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Wandering About Navadvipa on the Day of the Lord Delivered the Kazi

The brahmacari who only drank milk

- ॐ LCM has kirtan every night, but only the devotees could attend
- ॐ Some would gather and criticize: what kind of Vaisnava is there in Kali yuga. They are simply canting to fill their bellies
- ॐ If I tie their hands and legs and throw them in the Ganga my unhappiness will be appeased.
- ॐ Nimai Pandita will ruin this village
- ॐ Others lamented b/c they weren't allowed to enter
- ॐ Devotees feared LCM's reaction, so they never invited anyone.
- ॐ Yet one austere brahmacari who only ate milk wanted to witness
- ॐ Sv consented understanding this person had led a strict, sinless life
- ॐ Sv: you may come, but you must remain hidden. We are forbidden to allow anyone in
- ॐ LCM comes and starts kirtan
- ॐ LCM stops kirtan: why am I not feeling any ecstasy?
- ॐ Kirtan stops again
- ॐ And stops again
- ॐ LCM: There must be someone in the house
- ॐ Sv: Only a pious brahmacari who is sinless and only drinks milk
- ॐ LCM: Quickly make him leave. Can I be obtained simply by drinking milk?
- ॐ Know for certain that if even a candela surrenders to me, he is mine and I am his.
- ॐ If even a sannyasi does not surrender to me, he is not mine. This is the truth I am telling you.
- ॐ Tell me, what kind of austerities did Gajendra, the monkeys and the cowherd boys perform to attain me? Even the demons perform austerities, but what is the result? Unless they take shelter of me, they cannot be delivered
- ॐ One cannot attain me only by drinking milk. You will see right here how I smash him to pieces.
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- ॐ Brahmacari left in great fear, understood his great fortune and this was a just punishment for his offense
- ॐ LCM understood his change of heart & invited the brahmacari to come back.

LCM inspires people in harinama

- ॐ LCM would have kirtan every night, but no one could watch
- ॐ Townsfolk distressed and blamed atheists

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- ॐ “Because of such blasphemers we can’t take part. Because of them good people are disallowed.”
- ॐ One person: Just wait, one day we will see his dancing. One day he will go dancing from door to door
- ॐ Every morning inhabitants would go to LCM with gifts of ghee, yogurt, bananas or garlands
- ॐ LCM to them: May you all attain devotional service to Krishna. Do not speak about anything other than the names and qualities of K.
- ॐ Hear the HK mantra and be happy
- ॐ HK HK KK HH/HR HR RR HH
- ॐ This is the maha mantra. All of you go and chant this mantra according to a prescribed number
- ॐ By doing so, everyone will attain all perfection.
- ॐ Always chant, there is no other prescription.
- ॐ Five to ten people can sit together in a house and perform kirtan while clapping their hands.
- ॐ You should chant *haraye namaḥ Kṛṣṇa yādavāya namaḥ, gopāla govinda rāma śrī madhusūdana*
- ॐ These are my instructions on how to perform sankirtan. Go home and chant together with your wife, father and sons.
- ॐ Everyone went home jubilant after hearing the maha mantra from LCM’s mouth
- ॐ Townsfolk would gather in homes at night and have kirtan
- ॐ In this way LCM spread sankirtan
- ॐ LCM would plead: chant HK day and night
- ॐ Townsfolk happy to use kartal and mrdanga in homes (used for Durga puja) to please LCM

Kolaveca Sridhara displays ecstatic symptoms

- ॐ One day KS was chanting “Hari! Hari!” and hear the townsfolk doing kirtan.
- ॐ Goes into ecstasy.
- ॐ Townsfolk saw & increased kirtan
- ॐ KS would roll on ground in ecstasy and atheists would laugh
- ॐ Atheist: O look, Even KS is now a Vaisnava
- ॐ They are unable to maintain themselves properly
- ॐ They perform Durga puja at the wrong time

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ॐ In this way the atheists constantly criticized while residents of Nadiya engaged in kirtan

