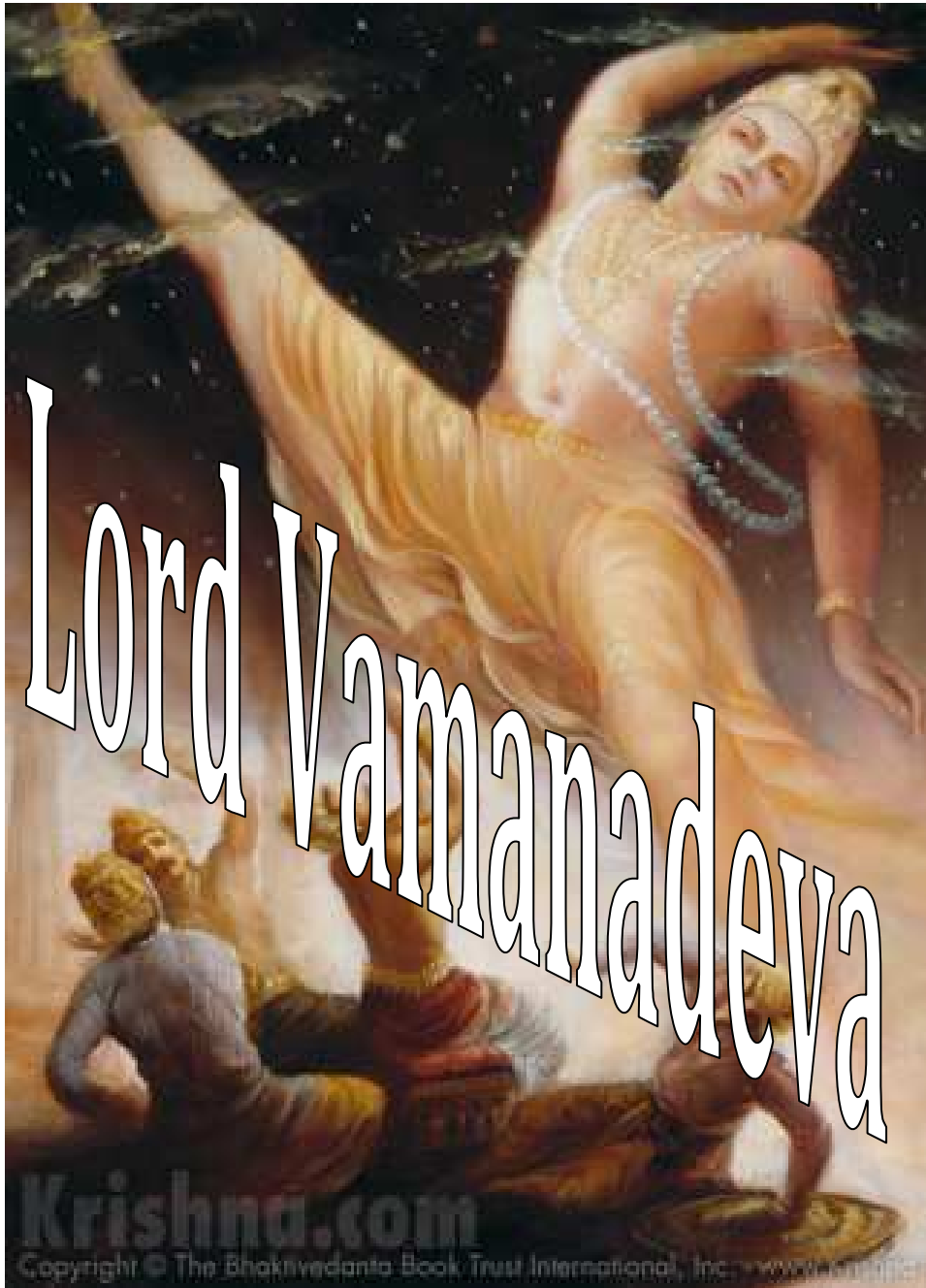


After churning of the milk ocean, a the war broke between the demons and the demigods and King Indra was victorious and Bali Maharaj was killed.



