

1 yOhanaH patraM

^I AditO ya AsId yasya vAg asmAbhirazrAvi yanjca vayaM svanEtrai rdRSTavantO yanjca vlkSitavantaH svakaraiH sprSTavantazca taM jIvanavAdaM vayaM jnjApayAmaH|

^{II} sa jIvanasvarUpaH prakAzata vayanjca taM dRSTa-
vantastamadhi sAkSyAM dadmazca, yazca pituH sannid-
hAvavarttatAsmAkaM samIpE prakAzata ca tam anantaji-
vanasvarUpaM vayaM yuSmAn jnjApayAmaH|

^{III} asmAbhi ryad dRSTaM zrutanjca tadEva yuSmAn
jnjApyatE tEnAsmAbhiH sahAMzitvaM yuSmAkaM
bhaviSyati| asmAkanjca sahAMzitvaM pitra tatputreNa
yIzukhrISTE na ca sArddhaM bhavati|

^{IV} aparanjca yuSmAkam AnandO yat sampUrNO
bhavEd tadarthaM vayam EtAni likhAmaH|

^V vayaM yAM vArttAM tasmAt zrutva yuSmAn jn-
jApayAmaH sEyam| IzvarO jyOtistasmin andhakArasya
lEzO'pi nAsti|

^{VI} vayaM tEna sahAMzina iti gaditva yadyandhAkArE
carAmastarhi satyAcAriNO na santO 'nRtavAdinO
bhavAmaH|

^{VII} kintu sa yathA jyOtiSi varttatE tathA
vayamapi yadi jyOtiSi carAmastarhi parasparaM
sahabhAginO bhavAmastasya putrasya yIzukhrISTasya
rudhiranjcAsmAn sarvvasmAt pApAt zuddhayati|

^{VIII} vayaM niSpApA iti yadi vadAmastarhi svayamEva
svAn vanjcayAmaH satyamatanjcAsmAkaM antarE na
vidyatE|

IX yadi svapApAni svlKurmmahE tarhi sa vizvAsyO yAthArthikazcAsti tasmAd asmAkaM pApAni kSamiSyatE sarvvasmAd adharmmAccAsmAn zuddhayiSyati|

X vayam akRtapApA iti yadi vadAmastarhi tam anR-tavAdinaM kurmmastasya vAkyanjcAsmAkam antarE na vidyatE|

II

I hE priyabAlakAH, yuSmAbhi ryat pApaM na kriyEta tadarthaM yuSmAn pratyEtAni mayA likhyantE| yadi tu kEnApi pApaM kriyatE tarhi pituH samIpe 'smAkaM EkaH sahAyO 'rthatO dhArmmikO yIzuH khriSTO vidyatE|

II sa cAsmAkaM pApAnAM prAyazcittaM kEvalamasmAkaM nahi kintu likhilasaMsArasya pApAnAM prAyazcittaM|

III vayaM taM jAnIma iti tadIyAjnjApAlanEnAvagacchA-maH|

IV ahaM taM jAnAmIti vaditvA yastasyAjnjA na pAlayati so 'nRtavAdI satyamatanjca tasyAntarE na vidyatE|

V yaH kazcit tasya vAkyam pAlayati tasmin Izvarasya prEma satyarUpENa sidhyati vayaM tasmin varttAmahE tad EtEnAvagacchAmaH|

VI ahaM tasmin tiSThAmIti yO gadati tasyEdam ucitaM yat khriSTO yAdRg AcaritavAn so 'pi tAdRg AcarEt|

VII hE priyatamaH, yuSmAn pratyahaM nUtanAmAjn-jAM likhAmIti nahi kintvAditO yuSmAbhi rlabdhAM pu-rAtanAmAjnjAM likhAmi| AditO yuSmAbhi ryad vAkyam zrutaM sa purAtanAjnjA|

VIII punarapi yuSmAn prati nUtanAjnjA mayA likhyata Etadapi tasmin yuSmAsu ca satyam, yatO 'ndhakArO vy-atyEti satya jyOtizcEdAnIM prakAzatE;

IX ahaM jyOtiSi vartta iti gaditvA yaH svabhrAtaraM dvESTi sO 'dyApi tamisrE varttatE|

X svabhrAtari yaH prIyatE sa Eva jyOtiSi varttatE vigh-najanakaM kimapi tasmin na vidyatE|

XI kintu svabhrAtaraM yO dvESTi sa timirE varttatE timirE carati ca timirENa ca tasya nayanE 'ndhIkriyEtE tasmAt kka yAmIti sa jnjAtuM na zaknOti|

