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Publisher's Note

ATHYA SAI SPEAKS Series is, according to late Prof. N. Kasturi, the original translator and compiler, "a fragrant bouquet of flowers that never fade or falter." These discourses were delivered by Swami out of profound compassion toward seekers of Truth during the last few decades.

The need for revised and enlarged editions of the Series was strongly felt and expressed by devotees, especially by foreigners. An attempt has therefore been made in these volumes to meet their needs. The discourses have been presented year-wise so that there is no overlapping of the discourses delivered in a year, in more than one volume pertaining to the same calendar year. This rearrangement has resulted in an increase in the number of volumes, from the previous twelve to the present fifteen volumes, covering the years 1953 to 1982. Further new volumes will also be added in due course, to cover the discourses delivered after 1982.

The retention of Sanskrit words on page after page, in the previous volumes, without their English equivalents in most cases, was causing great confusion to readers, especially foreigners, who were not familiar with Sanskrit. In the present revised volumes, an attempt has been made to aid easy reading by replacing Sanskrit words with English equivalents wherever they do not affect Baba's original expression. Sanskrit words have been retained wherever it was felt necessary to preserve the essence of the original expression of Baba and where the English equivalents may not do full justice to the text in the particular context. However, in all such places the English equivalents have been given along with the Sanskrit words. Some very commonly understood Sanskrit words or Sanskrit words that are repeated too often are retained without English equivalents to retain the original flavour of Baba's discourses. Further, in this revised volume, phonetic spellings have been adopted for all Sanskrit words uniformly to enable readers who are new to these words to pronounce them correctly and to remove any vagueness in the pronunciation of these words.

A glossary has been added in these revised editions to provide comprehensive and detailed explanation of the more important Sanskrit words for the benefit of lay readers who may be interested in *Vedic* religion and philosophy. It is hoped that this will be of great help to devotees to understand more clearly the topics of Baba's discourses covering a wide spectrum of *Vedic* philosophy.

The revised series of volumes are being brought out in a larger format, Demy Octavo size, so that they can be companion books with other publications in private libraries. Computerised typesetting using a larger size of type, a more readable type face, and better line spacing have been adopted for more comfortable reading of the books, especially by elderly readers. Very long paragraphs have been split into shorter paragraphs, and suitable sub-headings have been added in every page, to relieve the monotony on the eye and make reading a pleasure.

Better quality paper, improved binding, dust cover with new design and foil printing and plastic cover have been adopted for the revised volumes for better preservation and durable shelf-life of the volumes.

With these changes, it is hoped that the revised and enlarged volumes of "Sathya Sai Speaks" Series, will be of great benefit to earnest seekers in spiritual realm.

Editor's Note for this EBook Edition

This "ebook" version of Volume 3 of "Sathya Sai Speaks" enables the reading of Sathya Sai Baba's first recorded discourses on Ipads, Kindles, Nooks, and other electronic platforms. Now, the reader can choose the type face and the point size (based on the parameters given them by their electronic platform).

In addition, it is easy to access a Sanskrit word and many of the people mentioned in the discourses in the Glossary. When reading a page, just press on a Sanskrit word or person and usually, but not always, the page shifts to the Glossary page where that word is defined or explained. (Your electronic platform should have a button or arrow to press to get back to where you were reading.). We hope that this "hypertext" feature will make it easier to use the Glossary.

We have also eliminated more Sanskrit words and replaced their phonetic spelling by more traditional Sanskrit spelling. These discourses should now be readily accessible to all.

This book represents our fifth attempt into the EBook realm. It is preliminary, and there may be changes, based on what you, the reader, like or dislike about it. Because of this, the book does not yet have its own ISBN number —that is expected to come later. We expect to continue on this venture and publish EBook versions of all of Sai's discourses and also His *Vahinis*.

Sathya Sai Speaks

"I've come," He Says, "to wake you all,
Who sleep the sleep of ages —
While one be on the pages
Of account book of paltry deeds and thoughts,
Accumulate in defiling piles ... and keep you from The happy land,
Above, beyond the sleep, the dream,
Above beyond the waking stage —
The Realm of Restful Peace."

"I've come," He Says, "to save you all Who stray away in silly pride, Hunting fantasies in bush and briar, With bandaged eyes, in pitch-dark gloom And fall into birth-and-death, Failure, fracture, faction, fanatic fire." "I've come," He Says, "to cure you all From petty selfish inanities! Trivial tinsel temporalities! Your tweedledums and tweedledees, The little loves and hates, Peevish paisa rivalries, Across dividing line of 'mine' and 'thine'! Brother gouging brother's eye, Sister crushing sister's babe — For the sin of wall between!" ******

Here you find on every page The Words He spoke for You. A few ... which I dared translate Into uncouth English tongue The few I gathered from His Lips As I sat at the Feet, to catch His voice So Sweet, so charged with Grace!

The solar rays, they open wide
The buds of Lotus, waiting for the Warmth!
May Baba's Words, their warming touch
Unfurl the petals of your Lotus heart!

N. Kasturi

Sathya Sai Baba in 1960-63

