The Thousand Holy Names of Lord Vișņu

Prologue:

श्री वैशम्पायन उवाच । श्रूत्वा धर्मान् अशेषेण पावनानि च सर्वशः । युधिष्ठिरः शान्तनवं पुनरेवाभ्यभाषत ॥१॥

1. śrī vaiśampāyana uvāca śrūtvā dharmān aśeṣeṇa pāvanāni ca sarvaśaḥ yudhiṣṭhiraḥ śāntanavaṁ punar evābhyabhāṣata

Śrī Vaiśampāyana Vyāsa said: "After hearing the description of all the purifying places of pilgrimage, King Yudhiṣṭhira again inquired from Bhīśma, the son of Mahārāja Śantanu."

युधिष्ठिर उवाच । किमेकं दैवतं लोके किं वाप्येकं परायणम् । स्तुवन्तः कं कमर्चन्तः प्राप्नयुर्मानवाः शुभम् ॥२॥

2. yudhişthira uvāca kim ekam daivatam loke kim vāpy ekam parāyaṇam stuvantaḥ kam kam arcantaḥ prāpnuyur mānavāh śubham

King Yudhisthira said: "Please tell me who is the Supreme Personality of Godhead, the ultimate controller of the universe? Who is the ultimate destination of all living beings? Whom should men glorify and worship to attain auspiciousness?

को धर्मः सर्वधर्मानां भवतः परमो मतः । किं जपन् मुच्यते जन्तुर्जन्मसंसारबन्धनात् ॥३॥ 3. ko dharmaḥ sarva-dharmānāṁ bhavataḥ paramo mataḥ kiṁ japan mucyate jantur janma-saṁsāra-bandhanāt

What do you consider the best of all religious processes? What mantra should one chant to become free from the bondage of birth and death?"

श्रीभीश्म उवाच । जगत्प्रभुं देवदेवमनन्तं पुरुषोत्तमम् । स्तुवन् नामसहस्रेण पुरुषः सततोत्थितः ॥४॥

4. śrī-bhīśma uvāca
jagat-prabhuṁ deva-devam
anantaṁ puruṣottamam
stuvan nāma-sahasreṇa
puruṣaḥ satatotthitaḥ

Bhīśma said: "The Supreme Personality of Godhead is the controller of all moving and non-moving beings in the universe, and He is the worshipable master of all the demigods. His transcendental forms and qualities are unlimited, and He is the best of all persons. One should always glorify Him by enthusiastically chanting His Thousand Holy Names (Viṣṇu-sahasranāma).

तमेव चार्चयन् नित्यं भक्तचा पुरुषमव्ययम् । ध्यायन् स्तुवन् नमस्यंश्च यजमानस्तमेव च ॥५॥

5. tam eva cārcayan nityam bhaktyā puruṣam avyayam dhyāyan stuvan namasyams ca yajamānas tam eva ca

"With great faith, the devotee should worship the Supreme Personality of Godhead, Lord Kṛṣṇa, whose forms, qualities, opulence and pastimes are all eternal and transcendental. The devotee should glorify Him, continually meditate on His transcendental form, and offer obeisances by bowing down before Him.

अनादिनिधनं विष्णुं सर्वलोकमहेश्वरम् । त्येकाध्याक्षम्स्तुवन् नित्यं सर्वदुःखातिगो भवेत् ॥६॥

6. anādi-nidhanam viṣṇum sarva-loka-maheśvaram lokādhyākṣam stuvan nityam sarva-duḥkhātigo bhavet

"Never was there a time when Lord Viṣṇu first came into existence, and there is no time in the future when He shall cease to exist. He is the supreme master of all planets, living entities and the demigods who control the universe. He is the all-knowing, all pervading witness who sees everything. One who regularly glorifies Him becomes free from all material miseries, and in that liberated condition becomes full of transcendental bliss.

ब्रह्मण्यं सर्वधर्मज्ञं लोकानां कीर्तिवर्धनम् । त्येकनाथं महद्भुतम्सर्वभूतभवोद्भवम् ॥७॥

7. brahmaṇyaṁ sarva-dharmajñaṁ lokānāṁ kīrti-vardhanam loka-nāthaṁ mahad-bhūtam sarva-bhūta-bhavodbhavam

"Lord Viṣṇu is the protector and well-wisher of the brāhmaṇas, aware of all principles of religion, the Lord who expands the glory of His devotees, the supreme monarch of all planetary systems, the embodiment of all opulence and the original Father of Brahmā, Śiva and all living entities.

एष में सर्वधर्माणां धर्मोऽधिकतमो मतः । यद्भक्तचा पुण्डरीकाक्षं स्तवैरर्चन् नरः सदा ॥५॥

8. eşa me sarva-dharmāṇāṁ dharmo 'dhikatamo mataḥ yad bhaktyā puṇḍarīkākṣaṁ stavair arcen narah sadā

"In my opinion, the best of all spiritual activities is to continuously and devotedly worship lotus-eyed Lord Kṛṣṇa by reciting prayers glorifying Him and describing His Holy Names.

परमं यो महत्तेजः परमं यो महत्तपः । परमं यो महद्वह्य परमं यः परायणम् ॥९॥ 9. paramam yo mahat-tejah paramam yo mahat-tapah paramam yo mahad brahma paramam yah parāyaṇam

"Lord Kṛṣṇa is the Supreme Personality of Godhead. He is supremely powerful and splendid, and the sun and other luminaries derive their splendor and heat from Him. He is partially manifest as the Brahman effulgence. He is the ultimate shelter of all living entities.

पवित्राणां पवित्रं यो मङ्गलानां च मङ्गलम् । दैवतम्देवतानां च भूतानां योऽव्ययः पिता ॥१०॥

10. pavitrāṇāṁ pavitraṁ yo maṅgalāṇāṁ ca maṅgalam daivatam devatāṇāṁ ca bhūtāṇāṁ yo 'vyayaḥ pitā

"Lord Kṛṣṇa is the most purifying of purifiers, and the power of the Ganges and other places of pilgrimage to remove sinful reactions is derived from Him. He is the most auspicious of all auspicious personalities, and He gives to Gaṇeśa and others the power to remove obstacles. He is the most worshipable person, superior to Brahmā and all the demigods. He is the eternal, original Father of all living entities.

यतः सर्वाणि भूतानि भवन्त्यादियुगागमे । यस्मिश्च प्रलयं यान्ति पुनरेव युगक्षये ॥११॥

11. yataḥ sarvāṇi bhūtāni bhavanty ādi-yugāgame yasmiṁś ca pralayaṁ yānti punar eva yuga-kṣaye

"All living beings in the material world come from Lord Kṛṣṇa at the beginning of the creation. Lord Kṛṣṇa maintains them while the creation is manifest, and they enter into Him again when the creation is destroyed.

तस्य लोकप्रधानस्य जगन्नाथस्य भूपते । विष्णोर्नामसहस्रं मे शृणु पापभयापहम् ॥१२॥

12. tasya loka-pradhānasya jagan-nāthasya bhū-pate viṣṇor nāma-sahasraṁ me śṛṇu pāpa-bhayāpaham

"Please hear from me the Thousand Holy Names of Lord Viṣṇu, the supreme master and controller of the universe. These Holy Names of the Lord destroy the fearsome reactions of past sinful deeds.

यानि नामानि गौणानि विख्यातानि महात्मनः । ऋशिभिः परिगीतानि तानि वक्ष्यामि भूतये । ॐ नमो भगवते वासुदेवाय ॥१३॥

13. yāni nāmāni gauņāni
vikhyātāni mahātmanaḥ
ṛśibhiḥ parigītāni
tāni vakṣyāmi bhūtaye
oṁ namo bhagavate vāsudevāya

"In order to attain the supreme goal of life, I shall now chant the celebrated Thousand Holy Names of Lord Viṣṇu. Great sages glorify these Holy Names, because they describe the Lord's transcendental qualities and pastimes. Om namo bhagavate vāsudevāya — let me invoke auspiciousness by offering my respectful obeisances unto the Supreme Personality of Godhead, full with all divine opulence, Śrī Kṛṣṇa, the son of King Vasudeva."

The Thousand Holy Names of Lord Viṣṇu

ॐ विश्वं विष्णुर्वषत्कारो भूतभव्यभवत्प्रभुः । भूतकृद्भुतभृद्भावो भूतात्मा भूतभावनः ॥१४॥

- 14. om viśvam viṣṇur vaṣatkāro bhūta-bhavya-bhavat-prabhuḥ bhūta-kṛd bhūta-bhṛd bhāvo bhūtātmā bhūta-bhāvanah
 - $o\dot{m}$ I offer my respectful obeisances;
 - *viśvam viṣṇur* unto the Supreme Personality of Godhead who pervades the entire universe;
 - *vaṣatkāra* He is worshiped in the Vedic sacrifices;
 - *bhūta-bhavyabhavat-prabhu* He is the supreme controller in all phases of time: past, present and future;
 - *bhūta-kṛt* He is the creator of the cosmic manifestation;
 - *bhūta-bhrt* He maintains the cosmic manifestation;
 - bhāva He is the master of all spiritual and material potencies;
 - bhūtātmā He is the creator of all living entities;
 - bhūta-bhāvana He is the supreme well-wisher who promotes everyone's ultimate welfare.

पूतात्मा परमात्मा च मुक्तानां परमा गतिः । अव्ययः पुरुषः साक्षी क्षेत्रज्ञोऽक्षर एव च ॥१५॥

- 15. pūtātmā paramātmā ca muktānām paramā gatiḥ avyayaḥ puruṣaḥ sākṣī kṣetrajño 'kṣara eva ca
 - pūtātmā Lord Kṛṣṇa is supremely pure;
 - paramātmā He is the Supreme Soul;
 - ca and;
 - muktānām paramā gatiķ He is the ultimate goal and the destination of the liberated souls;
 - avyayaḥ He is eternal;

- puruṣaḥ He is the Supreme Person;
- $s\bar{a}ks\bar{i}$ He is the witness of everything;
- kṣetrajño He knows everything that happens to all living entities;
- akṣara He is infallible; eva ca even so.

योगो योगविदां नेता प्रधानपुरुषेश्वरः । नरसिंहवपुः श्रीमान् केशवः पुरुषोत्तमः ॥१६॥

- 16. yogo yoga-vidām netā pradhāna-puruṣeśvaraḥ narasimha-vapuḥ śrīmān keśavah purusottamah
 - yogo Lord Kṛṣṇa is the auspicious reservoir of yogic perfection, and success in yoga practice depends on Him;
 - yoga-vidām netā He is the leader of those advanced in yoga;
 - pradhāna-puruṣeśvara He is the supreme controller of the material universe and all living entities;
 - narasimha-vapu He appeared in a half-man, half-lion incarnation;
 - śrīmān He is extremely handsome;
 - keśava He is the Father of Brahmā and Śiva;
 - purușottama He is the Supreme Person.

सर्वः शर्वः शिवः स्थानुर्भूतादिर्निधिरव्ययः । संभवो भावनो भर्ता प्रभवः प्रभुरीश्वरः ॥१७॥

- 17. sarvaḥ śarvaḥ śivaḥ sthānur bhūtādir nidhir avyayaḥ saṁbhavo bhāvano bhartā prabhavaḥ prabhur īśvaraḥ
 - sarva Lord Kṛṣṇa is present everywhere and therefore He is, in one sense, everything;
 - śarva His association is supremely beneficial;
 - siva—He is the most auspicious personality;
 - *sthānu* He is always very merciful;
 - bhūtādi He is the creator of all living entities;

- *nidhi* He gives happiness to all;
- avyaya He is imperishable;
- sambhava He descends to this material world to protect His devotees;
- bhāvana He always considers how to protect His devotees;
- bhartā He is the maintainer of the devotees;
- prabhava He is the origin of everything;
- prabhu He is the supreme spiritual master who can perform feats impossible even for Brahmā or Śiva;
- *īśvara* He is the supreme controller of all living entities.

स्वयम्भूः शम्भुरादित्यः पुष्कराक्षो महास्वनः । अनादिनिधनो धाता विधाता धतुरुत्तमः ॥१८॥

- 18. svayambhūḥ śambhur ādityaḥ puṣkarākṣo mahāsvanaḥ anādi-nidhano dhātā vidhātā dhatur uttamah
 - svayambhū Lord Kṛṣṇa is the self-effulgent Lord;
 - *śambhu* His auspicious transcendental qualities bring great happiness to the devotees;
 - āditya He appears in a splendid golden form among the demigods;
 - puskarāksa He is all-pervading;
 - mahāsvana He is the supreme object of worship;
 - anādi-nidhana He was never born and will never die;
 - dhātā He is the original creator, before Brahmā or anyone else;
 - *vidhātā* He is the original author of all Vedic injunctions;
 - dhatur uttama He is the Supreme Person.

अप्रमेयो हषीकेशः पद्मनाभोऽमरप्रभुः । विश्वकर्मा मनुस्त्वष्टा स्थविष्ठः स्थविरो ध्रुवः ॥१९॥

19. aprameyo hṛṣīkeśaḥ padma-nābho 'mara-prabhuḥ viśva-karmā manus tvaṣṭā sthaviṣthaḥ sthaviro dhruvaḥ

- aprameya Lord Kṛṣṇa is unlimited and cannot be measured by the finite senses of Brahmā and the other demigods;
- hṛṣīkeśa He is the master of the senses;
- padma-nābha Lord Brahmā took birth from His lotus navel;
- amara-prabhu He is the master of the demigods who gives them jurisdiction over the affairs of creation and maintenance of the material universe;
- *viśva-karmā* seated within the hearts of Brahmā and the other demigods, He gives them the ability to create and maintain the universe;
- manu He knows everything;
- tvaṣṭā His form is very handsome and splendid;
- sthavistha He creates innumerable universes by His inconceivable potency; s
- *thavira* He is ever-existing;
- *dhruva* He is eternal.

अग्राह्यः शाश्वतः कृष्णो लोहिताक्षः प्रतर्दनः । प्रभूतिस्रककुद्धाम पवित्रं मङ्गलं परम् ॥२०॥

20. agrāhyaḥ śāśvataḥ kṛṣṇo lohitākṣaḥ pratardanaḥ prabhūtas trikakud-dhāma pavitraṁ maṅgalaṁ param

- agrāhya Lord Kṛṣṇa is the non-material cause of the material manifestation;
- *śāśvata* He is ever-existing;
- kṛṣṇa He has an eternal, all-attractive form;
- *lohitākṣa* His handsome eyes are reddish;
- pratardana He removes the distresses in the hearts of His devotees;
- *prabhūta* He is the supreme monarch;
- trikakud-dhāma He resides in the spiritual world, which is three-fourths of the entire existence;
- pavitram He is the supreme pure, free from all material contamination, and He is the supreme purifier;
- mangalam param He is the supreme auspiciousness.

ईशानः प्रानदः प्रानो ज्येष्ठः श्रेष्ठः प्रजापतिः । हिरण्यगर्भो भूगर्भो माधवो मधुसूदनः ॥२१॥

- 21. īśānaḥ prānadaḥ prāno jyeṣṭhaḥ śreṣṭhaḥ prajāpatiḥ hiraṇyagarbho bhūgarbho mādhavo madhusūdanah
 - *īśāna* Lord Kṛṣṇa is the creator of everything;
 - prānada in His form as the first puruṣa-avatāra Kāraṇodakaśāyī Viṣṇu, He gives life and functions of the mind and senses to the living entities;
 - prāna as the second puruṣa-avatāra Kṣīrodakaśāyī Viṣṇu, He is the life force that maintains the living entities;
 - *jyeṣtha* He is the oldest person;
 - *śrestha*—He is the best person, full of excellent transcendental qualities;
 - prajāpati He is the master of Garuda and other eternally liberated souls;
 - hiranyagarbha His spiritual realm is as splendid as gold;
 - bhūgarbha He is the maintainer of the Earth planet;
 - mādhava He is the husband of the Goddess of Fortune, Lakṣmī-devī;
 - madhusūdana remembering Him ends the repetition of birth and death in the material world.

ईश्वरो विक्रमी धन्वी मेधावी विक्रमः क्रमः । अनुत्तमो दुराधर्षः कृतज्ञः कृ तिरात्मवान् ॥२२॥

- 22. īśvaro vikramī dhanvī medhāvī vikramaḥ kramaḥ anuttamo durādharṣaḥ kṛtajñaḥ kṛtir ātmavān
 - *īśvara* Lord Kṛṣṇa is the Supreme Controller;
 - *vikramī* He is unlimitedly powerful;
 - dhanvī He wields the transcendental Śārṅga bow;
 - medhāvī He is supremely intelligent and expert;
 - vikrama krama He can travel anywhere immediately, even without the help of Garuḍa;
 - anuttama no one is superior or equal to Him;

- *durādharṣa* the non-devotees cannot approach Him;
- *kṛtajña* He is grateful to anyone who offers even a small *tulasī* leaf or forest flower with sincere devotion;
- kṛti the conditioned souls engage in fruitive activities under the influence of His illusory
 potency māyā;
- ātmavān He maintains an eternal loving relationship with the liberated souls.

सुरेशः शरणं शर्म विश्वरेताः प्रजाभवः । अहः सम्वत्सरो व्यालः प्रत्ययः शर्वदार्शनः ॥२३॥

- 23. sureśaḥ śaraṇaṁ śarma viśva-retāḥ prajā-bhavaḥ ahaḥ samvatsaro vyālaḥ pratyayaḥ śarva-dārśanaḥ
 - sureśa Lord Kṛṣṇa is the master of the demigods and the benefactor of the worthy devotees;
 - śarana He is the shelter that removes the distresses of those who approach Him;
 - *śarma* He is full of transcendental bliss;
 - *viśva-retā* He is complete in spiritual prowess;
 - prajā-bhava He is the Father of all living entities;
 - *ahar* He is the daylight that causes the conditioned souls to awaken from the long night of material ignorance;
 - samvatsara He rescues the devotees from the fearsome ocean of birth and death;
 - vyāla everything enters into Him at the time of universal devastation, and He is the dear friend of Śrīmatī Rādhārāṇī, Tārakā and Pālī;
 - pratyaya He is the only person in whom one can completely place one's trust;
 - *śarvadārśana*—He reveals His form, qualities, and everything about Himself to pure devotees who have full confidence in the instructions of the spiritual master and the statements of the Vedic literature.

