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**LCM makes his plans to take sannyasa**

- ॐ Devotees were so absorbed in sankirtan they forgot LCM would leave
- ॐ One day, while making his plans, LCM approached Nt
- ॐ LCM: Nt, you should only share with five people what I am about to tell you
- ॐ On the coming Makara Sankranti, I will leave home and take sannyasa
- ॐ In a village named Katwa, near Indrani, is a pure soul named Kesava Bharati
- ॐ I will take sannyasa from him only
- ॐ You can tell: SM, Gad, Brahmananda Bharati, Candrasekhar Acarya & MD
- ॐ Nt told those five

**The day approaches**

- ॐ LCM passed the day in sankirtan
- ॐ Took his noon meal
- ॐ Saw the Ganges in the evening, offered obeisance, sat on bank for some time and returned home
- ॐ LCM sat surrounded by followers
- ॐ No one knew LCM would leave, therefore they were all happy
- ॐ LCM sat with garland and sandalwood pulp
- ॐ Everyone who came brought garland and candana
- ॐ So many even Brahma couldn't count
- ॐ All offered ob.
- ॐ LCM would give garlands in exchange and request them to sing K's glories
- ॐ Glorify K, worship K, chant HK and think about nothing but K
- ॐ If you have any affection for me don't speak about anything else
- ॐ Whether you are eating, sleeping or waking think of K and chant HK
- ॐ In this way LCM gave everyone mercy and then told to go home
- ॐ Many people came and went

**KVS brings his gourd**

- ॐ KVS comes with bottle gourd in hand
- ॐ LCM (on seeing): where did you get that?
- ॐ LCM thought: tomorrow I will leave and won't be able to eat that
- ॐ Whatever is brought by KVS can't be wasted, so I must eat today
- ॐ Therefore he asked SM to cook
- ॐ At that time someone came with a pot of milk

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- ॐ LCM: please cook these together
- ॐ SM leaves immediately
- ॐ LCM passed evening in ecstasy
- ॐ After seeing everyone off sits down to eat dinner
- ॐ When finished washed mouth and went to bedroom
- ॐ Rested while Gad & HDT slept nearby

**Visnupriya understands what is about to happen**

- ॐ VP could sense what was going to happen
- ॐ I live only for you
- ॐ If you leave, my life will leave
- ॐ
- ॐ LCM: the only real things in this world are the V devs and K's name
- ॐ I will always remain with you in your heart and with my devotees when they are chanting
- ॐ
- ॐ VP cries
- ॐ My L I am only living for your happiness
- ॐ If you leaving home and taking sannyasa gives you happiness and serves your divine mission, then please do so

**LCM prepares to leave**

- ॐ SM unable to sleep knowing LCM would leave
- ॐ LCM wakes during brahma muhurta to go
- ॐ Gad and HDT also awake
- ॐ Gad to LCM: I will go with you
- ॐ LCM: I am one without a 2<sup>nd</sup>
- ॐ I am fully independent; this is my pastime

**SM obstructs his exit**

- ॐ When SM realized the time had come, she sat in the doorway
- ॐ On seeing SM, LCM said: you have maintained me well. Because of you I have studied and learned
- ॐ Without caring for your own happiness you have increased my pleasure in life
- ॐ The affection you have shown me at every moment is more than I can repay in millions of kalpas

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- ॐ Only by your mercy will I be relieved of my debt
- ॐ Please listen mata.
- ॐ The entire creation is under the control of the L
- ॐ No one has the power to be independent
- ॐ Who can understand the L's will, by which living entities sometimes meet and sometimes separate?
- ॐ Whether I leave now or after 10 days you should not lament.
- ॐ I will take responsibility for your worldly and spiritual needs
- ॐ I will take care of you
- ॐ
- ॐ SM heard but could not reply
- ॐ Only cried
- ॐ LCM took dust from SM's lotus feet, circumambulated and left

**Devotees come**

- ॐ The devotees arrived for their morning bath unaware of LCM's departure
- ॐ When came to offer ob to LCM saw SM sitting outside doorway
- ॐ Sv: SM why are you sitting here?
- ॐ SM couldn't reply, only tears
- ॐ Finally, SM: please listen everyone.
- ॐ All Vais's are eligible to share LCM's property
- ॐ
- ॐ Everyone fell unconscious to ground
- ॐ What lamentations they felt
- ॐ O Gopinath, what a terrible night has passed
- ॐ How will we live without seeing that moonlike face?
- ॐ Why has this thunderbolt suddenly struck?
- ॐ All weeping
- ॐ LCM has left us to take sannyassa
- ॐ The L of the forlorn has left us in an ocean of lamentation
- ॐ Hari Hari, what is the use of our lives?
- ॐ You left without telling us
- ॐ MD, MG, KVS, Gad, Gangadasa, Sv & family, Candrasekhar & HDT all continuously cried

