharam

When those whose hearts are filled with the contamination of Kali hear this literature, they will be purified and thus achieve all kinds of perfection. This literature consists of six thousand one hundred verses. It contains the essence of all scriptures and as such, it pleases the hearts of everyone.

# Text 29

caturvarga pradam kalki purāṇam parikirttitam pralayānte harimukhāt nihsrtam lokavistrtam

This literature bestows upon the hearer the four objectives of life. It appeared from the lotus mouth of Lord Hari after the annihilation of the universe and spread throughout the world.

#### Text 30

aho vyāsena kathitam dvijarūpeņa bhūtale viṣṇoḥ kalker bhagavataḥ prabhāvam paramādbhutam

The exalted Kṛṣṇa Dvaipāyaṇa Vyāsa appeared in this world as a *brāhmaṇa* and compiled this literature. It describes the glorious pastimes of Lord Kalki, the incarnation of Lord Hari.

#### Text 31

ye bhaktayātra purāṇa sāram amalam srī viṣṇubhāvāplutam sṛṇvantiha vadanti sādhusadasi kṣetre sutirthāsrame dattvā gām turagam khram

gajavaram svarṇam dvijāyādarāt vastrālankaraṇaiḥ prapūjya vidhivad muktāsta evottamāh Those who study or hear this literature in a holy place of pilgrimage, at an āśrama of sages, or anywhere else in the association of devotees, after worshiping the *brāhmaṇas* and giving them cows, horses, asses, elephants, gold, or cloth in charity, are certainly the best among human beings, and are eligible for liberation.

#### Text 32

srutvā vidhānam vidhivad brāhmaņo vedapāragah kṣatriyo bhūpatir vaisyo dhanī sudro mahānbhavet

By carefully studying this literature, a *brāhmaṇa* becomes expert in all kinds of Vedic understanding, a *kṣatriya* becomes a powerful ruler of men, a *vaiśya* attains wealth and prosperity, and a *śudra* becomes an exalted personality.

# Text 33

puptrārthi labhate putram dhanārthi labhate dhanam vidyārthi labhate vidyām paṭhanāt sravaṇādapi

By studying this literature, those who desire a son will receive a son, those who desire wealth will earn wealth, and those who desire wisdom will become wise men.

#### Text 34

ityetat puṇya mākhyāna lomaharṣaṇa jo muniḥ srāvayitvā munīn bhaktyā yayau tirthāṭanādṛtaḥ

After reciting this sacred literature with faith and devotion to the great sages, the son of Romaharṣaṇa proceeded on his tour of holy places of pilgrimage.

# Text 35

saunako munibhih sārddham sūtam ānmatrya dharmavit

# puṇyāraṇye harim dhyātvā brahma prāpa saharṣibhiḥ

Śaunaka Ṣṣi, who was very pious and well-versed in the literature dealing with yoga, along with the other sages and Śūta Gosvāmī, began to practice meditation on Lord Hari so that they finally attained His shelter at the sanctified place of Naimisāraṇya.

#### Text 36

lomaharṣaṇajam sarva purāṇajñam yatavratam vyāsasiṣyam munivaram tam sūtam pranamāmyaham

Let me offer my obeisances at the lotus feet of Sūta Gosvāmī, the son of the great sage, Romaharṣaṇa, who was a disciple of Vyāsadeva, a great scholar of all the *Purāṇas*, and a determined ascetic.

#### Text 37

ālokya sarvasāstrāņi vicārya cā punaḥ punaḥ imameva suniṣpannaṁ dhyeyo nārāyanah sadā

After studying all the scriptures again and again, it must be firmly concluded that it is Lord Nārāyaṇa who should be meditated upon.

#### Text 38

vede rāmāyaṇe caiva purāṇe bhārate tathā ādāvante ca madhye ca harih sarvatra giyate

It is Lord Hari who is glorified throughout the beginning, middle, and end of the Vedas, Rāmāyaṇa, Mahābhārata, and Purāṇas.

## Text 39

sajala jaladavarņo vātavegaikavāhaḥ karadhṛta karavālaḥ sarvalokaikapālaḥ kakikulavanahantā satyadharma praṇetā kalayatu kusalam vaḥ kalkirūpaḥ sa bhūpaḥ May Lord Kalki, whose complexion is the color of a dark rain cloud, whose horse travels faster than the wind, who protects the righteous with His sword, who establishes the principles of religion, and who reestablishes the Satya-yuga after vanquishing Kali, shower His blessings upon you.

Thus ends the translation of the thirty-fifth chapter of Śrī Kalki Purāna.

End of Sn Kalki Purāna.