अजः सर्वेश्वरः सिद्धः सिद्धिः सर्वादिरच्युतः । वृषाकपिरमेयात्मा सर्वयोगविनिःसृतः ॥२४॥

- 24. ajaḥ sarveśvaraḥ siddhaḥ siddhiḥ sarvādir acyutaḥ vṛṣākapir ameyātmā sarva-yoga-vinihsṛtaḥ
 - aja Lord Kṛṣṇa does not take birth in a material body forced by the law of karma like an
 ordinary living entity, nevertheless He appears in this material world in the abode of
 Vṛndāvana, just to give transcendental bliss to His devotees;
 - sarveśvara He is the master of Brahmā, all the demigods and all living entities;
 - *siddha* He knows everything in the past, present and future;
 - siddhi He is full of unlimited powers;
 - *sarvādi* He is the origin of everything;
 - acyuta He protects His devotees from falling down;
 - *vṛṣākapir* He fulfills the desire of the devotees and strikes fear into the hearts of the demons:
 - ameyātmā His form and intelligence are unlimited and immeasurable, and He is supremely dear to the devotees;
 - sarva-yogavinihsrta—He is always free from material contact.

वसुर्वसुमनाः सत्यः समात्मा सम्मितः समः । अमोघः पुण्डरीकाक्षो वृषकर्मा वृषाकृतिः ॥२५॥

- 25. vasur vasumanāḥ satyaḥ samātmā sammitaḥ samaḥ amoghaḥ puṇḍarīkākṣo vrsakarmā vṛṣākṛtih
 - *vasu* Lord Kṛṣṇa always resides in the hearts of the devotees who relish hearing and chanting His glories;
 - *vasumanā* He meditates on how to increase the transcendental opulences of the pure devotees who consider Him their only wealth;
 - satya He never speaks a lie, and is very dear to the truthful devotees;
 - samātmā He accepts the role of being equal to devotees who approach Him in friendship;
 - sammita He magnanimously presents Himself as equal to His devotee;
 - sama He presents Himself as equal to the devotees related to Him in friendship, parenthood and conjugal love to glorify them;

- amogha He grants His own supremely valuable devotional service to those who become attached to Him;
- puṇḍarīkākṣa He is always manifest in the lotus-like hearts of the pure devotees;
- *vṛṣakarmā* He fulfills the desires of His pure devotees;
- *vṛṣākṛti* His transcendental form is supremely handsome.

रुद्रो बहुशिरा बभुर्विश्वयोनिः शुचिश्रवाः । अमृतः शाश्वतः स्थानुर्वरारोहो महातपाः ॥२६॥

26. rudro bahu-śirā babhrur viśva-yoniḥ śuci-śravāḥ amṛtaḥ śāśvataḥ sthānur varāroho mahā-tapāḥ

- rudra Lord Kṛṣṇa cures the disease of material existence afflicting the conditioned souls; hahu-
- *śirā* He appears as the thousandheaded Lord Anantadeva;
- babhru He is the maintainer of the universe;
- viśva-yoni He is the creator of millions of universes;
- *śuciśravā*—He is supremely pure, and He cleanses whatever impurity may contaminate the hearts of His genuine devotees;
- amṛta His handsomeness is as sweet as nectar, and He rescues the devotees from the cycle of repeated birth, old age and death;
- *śāśvata* He is deathless;
- sthānu He eternally appears before the pure devotees and grants them transcendental bliss;
- varāroha He always remains in His eternal abode, Goloka Vṛndāvana, and He rescues His devotees from the cycle of birth and death;
- mahā-tapā He is Himself the cause of the multiple distresses of material existence.

सर्वगः सर्वविद्धानुर्विष्वक्सेनो जनार्दनः । वेदो वेदविदव्यङ्गो वेदाङ्गो वेदवित्कविः ॥२७॥

- 27. sarvagaḥ sarva-vid bhānur viṣvakseno janārdanaḥ vedo veda-vid avyaṅgo vedāṅgo veda-vit kavih
 - sarvaga Lord Kṛṣṇa is present everywhere in the material manifestation, and He personally reciprocates the loving service rendered by His devotees;
 - sarva-vit He knows everything auspicious and inauspicious, and He knows all the spiritual and material worlds;
 - bhānu He is like a brilliant sun shining in this world;
 - *viṣvaksena* His associates are like a host of armies stationed in every part of the universe for its protection;
 - *janārdana* He crushes the demons who seek to destroy the world, and He protects the saintly devotees by removing all their sufferings;
 - veda He is manifest as the Vedic hymns;
 - *veda-vit* He alone is the true knower of the *Vedas*;
 - avyanga—the Vedic literature is comprised of His instructions;
 - *vedānga* He is indirectly described by the six *Vedāngas*, which explain grammar, astronomy and similar subjects;
 - veda-vit kavi He is the most expert Vedic theologian, philosopher and poet.

लोकाध्यक्षः सुराध्यक्षो धर्माध्यक्षः कृताकृ तः । चतुरात्मा चतुर्व्यूहश्चतुर्दंष्ट्रश्चतुर्भुजः ॥२८॥

- 28. lokādhyakṣaḥ surādhyakṣo dharmādhyakṣaḥ kṛtākṛtaḥ catur-ātmā catur-vyūhaś catur-daṁṣṭraś catur-bhujaḥ
 - lokādhyakṣa Lord Kṛṣṇa is the master of the Vaiṣṇavas who engage in His devotional service, and He is also the master of the vaidika-brāhmaṇas who worship Him by performance of agnihotra-yajña;
 - surādhyakṣa He is the master of all the demigods;
 - *dharmādhyakṣa* He is the superintendent of religious principles and the final judge of all living entities;
 - kṛtākṛta He is completely free from all material contact;
 - catur-ātmā He manifests innumerable four-fold plenary expansions;

- catur-vyūha He expands Himself as Lord Vāsudeva, Sankarṣaṇa, Pradyumna and Aniruddha:
- catur-damṣṭra He has all the characteristics of an exalted personality;
- catur-bhuja He manifests as Lord Viṣṇu, who holds a conch, disk, club and lotus in His four hands.

भ्राजिष्णुर्भोजनं भोक्तासिहष्णुर्जगदादिजः । अनघो विजयो जेता विश्वयोनिः पुनर्वसुः ॥२९॥

- 29. bhrājiṣṇur bhojanam bhoktā sahiṣṇur jagad-ādijaḥ anagho vijayo jetā viśva-yoniḥ punar-vasuḥ
 - bhrājiṣṇu Lord Kṛṣṇa is effulgent;
 - bhojana He supplies the necessities of life to all living entities;
 - bhokta He relishes the food and other articles offered to Him with devotion, and He is the protector of the gentle devotees;
 - asahiṣṇu He is intolerant of the demons;
 - sahiṣṇu He tolerates the offenses accidentally committed by His devotees;
 - jagad-ādijaḥ He is the Father of Lord Brahmā, the first created entity in the universe;
 - anagha Although He appears in the material world, He remains always pure, full of transcendental bliss, and free from material contamination;
 - *vijaya* He is allvictorious;
 - jetā He can defeat any demon, demigod or living entity, therefore He is the Supreme Person;
 - viśva-yoni He is the original creator of all universes;
 - punar-vasu He appears again and again within the creation to protect His devotees.

उपेन्द्रो वामनः प्रांशुरमोघः शुचिरूर्जितः । अतीन्द्रः सङ्गहः सर्गो धृतात्मा नियमो यमः ॥३०॥

30. upendro vāmanaḥ prāṁśur amoghaḥ śucir ūrjitaḥ atīndraḥ saṅgrahaḥ sargo dhṛtātmā niyamo yamaḥ

- upendra Lord Kṛṣṇa appeared as Indra's younger brother;
- vāmana—He appeared as a brahmacārī brāhmaņa to help Indra defeat Bali Mahārāja;
- prāmśu In the Vāmana incarnation the Lord became so tall He could step over the entire universe;
- amogha His activities are always successful;
- *śuci* He is supremely pure;
- *ūrjita* He is so powerful that He easily defeated Bali's whole army;
- atīndra His strength in battle surpasses that of Indra;
- saṅgraha He accepts all those who become devoted to Him;
- sarga He created the demigods and everything else;
- dhṛtātmā He enchants and delights the hearts and minds of Indra and all the other devotees;
- *niyama* He controls the devotees;
- yama He resides always in the devotees' hearts and minds.

वेद्यो वैद्यः सदायोगी विरहो माधवो मधुः । अतीन्द्रियो महामायो महोत्साहो महाबलः ॥३१॥

- 31. vedyo vaidyaḥ sadā-yogī viraho mādhavo madhuḥ atīndriyo mahā-māyo mahotsāho mahā-balaḥ
 - vedya Lord Kṛṣṇa appeared as Kūrma-avatāra to deliver nectar to the demigods and remove their poverty;
 - *vaidya* He also appeared as Lord Dhanvantari, the original physician, who cures people's diseases simply by the expansion of His fame, and gave nectar to the demigods;
 - sadā-yogī He always acts for the welfare of the demigods;
 - *viraha* He killed the powerful demons eager to fight for the nectar churned from the celestial Ocean of Milk;
 - mādhava He is the husband of Lakṣmi-devī, who appeared from the Ocean of Milk;
 - madhu He enchanted Lakṣmi-devī and all the pious demigods with His handsomeness and charm;
 - atīndriya He disappeared from the demigods along with the nectar, because He always remains invisible to those without pure devotion to Him;

- mahā-māya He then appeared in the attractive female form of Mohihī-mūrti, bewildering the demons and also Lord Śiva;
- mahotsāha He acts to make the demigods successful;
- mahā-bala His great prowess can thwart or bewilder anyone.

महाबुद्धिर्महावीर्यो महाशक्तिर्महाद्युतिः । अनिर्देश्यवपुः श्रीमान् अमेयात्मा महाद्रिधृक्॥३२॥

- 32. mahā-buddhir mahā-vīryo mahā-śaktir mahā-dyutiḥ anirdeśya-vapuḥ śrīmān ameyātmā mahādri-dhṛk
 - mahā-buddhi Lord Kṛṣṇa is supremely intelligent;
 - mahā-vīrya He is supremely powerful;
 - mahā-śakti He is the master of all transcendental potencies;
 - mahā-dyuti He is supremely splendid;
 - anirdeśya-vapu His transcendental form cannot be seen with material eyesight;
 - *śrīmān* He is supremely handsome;
 - ameyātmā no living entity or demigod can measure His unlimited nature;
 - mahādri-dhṛk as Lord Kūrma, He held up the Mandara Mountain while He and the demigods churned the Ocean of Milk.

महेष्वासो महीभर्ता श्रीनिवासः सतां गतिः । अनिरुद्धः सुरानन्दो गोविन्दो गोविन्दां पतिः ॥३३

- 33. maheṣvāso mahī-bhartā śrī-nivāsaḥ satāṁ gatiḥ aniruddhaḥ surānando govindo govindāṁ patiḥ
 - maheṣvāsa Lord Kṛṣṇa appeared as the celebrated archer Lord Rāmacandra;
 - mahī-bhartā He is the maintainer of the Earth;
 - śrīnivāsa—He is the husband of Sītā the Goddess of Fortune;
 - *satām gati*—He is the master and destination of the devotees;
 - aniruddha He cannot be controlled by anything except pure devotional service;

- surānanda He gives transcendental bliss to the devotees and demigods;
- govinda He gives pleasure to the cows, land and senses;
- govindām pati He removes all obstacles from the path of His devotees with His spiritual effulgence.

मरीचिर्दमनो हंसः सुपर्नो भुजगोत्तमः । हिरण्यनाभः सुतपाः पद्मनाभः प्रजापतिः ॥३८॥

- 34. marīcir damano hamsaḥ suparno bhujagottamaḥ hiraṇya-nābhaḥ sutapāḥ padma-nābhah prajā-patih
 - marīci Lord Kṛṣṇa is effulgent;
 - damana He removes the distress of His devotees;
 - hamsa He appeared as a transcendental swan to enlighten Brahmā and the four Kumāras;
 - suparna He is carried by Garuḍa;
 - bhujagottama His Vișņu form reclines on Ananta-śeșa;
 - hiranya-nābha His beautiful navel is as splendid as gold;
 - sutapā He appears before the pure devotees who worship Him with great austerities;
 - padma-nābha His navel is as beautiful as a lotus flower, and He appears before the pure devotees who worship His lotus feet;
 - prajā-pati He is the protector and master of Brahmā, Śiva and all other living entities.

अमृत्युः सर्वदुक् सिंहः सन्धाता सन्धिमान् स्थिरः । अजो दुर्मर्षणः शास्ता विश्वतात्मा सुरारिहा ॥३५॥

- 35. amṛtyuḥ sarva-dṛk siṁhaḥ sandhātā sandhimān sthiraḥ ajo durmarṣaṇaḥ śāstā viśrutātmā surārihā
 - amṛtyu Lord Kṛṣṇa is deathless, and also frees His devotees from death;
 - sarva-drk He sees everything, including the devotional activities of His servants;
 - simha He sprinkles the nectar of His merciful glance upon His pure devotees, and He becomes like a ferocious lion to attack the demons;

- sandhātā He is the creator of innumerable universes, and He appeared as Lord Rāmacandra, the most expert archer;
- sandhimān in His plan to kill Rāvaņa and rescue Sītā, He became the ally of Sugrīva;
- sthira He is the constant friend of Vibhīṣanā and all who approach to take shelter of Him;
- aja He never takes birth in a material body, and He never abandons His friend;
- durmarsana He is merciful;
- *śāstā* He is expert at punishing the demons;
- viśrutātmā He is famous as Lord Rāma, the killer of Rāvaņa, who is very merciful to His devotees;
- surārihā He kills the demons who are always inimical to the demigods and devotees.

गुरुर्गुरुतमो धाम सत्यः सत्यपराक्रमः । निमिषोऽनिमिषः स्नग्वी वाचस्पतिरुदारधीः ॥३६॥

36. gurur gurutamo dhāma satyaḥ satya-parākramaḥ nimiṣo 'nimiṣaḥ sragvī vācaspatir udāra-dhīḥ

- guru Lord Kṛṣṇa empowers the instructing and initiating spiritual masters to benefit the residents of the material world with His devotional service;
- gurutama He is Himself the best of spiritual masters, who taught Brahmā and other great devotees;
- *dhāma* He is the shelter and resting place of everything;
- satya He is the benefactor of Viśvāmitra and other saintly devotees, and He is always truthful;
- satya-parākrama His extraordinary prowess is supremely auspicious;
- nimisa He blinks, not recognizing the sinful actions of His devotees;
- animișa He never blinks in His continual recognition of the auspicious activities of devotional service;
- sragvī He wears a vaijayantī garland;
- *vācaspati* He is the protector of Sarasvatī, the goddess of learning;
- *udāra-dhī* He is very generous.

अग्रणीर्ग्रामणीः श्रीमान्न्यायो नेता समीरणः । सहस्रमूर्धा विश्वात्मा सहस्राक्षः सहस्रपात् ॥३७॥

- 37. agraņīr grāmaņīḥ śrīmānnyāyo netā samīraņaḥ sahasra-mūrdhā viśvātmā sahasrākṣaḥ sahasra-pāt
 - agraņī Lord Kṛṣṇa appeared as Matsya-avatāra and rescued the *Vedas*, which were tied to His horn by the rope of Vasuki-nāga;
 - grāmaṇī Lord Matsya enjoyed pastimes on the waters of devastation as He pulled Lord Manu and other sages in a golden boat;
 - śrīmān-nyāya Lord Matsya spoke the message of the *Vedas* and protected them at the time of devastation;
 - $net\bar{a}$ He is the leader of all living entities;
 - samīraṇa He moves with consummate grace;
 - sahasra-mūrdhā He has uncountable thousands of heads;
 - *viśvātmā* He is the Supreme Soul who pervades the entire universe;
 - sahasrākṣa He has uncountable thousands of eyes;
 - sahasra-pāt He has uncountable thousands of feet.

आवर्त्तनो निवृत्तात्मा संवृतः सम्प्रतर्दनः । अहः सम्वर्तको विह्वरिनलो धरणीधरः ॥३८॥

- 38. āvarttano nivṛttātmā saṁvṛtaḥ sampratardanaḥ ahaḥ samvartako vahnir anilo dharaṇī-dharaḥ
 - āvarttana Lord Kṛṣṇa causes the conditioned souls to experience the cycle of birth and death:
 - nivṛttātmā He is full of spiritual opulences and resides in the eternal spiritual world, free from material contact;
 - samvṛta He always remains invisible to the conditioned souls who are very eager to experience the tiny happiness of material existence;
 - sampratardana He causes distress to the demons who are opposed to Him, even if they pose as scholars, saintly persons or demigods;

- aha He is the succession of days, and He speaks very eloquently and sweetly;
- samvartaka He is time itself;
- vahnir with a part of Himself He carries the weight of the entire universe;
- anila He is supremely independent, nevertheless at intervals He descends to this material world for the welfare of the conditioned souls;
- dharaṇī-dhara He is the maintainer of the Earth.

सुप्रसादः प्रसन्नात्मा विश्वधृग्विश्वभुग्विभुः । सत्कर्ता सत्कृतः साधुर्जहुर्नारायणो नरः ॥३९॥

39. suprasādaḥ prasannātmā
viśva-dhṛg viśva-bhug vibhuḥ
sat-kartā sat-kṛtaḥ sādhur
jahnur nārāyaṇo naraḥ

- suprasāda Lord Kṛṣṇa is very merciful;
- prasannātmā His desires are always fulfilled, and His heart and mind are always clear and pure;
- viśva-dhṛk He maintains innumerable material universes;
- *viśva-bhuk* He protects the material universes;
- *vibhu* He is the allpervading, all-powerful, unlimited and fearless Supreme Controller;
- sat-kartā He is the benefactor of the demigods, pitās, brāhmaņas and devotees;
- sat-kṛta the demigods, pitās, brāhmaṇas and devotees worship Him;
- sādhu He is the benefactor of all living entities and His transcendental form is free from any touch of matter;
- jahnu He defeats the enemies of His devotees;
- nārāyaṇa He is the shelter within whom all living entities rest, and He is the destroyer of ignorance;
- nara He is the Supersoul who resides in the hearts of all beings.