XII hE zizavaH, yUyaM tasya nAmna pApakSamAM prAptavantastasmAd ahaM yuSmAn prati likhAmi|

XIII hE pitaraH, ya AditO varttamAnastaM yUyaM jAnItha tasmAd yuSmAn prati likhAmi| hE yuvAnaH yUyaM pApAtmAnaM jitavantastasmAd yuSmAn prati likhAmi| hE balakAH, yUyaM pitaraM jAnItha tasmAda-haM yuSmAn prati likhitavAn|

XIV hE pitaraH, AditO yO varttamAnastaM yUyaM jAnItha tasmAd yuSmAn prati likhitavAn| hE yuvAnaH, yUyaM balavanta AdhvE, Izvarasya vAkyanjca yuSmadantarE varttatE pApAtmA ca yuSmAbhiH parAjigyE tasmAd yuSmAn prati likhitavAn|

XV yUyaM saMsArE saMsArasthaviSayESu ca mA prIyadhvaM yaH saMsArE prIyatE tasyAntarE pituH prEma na tiSthati|

XVI yataH saMsArE yadyat sthitam arthataH zArIrik-abhAvasyAbhilASO darzanEndriyasyAbhilASO jIvanasya garvvazca sarvvamEtat pitRtO na jAyatE kintu saMsA-radEva|

XVII saMsArastadIyAbhilASazca vyatyEti kintu ya Iz-varasyESTaM karOti sO 'nantakAlaM yAvat tiSthati|

XVIII hE balakAH, zESakALO'yAM, aparaM khrISTARiNOPasthAvyamiti yuSmAbhi ryathA zrutaM tathA bahavaH khrISTAraya upasthitAstasmAdayaM zESakALO'stIti vayaM jAnImaH|

XIX tE 'smanmadhyAn nirgatavantaH kintvasmadIyA nAsan yadyasmadIyA abhaviSyAn tarhyasmatsagge 'sthAsyan, kintu sarvvE 'smadIyA na santyEtasya prakAza Avazyaka AsIt|

XX yaH pavitrastasmAd yUyam abhiSEkaM prAptavan-
tastEna sarvvANi jAnItha|

XXI yUyAM satyamataM na jAnItha tatKaraNAd ahaM
yuSmAn prati likhitavAn tannahi kintu yUyAM tat
jAnItha satyamatacca kimapyanRtavAkyAM nOtpadyatE
tatKaraNAdEva|

XXII yIzurabhiSiktastrAtEti yO nAggIkarOti taM vinA ko
'parO 'nRtavAdI bhavEt? sa Eva khrISTari ryaH pitaram
putranjca nAggIkarOti|

XXIII yaH kazcit putraM nAggIkarOti sa pitaramapi na
dhArayati yazca putramaggIkarOti sa pitaramapi dhAray-
ati|

XXIV AditO yuSmAbhi ryat zrutaM tad yuSmAsu
tiSThatu, AditaH zrutaM vAkyAM yadi yuSmAsu tiSThati,
tarhi yUyamapi putrE pitari ca sthAsyatha|

XXV sa ca pratijnjayAsmabhyaM yat pratijnjAtavAn tad
anantajIvanaM|

XXVI yE janA yuSmAn bhrAmayanti tAnadhyaham
idaM likhitavAn|

XXVII aparaM yUyAM tasmAd yam abhiSEkaM prApta-
vantaH sa yuSmAsu tiSThati tataH ko'pi yad yuSmAn zik-
SayEt tad anAvazyakaM, sa cAbhiSEko yuSmAn sarvvANi
zikSayati satyazca bhavati na cAtathyaH, ataH sa yuSmAn
yadvad azikSayat tadvat tatra sthAsyatha|

XXVIII ataEva hE priyabAlakA yUyAM tatra tiSThata,
tathA sati sa yadA prakAziSyatE tadA vayaM pratibhAn-
vita bhaviSyAmaH, tasyAgamanasamayE ca tasya sAk-
SAnna trapiSyAmaHE|

XXIX sa dhArmmikO 'stIti yadi yUyaM jAnItha tarhi yaH kazcid dharmmAcAraM karOti sa tasmAt jAta ityapi jAnIta|

III

I pazyata vayam Izvarasya santAnA iti nAmnAkhyAmahE, EtEna pitAsmabhyaM kIdRk mahAprEma pradattavAn, kintu saMsArastaM nAjAnAt tatkAraNAdasmAn api na jAnAti|

