

Śrī Yugala-kiśorāṣṭaka

Eight Prayers Glorifying the Youthful Divine Couple

TEXT 1

*nava-jaladhara-vidyud-dyota-varṇau prasannau
vadana-nayana-padmau cāru-candrāvataṁsau
alaka-tilaka-bhālau keśa-veśa-praphullau
bhaja bhaja tu mano re rādhikā-kṛṣṇacandrau*

nava--new; jaladhara--cloud; vidyud--lightning; dyota--splendor; varṇau--color; prasannau--happy; vadana--face; nayana--eyes; padmau--lotuses; cāru--beautiful; candra--moon; avataṁsau--crowns; alaka--curling locks of hair; tilaka--(t3)tilaka (t1); bhālau--foreheads; keśa--hair; veśa--garments; praphullau--blossoming; bhaja--please worship; bhaja--please worship; tu--indeed; mano--heart; re--O!; rādhikā-kṛṣṇacandrau--Śrī Śrī Rādhikā-Kṛṣṇacandra.

O heart, please, please worship Śrī Śrī Rādhikā-Kṛṣṇacandra, who are magnificent as a fresh monsoon cloud and a lightning flash, who are cheerful, who are merciful, whose faces and eyes are lotus flowers, who wear beautiful moon-crowns, whose foreheads are decorated with tilaka and curling locks of hair, and whose hair and garments blossom with splendor.

TEXT 2

*vasana-harita-nīlau candanālepanāṅgau
maṇi-marakata-dīptau svarṇa-mālā-prayuktau
kanaka-valaya-hastau rāsa-nāṭya-prasaktau
bhaja bhaja tu mano re rādhikā-kṛṣṇacandrau*

vasana--garments; harita--yellow; nīlau--and blue; candana--with sandal paste; ālepana--anointed; aṅgau--limbs; maṇi--jewels; marakata--sapphires; dīptau--

effulgent; svarṇa--of (t3)svaṇa(t1) flowers; mālā--with garlands; prayuktau--endowed; kanaka--golden; valaya--bracelets; hastau--hands; rāsa--(t3)rāsa(t1); nāṭya--dance; prasaktau--engaged.

O heart, please, please worship Śrī Śrī Rādhikā-Kṛṣṇacandra, whose garments are yellow and blue, whose limbs are anointed with sandal paste, who are splendid with sapphires, who are decorated with garlands of (t3)svaṇa(t1) flowers, who wear golden bracelets, and who enjoy the (t3)rāsa(t1) dance.

TEXT 3

*ati-matihara-veśau raṅga-bha/ni-tri-bhaṅgau
madhura-mṛdula-hāsyau kuṇḍalākīrṇa-karṇau
naṭavara-vara-ramyau nṛtya-gītānuraktau
bhaja bhaja tu mano re rādhikā-kṛṣṇacandrau*

ati--very; matihara--charming; veśau--appearance; raṅga--dancing; bha/ni-tri-bhaṅgau--three-fold bending; madhura--sweet; mṛdula--gentle; hāsyau--smiles; kuṇḍala--earrings; ākīrṇa--adorned; karṇau--ears; naṭavara--of the best of dances; vara--most; ramyau--charming; nṛtya--dancing; gīta--and music; anuraktau--enjoying.

O heart, please, please worship Śrī Śrī Rādhikā-Kṛṣṇacandra, who are very handsome and charming, whose forms bend in three places as They dance, whose gentle smiles are sweet, whose ears are decorated with earrings, who are the best of graceful dancers, and who enjoy pastimes of singing and dancing.

TEXT 4

*vividha-guṇa-vidagdhau vandanīyau su-veśau
maṇimaya-makarādyaiḥ śobhitāggau sphurantau
smita-namita-kaṭākṣau dharma-karma-pradattau*

bhaja bhaja tu mano re rādhikā-kṛṣṇacandrau

vividha--various; guṇa--virtues; vidagdha--expert; vandaniyau--worshipable; su-veśau--handsome; maṇimaya--of jewels; makara--with sharks; ādyaiḥ--beginning; śobhita--decorated; aggau--whose forms; sphurantau--manifesting; smita--with a smile; namita--bending; kaṭākṣau--sidelong glances; dharma--religion; karma--the results of activities\$
pradattau--giving.

O heart, please, please worship Śrī Śrī Rādhikā-Kṛṣṇacandra, who are filled with all virtues, who are worshipable, who are handsome, whose transcendental forms are decorated with jewel ornaments in the shape of sharks and other objects, who cast crooked, smiling glances from the corners of Their eyes, and who give the results of all pious activities.