असंख्येयोऽप्रमेयात्मा विशिष्टः शिष्टकृच्छुचिः । सिद्धार्थः सिद्धसङ्कत्पः सिद्धिदः सिद्धिसाधनः ॥४०॥

- 40. asaṅkhyeyo 'prameyātmā viśiṣṭaḥ śiṣṭa-kṛc chuciḥ siddhārthaḥ siddha-saṅkalpaḥ siddhidah siddhi-sādhanah
 - asańkhyeya Lord Kṛṣṇa's transcendental attributes are uncountable;
 - aprameyātmā His patience is unlimited;
 - viśiṣṭa His opulences are unlimited;
 - *śiṣṭa-kṛt* He gives His devotees great faith in the message of the *Vedas*, transforming them into the most elevated of peaceful saintly persons;
 - *śuci* simply by hearing about Him or remembering Him, all living entities become purified and the entire world becomes auspicious;
 - siddhārtha siddha-sankalpa all His desires are automatically fulfilled by His internal potency;
 - siddhida He alone fulfills the desires of all living entities;
 - *siddhi-sādhana* The saintly devotees become free from all impediments and attain success in their devotional activities simply by remembering Him.

वृषाही वृषमो विष्णुर्वृषपर्वा वृषोदरः । वर्धनो वर्धमानश्च विविक्तः श्रुतिसागरः ॥४९॥

- 41. vṛṣāhī vṛṣabho viṣṇur vṛṣaparvā vṛṣodaraḥ vardhano vardhamānaś ca viviktah śruti-sāgaraḥ
 - *vṛṣāhī* Lord Kṛṣṇa's transcendental qualities eclipse the glory of Indra;
 - *vṛṣabha* Lord Kṛṣṇa illuminates and protects the entire world by teaching the principles of devotional service;
 - *viṣṇu* He is all-pervading, present in every atom of the cosmic manifestation;
 - *vṛṣaparvā* He is a jubilant festival for Indra and the best of the *yogīs*;
 - vṛṣodara He protects Indra like a mother protects her child;
 - vardhana He causes the prajāpatis to prosper;
 - vardhamāna He considers even the smallest gift given by His pure devotee to be very great;
 - ca and;

- *vivikta* He remains always free from contact with the modes of material nature although He is present everywhere throughout the cosmic manifestation;
- śruti-sāgara He is the great ocean into which all the rivers of Vedic knowledge converge.

सुभुजो दुर्धरो वाग्मी महेन्द्रो वसुदो वसुः । नैकरूपो बृहदूपः शिपिविष्टः प्रकाषनः ॥४२॥

- 42. subhujo durdharo vāgmī mahendro vasudo vasuḥ naika-rūpo bṛhad-rūpaḥ śipi-visṭaḥ prakāṣanah
 - subhuja Lord Kṛṣṇa grants fearlessness to the devotees and protects the Vedas with His strong arms;
 - durdhara He cannot be defeated by Madhu, Kaiṭabha or any other demon;
 - *vāgmī* He is supremely eloquent and is the proper object of eloquent prayers;
 - mahendra He is the supreme monarch who possesses all opulence;
 - *vasuda* He defeats the demons, gives shelter to the living entities, and grants nectarean ecstatic devotional emotions to the pure devotees;
 - *vasu* He appears before those who understand His transcendental glories, becoming their only wealth;
 - naika-rūpa He appears in many different forms to satisfy the desires of His devotees;
 - *bṛhad-rūpa* His transcendental form is greater than everything;
 - *śipi-viṣṭa* He enters the waters of devastation and causes the inundation at the end of the universe;
 - prakāṣana He is the original cause of the cosmic manifestation, and He rescued the Vedas from the demons Madhu and Kaiṭabha.

ओजस्तेजो द्युतिधरः प्रकाशात्माप्रतापनः । ऋद्वः स्पष्टाक्षरो मन्त्रश्चन्द्रांशुर्भास्कराद्युतिः ॥४३॥

- 43. ojas tejo dyuti-dharaḥ prakāśātmā-pratāpanaḥ rddhaḥ spaṣṭākṣaro mantraś candrāṁśur bhāskarā-dyutiḥ
 - oja Lord Kṛṣṇa is supremely powerful;

- *teja* He is the source of all power;
- dyuti-dhara He is handsomely effulgent;
- prakāśātmā He personally appears before His pure devotees;
- pratāpana He gives trouble to the demons;
- rddha He is full of all transcendental opulence;
- spaṣṭākṣara He teaches the message of the Vedas;
- mantra He reveals the truth of His confidential pastimes to His most exalted and intimate devotees;
- candrāmśu He is as splendid as the moon;
- bhāskarā-dyuti He defeated the demons Madhu and Kaiṭabha with the supreme power of His effulgence.

अमृतांशृद्धवो भानुः शशबिन्दुः सुरेश्वरः । औषधं जगतः सेतुः सत्यधर्मपराक्रमः ॥४४॥

44. amṛtāṁśūdbhavo bhānuḥ śaśabinduḥ sureśvaraḥ auṣadhaṁ jagataḥ setuḥ satya-dharma-parākramaḥ

- amṛtāmsūdbhava Lord Kṛṣṇa is the Father of the moon;
- bhānu He is very powerful and splendid;
- *śaśabindu* He defeats the atheists;
- sureśvara He is the Supreme Personality of Godhead understood by the theists;
- auṣadham pure devotional service to Him is the nectar-medicine that counteracts the poisonous snakebite of material existence;
- *jagata setu* He is the eternal enemy of all demons;
- satyadharma-parākramaḥ He defeats the speculative impersonalist philosophers and establishes the actual truth of spiritual variety within oneness.

भूतभव्यभवनाथ पवनः पावनोऽनलः ।

कामहा कामकृत्कान्तः कामः कामप्रदः प्रभुः ॥४४॥

- 45. bhūta-bhavya-bhavan-nātha pavanaḥ pāvano 'nalaḥ kāmahā kāmakṛt kāntaḥ kāmaḥ kāma-pradaḥ prabhuḥ
 - bhūta-bhavya-bhavan-nātha Lord Kṛṣṇa always has been, is, and always will be the supreme master of all living entities;
 - pavana He rescues the living entities from material existence with His merciful sidelong glance;
 - pāvana He purifies the devotees;
 - anala He appears in many forms to protect the devotees;
 - kāmahā kāmakṛt He kills the material desires of His devotees, tearing them into pieces;
 - *kānta* He is the supreme handsomeness, the object of the aspirations of the saintly *paramahamsas;*
 - $k\bar{a}ma$ He is the source of all that is desirable, even for the bewildered living beings;
 - *kāmaprada* –He grants sense gratification, liberation or whatever is desired by the conditioned souls;
 - prabhu He is omnipotent.

युगादिकृद्युगावर्तो नैकमायो महाशनः । अदृश्यो व्यक्तरूपश्च सहस्रजिदनन्तजित् ॥४६॥

- 46. yugādi-kṛd yugāvarto naika-māyo mahāśanaḥ adṛśyo vyakta-rūpaś ca sahasra-jid ananta-jit
 - yugādi-kṛt Lord Kṛṣṇa inaugurates the four yugas by appearing as the yuga-avatāras;
 - yugāvarta He causes the succession of the four yugas;
 - naika-māya He teaches the specific process of spiritual realization intended for each yuga;
 - mahāśana He is full of transcendental knowledge, opulence and renunciation;
 - adṛśya He is invisible to the uncivilized and demonic;
 - vyakta-rūpa His form is unlimited;
 - *ca* and;
 - sahasra-jit He defeats thousands of uncivilized atheists;
 - ananta-jit He defeats unlimited numbers of atheists.

इष्टो विशिष्तः शिष्टेष्टः शिखण्डी नहुषो वृषः । क्रोधहा क्रोधकृत्कर्ता विश्वबाहुर्महीधरः ॥४७॥

- 47. iṣṭo viśiṣtaḥ śiṣṭeṣṭaḥ śikhaṇḍī nahuṣo vṛṣaḥ krodhahā krodha-kṛt kartā viśva-bāhur mahī-dharaḥ
 - *iṣṭa* Lord Kṛṣṇa is worshiped and glorified by Brahmā, Śiva and all demigods and saintly persons;
 - viśiṣta He is splendidly manifest in the abode of Mathurā, holding the sudarṣana-cakra, club, lotus and conch, and decorated with the Kaustubha jewel and other ornaments;
 - sistesta He is worshiped by those who know the purpose of the Vedas;
 - śikhaṇḍī in His Vṛndāvana pastimes He is crowned with a peacock feather;
 - nahuṣa His handsomeness enchanted the minds of the residents of Vrajabhūmi;
 - *vṛṣa* He showered a rain of transcendental nectar of bliss and pure love of Godhead upon the residents of Vraja;
 - *krodhahā* When His mother Yaśodā became angry upon hearing the description of His naughty childhood pranks, He pacified her with sweet words;
 - *krodha-kṛt* when Yaśodā interrupted feeding Him to tend to the overflowing pot of boiling milk, He became angry and broke the butter-pot;
 - kartā He killed the host of demons Kamsa sent to Vṛndāvana;
 - viśva-bāhu He protects the entire universe with His powerful arms;
 - mahī-dhara He lifted Govardhana Hill to protect the residents of Vrajabhūmi.

अच्युतः प्रथितः प्राणः प्राणदो वासवानुजः । अपांनिधिरधिष्टानमप्रमत्तः प्रतिष्ठितः ॥४८॥

- 48. acyutaḥ prathitaḥ prāṇaḥ prāṇado vāsavānujaḥ apāṁ-nidhir adhiṣṭānam apramattaḥ pratiṣṭhitaḥ
 - acyuta Lord Kṛṣṇa is eternal and unchanging, and He is the protector of the residents of Vraja;
 - prathita He is famous throughout the entire universe, but especially in Vrajabhūmi;
 - prāṇa He is the object of the pure love of the residents of Vraja;

- prāṇada He is the source of the strength and very life of the residents of Vraja;
- *vāsavānuja* even though Indra offended Him by trying to flood Vṛndāvana with rain, Kṛṣṇa kindly appeared before him;
- apām-nidhi after He forgave Indra's offense, He was bathed by the milk of the surabhi cows, who proclaimed that Kṛṣṇa was their Indra;
- adhiṣṭānam Lord Kṛṣṇa is personally manifest as the transcendental abode of Mathurā and other places where He performed pastimes;
- apramatta He protects the residents of Vrajabhūmi with great care and attention;
- pratișthita all the cowherd men respect Him because He is the son of Nanda Mahārāja, the king of Vraja.

स्कन्दः स्कन्दधरो धुर्यो वरदो वायुवाहनः । वासुदेवो बृहद्भानुरादिदेवः पुरन्दरः ॥४९॥

49. skandaḥ skanda-dharo dhuryo varado vāyu-vāhanaḥ vāsudevo bṛhad-bhānur ādi-devah purandarah

- skanda Lord Kṛṣṇa causes demons like Kaṁsa to wither away;
- skanda-dhara He grants strength to Kārttikeya, the general of the demigod armies;
- *dhurya* the burden of the entire universe rests on Him;
- varada He grants the benedictions desired by Sudāmā and all other devotees;
- vāyu-vāhana He is the source of life for all living entities, and His chariot moves faster than the wind;
- vāsudeva He is the son of King Vasudeva;
- *bṛhad-bhānu* He is greatly effulgent;
- *ādideva* He is the original Supreme Godhead;
- purandara He is the destroyer of the demons.

अशोकस्तारणस्तारः शुरः शौरिर्जनेश्वरः । अनुकूलः शतावर्तः पद्मी पद्मनिभेक्षणः ॥५०॥

- 50. aśokas tāraņas tāraḥ śuraḥ śaurir janeśvaraḥ anukūlaḥ śatāvartaḥ padmī padma-nibhekṣaṇaḥ
 - aśoka Lord Kṛṣṇa removed the lamentation of the Earth planet;
 - tāraņa He also removed the devotees' fear of the demonic rulers who were actually thieves disguised as kings;
 - tāra He removes the devotees' fear of repeated birth, old age, disease and death;
 - *śura* He is very powerful and heroic;
 - śauri He appeared in the dynasty of the great devotee and powerful King Devamīḍa;
 - janeśvara He ruled over Mathurā as king, delighting the citizens with transcendental bliss, and He is also the supreme ruler of all living entities in the material and spiritual worlds;
 - anukūla He is the dearmost wellwisher of the residents of Mathurā, and everyone else as well;
 - śatāvarta His transcendental opulence and prowess bewilder both the demons headed by Kaṁsa and the devotees headed by Nārada;
 - padmī He playfully holds a lotus flower;
 - padma-nibhekṣaṇa His eyes are as beautiful as lotus flowers, and His eternal abode
 Gokula appears like a great lotus flower.

पद्मनाभोऽरविन्दाक्षः पद्मगर्भः शरीरभृत् । महर्द्धिरृद्धो वृद्धात्मा महाक्षो गरुडध्वजः ॥५१॥

- 51. padma-nābho 'ravindākṣaḥ padma-garbhaḥ śarīra-bhṛt maharddhir ṛddho vṛddhātmā mahākso garuḍa-dhvajaḥ
 - padma-nābha Lord Kṛṣṇa's navel is like a lake from which has sprouted the lotus flower where Lord Brahmā takes birth;
 - aravindākṣa His eyes are like fully blossomed lotus flowers;
 - padmagarbha He always resides in the lotus-like hearts of the gopīs and other intimate devotees;
 - śarīra-bhṛt He always protects the devotees who meditate on Him seated on the lotus of their hearts;

- maharddhi He is full of all transcendental opulences;
- rddha He is endowed with omniscience and other inconceivable transcendental powers and qualities;
- vṛddhātmā He pervades all the universes and enjoys innumerable transcendental pastimes;
- mahākṣa His handsome eyes are very large, and His transcendental form cannot be understood with the limited material senses;
- garuḍa-dhvaja His chariot carries a battle-flag marked with the emblem of Garuḍa.

अतुलः शरभो भीमः समयज्ञो हविर्हरिः । सर्वलक्षणलक्षण्यो लक्ष्मीवान् समितिञ्चयः ॥५२॥

- 52. atulaḥ śarabho bhīmaḥ samayajño havir-hariḥ sarva-lakṣaṇa-lakṣaṇyo lakṣmīvān samitiñjayaḥ
 - atula Lord Kṛṣṇa's transcendental form is incomparable;
 - śarabha He is like a ferocious śarabha beast that destroys the demons;
 - bhīma He liberates the fortunate demons He kills;
 - samayajña understanding His servants' devotion, He gives them the result earned by their efforts at the appropriate time;
 - havir-hari as the Supersoul within the hearts of His representatives the demigods, He personally accepts the ghī offered to them in the agnihotra-yajña;
 - sarva-lakṣaṇa-lakṣaṇya He is endowed with all the auspicious signs and characteristics that identify a great personality;
 - *lakṣmīvān* His original form in Gokula is endowed with all transcendental handsomeness and opulence;
 - samitiñjaya He is always victorious in battle.

विक्शरो रोहितो मार्गो हेतुर्दामोदरः सहः । महीधरो महाभागो वेगवान् अमिताशनः ॥५३॥

53. vikśaro rohito mārgo hetur dāmodaraḥ sahaḥ mahī-dharo mahā-bhāgo vegavān amitāśanah

- vikśara Lord Kṛṣṇa is always affectionate to those who take shelter of Him;
- rohita He becomes angry at those who try to harm those who take shelter of Him;
- mārga inspired by His ever-fresh transcendental qualities, His devotees always search for Him, and He reveals the path of enlightenment to them;
- hetu He inspires great love in the hearts of His devotees, and He is the source of everything;
- dāmodara He allowed Mother Yasodā to tie His waist with a rope;
- saha He patiently tolerated Mother Yaśodā's chastisement, which was inspired by pure parental love;
- mahī-dhara His birthday is a great celebration in Gokula, where His transcendental names, pastimes, qualities and forms are glorified;
- mahā-bhāga devotional service to Him is the best of all spiritual activities;
- vegavān He can run faster than anyone, and is thus always ahead of everyone else, and He runs quickly in His pastimes of transcendental friendship with the cowherd boys of Vrndāvana;
- amitāśana He assumed a gigantic form and ate all the cakes, condensed-milk products and other offerings the cowherd men made to Govardhana Hill.

उद्धवः क्षोभणो देवः श्रीगर्भः परमेश्वरः । करणं कारनं कर्ता विकर्तागहनो गुहः ॥५८॥

54. uddhavaḥ kṣobhaṇo devaḥ śrī-garbhaḥ parameśvaraḥ karaṇaṁ kāranaṁ kartā vikartā gahano guhaḥ

- uddhava Lord Kṛṣṇa liberated the sons of Kuvera by dragging a heavy mortar between the two yamala-arjuna trees;
- *kṣobhaṇa* the devotees become agitated with transcendental bliss by hearing His qualities, pastimes, names and forms;
- deva He enjoys transcendental pastimes;
- śrī-garbha He is the proprietor of all the opulence in the universe, and He revealed that opulence to Mother Yaśodā when she looked in His mouth to see if He had eaten clay;
- parameśvara He is the master of Śrīmatī Rādhārāņī, the supreme Goddess of Fortune;
- karaṇam He is the master of the devotees, helping them attain perfection in bhakti-yoga;

- *kāranam* He created the material world using His three internal potencies, *hlādinī*, *sandiņī*, and *samvit*;
- kartā He is the ultimate creator; vikartā He is the actual creator, situated in the heart of the secondary creator Brahmā;
- gahana His intelligence is very subtle and only the most wise can understand His thoughts and intentions;
- guha He desires to perform confidential pastimes with the residents of Vrajabhūmi.