By the grace of Shukracharya, Bali Maharaj was brought back to life. Then, Bali Maharaj, engaged himself in the service of Shukracharya.

Then Bali Maharaj performed a yajna, from the fire of this yajna came a chariot, horses, a flag, a bow, armor and two quivers of arrows.



Prahlada Maharaj, Bali Maharaj's grandfather, gave him an eternal garland of flowers, and Shukracharya gave him a conchshell.

Bali Maharaj, after offering obeisances to Prahlada Maharaj, the brahmanas and his spiritual master, Shukracharya, equipped himself to fight with Indra and went to Indrapuri with his soldiers.



Seeing Bali Maharaj's prowess, Indra went to his own spiritual master, Brahaspati, who advised the demigods to leave the heavenly planets.

**Lamenting for her son's misfortune, Mother Aditi prayed to Lord Vishnu for a son who could regain Indra's heavenly planet.**



**Pleased with Aditi, Lord Vishnu agreed to become her son by incarnating as a plenary expansion.**

**Lord Vishnu appeared from the womb of Aditi completely equipped with conchshell, disc, club and lotus.**



**Then the Lord assumed the form of a dwarf. All the great sages expressed their jubilation, and they performed the birthday ceremony of Lord Vamanadeva.**

**Lord Vamanadeva then visited the sacrificial arena of Bali Maharaj. Because of His transcendently effulgent presence, all the priests stood from their seats and offered prayers to Him.**



**Lord Vamanadeva begged Bali Maharaj for three paces of land and Bali Maharaj agreed to give this land in charity.**



**Shukracharya advised Bali Maharaj to withdraw his promise. But when Bali Maharaj did not follow his advice, he cursed Bali Maharaj.**

Lord Vamanadeva then immediately extended Himself into a universal body.



By extending His body, Lord Vamanadeva covered the entire sky. With His hands He covered all directions, and with His second footstep He covered the entire upper planetary system.

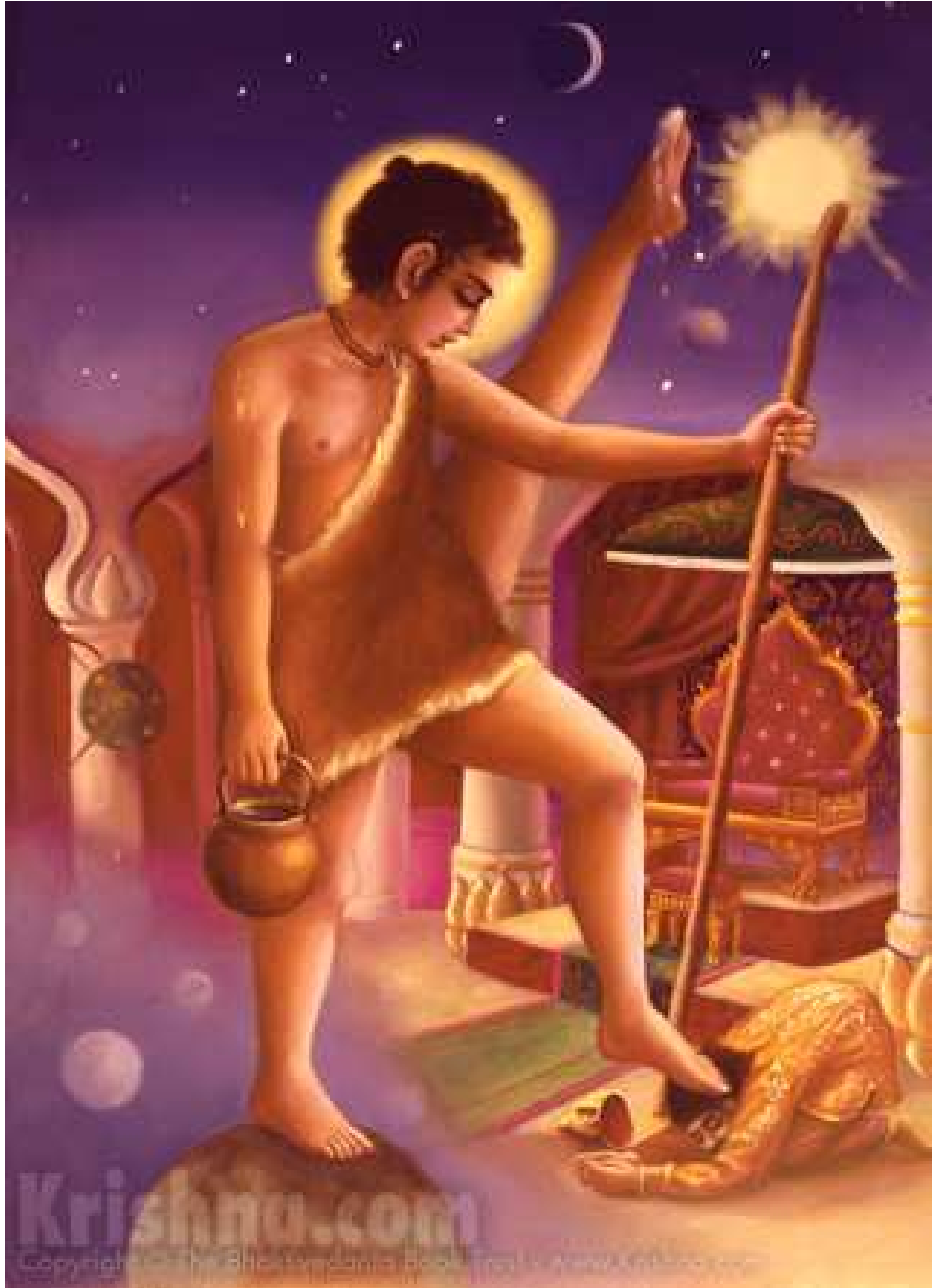
There was no vacant place where Lord Vamanadeva could place His third footstep.