The Kazi bans kirtan

- ॐ One day Kazi hears kirtan and remembers Muslim scripture
ॐ CK: Catch them X2. I will punish. Let us see what NP can do.
ॐ Whenever caught mrdangas would be broken
ॐ Townsfolk in fear
ॐ CK beat whoever he caught
ॐ CK: Nadia is being overrun by Hindus. I'll catch them all and punish.
ॐ I will excuse you today, but if I catch you I will ruin your cast
ॐ Thus CK & men wandered through town every day
ॐ Townsfolk remained hidden in distress
ॐ Atheists: this is proper punishment. Which Purana recommends such boisterous chanting? Better to chant silently. This is the proper punishment for those transgressing Vedic etiquette
ॐ They are not even concerned about caste
ॐ NP's pride will now be smashed
ॐ NP's happiness will come to an end
ॐ They call us atheists for speaking the truth

LCM calls for the maha harinama

- ॐ Devotees went to LCM & explained predicament
ॐ Out of fear of Kazi we stopped kirtan. CK wanders w/ 1000s of followers. We will leave Navadvipa and go somewhere else.
ॐ LCM became angry like Rudra
ॐ LCM: Nt. Go quickly to all Vaisnavas. I will perform sankirtana through Navadvipa. Let see what can be done. Today the atheists will face their ultimate fate
ॐ O brothers, go everywhere and announce My order: All who desire to see K's mercy should come w/ a big torch.
ॐ Today I will break the Kazi's house and perform kirtan at his door.
ॐ Let us see him stop us.
ॐ 1,000,000s of universes are servants of my servants. What fear can manifest when I am present.
ॐ No one should have any fear
ॐ Come after lunch.

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Excitement spreads

- ॐ What need was there for lunch?
- ॐ News spread through Navadvipa: NP will dance today through the streets
- ॐ All those who had lamented not being able to see the Lord's dancing became ecstatic & got their torches
- ॐ Father and son both got torches ready.
- ॐ Competition to see who could make the biggest torch
- ॐ Entire town (1,000,000s) filled with torches

LCM begins assembling the harinama party

- ॐ AA will be in front & one group will sing near him
- ॐ HDT will be in the middle and one group will sing near him
- ॐ Behind HDT Sv will dance and some will sing near him
- ॐ LCM (smiling) to Nt: I will never leave your side

The kirtan begins

- ॐ Who can describe such a wonderful scene
- ॐ As LCM begins to chant, devotees get ready
- ॐ LCM begins kirtan
- ॐ Karatalas, whompers, mrdangas
- ॐ LCM begins to move forward and all follow

LCM's beauty

- ॐ LCM's beauty defeated millions of cupids
- ॐ Nothing to which to compare
- ॐ Curling hair decorated with a garland of jasmine
- ॐ Sweet smile defeated all artistic expression
- ॐ Forehead decorated with sandalwood paste and dots of colored powder
- ॐ Raised arms and chanted the name of Hair
- ॐ Garland went down to knees and swung to and fro
- ॐ Arms looked like pillars
- ॐ Body was golden like kadamba flower
- ॐ Lips were enchanting
- ॐ Eyebrows stretched to the bottom of ears
- ॐ Shoulders defeated those of the king of elephants

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- ॐ Broad chest was decorated with thin white brahmana thread
- ॐ Lakshmi and tulasi resided at feet
- ॐ Dressed in pure and fine cloth
- ॐ Nose was raised and moonlike neck was enchanting
- ॐ People in all directions said see the L's beauty.