व्यवसायो व्यवस्थानः संस्थानः स्थानदो ध्रुवः । परर्द्धिः परमस्पष्टः तुष्टः पुष्टः शुभेक्षणः ॥५५।

- 55. vyavasāyo vyavasthānaḥ saṁsthānaḥ sthānado dhruvaḥ pararddhiḥ parama-spaṣṭaḥ tuṣṭaḥ puṣṭaḥ śubhekṣaṇaḥ
 - vyavasāya the final conclusion of all Vedic literature is that Lord Kṛṣṇa is the Supreme Personality of Godhead;
 - vyavasthāna He is endowed with innumerable eternal transcendental qualities;
 - samsthāna He is eternally youthful, and the entire cosmic manifestation enters into Him at the time of annihilation;
 - sthānada He gives His devotees the most desirable destination of eternal residence in the spiritual world;
 - *dhruva* He even becomes the submissive follower of His pure devotee;
 - pararddhi He is endowed with all transcendental opulence;
 - parama-spașta all Vedic literature glorifies Him;
 - tusta He is always full of transcendental bliss;
 - puṣṭa the devotees always try to please Him by offering fragrant incense, palatable food and other pleasing substances;
 - śubhekṣaṇa His merciful glance is the beginning of all auspiciousness.

रामो विरामो विरजोमार्गो नेयो नयोऽनयः । वीरः शक्तिमतां श्रेष्ठो धर्मो धर्मविदुत्तमः ॥५६॥

56. rāmo virāmo virajomārgo neyo nayo 'nayaḥ vīraḥ śaktimatāṁ śreṣṭho dharmo dharmavid-uttamah

- rāma Lord Kṛṣṇa delights the hearts of the yogīs, and He enjoys transcendental pastimes with Śrīmatī Rādhārānī and the gopīs of Vṛndāvana;
- virāma He is the ultimate boundary within which everything exists;
- viraja-mārga the devotees attain Him by following the supreme path of devotional service;
- neya He is submissive to the devotees who approach Him in friendship;
- naya He carries out the orders of His pure devotees;
- anaya those who ignore His orders cannot attain an auspicious destination;
- *vīra* He is the unequalled hero who casually severed Śiśupāla's head and killed many other demons;
- śaktimatām śreṣṭha He is the best of all powerful demigods and yogīs;
- dharma He is the sustainer of all planets and all living entities;
- *dharmavid-uttama* He is the maintainer of Manu and all others who know the truth of spiritual life.

वैकुण्ठः पुरुषः प्रानः प्राणदः प्रणवः पृथुः । हिरण्यगर्भः शत्रुघ्नो व्याप्तो वायुरधोक्शजः ॥५७॥

- 57. vaikuṇṭhaḥ puruṣaḥ prānaḥ prāṇadaḥ praṇavaḥ pṛthuḥ hiraṇya-garbhaḥ śatrughno vyāpto vāyur adhokśajaḥ
 - vaikuņṭha Lord Kṛṣṇa appeared as the son of Vaikuṇṭha-devī, the wife of Śubhra;
 - puruṣa He is the Supreme Person;
 - prāna He is as dear as life to the devotees;
 - prāṇada He purifies the devotees' senses;
 - praṇava He is eternally young, and He is worthy of the respectful obeisances of all living entities;
 - pṛthu He generously considers His devotees equal to Himself;
 - *hiraṇya-garbha* He is knowledge, He is the goal of knowledge, and He is approached by cultivation of transcendental knowledge;

- *śatrughna* He kills lust, greed and all other enemies of His devotees;
- vyāpta attracted by the love of His devotees, He remains forever within their hearts;
- vāyu He defeated Jarāsandha, the King of Magadha, many times;
- adhokśaja He is beyond the reach of blunt material senses, and He killed the demon Śakaţāsura while resting beneath a cart.

ऋतुः सुदर्षनः कालः परमेष्ठी परिग्रहः । उग्रः संवत्सरो दक्षो विश्रामो विश्वदक्षिनः ॥५८॥

- 58. ṛtuḥ sudarṣanaḥ kālaḥ parameṣṭhī parigrahaḥ ugraḥ saṁvatsaro dakṣo viśrāmo viśva-dakṣinaḥ
 - rtu Lord Kṛṣṇa, who is endowed with all wonderful transcendental qualities, enters the hearts of His pure devotees, who are full of love for Him;
 - sudarṣana He is supremely handsome;
 - $k\bar{a}la$ He is the time factor that destroys all material things;
 - parameṣṭhī He removed the burden of the Earth;
 - parigraha the demigods are not supreme, but Kṛṣṇa is the Supreme Personality of Godhead;
 - ugra He assumes a terrible feature to kill the demons;
 - samvatsara He always remains with His devotees;
 - dakṣa His supreme handsomeness is revealed to the residents of Vṛndānava;
 - *viśrāma* He removes the devotees' fatigue, as He removed the *gopīs'* fatigue during the *rāsa* dance;
 - viśva-dakṣina He gives the entire world, and even Himself, to His pure devotee.

विस्तारः स्थावरः स्थाणुः प्रमाणं बीजमव्ययम् । अर्थोऽनर्थो महाकोशो महाभागो महाधनः ॥५९॥

- 59. vistāraḥ sthāvaraḥ sthāṇuḥ pramāṇaṁ bījam avyayam artho 'nartho mahā-kośo mahā-bhāgo mahā-dhanaḥ
 - vistāra Lord Kṛṣṇa engages in many different loving relationships with His devotees;

- *sthāvara* He restored the Earth to a peaceful condition by removing the unnecessary armies of the demonic kings;
- sthāņu He appears at the end of Kali-yuga as Lord Kalki to reestablish the Vedic principles;
- pramāṇam He always speaks the truth;
- *bījam avyayam* He is the imperishable seed of all existence;
- artha pure devotees who are free from material desires strive to attain Him;
- anartha those who are filled with material desires cannot strive to attain Him, but prefer
 to worship the demigods to attain heavenly sense gratification in the svarga planets;
- mahā-kośa He is the master of an unlimited treasury;
- mahā-bhāga He is full of all transcendental opulence;
- mahā-dhana He is the master of all wealth and the greatest giver.

अनिर्विण्णः स्थविष्ठो भूर्धर्मयूपो महामखः । नक्षत्रनेमिर्नक्षत्री क्षमः क्षामः समीहनः ॥६०॥

60. anirviṇṇaḥ sthaviṣṭho bhūr dharma-yūpo mahā-makhaḥ nakṣatra-nemir nakṣatrī kṣamaḥ kṣāmaḥ samīhanaḥ

- anirviṇṇa Lord Kṛṣṇa is not discouraged by the rebelliousness of the conditioned souls, but always acts for their welfare and protection;
- sthaviṣṭha His form is larger than the śiśumāra-cakra star cluster;
- $bh\bar{u}$ He appears as the Dhruvaloka planet, about which the other planets revolve;
- dharma-yūpa He is the pillar upon which all religious principles rest;
- mahā-makha all the great Vedic sacrifices are meant for His satisfaction;
- nakṣatra-nemi He causes the motions of all the planets;
- nakṣatrī He is the ruler of all stars and planets;
- *kṣama* He controls the movement of the planets;
- *kṣāma* He is situated within all planets;
- samīhana pious and intelligent persons aspire to attain Him.

यज्ञ इज्यो महेज्यश्च क्रतुः सत्रं सतां गतिः । सर्वदर्शी विमुक्तात्मा सर्वज्ञो ज्ञानमुत्तमम् ॥६१॥

- 61. yajña ijyo mahejyaś ca kratuḥ satraṁ satāṁ gatiḥ sarva-darśī vimuktātmā sarvajño jñānam uttamam
 - yajña Lord Kṛṣṇa appeared as the Yajña-avatāra, the son of Prajāpati Ruci and Akūtidevī;
 - *ijya* He is the supreme object of worship;
 - mahejya He should be worshiped with all grandeur and all royal paraphernalia;
 - ca and;
 - kratu the ritualistic ceremonies prescribed in the Vedas are intended for glorifying Him;
 - satram He is the protector of the devotees, and they value Him as their only wealth;
 - satām gati only the pure devotees are able to attain His association;
 - sarva-darsī He sees everything, and He pays special attention to the activities of His devotees;
 - vimuktātmā He is free from any material contact;
 - sarvajña He knows everything;
 - jñānam uttamam He is the supreme object of knowledge.

सुव्रतः सुमुखः सूक्ष्मः सुघोषः सुखदः सुहृत् । मनोहरोऽजितक्रोधो वीरबाहुर्विदारणः ॥६२॥

- 62. suvrataḥ sumukhaḥ sūkṣmaḥ sughoṣaḥ sukhadaḥ suhṛt manoharo 'jita-krodho vīra-bāhur vidāraṇah
 - suvrata Lord Kṛṣṇa is pleased with the devotees who faithfully keep their vows to serve Him;
 - sumukha His smiling face reveals His bliss;
 - sūkṣma His spiritual form is eternal, full of knowledge and bliss;
 - sughoṣa He charms and pleases the minds and hearts of all living entities by expertly playing His flute;

- sukhada He delights everyone;
- *suhṛt* He is the well-wishing friend of the devotees;
- manohara the handsomeness of His three-fold bending form captures the devotees' minds;
- ajita-krodha He did not become angry when attacked by the Kāliya serpent, but was merciful to His adversary;
- vīra-bāhu He can crush the greatest hero with His powerful arms;
- vidāraņa He easily split Bakāsura's beak as if it was a blade of grass, even though Bakāsura was as big as a mountain.

स्वापनः स्ववशो व्यापी नैकात्मा नैककर्मर्कक्रू त् । वत्सरो वत्सलो वत्सी रत्नगर्भो धनेश्वरः ॥६३॥

- 63. svāpanaḥ svavaśo vyāpī naikātmā naika-karma-kṛt vatsaro vatsalo vatsī ratna-garbho dhaneśvaraḥ
 - svāpana Lord Kṛṣṇa devotedly massages the lotus feet of Lord Balarāma, fatigued with the day's playing in the groves of Vṛndāvana, and makes Him fall asleep;
 - svavaśa He is supremely independent, and by His own wish He convinced the residents of Vraja to worship Govardhana Hill instead of Indra;
 - vyāpī He is present everywhere at every moment;
 - naikātmā He expands His original form into innumerable viṣṇu-tattva forms;
 - naika-karma-krt He enjoys various wonderful transcendental pastimes to accommodate the varieties of spiritual love of different devotees;
 - vatsara He personally calls each calf by its own name;
 - *vatsala* He is very affectionate to His calves;
 - *vatsī* He is the master of innumerable calves;
 - ratna-garbha He is the most precious jewel born of Yaśodā-devī;
 - dhaneśvara He is the master of numberless surabhi cows.

धर्मगुष्धर्मकृ द्धर्मी सदसत्क्षरमक्षरम् । अविज्ञाता सहस्रांशुर्विधाता कृतलक्षणः ॥६४॥

64. dharma-gup dharma-kṛd dharmī sad asat kṣaram akṣaram avijñātā sahasrāṁśur vidhātā kṛta-lakṣaṇah

- dharma-gup Lord Kṛṣṇa protects the religious principles taught in the Vedas;
- *dharma-kṛt* He teaches the principles of religion for the welfare of all living entities;
- dharmi He sets the perfect example of following religious principles;
- sat He exists eternally in the past, present and future;
- asat He is always free from lamentation and death;
- *kṣaram* His lotus feet are the supreme object of worship for all living entities, and He protects the devotees from the demons;
- akṣaram He is the sacred syllable oṁ;
- avijnātā He excuses the offenses of those who take shelter of Him;
- sahasrāmśu He is omniscient;
- *vidhātā* He forgives the offenses of the surrendered souls;
- kṛta-lakṣaṇa He reveals His original form to the most exalted devotees.

गभस्तिनेमिः सत्त्वस्थः सिंहो भूतमहेश्वरः । आदिदेवो महादेवो देवेशो देवभृद्गुरुः ॥६५॥

- 65. gabhasti-nemiḥ sattva-sthaḥ simho bhūta-maheśvaraḥ ādi-devo mahā-devo deveśo deva-bhṛd guruḥ
 - gabhasti-nemi Lord Kṛṣṇa holds the effulgent sudarṣana-cakra to protect the devotees from the messengers of Yamarāja;
 - sattvastha He remains always situated in the hearts of the pure devotees;
 - *simha* He appears like a ferocious lion to protect the devotees from any Yamadūta who attempts to take them into custody;
 - bhūta-maheśvara He is the absolute monarch who controls Yamarāja and his followers;
 - ādi-deva He is the original spiritual master, the teacher of Yamarāja and his followers;
 - mahādeva He relishes the pastimes performed with His devotees, and He yearns to crush whoever would harm His devotees;

- devesa He relishes His pastimes of childhood play with His cowherd-boy friends, and He forgives any offenses they may commit in the course of playing;
- deva-bhṛt guru He is the teacher and maintainer of Brahmā, Śiva and all the demigods.

उत्तरो गोपतिर्गोप्ता ज्ञानगम्यः पुरातनः । शरीरभूतभृद्भोक्ता कपीन्द्रो भूरिदक्षिणः ॥६६॥

66. uttaro gopatir goptā jñāna-gamyaḥ purātanaḥ śarīra-bhūta-bhṛd bhoktā kapīndro bhūri-daksinaḥ

- uttara Lord Kṛṣṇa is the best person because He possesses unlimited wonderful potencies;
- gopati Sūrya the sun-god considers Him to be his supreme master;
- goptā He is the protector of all living entities;
- *jñāna-gamya* He is understood by spiritual enlightenment;
- purātana He expands Himself as paramātmā, the Supersoul in the bodies of all conditioned souls, and He is the oldest person;
- *śarīrabhūta- bhṛt* the transcendental abode of Vṛndāvana is a manifestation of His personal form;
- bhoktā He eternally relishes pastimes in that spiritual land of Vṛndāvana;
- kapīndra He is the master of the monkeys of Vṛndāvana who participate in His childhood pastimes;
- bhūri-daksina on His birthday celebration He gives abundant charity to the brāhmaṇas.

सोमपोऽमृतपः सोमः पुरुजित्पुरुसत्तमः । विनयो जयः सत्यसन्धो दाशार्हः सात्वतां पतिः ॥६७॥

67. somapo 'mṛtapaḥ somaḥ purujit puru-sattamaḥ vinayo jayaḥ satya-sandho dāśārhaḥ sātvatāṁ patiḥ

- somapa Lord Kṛṣṇa protects the demigod Śiva;
- amṛtapa He protects all the demigods;
- soma He is very famous and handsome, like a transcendental moon shining over Gokula;

- purujit He is very powerful and defeats all His enemies;
- puru-sattama He is the best of all living entities;
- *vinaya* the members of the Yadu dynasty humbly serve Him, and He reciprocates by humbly rendering similar service to them;
- jaya the affection the Yadus bear for Him has defeated and controlled Him;
- satya-sandha He promises to always protect His devotees;
- dāśārha He appeared in the dynasty of King Daśārha, and He is the most valuable thing in existence;
- sātvatām pati He is the protector of the Yadus, and the Lord and master of the great souls who preach the truth about Him for the benefit of the conditioned souls.

जीवो विनयिता साक्षी मुकुन्दोऽमितविक्रमः । अम्भोनिधिरनन्तात्मा महोद्धिशयोऽन्तकः ॥६८॥

68. jīvo vinayitā sākṣī mukundo 'mita-vikramaḥ ambho-nidhir anantātmā mahodadhi-śayo 'ntakaḥ

- jīva Lord Kṛṣṇa gives life to the devotees distressed by His absence by giving them His nectarean spiritual association;
- vinayitā He protects His devotees as if they were His own children;
- $s\bar{a}k\bar{s}i$ He is perfectly aware of how distressed they are by not being able to associate with Him directly;
- mukunda His smiling face is as beautiful as a kunda flower;
- amita-vikrama He uses His unlimited prowess to protect His devotees;
- ambhonidhi the Garbhodaka ocean emanated from Him;
- anantātmā He takes rest by reclining on Lord Anantadeva as if on a couch;
- mahodadhi-śaya He peacefully reclines on Ananta-naga even when there is a great inundation at the time of universal devastation;
- antaka even during the destruction of the universe, He is splendidly handsome.

अजो महार्हः स्वभाव्यो जितामित्रः प्रमोदनः । आनन्दो नन्दनो नन्दः सत्यधर्मा त्रिविक्रमः ॥६९॥

- 69. ajo mahārhaḥ svabhāvyo jitāmitraḥ pramodanaḥ ānando nandano nandaḥ satya-dharmā tri-vikramah
 - aja Lord Kṛṣṇa appears to take birth within this material world, although He is unborn;
 - mahārha He is the supreme object of worship;
 - svabhāvya the devotees meditate on Him as the Supreme Personality of Godhead;
 - jitāmitra He easily defeats lust, anger and all other enemies of His devotees;
 - pramodana ānanda nandana nanda He makes His pure devotees jubilant, their eyes filled with tears of joy;
 - satya-dharmā His transcendental form is eternal;
 - tri-vikrama He is the supreme goal described in the three Vedas.

महर्षिः कपिलाचार्यो कृ तज्ञो मेदिनीपतिः त्रिपदिस्रदशाध्याक्षो महाशः कृतान्तकृत् ॥७०॥

70. maharşiḥ kapilācāryo kṛtajño medinī-patiḥ tri-padas tri-daśādhyākṣo mahā-śrṅgaḥ kṛtānta-kṛt

- maharşi Lord Kṛṣṇa is the greatest philosopher and scholar of Vedic knowledge;
- *kapila* He sometimes appears in a form with reddish-brown complexion;
- *ācārya* He is the original teacher of pure spiritual knowledge;
- kṛtajña He was fully aware of the pious deeds performed by Mahārāja Bhagīratha;
- medini-pati He is the Lord and maintainer of the Earth planet;
- tri-pada He is manifest as the sacred syllable om, consisting of the three letters a-u-m;
- tridasādhyākṣa He is the friend of the demigods and He rescues them in times of calamity;
- mahā-śriga He carries the Earth on His great tusks in His incarnation as Lord Varāha;
- kṛtānta-kṛt He was as formidable as eternal time when He killed the demon Hiraṇyākṣa.

महावराहो गोविन्दः सुशेनः कनकाङ्गदी । गुह्यो गभीरो गहनो गुप्तश्चक्रगदाधरः ॥७१॥

- 71. mahā-varāho govindaḥ suśenaḥ kanakāṅgadī guhyo gabhīro gahano guptaś cakra-gadādharah
 - mahā-varāha Lord Kṛṣṇa manifested a form as a gigantic boar as large as a mountain;
 - govinda He found the Earth at the bottom of the rasātala ocean and rescued her;
 - suśena He is accompanied by a splendid and invincible army;
 - kanakāṅgadī He is decorated with golden armlets, crown and ornaments;
 - guhya it is very difficult to understand the truth about His eternal transcendental form;
 - gabhīra gahanaHe is very difficult to approach or understand;
 - gupta He protects His devotees with His transcendental potencies;
 - cakra-gadādhara He carries the sudarṣana-cakra and the kaumodakī club.