When Bali Maharaj was unable to fulfill his promise, Lord Vamanadeva, ascertained that the place for him would be the planet Sutala.



Understanding Lord's purpose, Garuda, immediately arrested Bali Maharaj.

When Bali Maharaj was reduced to a helpless position, Lord Vamanadeva asked him for the third step of land. Bali Maharaj gave his head in charity as the place for third step.



Then, being pleased with Bali Maharaj, the Supreme Lord offered His disc to protect Bali Maharaj and promised to remain with him.

ohe! vaiṣṇaba ṭhākura, doyāra sāgara,  
e dāse koruṇā kori'  
diyā pada-chāyā, śodho he āmāya,  
māra caraṇa dhori

chaya bega domi', chaya doṣa śodhi',  
chaya guṇa deho' dāse  
chaya saṅga, deho' he āmāre,  
bosechi saṅgera āśe

ekākī āmāra, nāhi pāya bala,  
hari-nāma-saṅkīrṇane  
mī kṛpā kori', śraddhā-bindu diyā,  
deho' kṛṣṇa-nāma-dhane

kṛṣṇa se māra, kṛṣṇa dīpāro,  
māra śaka āche  
āmi ' kāṅgāla, 'kṛṣṇa' 'kṛṣṇa' boli',  
dhāi āva pāche pāche

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śrī-kṛṣṇa-caiṇya prabhu doyā koro more  
mā binā ke doyālu jagaṅsaṁsāre

paṇa-pāvana-he āva avaāra  
mo sama paṇa prabhu nā pāibe āra

hā hā prabhu niyānanda, premānanda sukhi  
kṛpābalokana koro āmi boro duḥkhi

doyā koro sīpa-paṇ adwai ā gosāi  
āva kṛpā-bale pāi caiṇya-niāi

gaura premamaya ānu paṇḍi ā gadādhara  
śrīnivāsa haridāsa doyāra sāgara

hā hā swarūp, sanāna, rūpa, raghunāha  
bhaṭṭa-juga, śrī-jīva hā prabhu lokanāha

doyā koro śrī-ācārya prabhu śrīnivāsa  
rāmacandra-saṅga māge naraāma-dāsa