The kirtan

- ॐ Crowd so thick if mustard seed dropped would not hit ground
- ॐ Yet everyone could see LCM's face
- ॐ All houses decorated with auspicious items
- ॐ Thieves thought: what a great opportunity!
- ॐ But even thieves got distracted at by the chanting and forgot their plans
- ॐ AA leads group to front
- ॐ HDT dances beautifully
- ॐ All began to change – even those who had never before
- ॐ MG, MD, Ramai, Govinda, Vakresvara, Vasudeva were all there
- ॐ Nt. & Gad. on either side of LCM
- ॐ As LCM danced millions of people rushed to see
- ॐ Light from millions of torches reflecting off people appeared like moonlight
- ॐ They sang: *hari haraye namaḥ kṛṣṇa yādavāya namaḥ, gopāla govinda rāma śrī madhusūdana*
- ॐ Held torches & oil pits, yet still clapped hands in kirtan
- ॐ Vaikuntha had manifest in Navadvipa
- ॐ They did not notice they had taken 4-armed forms, otherwise how could they clap & hold torches
- ॐ People were lost in ecstasy
- ॐ Some began to say: Were is that rascal Kazi? If we see him we will rip his head off.
- ॐ Others would see atheists and punch them to the ground
- ॐ Demigods took on human forms to participate
- ॐ As LCM entered a different neighborhood, everyone would leave household duties and join kirtan
- ॐ In ecstasy some climbed tress and others fell to the ground
- ॐ In anger some would break the branches: I am death personified to the atheists
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- ॐ Someone went to arrest Yamaraja and bring to the kirtan:

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- ॐ O Yamadutas, go and inform your master, the son of Surya, that the Lord of Vaikuntha has incarnated in the house of Saci, and he is personally performing kirtan throughout the city of Navadvipa.
- ॐ By the influence of the holy names, Yama became renowned as Dharmaraja, the authority on religious principles. By the influence of the holy names the fallen brahmana Ajamila was delivered
- ॐ The Lord is now inducing everyone to chant those holy names, and even those who are unable to chant are hearing those names
- ॐ So if Yama attempts to display his authority by punishing any living entities, then I cannot be blamed when I destroy him
- ॐ Go quickly and inform Chitragupta that he should immediately destroy the records of the sinners
- ॐ By the influence of these names, Varanasi has become celebrated as the king of holy places. The transcendently situated residents of Svadvipa chant these holy names
- ॐ Mahesvara has become worshipable by all by the influence of these names. Now everyone is hearing and chanting these holy names
- ॐ Chant the holy names, give up all wicked activities, and worship Visvambhara, otherwise I will destroy you.
- ॐ
- ॐ Some say “Kill the Kazi! Where is he now? He tricked us and is now hiding.”
- ॐ Atheists saw harinama and burned with envy
- ॐ Atheists: If the Lord is willing, let the Kazi come now. Then what will happen? The Kazi will see all these torches and sentimental devotees and they will jump in the Ganga
- ॐ Atheist 2: I will catch these fools, bind them and turn them in to the Kazi
- ॐ Atheist 3: Let us go get the Kazi
- ॐ Atheist 4: Let’s just tell them the Kazi is coming and they will disband
- ॐ In this way the atheists conspired while the devotees got more enthusiastic
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- ॐ LCM would jump high and then fall down
- ॐ Nt lament b/c could not support LCM
- ॐ Eventually LCM fall unconscious showing no sign of life
- ॐ On seeing this some concluded LCM=Narayana
- ॐ Others: Narada, Prahlada, Sukadeva or a great Vaishnava

The Kazi sends his men

- ॐ As LCM approached the Kazi’s house, Kazi hears

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- ॐ Kazi: Listen brothers. What is that singing? Someone’s marriage? Ghosts doing kirtan? See who is disobeying my order. Then I will go myself.
- ॐ As the Kazi’s men approached they heard millions chanting “Kill the Kazi!...”
- ॐ Ran away in fear
- ॐ Servants to Kazi: What can we do. Let us flee. Millions of people are coming this way w/ NP. He must be some Acharya. They are carrying torches and chanting the names of Hindu gods.
- ॐ We saw bananas, water pots, and many leaves at every doorstep, and the streets of Nadia were covered with flowers
- ॐ We could not even imagine how much puffed rice and kadi (small conch shells) were being showered.
- ॐ Our ears were almost shattered from the sound of the musical instruments
- ॐ There is not such an arrangement in the villages of Nadia even when the king comes
- ॐ NP is the leader of those sentimental devotees. In whatever direction he dances, everyone follows.
- ॐ The same townspeople that we once beat are shouting: today we will kill the Kazi!
- ॐ NP is making all this propaganda.
- ॐ This Hindu prophet is doing all of this
- ॐ One person: I can’t understand why this brahmana cries so much! It appears as if a river is flowing from his eyes
- ॐ Another: I think this brahmana must be missing someone, therefore he cries in distress
- ॐ Someone else: This brahmana looks frightening. I tremble on seeing his form that appears ready to devour everything
- ॐ Kazi: I think NP is going to somewhere to get married
- ॐ As Kazi in planning her hears the kirtan enter the neighborhood
- ॐ Kazi trembles and runs away in fear like a frog from a snake
- ॐ Some of servants took off turbans and joined in kirtan to hide
- ॐ Others bent heads low to hide beards