वेधः स्वङ्गोऽजितः कृष्णो दृधः सङ्कर्षनोऽच्युतः वरुणो वारुणो वृक्षः पुरुकराक्षो महामनाः ॥७२॥

- 72. vedhaḥ svaṅgo 'jitaḥ kṛṣṇo dṛdhaḥ saṅkarṣano 'cyutaḥ varuṇo vāruṇo vṛkṣaḥ puśkarākṣo mahā-manāḥ
 - vedha Lord Kṛṣṇa appointed the various demigods and gave them their respective duties;
 - svanga He is the original teacher of Vedic knowledge;
 - *ajita* He is invincible;
 - kṛṣṇa His complexion is dark like a blue lotus flower;
 - *dṛdha* He is extremely powerful;
 - sańkarşana He defeated the demon Hiranyākṣa;
 - acyuta He is infallible;
 - varuna only those He chooses can attain Him;
 - *vāruņa* He remains always near His devotees;
 - vṛkṣa He accepted the goddess Bhūmi as His wife;
 - puśkarākṣa He entered the waters of the Garbhodaka Ocean to rescue the Earth, and He sees everything;
 - mahā-manā He grants liberation to His devotees.

भगवान् भगहा नन्दी वनमाली हलायुधः । आदित्यो ज्योतिरादित्यः सहिष्णुर्गतिसत्तमः ॥७३॥

- 73. bhagavān bhagahā nandī vana-mālī halāyudhaḥ ādityo jyotir-ādityaḥ sahiṣṇur gati-sattamaḥ
 - *bhagavān* Lord Kṛṣṇa possesses all wealth, strength, fame, knowledge, beauty and renunciation;
 - bhagahā He kills the sinful;
 - nandī He is the dear son of Mahārāja Nanda;
 - vana-mālīHe wears a garland of forest flowers given to Him by His friends;
 - halāyudha His immediate expansion is Lord Balarāma, who holds a club;
 - *āditya* He also appeared as Lord Vāmana, the son of Aditi;
 - *jyotir-āditya* He is as splendid as the sun, His splendor is brighter than thousands of demigods, and those who remember Him become like demigods;
 - sahiṣṇu He is very tolerant, and forgives the offenses of those who take shelter of Him;
 - gati-sattama He gives the most valuable spiritual destination to those who take shelter of Him.

सुधन्वा खण्डपरशुर्दारुणो द्रविनप्रदः । दिवस्पृक् सर्वदुग्व्यासो वाचस्पतिरयोनिजः ॥७४॥

- 74. sudhanvā khaṇḍa-paraśur dāruṇo dravina-pradaḥ diva-spṛk sarva-dṛg vyāso vācaspatir ayonijaḥ
 - sudhanvā Lord Kṛṣṇa appeared as Paraśurāma, carrying a splendid bow;
 - khaṇḍa-paraśu Lord Paraśurāma also carried a sharp axe that He used to kill the impious kṣatriyas;
 - dāruņa Paraśurāma was merciless to the kṣatriyas;
 - dravina-prada after killing all the kṣatriyas, Paraśurāma performed a sacrifice in which He gave the entire world in charity to the brāhmaṇas;
 - *diva-spṛk* He also appeared as Śrīla Vyāsadeva, the divine Vedic author who explained the truth of the spiritual world;

- sarva-dṛg vyāsa Vyāsadeva divided the one original Veda;
- vācaspati He is the eloquent author of the Purāņas and Mahābhārata;
- ayonija Sarasvatī, the goddess of learning, personally appeared in His words.

त्रिसामा सामगः साम निर्वाणं भेषजं भिषक्। सन्न्यासकू च्छमः शान्तो निष्ठाशान्तिपरायणः ॥७५॥

- 75. trisāmā sāmagaḥ sāma nirvāṇaṁ bheṣajaṁ bhiṣak sannyāsa-kṛc chamaḥ śānto niṣṭhā-śānti-parāyaṇaḥ
 - trisāmā Lord Kṛṣṇa, in His appearance as Śrīla Vyāsadeva, divided the original Veda into three parts;
 - sāmaga Śrīla Vyāsadeva took pleasure in singing the Vedic hymns;
 - sāma He taught those hymns to His disciples;
 - nirvāṇam He freed them from ignorance and liberated them from material bondage;
 - bheṣajam He administered the medicine of pure devotional service to Kṛṣṇa, which freed the devotees from the disease of material existence;
 - *bhiṣak* He is the greatest physician;
 - sannyāsa-kṛt in His appearance as Lord Caitanya, He accepts the renounced order of life, sannyāsa;
 - sama Lord Caitanya is equiposed;
 - śānta He is peaceful;
 - niṣṭhā-śāntiparāyaṇa He is the abode of the highest peace and devotion, for He silences the impersonalist non-devotee philosophers.

शुभाङ्गः शान्तिदः स्रष्टा कुमुदः कुवलेशयः । गोहितो गोपतिर्गोप्ता वृशभाक्षो वृशाप्रियः ॥७६॥

- 76. śubhāṅgaḥ śāntidaḥ sraṣṭā kumudaḥ kuvaleśayaḥ gohito gopatir goptā vṛśabhākṣo vṛśāpriyaḥ
 - śubhānga the handsome features of Lord Kṛṣṇa's transcendental body charm the minds and hearts of the residents of Vṛndāvana;

- śāntida His gentle smile pacifies their hearts and inspires great feelings of love for Him;
- sraṣṭā He creates at every moment a treasure-house of transcendental bliss, which becomes the property of the residents of Vṛndāvana;
- kumuda He becomes happy enjoying pastimes with His brother Balarāma in the forests of Vṛndāvana;
- kuvaleśaya He enchanted the residents of Vṛndāvana by causing them to continually drink the nectar of the sound of His flute;
- *gohita* He is the well-wisher and benefactor of the cows;
- gopati He is the master and controller of the cows;
- goptā He is the protector of the cows;
- *vṛśabhākṣa* He killed the Ariṣṭāsura demon, who assumed the form of a bull to attack the residents of Vṛndāvana;
- *vṛśāpriya* after Ariṣṭāsura was killed, He carefully protected the cows and bulls of Vṛndāvana, which are very dear to Him.

अनिवर्ती निवृत्तात्मा सङ्ग्रेप्ता क्षेमकृच्छिवः । श्रीवत्सवक्षाः श्रीवासःज्श्रीपतिः श्रीमताम्बरः ॥७७॥

77. anivartī nivṛttātmā saṅkṣeptā kṣema-kṛc chivaḥ śrīvatsa-vakṣāḥ śrīvāsaḥj śrīpatiḥ śrīmatāmbaraḥ

- anivartī Lord Kṛṣṇa bravely faced the Ariṣṭāsura demon and rebuked the fleeing cowherd men, calling them cowards;
- nivṛttātmā seeing that all the cowherd men had fled, He faced the demon alone;
- sankṣeptā He easily killed Ariṣṭāsura, grasping the demon's horns with His hand;
- *kṣema-kṛt* by killing Ariṣṭāsura He returned the land of Vṛndāvana to an auspicious condition;
- *śiva* when the *gopīs* heard that Kṛṣṇa had killed a demon in the form of a bull, they rejected His association because He had become sinful. To satisfy the *gopīs*, Kṛṣṇa then called all sacred rivers and bathed in them all at once to return Himself to a pure and auspicious condition;
- śrīvatsa-vakṣā His chest is decorated with the mark of śrīvatsa, the resting place of the Goddess of Fortune;

- śrīvāsa He is very attached to His residence in the beautiful land of Vraja, at the foot of Govardhana Hill;
- śrī-pati He protected the gopīs from the wrath of Indra;
- śrīmatāmbara He is the best of all eloquent orators and the best of the cowherd boys of Vraja.

श्रीदः श्रीशः श्रीनिवासः श्रीनिधिः श्रीविभावनः श्रीधरः श्रीकरः श्रेयः श्रीमान्लोकत्रयाश्रयः ॥७८॥

78. śrīdaḥ śrīśaḥ śrīnivāsaḥ śrīnidhiḥ śrīvibhāvanaḥ śrīdharaḥ śrīkaraḥ śreyaḥ śrīmān lokatrayāśrayah

- śrīda Lord Kṛṣṇa generously gives opulent gifts to His friends and relatives;
- śrīśa He is the controller of all opulence, nevertheless He prevents His devotees from attaining material opulence that might hinder their spiritual progress;
- śrīnivāsa He always resides in the land of Gokula, which is full of unparalleled spiritual opulence;
- *śrīnidhi* all transcendental beauty and opulence are stored up in Him, as jewels in a jewelbox;
- śrīvibhāvana He manifests all beauty and opulence;
- śrīdhara He is supremely handsome, and He maintains the *gopīs* of Vṛndāvana and the Goddesses of Fortune;
- śrīkara all spiritual opulence resides within His lotus hand;
- śreya He is very handsome and He always remains by the side of Śrīmatī Rādhārāṇī, His internal pleasure potency;
- śrīmān He is the Master of the Goddess of Fortune;
- lokatrayāśraya He is the shelter of Gokula Vṛndāvana and all the three worlds.

स्वक्षः स्वङ्गः शतानन्दो नन्दिर्ज्योतिर्गणेश्वरः । विजितात्मा विधेयात्मा सत्कीर्तिश्छिन्नसंशयः ॥७९॥

79. svakṣaḥ svaṅgaḥ śatānando nandir jyotir-gaṇeśvaraḥ vijitātmā vidheyātmā satkīrtiś chinna-saṁśayah

- svakṣa Lord Kṛṣṇa is supremely charming, handsome and gentle;
- svanga His transcendental form is full of all opulence;
- *śatānanda* He delights the 108 *gopīs*;
- nandi He relishes transcendental bliss by enjoying pastimes in association with the gopīs;
- jyoti-gaņeśvara He is the master of innumerable pure devotees who try to please Him by performing various services;
- *vijitātmā vidheyātmā* He remains humble and submissive to His devotees;
- satkīrti His transcendental good character is very famous;
- chinna-samsaya He removes His devotees' doubts.

उदीर्णः सर्वतश्रक्षुरनीशः शाश्वतः स्थिरः भूशयो भूशणो भूतिरशोकः शोकनाशनः ॥ ५०॥

80. udīrņaḥ sarvataś-cakṣur anīśaḥ śāśvataḥ sthiraḥ bhūśayo bhūśaṇo bhūtir aśokaḥ śoka-nāśanaḥ

- udīrņa Lord Kṛṣṇa's transcendental glories are chanted throughout the Vedic literature;
- sarvataś-cakṣus He always affectionately observes all His devotees;
- anīśa He is completely submissive to His devotees;
- śāśvata sthira He always remains with His devotees, never leaving their association;
- bhūśaya He takes a nap, resting in the transcendental forest of Vrndāvana;
- bhūśana He is nicely decorated with flowers and other ornaments;
- *bhūti* He fulfills the desires of His devotees;
- aśoka when Akrūra was about to take Him to Mathurā, He tried to console the lamenting gopīs by assuring them He would quickly return to Vṛndāvana;
- aśoka-nāśana He sent Uddhava to Vṛndāvana as His messenger, relieving the suffering of Nanda, Yaśodā and the other vrajavāsīs.

अर्चिष्मानर्चितः कुम्भो विशुद्धात्मा विशोधनः । अनिरुद्धोऽप्रतिरथः प्रद्युम्नोऽमितविक्रमः ॥८१॥

- 81. arcişmān arcitaḥ kumbho viśuddhātmā viśodhanaḥ aniruddho 'pratirathaḥ pradyumno 'mita-vikramah
 - arcişmān Lord Kṛṣṇa glowed with anger when He heard Kamsa insult His father Vasudeva;
 - arcita the florist Sudāmā and the girl Kubjā honored and worshiped Him;
 - *kumbha* enchanted by Kṛṣṇa's handsomeness, Kubjā wanted to enjoy Him as her paramour, and she lustily clutched the edge of His garments;
 - viśuddhātmā when Kṛṣṇa promised to visit her home He was not trying to deceive her;
 - *viśodhana* He killed the elephant Kuvalayāpīdā, purifying its sins and granting it liberation;
 - aniruddha Kuvalayāpīdā was unable to stop Kṛṣṇa from entering Kamsa's wrestling arena;
 - apratiratha Kṛṣṇa is always victorious in fighting;
 - pradyumna amita-vikrama because His strength is unlimited, He easily defeated Cāṇūra and the other wrestlers.

कालनेमिनिहा वीरः शौरिः शूरजनेश्वरः त्रिलोकात्मा त्रिलोकेशः केशवः के शिहा हरिः ॥५२॥

- 82. kālanemi-nihā vīraḥ śauriḥ śūrajaneśvaraḥ trilokātmā trilokeśaḥ keśavaḥ keśi-hā harih
 - kālanemi-nihā Lord Kṛṣṇa killed the demon Kamsa, who He also killed in his previous birth as the demon Kālanemi;
 - vīra He dragged the dead Kamsa around the wrestling arena to display His prowess;
 - *śauri* He is the son of Vasudeva;
 - śūrajaneśvara He proved Himself the best of heroes by killing Kamsa;
 - trilokātmā He made the three planetary systems jubilant;
 - *trilokeśa* He is the controller of the three worlds;
 - keśava He has handsome black hair, and He is the Father of Brahmā, Śiva and all the demigods;
 - *keśihā* He killed the Keśi demon;

• hari – He delights the minds of the cowherd residents of Vṛndāvana, the demigods and all other devotees.

कामदेव कामपालः कामिकान्तः कृ तागमः अनिर्देश्यवपुर्विष्णुर्वीरोऽनन्तो धनञ्जयः ॥५३॥

- 83. kāmadeva kāmapālaḥ kāmikāntaḥ kṛtāgamaḥ anirdeśya-vapur viṣṇur vīro 'nanto dhanañjayah
 - kāmadeva Lord Kṛṣṇa looked very splendid and handsome after killing the Keśi demon;
 - kāmapāla by killing the demon He satisfied the residents of Vṛndāvana and the demigods;
 - kāmikānta at the time of killing Keśi, the thought of killing Kamsa began to arise in His mind;
 - kṛtāgama after killing Keśi, He returned to the village of Vṛndāvana accompanied by His friends;
 - anirdeśya-vapu it is impossible to describe His ultimate personal feature simply by dry philosophical speculation devoid of bhakti;
 - viṣṇu however, the philosophical method will enable one to understand His impersonal feature as the all-pervading Brahman effulgence;
 - vīraHe eloquently expounds the perfect philosophy of spiritual life;
 - ananta He remains far away from those who are impure at heart;
 - dhanañjaya after killing Kamsa, He gave Kamsa's entire treasury to the pious King Ugrasena.

ब्रह्मण्यो ब्रह्मकृद्धह्या ब्रह्म ब्रह्मविवर्धनः । ब्रह्मविद्धाह्मणो ब्राह्मी ब्रह्मजो ब्राह्मणप्रियः ॥५४॥

84. brahmaṇyo brahma-kṛd brahmā brahma brahma-vivardhanaḥ brahma-vid brāhmaṇo brāhmī brahmajño brāhmaṇa-priyaḥ

- brahmaṇya Lord Kṛṣṇa is the well-wisher and benefactor of Gargamuni and the entire brāhmaṇa community;
- brahma-kṛt He personally performs the austerities and spiritual practices enjoined for the brāhmaṇas;

- brahmā He is also the origin of those spiritual duties;
- brahma He is the unlimited Supreme Brahman, full of all transcendental qualities, the maintainer of all living entities, and the Supreme Absolute Truth knowable by the study of theistic commentaries on Vedānta and hidden from the view of the atheists:
- brahma-vivardhana He encourages the brāhmaṇas in performance of austerities for attaining spiritual realization;
- brahma-vit He was initiated by Gargamuni, setting the example of how to understand the Supreme Brahman by chanting the Gāyatrī mantra;
- *brāhmaṇa* He appeared as Lord Dattātreya and in many other forms to teach the spiritual philosophy of the *Vedas*;
- brāhmī He is the supreme controller of the entire cosmic manifestation;
- brahmajña He learned the nature of the Absolute Truth by studying under His spiritual master Sāndīpani Muni;
- *brāhmaṇa-priya* He greatly pleased His *guru* and became very dear to him by returning his dead sons as His *guru-dakṣīnā*.

महाक्रमो महाकर्मा महातेजो महोरगः । महाक्रतुर्महायज्वा महायज्ञो महाहविः ॥५४॥

- 85. mahākramo mahākarmā mahātejo mahoragaḥ mahākratur mahāyajvā mahāyajño mahāhaviḥ
 - mahākrama Lord Kṛṣṇa cleverly killed the demon Kālayavana by kicking the sleeping King Mucukunda;
 - mahākarmā His transcendental activities, such as killing Kālayavana, are glorious, praiseworthy, worshipable and wonderful;
 - mahāteja His transcendental strength remains undefeated;
 - mahoraga He remains eternally situated within the hearts of His pure devotees, although He occasionally blesses them by appearing before them;
 - mahākratu if one offers even a tulasī leaf at Lord Kṛṣṇa's lotus feet with sincere devotion, that religious activity is greater than performing innumerable Vedic rituals, for Kṛṣṇa becomes controlled by devotees who worship Him in this way;
 - mahāyajvā His devotees are by far the best performers of sacrifice;
 - mahāyajña He personally prefers the chanting of His holy names as the best of sacrifices;

• mahāhavi – He considers the offering of obeisances by bowing down with devotion to be the best kind of offering oblations.