II hE priyatamaH, idAnIM vayam Izvarasya santAnA AsmahE pazcAt kiM bhaviSyAmastad adyApyaprakAzitaM kintu prakAzaM gatE vayaM tasya sadRZA bhaviSyAmi iti jAnImaH, yataH sa yAdRzO 'sti tAdRzO 'smAbhirdarziSyatE|

III tasmin ESA pratyAZA yasya kasyacid bhavati sa svaM tathA pavitraM karOti yathA sa pavitro 'sti|

IV yaH kazcit pApam Acarati sa vyavasthAlagghanaM karOti yataH pApamEva vyavasthAlagghanaM|

V aparaM so 'smAkAM pApAnyapaharttuM prAkAzataitad yUyaM jAnItha, pApanjca tasmin na vidyatE|

VI yaH kazcit tasmin tiSThati sa pApAcAraM na karOti yaH kazcit pApAcAraM karOti sa taM na dRSTavAn na vAvagatavAn|

VII hE priyabAlakAH, kazcid yuSmAkAM bhramaM na janayEt, yaH kazcid dharmmAcAraM karOti sa tAdRg dhArmmikO bhavati yAdRk sa dhAmmikO 'sti|

VIII yaH pApAcAraM karOti sa zayatAnAt jAtO yataH zayatAna AditaH pApAcArI zayatAnasya karmmaNAM lOpArthamEvEzvarasya putraH prAkAzata|

IX yaH kazcid IzvarAt jAtaH sa pApAcAraM na karOti yatastasya vIryyaM tasmin tiSThati pApAcAraM karttunjca na zaknOti yataH sa IzvarAt jAtaH|

X ityanEnEzvarasya santAnAH zayatAnasya ca santAnA vyaktA bhavanti| yaH kazcid dharmmAcAraM na karOti sa IzvarAt jAtO nahi yazca svabhrAtari na priyatE sO 'pIzvarAt jAtO nahi|

XI yatastasya ya AdEza AditO yuSmAbhiH zrutaH sa ESA Eva yad asmAbhiH parasparaM prEma karttavyaM|

XII pApAtmatO jAtO yaH kAbil svabhrAtaraM hata-vAn tatsadRzairasmAbhi rna bhavitavyaM| sa kasmAt kAraNAt taM hatavAn? tasya karmmANi duSTAni tadbhrAtuzca karmmANi dharmmANYAsan iti kAraNAt|

XIII hE mama bhrAtaraH, saMsArO yadi yuSmAn dvESTi tarhi tad AzcaryyaM na manyadhvaM|

XIV vayaM mRtyum uttIryya jIvanaM prAptavantastad bhrAtRSu prEmakaraNAt jAnImaH| bhrAtari yO na priyatE sa mRtyau tiSThati|

XV yaH kazcit svabhrAtaraM dvESTi saM naraghAtI kinjcAnantajIvanaM naraghAtinaH kasyApyantarE nA-vatiSThatE tad yUyaM jAnItha|

XVI asmAkaM kRtE sa svaprANAMstyaktavAn ityanEna vayaM prEmnastattvam avagataH, aparaM bhrAtRNAM kRtE 'smAbhirapi prANASTyaktavyAH|

XVII sAMsArikajIvikAprAptO yO janaH svabhrAtaraM dInaM dRSTvA tasmAt svIyadayAM ruNaddhi tasyAntara Izvarasya prEma kathaM tiSThet?

XVIII hE mama priyabAlakAH, vAkyEna jihvayA vAs-mAbhiH prEma na karttavyaM kintu kAryyENa satyatayA caiva|

XIX EtEna vayaM yat satyamatasambandhIyAstat jAnI-mastasya sAkSAt svAntaHkaraNani sAntvayituM zakSyA-mazca|

XX yatO 'smadantaHkaraNaM yadyasmAn dUSayati tarhyasmadantaH karaNAd IzvarO mahAn sarvvajnjazca|

XXI hE priyatamaH, asmadantaHkaraNaM yadyasmAn na dUSayati tarhi vayam Izvarasya sAkSAt pratibhAnvita bhavamaH|

XXII yacca prArthayAmahE tat tasmAt prApnumaH, yatO vayaM tasyAjnjAH pAlayAmastasya sAkSAt tuSTi-janakam AcAraM kurmmazca|

XXIII aparaM tasyEyamAjnjA yad vayaM putrasya yIzukhrISTasya nAmni vizvasimastasyAjnjAnusArENa ca parasparaM prEma kurmmaH|