LCM approaches CK’s house

- ॐ LCM: Where is that rascal?
- ॐ Bring him here; I’ll cut his head off
- ॐ Today I will rid the world of yavanas like I previously killed Kalayavana
- ॐ Where can he hide today?
- ॐ Break his house

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ॐ Devotees enter house

ॐ Kick down uprooted trees

ॐ Tore apart rooms

ॐ Broke down doors

ॐ Broke branches of mango and jackfruit trees

ॐ Uprooted banana trees

ॐ Tore flowers from stems

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ॐ When outside of house broken LCM ordered: Burn the inside

ॐ Let the Kazi burn to death along with his associates

ॐ Surround the house and set it on fire from all sides

ॐ Let me see what this king can do.

ॐ Let me see who saves him today

ॐ Yamaraja, Time and Death are the servants of My servants. Everything is manifested simply by my glance.

ॐ I have incarnated to inaugurate the sankirtana movement. I will destroy those sinners who are inimical to kirtan. If even the most sinful person chants the holy names, I will certainly remember him. But if even ascetics, sannyasis, jnanis, and yogis do not engage in kirtan, I will destroy them.

ॐ Do not be afraid. Go and set the house on fire.

ॐ Today I will annihilate the Yavanas

The devotees pacify LCM

ॐ On seeing the Lord's anger, all the devotees wrapped cloth around their necks and fell at His feet.

ॐ After raising their arms and appealed to LCM:

ॐ Sankarsana is your plenary expansion.

ॐ He never gets angry at an improper time.

ॐ When it is time for the creation to be destroyed, Sankarsana becomes angry in the form of Rudra

ॐ The same Rudra that annihilates the creation within a moment finally merges in your body.

ॐ When by the anger of the portion of your plenary portion everything is destroyed, who can possibly escape your anger?

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- ॐ O Lord, it is not proper to neglect the statements of the Vedas, which declare, “You are free from anger and eternally blissful.”
- ॐ Even personalities like Brahma are not competent recipients for your anger. Creation, maintenance and annihilation are simply your pastimes
- ॐ You have adequately insulted the Kazi. If he opposes the kirtan again, then you can kill him.
- ॐ ... few prayers of glorification
- ॐ LCM is pacified and the kirtan processions joyfully moves on
- ॐ Atheists lament
- ॐ No one could tell who was dancing in which direction, who was singing, who was playing a musical instrument, or who was running in which direction
- ॐ The devotees danced in front, LCM behind
- ॐ LCM instructed everyone to not have any doubts about these pastimes
- ॐ Road was covered in flowers and torches burned in all four directions.

Story of Kazi’s dream???

Kazi joins kirtan???

LCM visits Sridhara

- ॐ As kirtan procession is leaving CK’s, LCM goes to visit KS
- ॐ Outside hut KS kept a broken iron water pot that had been repaired so many times not even thieves would steal it.
- ॐ As LCM dances in courtyard see water pot
- ॐ LCM picks up and drinks from
- ॐ KS: Now I am finished. Someone has come today to kill me.
- ॐ KS falls unconscious
- ॐ LCM: today my body has become purified
- ॐ By drinking KS’s water I have attained devotion for the lotus feet of K
- ॐ Now I have attained devotional service to V
- ॐ Tears flow from LCM’s eyes
- ॐ Devotees all begin to cry at seeing LCM’s affection for his devotee
- ॐ KS: What kind of water has my lord drunk?
- ॐ In this way LCM shows the glories of his devotees
- ॐ LCM leaves and continues the harinama