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## Avatars

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**ADI:** Yes, what is the question?

**PILGRIM # 1:** Ah, yes, there's a lot, you know, we go around, we meet various people, they've come to Baba, under the name of Jesus the Christ or under Krishna or Mohammad or whatever. And, I was wondering, whether or not the name makes any difference or not. If the person who loves Jesus, is it important that [inaudible] you know the question.

**ADI:** Yes, yes, I got it.

**SPEAKER:** In my opinion, if anybody, suppose someone does not take Baba as God and he says, "No, I take Jesus as God."

Doesn't matter. If he carries the, I mean, instructions that Baba has given us or the life that Baba has designed for us to live, he lives that life and even if he calls Baba as Jesus, doesn't matter.

Of course, if one is convinced that Baba is God and Baba is with us, then he will never say that. That conviction also will come, through his own actions, through his own life.

The way you live your life, conviction of God, Baba is sure to come to you. And once that conviction is achieved, then there is no need for taking any names. That Baba is everywhere, Baba is in everything, in every being.

So I should, I would say that, instead of not believing in God or not believing anything Godly of this sort, if one does this in the name of Jesus or any other name or Krishna, he's still better than that he didn't.

**PILGRIM # 3:** Could you explain God-realisation? [pilgrims cross-talking and laughing].

**SPEAKER:** Explain God-realisation? It's very easy. It's very easy: know yourself.

**PILGRIM # 3:** Yes, how?

**SPEAKER:** How to know yourself?

**PILGRIM # 3:** No, never mind. [pilgrims laughing].

**PILGRIM # 1:** Adi?

**ADI:** Now, let here. Let me just continue after he has. You see, nothing is wrong, to worship the previous Avatar. Avatar is the same. There are no two Avatars.

It was the same. Meher Baba was as Jesus during the time of Jesus and He is Meher Baba today. Now, if you are convinced of this fact, a man may not be convinced of this fact and he may just worship Jesus as his God.

There is nothing wrong in it. It is perfectly all right. He's on the right path, there's nothing, and even if he worshipped Jesus, all his

prayers will have to be responded by the same Avatar in the latest form.

It doesn't go anywhere else. But there is always an aroma of freshness in the latest Avatar. [pilgrims laugh out loud]. That is all.

**PILGRIM # 4:** There's no argument then. I mean that we spend hours arguing with people who follow Jesus Christ.

**ADI:** It is not worth arguing at all and one should not try to impose this upon anybody else. Just try to give your understanding that the Avatar comes over and over again but he may not even accept this, he says only Christ is the Avatar, there is no Avatar.

So if God is everywhere how could He only be in Christ and not in Krishna, Mohammad or Meher Baba? You see, we are nagating the very statement we are asserting for, as an attribute, the greatest attribute of God, that He's everywhere. If He's everywhere, He's equally in Meher Baba, why shouldn't He be?

So then we have to give up this point and try to convince him in the other way. If you see he cannot face us in the front, we have to just go back and then explain to him, convince him and he'll come around gradually.

Once he's convinced, that the Avatar is only one. He was in the same as Zoroastrian, Ram, Krishna, Mohammad and Meher Baba. Christ and Meher Baba, Mohammad and Meher Baba, then it is same.

Then, he will himself decide, that, now let me worship the same Avatar in the latest form. Why should I go back? There is no necessity for me to go back.

**PILGRIM # 4:** [inaudible] Jesus said, I am the way, and He will, I am the door, there is only one door, which is the.

**ADI:** So what is that I? That is to be understood.

**PILGRIM # 4:** I am the way.

**ADI:** I am the way, that I is, I am for all. That means Avatar in any form is the same I. And that I is really that individuality that is the universal individuality. That I.

**PILGRIM # 4:** That nobody enters the gate, [inaudible] but through 'me'. That's where I hear this.

**ADI:** So we say, we all agree up to through 'me'. But who is this 'me'? This 'me' is only confined to the form of Jesus there, this 'me' is everywhere, He's in other form also. In the form of Meher Baba that same 'me' is there.

You see, that is where they confine, you see limit, the individuality of the Avatar into the form of Jesus only. They are afraid to come out in the ocean. These are the persons who have got so small ideas they are, they only know how to swim in a small well. The moment they come out in the ocean, they get frightened you see. They cannot open them to the universal ideas. They will have to come, one day or another.