स्तव्यः स्तवप्रियः स्तोत्रं स्तुतिः स्तोता रणप्रियः । पूर्णः पूरियता पुण्यः पुण्यकीर्तिरनामयः ॥=६॥

86. stavyaḥ stava-priyaḥ stotram stutiḥ stotā raṇa-priyaḥ pūrṇaḥ pūrayitā puṇyaḥ puṇya-kīrtir anāmayaḥ

- stavya Lord Kṛṣṇa possesses unlimited auspicious transcendental qualities, therefore we should continually glorify Him with eloquent prayers and mantras;
- *stava-priya* He becomes greatly pleased when devotees sincerely describe His glories and chant His holy names;
- *stotram* He personally empowers His devotees, such as Dhruva and others, to speak eloquent prayers;
- stuti His devotees continually glorify His transcendental pastimes and qualities;
- stotā He is inclined to praise the good qualities of His devotees;
- raṇa-priya He relishes fighting when He has an opportunity to kill a demon;
- $p\bar{u}rna$ He can kill an unlimited number of demons single-handedly because He possesses unlimited strength;
- pūrayitā His devotees sometimes kill demons in this world;
- punya He purifies the universe by killing the atheists;
- puṇya-kīrti chanting His glories purifies all living entities;
- anāmaya glorifying Him is the medicine that cures the disease of repeated birth and death.

मनोजवस्तीर्थकरो वसुरेता वसुप्रदः । वसुप्रदो वासुदेवो वसुर्वसुमना हविः ॥८७॥

87. manojavas tīrthakaro vasuretā vasupradaḥ vasuprado vāsudevo vasur vasumanā havih

> manojava – Lord Kṛṣṇa quickly rescues the surrendered devotees from the distresses of repeated birth and death;

- tīrthakara He speaks Bhagavad-gītā and other Vedic literatures to teach the living entities how to attain Him;
- vasuretā He is the Father of the cosmic manifestation;
- vasuprada He protects the eight Vasus, and He gives all opulence to His devotees;
- *vāsudeva* He is personally present whenever and wherever there is discussion of the actual truth of spiritual life;
- vasu He always remains in His eternal spiritual abode;
- vasumanā He always remembers His devotee Bhīśma with great satisfaction;
- havi He appeared when Bhīśma called out for Him.

सद्गतिः सत्कृतिः सत्ता सद्भूतिः सत्परायणः । शूरसेनो यदुश्रेष्टः सन्निवासः सुयामुनः ॥८८॥

88. sadgatiḥ satkṛtiḥ sattā sadbhūtiḥ sat-parāyaṇaḥ śūraseno yadu-śreṣṭaḥ san-nivāsaḥ suyāmunaḥ

- sadgati Lord Kṛṣṇa is attained only by pure devotees like Bhīśmadeva;
- satkrti at the time of His devotees' death He helps them out of friendship;
- sattā He is very eager to visit His devotees, like the Pāṇḍavas and the residents of Vrajabhūmi;
- sadbhūti He is willing to become the servant of His devotee, as He did for the Pāṇḍavas and Bali Māhārāja;
- sat-parāyaṇa He is full of love for His devotees;
- *śūrasena* He is the leader of the invincible Yādava Army;
- yadu-śresta He is the most exalted personality in the Yadu dynasty;
- san-nivāsa He resides in the splendid city of Dvārakā and other spiritual abodes;
- suyāmuna He is wonderfully handsome as He enjoys ecstatic pastimes in the forest of Brhadvana near the bank of the Yamunā.

भूतावासो वासुदेवः सर्वासुनिलयोऽनलः । दर्पहा दर्पदोऽदृप्तो दुर्धरोऽथापराजितः ॥८९॥

- 89. bhūtāvāso vāsudevaḥ sarvāsu-nilayo 'nalaḥ darpahā darpado 'dṛpto durdharo 'thāparājitaḥ
 - bhūtāvāsa all material elements and the entire cosmic manifestation rest upon Lord Kṛṣṇa, who appears before His devotees' eyes and upon their lotus hearts;
 - *vāsudeva* He enjoys pastimes with the members of the Yadu dynasty;
 - sarvāsu-nilaya He is the life-breath of the Yadus;
 - anala He fulfills all the desires of the Pāndavas and Yadus;
 - darpahā He crushes the pride of the conditioned souls, as He did to Duryodhana during King Yudhiṣṭhira's rājasūya-yajña;
 - darpada He gives all honor to His devotees, as He did to King Yudhiṣṭhira in the rājasūya-yajña;
 - *adrpta* His powers and activities are extraordinary and unprecedented, yet He remains very humble and free from pride;
 - durdhara He was unsuccessful when the Pāṇḍavas sent Him as a messenger to dissuade ill-advised Duryodhana from depriving them of their claim to the throne;
 - athā therefore;
 - aparājita no one can defeat Him, and the Kurus were crushed when they tried to defeat Him.

विश्वमूर्तिर्महामूर्तिर् दीप्तमूर्तिरमूर्तिमान् अनेकमूर्तिरव्यक्तः शतमूर्तिः शताननः ॥९०॥

90. viśva-mūrtir mahā-mūrtir dīpta-mūrtir amūrtimān aneka-mūrtir avyaktaḥ śata-mūrtih śatānanah

- viśva-mūrti the entire universe is one of Lord Kṛṣṇa's forms;
- mahāmūrti nothing can compare with His transcendental form; dīptamūrti His blazingly effulgent form is brighter than innumerable stars;
- amūrtimān except for the universal form, all of His forms are spiritual and eternal, without a trace of the material elements;
- anekamūrti He appears in many forms simultaneously, as He did by expanding into 16,108 forms to please the queens of Dvārakā;

- avyakta when Nārada saw that Kṛṣṇa had expanded into 16,108 forms and was enjoying many different pastimes simultaneously, he was bewildered;
- śata-mūrti He appears in innumerable forms, which are all nectarean and auspicious;
- śatānana His handsome face is as sweet as nectar.

एको नैकः सवः कः किं यत्तत्पदमनुत्तमम् । त्येकबन्धुर्लोकनाथो माधवो भक्तवत्सरुः ॥९१॥

- 91. eko naikaḥ savaḥ kaḥ kiṁ yat-tat-padam anuttamam loka-bandhur loka-nātho mādhavo bhakta-vatsalaḥ
 - eka Lord Kṛṣṇa is one individual person eternally;
 - naika although to enjoy His pastimes, He appears in many viṣṇu-tattva forms;
 - sava He is always different from the individual living entities;
 - *ka* He is splendid and effulgent;
 - *kim* He is the supreme goal in the quest for knowledge;
 - yat-tat-padam anuttamam He is the supreme shelter of the living entities;
 - loka-bandhu He strongly binds the devotees with the rope of pure love He bears for them;
 - loka-nātha He is the master of all living entities;
 - mādhava He removed the illusions of the conditioned souls by speaking Bhagavad-gītā;
 - bhakta-vatsala He always desires His devotees' welfare.

सुवर्णवर्णो हेमाङ्गो वराङ्गश्चन्दनाङ्गदी । वीरहा विषमः शून्यो धृतशीरचलश्चलः ॥९२॥

- 92. suvarņa-varņo hemāṅgo varāṅgaś candanāṅgadī vīrahā viṣamaḥ śūnyo dhṛtaśīr acalaś calaḥ
 - suvarņa-varņa hemānga Lord Kṛṣṇa appears in Kali-yuga as Śrī Caitanya Mahāprabhu, and in His early years plays the role of a brāhmaṇa householder with a golden complexion;
 - varānga His limbs are beautiful;
 - candanāngadī His body, smeared with sandlewood pulp, seems like molten gold;

- *vīrahā* He kills lust, greed and all other enemies of His dvotees;
- *viṣama* no one is equal to or greater than Him, who protects the devotees and kills the demons;
- śūnya He is free from all material defects, and He made the entire world unsafe for the demons and atheists;
- *dhṛtaśī* He grants all auspiciousness to His devotees;
- acala He was unmoving in His determination to protect the Pāṇḍavas from all danger;
- cala He broke His own promise not to take up any weapon in the Kurukṣetra war to keep the promise of His devotee Bhiṣma.

अमानीमानदो मान्यो लोकस्वामी त्रिलोकधृक्। सुमेधा मेधजो धन्यः सत्यमेधा धराधरः ॥९३॥

93. amānī mānado mānyo loka-svāmī triloka-dhṛk sumedhā medhajo dhanyaḥ satya-medhā dharādharaḥ

- amānī Lord Kṛṣṇa is the controller of everything, and He makes His devotees successful, yet He remains very humble at heart;
- mānada He desires to give all credit and honor to His devotees;
- mānya He crushes those who become His devotees' enemy; lokasvāmī He is the controller of all the universes;
- triloka-dhrk He is the maintainer and protector of the three planetary systems;
- sumedhā although He is the master of everything and the most intelligent person, He becomes controlled by His pure devotees, meditates on their good qualities, and aspires to attain their association;
- medhaja He appears among His devotees to obtain their association;
- *dhanya* He considers Himself wealthy when He obtains the association of the pure devotees who consider Him their only wealth;
- satya-medhā He exists eternally, although the cowherd people of Vṛndāvana, unaware that He is the Supreme, think of Him as their lover, son, friend or relative;
- dharādhara He lifted Govardhana Hill.

तेजोवृशो द्युतिधरः सर्वशस्त्रभृताम्बरः । प्रग्रहो निग्रहो व्यग्रो नैकशृङ्गो गदाग्रजः ॥९८॥

- 94. tejo-vṛśo dyuti-dharaḥ sarva-śastra-bhṛtāmbaraḥ pragraho nigraho vyagro naika-śṛṅgo gadāgrajaḥ
 - tejo-vṛśa Lord Kṛṣṇa protected the residents of Vṛndāvan from Indra's devastating rainfall;
 - dyuti-dhara as He protected them, He looked handsome and splendid;
 - sarva-śastra-bhṛtāmbara He killed Jarāsandha, Śalva and many other demons wielding dangerous weapons;
 - pragraha He accepted the role of Arjuna's chariot driver out of friendship;
 - nigraha He ordained the destruction of Arjuna's enemies merely by glancing at them;
 - vyagra He quickly accomplished the destruction of Arjuna's enemies;
 - naika-śṛṅga He defeated the Pāṇḍavas' enemies with many strategies;
 - gadāgraja He appeared as the elder brother of Gada.

च्तुर्मूर्तिश्चतुर्बाहुश्चतुर्व्यूहश्चतुर्गतिः । चतुरात्मा चतुर्भावश्चतुर्वेदविदेकपात् ॥९५॥

- 95. caturmūrtis caturbāhus caturvyūhas caturgatiḥ caturātmā caturbhāvas caturveda-vid ekapāt
 - caturmūrti Lord Kṛṣṇa appeared as the four sons of Dharma: Nara, Nārāyaṇa, Hari and Kṛṣṇa;
 - caturbāhu Bhīma, Arjuna, Satyaki and Uddhava were like His four strong arms;
 - caturvyūha He is the Supreme Personality of Godhead described in the four Vedas;
 - caturgati unto Him surrender the four kinds of faithful persons: the distressed, those in need of money, the curious and those who want to know the Absolute Truth;
 - caturātmā He grants the four blessings of economic development, piety, sense gratification and liberation to the people in general;
 - caturbhāva He also grants these four blessings to the devotees in particular;

- caturveda-vit He teaches the actual message of the Vedas to the devotees;
- *ekapāt* the countless material universes are but a tiny fragment of His actual opulence and power.

समावर्त्तो निवृत्तात्मा दुर्जयो दुरतिक्रमः । दुर्लभो दुर्गमो दुर्गो दुरावासो दुरारिहा ॥९६॥

96. samāvartto nivṛttātmā durjayo duratikramaḥ durlabho durgamo durgo durāvāso durārihā

- samāvartta Lord Kṛṣṇa repeatedly creates the material universes;
- nivṛttātmā He also repeatedly annihilates them;
- durjaya He is invincible and can be defeated only by pure devotional service;
- duratikrama no one can ignore His order;
- *durlabha* He is attained only by the most difficult-to-practice path of pure devotional service;
- durgama He is understood by the difficult study of the Upanisads and Vedānta-sutra;
- durga He is glorified by the hymns of the Sāma-veda, which are difficult to sing;
- durāvāsa when one follows the difficult path of surrendering to Him, He becomes willing to reside in one's heart;
- durārihā although serving Him is difficult, He helps the devotees by crushing their difficult-to-conquer enemies, with lust as their general.

शुभाङ्गो लोकसारङ्गः सुतन्तुस्तन्तुवर्धनः । इन्द्रकर्मा महाकर्मा कृतकर्मा कृतागमः ॥९७॥

97. śubhāṅgo loka-sāraṅgaḥ sutantus tantu-vardhanaḥ indrakarmā mahākarmā kṛtakarmā kṛtāgamaḥ

- śubhānga Lord Kṛṣṇa grants auspiciousness to, and fulfills the desires of the sincere devotees who have firm faith in the instructions of the spiritual master and the scriptures;
- loka-sāranga He glorifies the good qualities of the devotees;

- *sutantu* His transcendental attributes and pastimes are like a great net that traps the minds of the devotees;
- tantu-vardhana the net of His qualities grows ever larger and more entangling as He appears in innumerable attractive forms and transcendental pastimes;
- indrakarmā He acts for the protection and well-being of His servant Indra;
- mahākarmā after He killed the demon Narakāsura, He returned the earrings of Aditi and other articles the demon stole;
- *kṛtakarmā* He performs many wonderful pastimes and heroic deeds, like wedding 16,000 princesses simultaneously, defeating all the demigods and taking the *pārijāta* tree from the heavenly planets by force, defeating Lord Śiva in the battle with Bāṇāsura, cutting off Bāṇāsura's thousand arms, rescuing Uṣa and Aniruddha, and many more;
- *kṛtāgama* after performing these astonishing pastimes, He returned to His capital city of Dvārakā.

उद्धवः सुन्दरः सुन्दो रत्ननाभः सुलोचनः । अर्कोराजसनः शृङ्गी जयन्तः सर्वविञ्चयी ॥९८॥

98. uddhavaḥ sundaraḥ sundo ratnanābhaḥ sulocanaḥ arko rājasanaḥ śṛṅgī jayantaḥ sarva-vijjayī

- uddhava Lord Kṛṣṇa became famous for His wonderful pastimes;
- sundara all the limbs of His transcendental form are exquisitely beautiful;
- sunda He delights the devotees who have taken shelter of Him by showering His causeless mercy upon them;
- ratnanābha His handsome reddish navel is like a glowing ruby;
- sulocana His handsome lotus eyes are reddish at the corners;
- arka all the pure devotees offer prayers glorifying Him;
- rājasana He provides food for all the living entities in the universe;
- śrńgi in His original form as a cowherd boy He carries a buffalo-horn bugle in His belt;
- jayanta He is victorious in the sports of arm-wrestling and verbal duels with His cowherd friends;
- sarva-vijayī He can defeat even omniscient sages like Vasistha and Vāmadeva in debate.

सुवर्णबिन्दुरक्षोभ्यः सर्ववागीश्वरेश्वरः । महाहृदो महागर्तो महाभूतो महानिधिः ॥९९॥

99. suvarņa-bindur akṣobhyaḥ sarva-vāg īśvareśvaraḥ mahāhrado mahāgarto mahābhūto mahānidhiḥ

- suvarņa-bindu Lord Kṛṣṇa's transcendental form is handsome, and His forehead is decorated with golden *tilaka*;
- aksobhya He remains unmoved by the artificial show of love of the cold-hearted;
- sarva-vāk He is the most expert knower of the Vedas;
- *īśvareśvara* He is the master and controller of Brahmā, Śiva and all the demigods;
- mahāhrada He is like a great cooling lake that gives relief to all those who yearn to be free of the burning suffering of repeated birth and death;
- mahāgarta millions of universes rest in a timy pore of His transcendental body;
- mahābhūta He emanated material sound, touch, the other sense objects and features of the material universes;
- mahānidhi the devotees consider Him their great and only wealth.

कु मुदः कुन्दरः कुन्दः पर्जन्यः पवनोऽनिरुः अमृताशोऽमृतवपुः सर्वज्ञः सर्वतोमुखः ॥१००॥

100. kumudaḥ kundaraḥ kundaḥ parjanyaḥ pavano 'nilaḥ amṛtāśo 'mṛtavapuḥ sarvajñah sarvatomukhaḥ

- kumuda Lord Kṛṣṇa wears a lotus garland;
- kundara He gives the treasures of Kuvera to those who hanker after them;
- kunda He is decorated with a jasmine garland;
- parjanya He rains the nectar of direct perception of His transcendental form in the hearts of His pure devotees;
- pavana He purifies the devotees' hearts of the dirt of previous sinful deeds;
- anila after killing Kamsa, He gave the entire Earth in charity to King Ugrasena;
- amṛtāśa He brings His devotees to the eternal spiritual world, where life is like nectar;

- amṛtavapu His transcendental form is eternal, and is not destroyed at the time of universal annihilation;
- sarvajña He is aware of everything experienced by His devotees and all other living entities;
- sarvatomukha His devotees see His smiling face everywhere.

सुलभः सुव्रतः सिद्धः शत्रुजिच्छत्रुतापहः । न्यग्रोधोडुम्बरोऽश्वत्थस्चाणूरान्ध्रनिसूदनः ॥१०१॥

101. sulabhaḥ suvrataḥ siddhaḥ śatrujic chatrutāpahaḥ nyagrodhoḍumbaro 'śvatthas cāṇūrāndhra-nisūdanaḥ

- sulabha Lord Kṛṣṇa personally visited the homes of the brāhmaṇa Śrutadeva and Bahulāśva, the King of Mithilā;
- suvrata controlled by the love of Śrutadeva and Bahulāśva, Kṛṣṇa was unable to return to Dvārakā, but stayed in Mithilā to satisfy His devotees;
- siddha He did not return to Dvārakā immediately, but stayed and gave audience to Śrutadeva and Bahulāśva;
- *śatrujit* He vanguished lust and other enemies in Śrutadeva's heart;
- śatrutāpaha He distressed the political enemies of King Bahulāśva;
- nyagrodha He stops His devotees' enemies and forces them into a hellish condition of life;
- *uḍumbara* His eternal spiritual abode is far beyond the limited sphere of material existence;
- aśvattha He is the supreme controller of all universes;
- cāṇūrāndhra-nisūdana He killed the wrestler Cāṇūra.