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- ॐ Hearing the crying, the people of Nadia pushed to see what is happening
- ॐ Both young and old, male and female, all devotees cried
- ॐ Atheists laughed: Now we will never see NP again
- ॐ
- ॐ After some time the devotees became pacified and sat w/ SM
- ॐ News continued to spread
- ॐ People were struck with wonder. When they saw LCM's house empty they also cried
- ॐ Even the offenders became aggrieved while hearing others lament
- ॐ "We are very sinful, therefore we could not recognize him."
- ॐ They also began to cry
- ॐ
- ॐ The townsfolk rolled on the ground lamenting
- ॐ We will not see his moonlike face again
- ॐ Let us burn our homes and leave this place
- ॐ We can become mendicant yogis and accept the sign of mendicant by wearing an ivory earring.
- ॐ When the L left Navadvipa why should we continue living?
- ॐ
- ॐ While the town lamented, LCM knew how to deliver
- ॐ The envious were also bitten with the snakebite of separation

**LCM accepts sannyasa**

- ॐ LCM crosses Ganga and arrives at Katwa
- ॐ As instructed Nt, Gad, MD, CA, & Brahmananda Bharati all came
- ॐ Upon seeing LCM, Kesava Bharati stands up
- ॐ LCM falls flat offering ob.
- ॐ O Master, please be merciful to me
- ॐ You are the most compassionate deliverer of the fallen
- ॐ K always sits in your heart, therefore you are qualified to give me K
- ॐ I have no desire other than to serve K
- ॐ Please instruct me accordingly
- ॐ
- ॐ LCM goes into ec
- ॐ MD begins to sing

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- ॐ Millions of people arrive
- ॐ As LCM dances in circle his tears bath all
- ॐ Everyone chant “Hari Hari”
- ॐ One moment LCM shiver
- ॐ Another perspire
- ॐ Another fall unconscious
- ॐ Then takes straw in teeth and begs everyone for service to K
- ॐ
- ॐ On seeing his humility and understanding he was about to take sannyasa, everyone cried in grief
- ॐ How will his mother survive?
- ॐ What a terrible night she must have passed
- ॐ How will his mother and wife survive when even our hearts are in distress

**KB addresses LCM**

- ॐ After sometime LCM regains composure
- ॐ KB: the devotion I have seen today is not found in anyone other than the L himself
- ॐ I have clearly understood that you are the guru of the entire world, therefore no one is qualified to become your guru
- ॐ Yet I think that to teach people in general you will accept me as your guru
- ॐ
- ॐ LCM: please do not deceive me
- ॐ Give me initiation so that I may become the servant of K
- ॐ
- ॐ In this way LCM passed the night speaking K katha

**CA prepares for the ceremony**

- ॐ Early next morning LCM rises and instructs CA to begin preparations
- ॐ You are qualified in the performance of all Vedic rituals, therefore I appoint you as my representative
- ॐ People brought ingredients from all over
- ॐ Milk, yogurt, butter, mung dahl, betel, sandalwood, flowers, sacred threads & cloth
- ॐ No one knew where the varieties of eatables came from
- ॐ Everyone chanted “Hari Hari” in ecstasy

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**The haircut**

- ॐ LCM sits down to have haircut (including sikha)
- ॐ When barber came there was a tumultuous sound
- ॐ Barber hesitated
- ॐ Began to cry before touching LCM's hair
- ॐ Nt and all devs also cry
- ॐ One woman: Who has invented this system of sannyasa?
- ॐ Demigods also began to cry
- ॐ
- ॐ LCM: Chant, Chant
- ॐ MD begins to sing
- ॐ LCM dances
- ॐ Even when he sat, LCM unable to remain steady
- ॐ LCM constantly roars: Haribol!
- ॐ Somehow or other head finally shaved
- ॐ After finishing barber takes vow he will never shave a head again
- ॐ LCM takes bath in Ganges and sits for ceremony

**The sannyasa ceremony**

- ॐ LCM: I had this dream.
- ॐ A brahmana appeared and spoke this mantra to my ear
- ॐ Please examine whether I have the sannyasa mantra correct
- ॐ LCM speaks sannyasa mantra into KB's ears
- ॐ In this way LCM initiates KB
- ॐ KB: this is the best of all mantras.
- ॐ By the mercy of K what is unknown to you?
- ॐ KB speaks the mantra into the ears of LCM
- ॐ Holding his danda and kamandalu, LCM was overwhelmed with ecstatic love
- ॐ
- ॐ KB then began to think of name for LCM
- ॐ I cannot find such a Vaisnava in the 14 worlds. This is my conviction
- ॐ Therefore I will give a name that is not found anywhere
- ॐ Then my desire will be fulfilled

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ॐ Although a disciple of a Bharati should be given the name Bharati, that name is not appropriate

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ॐ Suddha Saraswati then appears on the tongue of KB

ॐ You have induced the people of this world to chant the name of K, inaugurating the sk movement

ॐ You have awakened people's consciousness

ॐ Therefore your name will be Sri Krsna Caitanya

ॐ Everyone chants Jaya Jaya

ॐ Dancing was so ecstatic

ॐ Dandas and kamandalus went flying and were lost

ॐ LCM: I will go to the forest

ॐ KB: I will go with you

ॐ Everyone in Katwa: I will go with you also

ॐ LCM to CA: go to Navadvipa and tell everyone I have entered into the forest

ॐ At forest LCM told KB and everyone else to return to their homes