## **!!! ROLE OF SADGURU** IN ELEVATION OF SPIRITUAL JOURNEY!!!



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In previous occasion, in the month of March and April 2022 issues, we had discussed Diksha and Diksha Isn't About what you Give Up, In this issue we will make an attempt to discuss the Role of Guru in elevating our spiritual Journey, The realized Masters have elucidated many paths leading to the upliftment of the Soul.

Without the blessing and Guidance, It would be very difficult or Impossible to elevate oneself in spiritual Journey, Guru is not a physical form. Guru is energy, the medium through which jnana or knowledge flows to the shishya or disciple. If we take the shishya to be an ice-cold stone and jnana to be boiling hot water, then the guru pours this hot water onto the cold stone gradually, drop by drop, Guru takes full responsibility of the shishya, monitors him every second. Guru literally carries the journey of evolution. He is not someone who does sweet talk or makes arbitrary promises to gain your support... A guru needs nothing from you, it is you who needs him. He is the mirror that will show you, your true self and helps you elevate yourself, provided you want to rise.

The first sign of a guru is vairagya or detachment. As soon as you come in the proximity of your guru, you experience the same vairagya within-an indication that you are in the right place. He possesses phenomenal energy, makes us realize the SELF

The Guru is a vast ocean of Consciousness. In his gracious presence, body consciousness is naturally relegated into the background and soul awareness manifests: the world is forgotten and truth easily recollected. The one whose eyes shower benevolence, whose words are mantras and at whose Lotus Feet lies the essence of all the holy pilgrimages- such is a Guru.

The relationship between a teacher and student is mainly intellectual, not emotional: so their relationship is not very personal. To impart knowledge, exchanging words is all that is necessary, however, the relationship between a Guru and disciple is very personal: it reaches the depths of the heart and soul. One needs to experience this relationship of divine love !

Once we accept a Sadguru's refuge, there is no turning back. Now, there is neither peace in your life, nor the option of turning back or quitting. On one hand, there is restlessness and disgruntlement because the Sadguru will not change his ways to suit you. On the other hand, there is no escaping from his intense love. The Sadguru does not rest either, using ingenious methods, he creates tunnels through the mountains of one's ego to let out the springs of purity

The Sadguru's compassion is so extraordinary that if he needs to be harsh with us and to train us, he will not think twice, though his heart is as tender as a flower. He will not hesitate to don his armour and strike like lightning for our welfare, though he would not lay a finger on another life, that will not prevent him from hurling a hammer to break the disciple's ego. Consider yourself very fortunate if you ever meet such a Guru.,

A true disciple finds great joy in living in accordance with the guru's commands. If we go to the Guru with a clear purpose, there is no sense of servitude or fear. But where there is lack of love, faith and surrender or if our purpose is unclear, then the Guru is perceived as an ordinary person and there is scope for contrary feelings like fear and bondage to arise.

The person who seeks the Guru's presence to fulfill a higher purpose of liberating himself from various faults, including his ego, values the advantages gained by obeying the Guru's commands and carries them out joyfully. Although he is aware of his several shortcomings, he can also see ways in which they can be diminished and overcome, and this feuds his enthusiasm. When the interest is genuine, one does not feel fatigued. When one understands the benefit to be accrued, he does not feel bondage. Where there is love, there can be no fear, Sincere love heralds fearlessness,. Where love is lacking, there is fear, and where there is fear, there are feelings of subjugation, bondage and suffering. Total surrender, give everything that is yours, surrender yourself. While still alive, die at the feet of the Guru.

## **!!! TREAT OTHERS THE WAY YOU WANT TO BE TREATED !!!**

## **!!! REMEMBER !!! "THE SOUL IS ON JOURNEY"**

Thank you all..... Always in Gratitude

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