XXIV yazca tasyAjnjAH pAlayati sa tasmin tiSThati tasmin so'pi tiSThati; sa cAsmAn yam AtmAnaM dattavAn tasmAt so 'smAsu tiSThatiIti jAnImaH|

IV

I hE priyatamaH, yUyaM sarvvESvAtmasu na vizvasita kintu tE IzvarAt jAta na vEtyAtmanaH parIkSad-hvaM yatO bahavO mRSAbhaviSyadvAdino jaganmadhyam AgatavantaH|

II IzvarIyO ya Atma sa yuSmAbhiraNa paricIyatAM, yIzuH khrISTO narAvatArO bhUtvAgata Etad yEna kEnacid AtmanA svIkriyatE sa IzvarIyaH|

III kintu yIzuH khrISTO narAvatArO bhUtvAgata Etad yEna kEnacid AtmanA nAggIkriyatE sa IzvarIyO nahi kintu khrISTArErAtma, tEna cAgantavyamiti yuSmAbhiH zrutaM, sa cEdAnImapi jagati varttate|

IV hE balakAH, yUyam IzvarAt jAtAstAn jitavan-tazca yataH saMsArAdhiSThAnakAriNO 'pi yuSmadad-hiSThAnakAri mahAn|

V tE saMsArAt jAtAstatO hEtOH saMsArAd bhASantE saMsArazca tESAM vAkyAni gRhIAti|

VI vayam IzvarAt jAtAH, IzvaraM yO jAnAti sO'smadvAkyAni gRhIAti yazcEzvarAt jAtO nahi sO'smadvAkyAni na gRhIAti; anEna vayaM satyAtmAnaM bhrAmakAtmAnanjca paricinumaH|

VII hE priyatamaH, vayaM parasparaM prEma kar-avAma, yataH prEma IzvarAt jAyate, aparaM yaH kazcit prEma karOti sa IzvarAt jAta IzvaraM vEtti ca|

VIII yaH prEma na karOti sa IzvaraM na jAnAti yata IzvaraH prEmaSvarUpaH|

IX asmAsvIzvarasya prEmaitEna prAkAzata yat svapu-trENasmabhyaM jIvanadAnArtham IzvaraH svIyam advi-tyaM putraM jaganmadhyaM prESitavAn|

X vayaM yad IzvarE prItavanta ityatra nahi kintu sa yadasmAsu prItavAn asmatpApAnAM prAyazcirttArthaM svaputraM prESitavAMzceTyatra prEma santiSThatE|

XI hE priyatamaH, asmAsu yadIzvarENaitAdRzaM prEma kRtaM tarhi parasparaM prEma karttum asmAkamapyucitaM|

XII IzvaraH kadAca kEnApi na dRSTaH yadyasmAb-hiH parasparaM prEma kriyate tarhIzvarO 'smanmadhyE tiSThati tasya prEma cAsmAsu sEtsyate|

XIII asmabhyaM tEna svakIyatmanOM'zo datta itya-nEna vayaM yat tasmin tiSThamaH sa ca yad asmAsu tiSThatiti jAnImaH|

XIV pitA jagatrAtAraM putraM prESitavAn Etad vayaM dRSTva pramaNayamaH|

XV yIzurIzvarasya putra Etad yEnAggIkriyatE tasmin IzvarastiSThati sa cEzvarE tiSThati|

XVI asmAsvIzvarasya yat prEma varttatE tad vayaM jnjAtavantastasmin vizvAsitavantazca| IzvaraH prEmasvarUpaH prEmni yastiSThati sa IzvarE tiSThati tasmiMzcEzvarastiSThati|

XVII sa yAdRzO 'sti vayamapyEtasmin jagati tAdRzA bhavAma EtasmAd vicAradinE 'smAbhi ryA pratibhA labhyatE sAsmatsambandhiyasya prEmnaH siddhiH|

XVIII prEmni bhIti rna varttatE kintu siddhaM prEma bhItiM nirAkarOti yatO bhItiH sayAtanAsti bhItO mAnavaH prEmni siddhO na jAtaH|

XIX asmAsu sa prathamaM prItavAn iti kArANAd vayaM tasmin prIyAmahE|

XX IzvarE 'haM prIya ityuktva yaH kazcit svabhrAtaraM dvESTi sO 'nRtavAdI| sa yaM dRSTavAn tasmin svabhrAtari yadi na prIyatE tarhi yam IzvaraM na dRSTavAn kathaM tasmin prEma karttuM zaknuyAt?