सहस्रार्चिः सप्तजिह्नः सप्तैधाः सप्तवाहनः । अमूर्तिरनघोऽचिन्त्यो भयकृद्भयनाषनः ॥१०२॥

102. sahasrārciḥ sapta-jihvaḥ saptaidhāḥ sapta-vāhanaḥ amūrtir anagho 'cintyo bhaya-krd bhaya-nāṣanah

sahasrārci – Lord Kṛṣṇa is the original source of the sun's effulgence;

- sapta-jihva the seven kinds of fire are His tongue;
- saptaidhā in His form as Lord Saṅkarṣaṇa He burns the seven planetary systems to ashes at the time of annihilation;
- sapta-vāhana in His form as Lord Viṣṇu He maintains and protects the seven planetary systems;
- amūrti His eternal spiritual form is non-different from His Self;
- anagha He is the supreme purity;
- *acintya* He can be understood only by studying His descriptions in the revealed scriptures, and He cannot be known at all by the process of philosophical speculation;
- *bhaya-kṛt* He curses the atheist and impersonalist speculators to take their next birth in the bodies of jackals;
- bhaya-nāṣana He removes the fearful condition created by such speculators.

अणुर्बृहत्कृ शः स्थूलो गुणभृन् निर्गुणो महान् । अधृतः स्वधृतः स्वास्यः प्राग्वंशो वंशवर्धनः ॥१०३॥

103. aņur bṛhat kṛśaḥ sthūlo guṇabhṛn nirguṇo mahān adhṛtaḥ svadhṛtaḥ svāsyaḥ prāgvaṁśo vaṁśavardhanaḥ

- aņu Lord Kṛṣṇa, appearing as the Supersoul in the hearts of the living entities, is smaller than the smallest;
- *bṛhat* He is also larger than the largest, so this material universe appears insignificant in comparison;
- kṛśa He can become so tiny He can enter into a stone;
- sthūla He can become so large that millions of universes can fit in the pores of His body;
- gunabhrt He maintains the three material modes of goodness, passion and ignorance;
- nirguna nevertheless He always remains aloof from the material modes;
- mahān He is the Supreme Person, the proper object of everyone's worship;
- adhṛta He cannot be grasped or captured by anyone except His devotees;
- svadhṛta He is always situated in His own transcendental glory;
- svāsya His face is more handsome than the moon or a lotus flower;
- prāgvamśa the members of His family, such as Pradyumna, are eternally liberated souls free from material illusion;

• vamsávardhana – He greatly expanded the glory of the Yadu dynasty.

भारभूत्कथितो योगी योगीशः सर्वकामदः । आश्रमः सुमणः क्षामः सुपर्णो वायुवाहनः ॥१०४॥

104. bhārabhūt kathito yogī yogīśaḥ sarvakāmadaḥ āśramaḥ sṛamaṇaḥ kṣāmaḥ suparno vāyuvāhanaḥ

- bhārabhūt Lord Kṛṣṇa maintains and protects His devotees;
- *kathita* the learned say that simply by His glance, touch or remembrance, the whole world becomes auspicious;
- yogī He maintains unlimited millions of devotees simply by His wish;
- yogīśa He is the master of the four Kumāras and all other yogīs, and He grants the spiritual attainments they aspire for;
- sarvakāmada He grants residence in the heavenly planets to those who begin the path of yoga, but fall down because of materialism, so they can enjoy the sense gratification they desire;
- āśrama after enjoying in the heavenly planets, He allows the fallen *yogīs* to take birth in a family of devotees who follow the *varṇāśrama* system, to give them a chance for further spiritual advancement;
- *sṛamaṇa* He arranges that such fallen *yogīs* again become attracted to the principles of spiritual life;
- kṣāma He thus helps the fallen yogīs gradually attain spiritual perfection;
- suparṇa He prefers the decoration of a tulasī leaf to many golden ornaments;
- vāyuvāhana He is carried by Garuḍa, who flies faster than the wind.

धनुर्धरो धनुर्वेदो दण्डो दमयितादमः । अपराजितः सर्वसहो नियन्ता नियमो यमः ॥१०५॥

105. dhanurdharo dhanurvedo daṇḍo damayitādamaḥ aparājitaḥ sarvasaho niyantā niyamo yamah

> dhanurdhara – Lord Kṛṣṇa entered the svayamvara assembly of Lakṣmaṇā-devī carrying a bow;

- *dhanurveda* He is the most expert archer;
- danda with Arjuna's help He easily subdued all the princes who tried to prevent Him from taking Laksmanā's hand;
- damayitā in another svayamvara He subdued seven very fierce bulls;
- adama He tamed the bulls no one else could tame;
- aparājita when Rukmī and his army tried to defeat Him, they failed dramatically;
- sarvasaha He tolerated all the blasphemous insults spoken by His borther-inlaw Rukmī;
- niyantā He soon retaliated by binding Rukmī with ropes, and partly shaving his head, leaving patches of hair here and there;
- niyama He defeated Jambavān;
- yama He won both Jambavatī and the Syamantaka jewel.

सत्त्ववान् सात्त्विकः सत्यः सत्यधर्मपरायणः । अभिप्रायः प्रियार्होऽर्हः प्रियकृ त्प्रीतिवर्धनः ॥१०६॥

106. sattvavān sāttvikaḥ satyaḥ satyadharma-parāyaṇaḥ abhiprāyaḥ priyārho 'rhaḥ priyakrt prītivardhanah

- sattvavān Lord Kṛṣṇa is submissive to His wife Satyabhāmā;
- sāttvika His physical and intellectual strength is unsurpassed;
- satya He is the dear husband of Satyabhāmā;
- satyadharma-parāyaṇa He is the shelter of the truthful devotees, and the devoted husband of Satyabhāmā;
- abhiprāya the devotees attain Him by developing pure love for Him;
- *priyārha* He is the benefactor of the pure devotees, who know His actual nature as an eternal person, who are full of love for Him, and who disregard the petty opulence of material existence:
- arha He is worshiped by pure devotees who have given up everything for His sake;
- priyakrt He accepts those pure devotees as His personal associates;
- prītivardhana He is most pleased by the devotees who approach Him out of love, and not to obtain some petty material benediction.

विहायसगतिर्ज्योतिर्सुरुचिर्हुतभुग्विभुः । रविर्विरोचनः सूर्यः सविता रविलोचनः ॥१०७॥

107. vihāyasagatir jyotir surucir hutabhug-vibhuḥ ravir virocanaḥ sūryaḥ savitā ravi-locanah

- vihāyasagati Lord Kṛṣṇa enables His devotees to enter the eternal spiritual world;
- *jyoti* the devotees who leave their bodies in a state of spiritual consciousness attain His association in the spiritual realm;
- *suruci* by His mercy it is light in the daytime;
- hutabhug-vibhu He is like a splendid full moon that dissipates all the darkness in the devotees' hearts;
- ravi by His mercy the sun moves in the north its orbit;
- virocana by His mercy the sun moves in its annual orbit;
- sūrya by His mercy the sun travels in the wind;
- savitā by His order the sun-god Aditya directs the movement of the sun;
- ravi-locana by His mercy, the sun and moon travel in their orbits.

अनन्तो हुतभुग्भोक्ता सुखदो नैकदोऽग्रजः । अनिर्विण्णः सदामार्षी लोकाधिष्ठानमद्भुतम् ॥१०८॥

108. ananto hutabhug-bhoktā sukhado naikado 'grajaḥ anirviṇṇaḥ sadāmārṣī lokādhisṭhānam adbhutam

- ananta Lord Kṛṣṇa's mercy frees the devotees from the bondage of repeated birth and death and allows them to enter the spiritual world;
- hutabhug-bhoktā He protects the devotees;
- sukhada He gladdens the devotees by freeing them from the subtle body of mind, intelligence and false ego, which is the cause of repeated birth and death, and granting them eternal spiritual forms to associate with Him in the spiritual world;
- naikada He showers His devotees with innumerable benedictions, and even gives Himself to His devotees;

- agraja all beauty and opulence emanate from Him and cannot be separated from Him at any time;
- anirviṇṇa sadāmārṣī His devotees endeavor with great earnestness to attain His lotus feet, and they are never lazy in this regard;
- lokādhiṣṭhānam He gives shelter to the devotees who approach Him;
- adbhutam He fills His devotees with wonder by showing them His ever-fresh transcendental form, qualities and pastimes.

सनात्सनातनतमः कपिलः कपिरव्ययः । स्वस्तिदः स्वस्तिकृत्स्वस्तिस्वस्तिभुक्स्वस्तिदक्षिणः ॥१०९॥

109. sanāt sanātanatamaḥ kapilaḥ kapir avyayaḥ svastidaḥ svastikṛt svasti svastibhuk svastidakṣiṇaḥ

- sanāt Lord Kṛṣṇa relishes the food, incense and other palatable items His devotees offer to Him;
- sanātanatama He eternally attracts the eternally liberated souls by eternally manifesting His eternally ever-fresh transcendental form;
- kapila all the devotees' desires become satisfied in Him;
- *kapi* He supplies the water and other paraphernalia the devotees use to worship Him, and He gives the transcendental happiness the devotees experience by serving Him;
- avyaya He eternally remains in the assembly of devotees and never leaves them;
- svastida He grants all auspiciousness to the devotees;
- svastikṛt He removes all auspiciousness from the atheists and nondevotees;
- svasti He is the supreme auspiciousness;
- svastibhuk He protects the auspiciousness of the devotees who continually remember Him, and He enjoys the greatest auspiciousness as He enjoys pastimes in the spiritual world;
- svastidakṣiṇa He gives entrance into His spiritual realm and many other auspicious gifts
 to the devotees who perform the auspicious Vedic sacrifice of devotional service to Him.

अरौद्रः कुण्डली चक्री विक्रम्यूर्जितशसनः । शब्दातिगः शब्दसहः शिशिरः शर्वरीकरः ॥११०॥ 110. araudraḥ kuṇḍalī cakrī vikramy ūrjita-śasanaḥ śabdātigaḥ śabdasahaḥ śiśirah śarvarīkaraḥ

- araudra Lord Kṛṣṇa is full of transcendental bliss, therefore He never becomes angry, but is always gentle and kind;
- *kuṇḍalī* He is decorated with shark-shaped earrings, a crown, necklaces and many other ornaments;
- cakrī He is the general of a limitless army that can never be defeated;
- *vikramī* His measureless strength can destroy any number of the most powerful demons;
- ūrjita-śasana neither Brahmā, Śiva or any other demigod will transgress His orders;
- śabdātiga neither the thousand-headed Lord Anantadeva, nor Sarasvatī-devī, the goddess of learning can fully describe His unlimited glories;
- śabdasaha He felt compassionate toward the Pāṇḍavas when He hard Draupadī's appeal for protection from Durvāsā's wrath;
- sisira He protected the Pāndavas from repeated calamity;
- śarvarīkara He mercifully protected the Pāṇḍavas by taking a little vegetable from Draupadī's pot in His hand.

अक्रूरः पेशलो दक्षो दक्षिणः क्षमिणाम्बरः । विद्वत्तमो वीतभयः पुण्यश्रवणकीर्तनः ॥१९१॥

111. akrūraḥ peśalo dakṣo dakṣiṇaḥ kṣamiṇāmbaraḥ vidvattamo vītabhayaḥ puṇya-śravaṇa-kīrtanah

- akrūra Lord Kṛṣṇa did not use violence to stop Durvāsā from harming the Pāṇḍavas because He always favors the brāhmanas;
- peśala He expertly protected the Pāṇḍavas by stopping Durvāsā's and his disciples' hunger;
- dakṣa He immediately appeared before Draupadī as soon as He heard her appeal for protection;
- dakṣiṇa He expertly thwarted all the attempts of Duryodhana to harm the Pāṇḍavas;
- *kṣamiṇāmbara* He mercifully forgave Durvāsā from the offense he was about to commit to the Pāṇḍavas;

- *vidvattama* He expertly protected His surrendered devotee Gajendra from an impending catastrophe;
- *vītabhaya* He removed all of Gajendra's fears;
- puṇya-śravaṇa-kīrtana Gajendra and many others became free from all sins simply by hearing and chanting His glories.

उत्तारणो दुष्कृतिहा पुण्यो दुःस्वप्ननाशनः । वीरहा रक्षणः सन्तो जीवनः पर्यवस्थितः ॥११२॥

112. uttāraņo duṣkṛtihā
puṇyo duḥsvapna-nāśanaḥ
vīrahā rakṣaṇaḥ santo
jīvanaḥ paryavasthitaḥ

- uttāraņa Lord Kṛṣṇa rescued Gajendra by lifting him from the lake where he was trapped by the crocodile;
- *duṣkṛtihā* He killed the crocodile to protect His devotee;
- punya He purifies everyone who hears the story of Gajendra's deliverance;
- duḥsvapna-nāśana he rescues everyone who remembers the story of Gajendra from bad dreams;
- vīrahā He killed the strong crocodile;
- rakṣaṇa He delivered Gajendra from the prison of an elephant's body by touching him;
- santa in this way He granted auspiciousness to Gajendra;
- jīvana He freed the Gandharva Hūhū from the crocodile body that had been imposed on him by Devala Muni's curse;
- paryavasthita after hearing Gajendra's prayers, He became very pleased and full of love for His devotee.

आन्तरूपोऽनन्तश्रीर्जितमन्युर्भयापहः चतुरस्रो गभीरात्माविदिशो व्यादिशोऽदिशः ॥११३॥

113. anantarūpo 'nantaśrīr jitamanyur bhayāpahaḥ caturasro gabhīrātmā vidiśo vyādiśo 'diśah

• anantarūpa – when Brahmā stole Lord Kṛṣṇa's cowherd boy friends and calves, He expanded Himself into innumerable forms just like the stolen calves and boys;

- anantaśrī thus He manifested His unlimited power and opulence;
- *jitamanyu* even though Brahmā created a disturbance by stealing Kṛṣṇa's devotees, Kṛṣṇa magnanimously did not become angry with him;
- bhayāpaha when Brahmā begged for forgiveness, Kṛṣṇa removed all his fears;
- caturasra when Kṛṣṇa expanded Himself into many forms to replace His stolen friends, He immediately accepted each of the older gopīs as His mother;
- gabhīrātmā Kṛṣṇa's mind is so profound and inscrutable that even after Lord Brahmā
 offered prayers and apologies, he could not understand whether Kṛṣṇa had accepted his
 apology or not;
- avidiśa because Brahmā had interrupted Kṛṣṇa's pastimes with His friends, He became
 displeased with Brahmā and asked him to leave Gokula so the pastimes of Vṛndāvana could
 continue undisturbed;
- *vyādiśa* on many different occasions Kṛṣṇa delegated various responsibilities for the management of the universe to Brahmā and gave him specific instructions;
- adiśa because He is the Supreme Personality of Godhead and the ultimate controller of everything, He does not have to follow anyone's instructions.

अनादिर्भूर्भुवोलक्ष्मीः सुवीरो रुचिराङ्गदः । जननोऽजनजन्मादिर्भीमो भीमपराक्रमः ॥११४॥

114. anādir bhūr bhuvo-lakṣmīḥ suvīro rucirāṅgadaḥ janano 'jana-janmādir bhīmo bhīma-parākramaḥ

- anādi Lord Kṛṣṇa is independent, and He does not need to follow the instructions of Brahmā or anyone else;
- $bh\bar{u}h$ He was merciful to Brahmā and forgave his offenses;
- bhuvo-lakṣmī He is the transcendental ornament of the land of Varjabhūmi;
- suvīra He is a great hero, and fully competent to wrestle with Śrīdāmā and the other cowherd boys as their equal;
- rucirāngada He embraces His friends with His splendid transcendental arms;
- *janana* in the springtime He enjoys the *rāsa* dance near the base of Govardhana Hill in the company of Balarāma and the *gopīs*;
- ajana-janmādi He is free drom the material defects of old age, disease, death and rebirth;

- *bhīma* He was ferocious and terrifying to Śaṅkhacūḍa, who committed an offense to the *gopīs*;
- bhīma-parākrama leaving Lord Balarāma to protect the gopīs, powerful Kṛṣṇa chased and caught Śaṅkhacūḍa, killed him and took the syamantaka jewel he wore in his crown.

आधारनिलयो धाता पुष्पहासः प्रजागरः । ऊर्धुगः सत्पथाचारः प्राणदः प्रणवः पणः ॥११५॥

115. ādhāranilayo dhātā
puṣpahāsaḥ prajāgaraḥ
ūrdhvagaḥ satpathācāraḥ
prānadah pranavah paṇaḥ

- ādhāranilaya Lord Kṛṣṇa is the shelter of the gopīs, who are beautiful, gentle, charming, expert in singing and dancing, witty and virtuous. He attracted them to the forest of Vṛndāvana to enjoy the rāsa dance on the full-moon night of the śarat season by playing His transcendental flute;
- dhātā alone with the gopīs in the forest of Vṛndāvana, Kṛṣṇa made them drink the nectar of His charming, clever words, His sweet, gentle smiles and His merciful sidelong glances;
- puṣpahāsa as He joked with the gopīs, His smile was as charming as a flower;
- prajāgara He stayed awake for an entire night of Brahmā enjoying the pastimes of the rāsa dance;
- ūrdhvaga during the rāsa dance with the beautiful and wonderfully qualified gopīs, Kṛṣṇa was so splendidly handsome He made Kāmadeva seem like a fool;
- satpathācāra the gopīs love Him with pure hearts, completely free from any material motive;
- prāṇada Kṛṣṇa, the life of all that lives, gave everything, even Himself, to try to reward the gopīs, who had given up everything for His sake;
- praṇava in this way He demonstrated that pure love for Him is the mostpraiseworthy and valuable quality that anyone can attain;
- paṇa Kṛṣṇa, who knows the actual value of everything, gave the greatest value to the gopīs' pure love for Him.