TEXT 5

*kanaka-mukūṭa-cūḍau puṣpitodbhūṣitāṅgau
sakala-vana-niviṣṭau sundarānanda-puṣjau
caraṇa-kamala-divyau deva-devādi-sevyau
bhaja bhaja tu mano re rādhikā-kṛṣṇacandrau*

kanaka--golden; mukūṭa-cūḍau--crowns; puṣpita--of flowers; udbhūṣita--with decorations; aṅgau--whose limbs; sakala--all; vana--forests; niviṣṭau--entered; sundara--beautiful; ānanda--bliss; puṣjau--abundance; caraṇa--feet; kamala--lotus; divyau--splendid; deva-deva-ādi--by the greatest demigods; sevyau--served.

O heart, please, please worship Śrī Śrī Rādhikā-Kṛṣṇacandra, who wear golden crowns, whose limbs are decorated with flowers, who go to all the forests of Vṛndāvana, who are filled with splendid bliss, whose feet are glittering lotuses, and who are served by the greatest demigods.

TEXT 6

*ati-suvalita-gātrau gandha-mālyair virājau
kati kati ramaṇīnām sevyamānau su-veśau
muni-sura-gaṇa-bhāvyaū veda-śāstrādi-viṣṭau
bhaja bhaja tu mano re rādhikā-kṛṣṇacandrau*

ati--very; suvalita--graceful; gātrau--limbs; gandha--fragrant; mālyair--with garlands; virājau--splendid; kati--how many?; kati--how many?; ramaṇīnām--by beautiful girls; sevyamānau--served; su-veśau--handsome; muni--of sages; sura--and demigods; gaṇa--by hosts; bhāvyaū--meditated; veda-śāstra-ādi--in all Vedic literatures; viṣṭau--learned.

O heart, please, please worship Śrī Śrī Rādhikā-Kṛṣṇacandra, whose graceful forms are splendid with fragrant flower garlands, who are served by numberless beautiful (t3)gopīs(t1), who are handsome, on whom the sages and demigods meditate, and who are learned in all Vedic literatures.

TEXT 7

*ati-sumadhura-mūrtau duṣṭa-darpa-praśāntau
suravara-varadau dvau sarva-siddhi-pradānau
ati-rasa-vaśa-magnau gīta-vādyair vitānau
bhaja bhaja tu mano re rādhikā-kṛṣṇacandrau*

ati--very; sumadhura--charming; mūrtau--forms; duṣṭa--of the demons; darpa--the pride; praśāntau--quelling; suravara--to the demigods; varadau--granting benedictions; dvau--two; sarva--all; siddhi--perfections; pradānau--granting; ati--sweet; rasa--nectar; vaśa-magnau--plunged; gīta--singing; vādyair--and playing musical instruments; vitānau--expert.

O heart, please, please worship Śrī Śrī Rādhikā-Kṛṣṇacandra, whose transcendental forms are very sweet and charming, who curb the demons' pride, who are the benefactors of the best of the demigods, who grant all perfections, who are plunged into the sweetest nectar, and who expertly sing and play musical instruments.

TEXT 8

*agama-nigama-sārau sṛṣṭi-saṁhāra-kārau
vayasi nava-kiśorau nitya-Vṛndāvana-sthau
śamana-bhaya-vināśau pāpinas tārayantau
bhaja bhaja tu mano re rādhikā-kṛṣṇacandrau*

agama-nigama--of Vedic scriptures; sārau--the ultimate goal; sṛṣṭi--creation;
saṁhāra--and annihilation; kārau--doers; vayasi--in age; nava--new; kiśorau--
youths; nitya--eternally; Vṛndāvana--in Vṛndāvana; sthau--staying; śamana--strife;
bhaya--and fear; vināśau--destruction; pāpinas--the sinful; tārayantau--delivering.

O heart, please, please worship Śrī Śrī Rādhikā-Kṛṣṇacandra, who are the ultimate
goal of all Vedic scriptures, who create and destroy the universes, who are
youthful, who eternally stay in Vṛndāvana, who destroy all fear and strife, and who
deliver the sinful.

TEXT 9

*idaṁ manoharam stotraṁ
śraddhayā yaḥ paṭhen naraḥ
rādhikā-kṛṣṇacandrau ca
siddhidau nātra saṁśayaḥ*

idaṁ--this; manoharam--beautiful; stotraṁ--prayer; śraddhayā--with faith; yaḥ--
one who; paṭhen--reads; naraḥ--a person; rādhikā-kṛṣṇacandrau--Rādhikā-
Kṛṣṇacandra; ca--and; siddhidau--granting perfection; na--not; atra--in this;
saṁśayaḥ--any doubt.

Śrī Śrī Rādhikā-Kṛṣṇacandra grant perfection to whoever reads this beautiful
prayer with faith and devotion. Of this there is no doubt.