XXI ata IzvarE yaH prIyatE sa svIyabhrAtaryyapi prIyatAm iyam AjnjA tasmAd asmAbhi rlabdhA|

V

I yIzurabhiSiktastrAtEti yaH kazcid vizvAsiti sa IzvarAt jAtaH; aparaM yaH kazcit janayitari prIyatE sa tasmAt jAtE janE 'pi prIyatE|

II vayam Izvarasya santAnESu prIyAmahE tad anEna jAnImO yad IzvarE prIyAmahE tasyAjnjAH pAlayAmazca|

III yata IzvarE yat prEma tat tadIyAjnjApAlanEnAsmAbhiH prakAzayitavyaM, tasyAjnjAzca kaThOrA na bhavanti|

IV yatO yaH kazcid IzvarAt jAtaH sa saMsAraM jayati kinjcAsmAkaM yO vizvAsaH sa EvAsmAkaM saMsArajay-ijayaH|

V yIzurIzvarasya putra iti yO vizvasiti taM vinA kO'paraH saMsAraM jayati?

VI so'bhiSiktastrAtA yIzustOyarudhirAbhyAm AgataH kEvalaM tOyEana nahi kintu tOyarudhirAbhyAm, AtmA ca sAkSI bhavati yata AtmA satyatAsvarUpaH|

VII yatO hEtOH svargE pitA vAdaH pavitra AtmA ca traya imE sAkSiNaH santi, traya imE caiko bhavanti|

VIII tathA pRthivyAm AtmA tOyaM rudhiranjca trINyEtAni sAkSyAM dadAti tESAM trayANAm EkatvaM bhavati ca|

IX manavAnAM sAkSyAM yadyasmAbhi rgRhyatE tarhIzvarasya sAkSyAM tasmAdapi zrESThaM yataH svaputramadhIzvarENa dattaM sAkSyamidaM|

X Izvarasya putrE yO vizvAsiti sa nijAntarE tat sAkSyAM dhArayati; IzvarE yO na vizvasiti sa tam anRtavAdinaM karOti yata IzvaraH svaputramadhi yat sAkSyAM dattavAn tasmin sa na vizvasiti|

XI tacca sAkSyamidaM yad IzvarO 'smabhyam anantajivanaM dattavAn tacca jIvanaM tasya putrE vidyatE|

XII yaH putraM dhArayati sa jIvanaM dhAriyati, Izvarasya putraM yO na dhArayati sa jIvanaM na dhArayati|

XIII Izvaraputrasya nAmni yuSmAn pratyEtAni mayA likhitAni tasyAbhiprAyO 'yaM yad yUyam anantajivanaprAptA iti jAnIyAta tasyEzvaraputrasya nAmni vizvasEta ca|

XIV tasyAntike 'smAkaM ya pratibha bhavati tasyAH kAraNamidaM yad vayaM yadi tasyAbhimataM kimapi taM yAcAmahE tarhi so 'smAkaM vAkyAM zRN0ti|

^{XV} sa cAsmAkaM yat kinjcana yAcanaM zRNOIti yadi jAnImastarhi tasmAd yAcitA varA asmAbhiH prApyantE tadapi jAnImaH|

^{XVI} kazcid yadi svabhrAtaram amRtyujanakaM pApaM kurvvantaM pazyati tarhi sa prArthanAM karOtu tEnEz-varastasmai jIvanaM dAsyati, arthatO mRtyujanakaM pA-paM yEna nAkAritasmai| kintu mRtyujanakam EkaM pA-pam AstE tadadhi tEna prArthanA kriyatAmityahaM na vadAmi|

^{XVII} sarvva EvAdharmmaH pApaM kintu sarvvapAMpa mRtyujanakaM nahi|

^{XVIII} ya IzvarAt jAtaH sa pApAcAraM na karOti kintvIz-varAt jAtO janaH svaM rakSati tasmAt sa pApAtmA taM na spRzatIti vayaM jAnImaH|

^{XIX} vayam IzvarAt jAtaH kintu kRtsnaH saMsAraH pApAtmanO vazaM gatO 'stIti jAnImaH|

^{XX} aparam Izvarasya putra AgatavAn vayanjca yayA tasya satyamayasya jnjAnaM prApnuyAmastAdRzIM dhiyam asmabhyaM dattavAn iti jAnImastasmin satyamayE 'rthatastasya putrE yIzukhrISTE tiSThAmazca; sa Eva satyamaya IzvarO 'nantajIvanasvarUpazcAsti|

^{XXI} hE priyabAlakAH, yUyaM dEvamUrttibhyaH svAn rakSata| AmEn|

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