प्रमाणं प्राणनिलयः प्राणभृत्प्रानजीवनः । तत्त्वं तत्त्वविदेकात्मा जन्ममृत्युजरातिगः ॥११६॥ 116. pramāṇam prāṇanilayaḥ prāṇabhṛt prānajīvanaḥ tattvam tattvavid ekātmā janma-mṛtyu-jarātigah

- pramāṇam by His regard for the gopīs, Lord Kṛṣṇa demonstrates that pure love for Him is the supreme goal of life;
- prāṇanilaya plunged into the nectar of pure love for Kṛṣṇa, the gopīs appeared to merge
 into Him, just as a when a bird enters its nest it appears to merge into it, even though the
 bird actually keeps its individuality;
- prāṇabhṛt Kṛṣṇa maintained the lives of the gopīs by giving them the nectar of blissful personal exchanges with Him;
- prānajīvana He is more dear than life to the gopīs;
- *tattva* His dealings with the *gopīs* were not at all material, but on the highest spiritual platform;
- tattvavit He eternally relishes these spiritual exchanges;
- ekātmā He is the only Supreme Personality of Godhead;
- *janma-mṛtyu-jarātiga* He is completely beyond the old age, disease, death, rebirth, hunger, thirst and the other defects of material existence.

भूर्भुवःस्वस्तरुस्तारः स पिता प्रपितामहः । यज्ञो यज्ञपतिर्यज्वा यज्ञाङ्गो यज्ञवाहनः ॥११७॥

117. bhūr-bhuvaḥ-svas-tarus tāraḥ sa pitā prapitāmahaḥ yajño yajñapatir yajvā yajñāṅgo yajñavāhanaḥ

- bhūr-bhuvaḥ-svas-taru Lord Kṛṣṇa is like a great tree that shades and protects the upper, middle and lower planetary systems and provides all necessities to all living entities, who are like birds that have taken shelter of that tree;
- tāra that metaphorical tree of Kṛṣṇa is as splendidly beautiful as a pearl;
- sa the fame of the metaphorical tree of Kṛṣṇa is spread everywhere;
- pitā He is the Father of the residents of the three planetary systems;
- prapitāmaha He is the maintainer of the residents of the three planetary systems;
- yajña He provides the ingredients the devotees use in His devotional service;
- yajñapati He is the protector of the process of devotional service;

- yajvā He forbids the living entities to follow the bogus so-called spiritual paths concocted by the cheaters and speculators, and advises them to take up His pure devotional service to the exclusion of everything else;
- yajñāṅga He teaches the path of pure devotional service;
- yajñavāhana He accepts as His devotees those who have faith in the principles of bhakti-yoga.

यज्ञभृद्यज्ञकृ द्यज्ञी यज्ञभुग्यज्ञसाधनः । यज्ञान्तकृ द्यज्ञगुद्यमन्नमनाद एव च ॥११८॥

118. yajñabhṛd yajñakṛd yajñī yajñabhug yajñasādhanaḥ yajñāntakṛd yajñaguhyam annam annāda eva ca

- yajñabhṛt Lord Kṛṣṇa purifies any defects that may mar the devotees' service to Him, and He makes their service successful;
- *yajñakṛt* He personally performs devotional service to teach its importance to the conditioned souls;
- *yajñī* He teaches how to engage in devotional service;
- yajñabhuk He is the enjoyer of the fruits of devotional service;
- *yajñasādhana* He benefits those who engage in devotional service by giving them transcendental knowledge;
- yajñāntakṛt He gives the transcendental result of engaging in devotional service;
- yajñaguhyam He is the ultimate object of all Vedic sacrifices;
- anna He manifests Himself as the incense and other paraphernalia used in His worship;
- annāda He enjoys the articles offered to Him in devotional service;
- eva ca indeed, especially.

आत्मयोनिः स्वयंजातो वैखानः सामगायनः । देवकीनन्दनः स्रष्टा क्षितीशः पापनाषनः ॥११९॥

119. ātmayoniḥ svayamjāto vaikhānaḥ sāmagāyanaḥ devakīnandanaḥ sraṣṭā kṣitīśaḥ pāpa-nāṣanaḥ

- ātmayoni Lord Kṛṣṇa enjoys the company of His devotees;
- svayamjāta He is never forced to appear in the material world, but incarnates accompanied by His expansions and associates, only by His own sweet will;
- *vaikhāna* He kills the demons;
- sāmagāyana the hymns of the Sāma-veda chant His glories;
- devakīnandana He appeared as the son of Devakī and then became the son of Yaśodā;
- sraṣṭā He protected His mothers Devakī and Yaśodā from all dangers;
- ksitīśa He destroyed the demonic kings who were a great burden for the Earth;
- pāpa-nāṣana He removes the sins of those fortunate souls who take to hearing and chanting His glories, and He also removes the sins of the demons fortunate enough to be killed by Him.

राङ्कभृन् नन्दकी चक्री सार्ङ्गधन्वा गदाधरः । रथाङ्गपानिरक्षोभ्यः सर्वप्रहराणयुधः । ॐ नमो भगवते वासुदेवाय ॥१२०॥

120. śaṅkabhṛn nandakī cakrī sārṅgadhanvā gadādharaḥ rathāṅgapānir akṣobhyaḥ sarva-praharānayudhah

om namo bhagavate vāsudevāya

- śańkabhrt Lord Krsna holds the Pañcajanya conchshell;
- nandakī He holds the Nandakī sword, which is a manifestation of transcendental knowledge;
- cakrī He holds the sudarśana-cakra, a manifestation of the time potency;
- sārngadhanvā He holds the Śārnga bow;
- gadādhara He holds the Kaumodakī club;
- rathāngapāni He took up the chariot wheel as His weapon to protect Bhīṣma's promise;
- akşobhya He remains undisturbed, even if rendered weaponless in a fight;
- sarva-praharāṇayudha He is the Supreme Personality of Godhead, the Supersoul in the hearts of all living entities, and all weapons derive their effectiveness from Him;
- om namo bhagavate vāsudevāya let me invoke auspiciousness by offering my respectful obeisances unto the Supreme Personality of Godhead, full with all divine opulence, Śrī Kṛṣṇa, the son of King Vasudeva.

Phala Śruti – The Results of Chanting Śrī Viṣṇusahasranāma

इतीदं कीर्तनीयस्य केशवस्य महात्मनः । नाम्नां सहस्रं दिव्यानामशेषेण प्रकीर्तितम् ॥१२१॥

121. itīdam kīrtanīyasya keśavasya mahātmanaḥ nāmnām sahasram divyānām aśeṣeṇa prakīrtitam

[Bhīśma continued:] "I have completed chanting the thousand transcendental Holy Names of the glorious Supreme Personality of Godhead, Viṣṇu, who is known as Keśava, the killer of the Keśī demon.

य इदं श्यान् नित्यः यश्चापि परिकीर्तयेत् । नाशुभं प्राप्रुयात्किञ्चित्सोऽमुत्रेह च मानवः ॥१२२॥

122. ya idam śrņuyān nityaḥ yaś cāpi parikīrtayet nāśubham prāpnuyāt kiñcit so 'mutreha ca mānavah

Anyone who hears and chants these thousand Holy Names of Lord Viṣṇu will not suffer in an inauspicious condition of life, either in this life or in the next.

वेदान्तगो ब्राह्मणः स्यात्क्षत्रियो विजयी भवेत् । वैश्यो धनसमृद्धः स्याच्छूदः सुखमवाप्रयात् ॥१२३॥

123. vedāntago brāhmaṇaḥ syāt kṣatriyo vijayī bhavet vaiśyo dhana-samṛddhaḥ syāc chūdrah sukham avāpnuyāt

By chanting these thousand Holy Names of Lord Viṣṇu a *brāhmaṇa* will become learned in all Vedic scriptures, a *kṣatriya* will become victorious over all his enemies, a *vaiśya* will become wealthy, and a *śūdra* will become happy.

धर्मार्थी प्राप्नुयाद्धर्ममर्थार्थी चार्थमवाप्नुयात् । कामानवाप्नुयात्कामी प्रजार्थी प्राप्नुयात्प्रजाः ॥१२४॥

124. dharmārthī prāpnuyād dharmam arthārthī cārtham avāpnuyāt kāmān avāpnuyāt kāmī prajārthī prāpnuyāt prajāḥ

By chanting these thousand Holy Names of Lord Viṣṇu, one who desires religious merit will attain great pious credit, one who desires wealth will become wealthy, one who desires opulent arrangements for sense gratification will attain them, and one who desires to father a great dynasty will also attain his aim.

भक्तिमान् यः सदोत्थाय शुचिस्तद्भतमानसः । सहस्रं वासुदेवस्य नाम्नामेतत्प्रकीर्तयेत् ॥१२५॥

125. bhaktimān yaḥ sadotthāya śucis tad-gata-mānasaḥ sahasraṁ vāsudevasya nāmnām etat prakīrtayet

A person who is a faithful follower of a bona-fide Vaiṣṇava spiritual master should rise early in the morning every day, purify himself by taking bath, fix his mind on the Supreme Personality of Godhead Kṛṣṇa, the son of Vasudeva [by applying tilaka with viṣṇu-mantra, performing nyāsā, acamaṇa etc.], and chant this series of His one thousand Holy Names with great care and attention.

यशः प्राप्नोति विपुलं ज्ञातिप्राधान्यमेव च । अचलां श्रियमाप्नोति श्रेयः प्राप्नोत्यनुत्तमम् ॥१२६॥

126. yaśaḥ prāpnoti vipulaṁ jñāti-prādhānyam eva ca acalāṁ śriyam āpnoti śreyaḥ prāpnoty anuttamam

One who chants the thousand Holy Names of Lord Viṣṇu very nicely will attain unlimited fame and become the most prominent of all his kinsmen. He will attain everlasting opulence, and he will also attain the supreme auspiciousness.

न भयं क्वचिदाप्नोति वीर्यं तेजश्च विन्दति । भवत्यरोगी द्युतिमान् बलरुपगुणान्वितः ॥१२७॥

127. na bhayam kvacid āpnoti vīryam tejas ca vindati bhavaty arogī dyutimān bala-rupa-guṇānvitaḥ

He will become courageous and free from fear, and he will become a leader, controlling others. He will become healthy, handsome and majestic in appearance, physically strong, and full of all good qualities.

रोगार्तो मुच्यते रोगाद्धन्धो मुच्यते बन्धनात् । भयान् मुच्यते भीतस्तु मुच्येतापन्न आपदः ॥१२८॥

128. rogārto mucyate rogād bandho mucyate bandhanāt bhayān mucyate bhītas tu mucyetāpanna āpadaḥ

One who is sick will become free from his disease, and one who is in prison or some other bondage will become free. One who is frightened because of a wicked enemy will become free from his fear, and one who is suffering from a calamity will become free from calamity.

दुर्गान्यतितरत्याशु पुरुषः पुरुषोत्तमम् । स्तुवन् नामसहस्रेण नित्यं भक्तिसमान्वितः ॥१२९॥

129. durgāny atitaraty āśu puruṣaḥ puruṣottamam stuvan nāma-sahasreṇa nityaṁ bhakti-samānvitah

Anyone who regularly glorifies the Supreme Personality of Godhead, Lord Viṣṇu with devotion by chanting these one thousand Holy Names, will quickly become free from the effects of many horrible sins.

वासुदेवाश्रयो मर्त्यो वासुदेवपरायणः । सर्वपापविशुद्धात्मा याति ब्रह्म सनातनम् ॥१३०॥

130. vāsudevāśrayo martyo vāsudeva-parāyaṇaḥ sarva-pāpa-viśuddhātmā yāti brahma sanātanam He takes shelter of Lord Vāsudeva and becomes very attached to Him. He becomes purified of all sins, and he attains the association of Lord Kṛṣṇa, the Supreme Personality of Godhead.

न वासुदेवभक्तानामशुभं विद्यते क्वचित् । जन्ममृत्युजराव्याधिभयं नैवोपजायते ॥१३१॥

131. na vāsudeva-bhaktānām aśubhaṁ vidyate kvacit janma-mṛtyu-jarā-vyādhi bhayaṁ naivopajāyate

No actually inauspicious condition is ever imposed on the devotees of Lord Vāsudeva, and therefore they do not fear having to take birth in this world again to suffer the miserable conditions of old age, disease and death.

इमं स्तवमधीयानः श्रद्धाभक्तिसमान्वितः । युज्येतात्मासुखक्षान्तिश्रीधृतिस्मृतिकीर्तिभिः ॥१३२॥

132. imam stavam adhīyānaḥ śraddhā-bhakti-samānvitaḥ yujyetātmā-sukha-kṣānti śrī-dhrti-smrti-kīrtibhih

One who carefully studies these prayers with great faith and devotion to Lord Kṛṣṇa becomes full of the happiness attained by spiritual realization. He becomes tolerant of the temporary happiness and distress of material existence. He attains the opulence of renunciation, patient control of the senses, and constant meditation on Kṛṣṇa. Because of all this opulence he attains great fame.

न क्रोधं न च मात्सर्यं न लोभो नाशुभा मतिः । भवन्ति कृतपुण्याणां भक्तानां पुरुषोत्तमे ॥१३३॥

133. na krodhaṁ na ca mātsaryaṁ na lobho nāśubhā matiḥ bhavanti kṛta-puṇyāṇāṁ bhaktānāṁ puruṣottame

The devotees of the Supreme Personality of Godhead Lord Kṛṣṇa who perform the devotional service of chanting these one thousand Holy Names of the Lord become free from anger, anvy, greed, and all wicked thoughts.

द्यौः सचन्द्रार्क नक्षत्राः खं दिशो भूर्महोदधिः । वासुदेवस्य वीर्येण विधृतानि मनात्मनः ॥१३४॥

134. dyauḥ sa-candrārka-nakṣatrāḥ khaṁ diśo bhūr mahodadhiḥ vāsudevasya vīryeṇa vidhṛtāni manātmanaḥ

The entire expanse of outer space, the sun, moon, stars, planets, ether, directions, the Earth, air and great oceans are all maintained by the power of the Supreme Personality of Godhead, Lord Vāsudeva.

ससुरासुरगन्धर्वं सयक्षोरगराक्षसम् । जगद्वरो वर्ततेदं कृष्णस्य सचराचरम् ॥१३५॥

135. sa-surāsura-gandharvam sa-yakṣoraga-rākṣasam jagad vaśe vartatedam kṛṣṇasya sa-carācaram

The demigods, demons, Gandharvas, Yakṣas, Uragas, Rākṣasas and all moving and nonmoving living entities within the universe are under Lord Kṛṣṇa's control.

इन्द्रियाणि मनो बुद्धिः सत्त्वं तेजो बलं धृतिः । वासुदेवात्मकान्याहुः क्षेत्रं क्षेत्रज्ञ एव च ॥१३६॥

136. indriyāņi mano buddhiḥ sattvaṁ tejo balaṁ dhṛtiḥ vāsudevātmakāny āhuḥ ksetraṁ ksetrajña eva ca

The wise say that the senses, mind, intelligence, life energy, influence, strength, patience and material bodies of the conditioned souls, which constitute their field of activities, and the living souls themselves are all the property of Lord Vāsudeva.

सर्वागमानामाचारः प्रथमं परिकत्पते । आचारप्रभवो धर्मो धर्मस्य प्रभुरच्युतः ॥१३७॥ 137. sarvāgamānām ācāraḥ prathamam parikalpate ācāra-prabhavo dharmo dharmasya prabhur acyutaḥ

The infallible Supreme Personality of Godhead is the original author of all codes of religion and religious duties found in all sacred literature. He is the protector of all religious activities.

ऋशयः पितरो देवा महाभूतानि धातवः । जङ्गमाजन्गमं भेदं जगन् नारायणोद्भवम् ॥१३८॥

138. ṛśayaḥ pitaro devā mahābhūtāni dhātavaḥ jaṅgamājangamaṁ bhedaṁ jagan nārāyaṇodbhavam

The sages, Pītas, demigods, material elements and minerals, and all moving and nonmoving living entities within the universe are created by Lord Nārāyaṇa.

योगो ज्ञानं तथा सांख्यं विद्या शिल्पादि कर्म च । वेदाः शास्त्राणि विज्ञानमेतत्सर्वं जनार्दनात् ॥१३९॥

139. yogo jñānaṁ tathā sāṅkhyaṁ vidyā śilpādi karma ca vedāḥ śāstrāṇi vijñānam etat sarvaṁ janārdanāt

The aṣṭaṅga-yoga system, sāṅkya philosophy, which distinguishes spirit from matter, the fourteen kinds of knowledge, arts, crafts, architecture and similar arts, the four Vedas, supplementary Vedic literature such as Mīmāṁsā-sūtra and Yoga-sūtra, transcendental knowledge and the application of that knowledge in everyday life, have all emanated from Lord Janārdana.

एको विष्णुर्महद्भूतं पृथग्भूतान्यनेकशः । त्रीहोकान् व्याप्य भूतात्मा भुङ्के विश्वभुगव्ययः ॥१४०॥

140. eko viṣṇur mahad bhūtaṁ pṛthag bhūtāny anekaśaḥ trīl lokān vyāpya bhūtātmā bhuṅkte viśva-bhug avyayah Lord Viṣṇu is the original cause of all causes. He is the chief living entity, eternally an individual different from all other living entities. He is present everywhere in all three planetary systems, and He is beginningless and perfect. He accepts offerings made with love and devotion, and He is the protector of the universe. He is unchanging and eternally the same.

इमं स्तवं भगवतो विष्णोर्व्यासेन कीर्तितम् । पठेद्य इञ्चेत्पुरुषाः श्रेयः प्राप्तुं सुखानि च ॥१४१॥

141. imam stavam bhagavato viṣṇor vyāsena kīrtitam paṭhed ya iccet puruṣāḥ śreyaḥ prāptum sukhāni ca

One who desires to attain actual happiness and auspiciousness should regularly hear and chant this prayer glorifying the Supreme Personality of Godhead, composed by the sage Vyāsa.

विश्वेश्वरमजं देवं जगतः प्रभवाप्ययम । भजन्ति ये पुष्कराक्षं न ते यान्ति पराभवम् । ॐ नमो भगवते वासुदेवाय ॥१४२॥

142. viśveśvaram ajam devam jagatah prabhavāpyayam bhajanti ye puṣkarākṣam na te yānti parābhavam

om namo bhagavate vāsudevāya

Those who worship the lotus-eyed Supreme Personality of Godhead, the unborn creator, controller and annihilator of the material universe, do not suffer defeat by the cycle of repeated birth and death. They become liberated from material existence and return home, back to Godhead.

Om namo bhagavate vāsudevāya — let me invoke auspiciousness by offering my respectful obeisances unto the Supreme Personality of Godhead, full with all divine opulence, Śrī Kṛṣṇa, the son of King Vasudeva."