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## Three Rules

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**ATTENDEE #1:** What does?

**ADI:** Pardon?

**ATTENDEE #1:** What does He say about nature?

**ADI:** Who?

**ATTENDEE #1:** Baba. What does He say about nature?

**ADI:** Nature is created by God.

**ATTENDEE #1:** What about destroying nature? [inaudible].

**ADI:** You see the very act of creating nature implies that the destruction has to take place and the implication is that the sustenance also has to take place.

In the very act of creating, is contained, the act of sustaining and the act of destroying. They are not three things to look at from our ignorant point of you, it is creation, it is sustaining, sustenance and it is destructions.

But they really do not exist. You see, Baba says, it's all an illusion, it's a dream. It does exist but in a, it's a dream, it's illusion, it is nothing! But not until we get knowledge

can we say nothing by virtue of our experience.

We say nothing because Baba has said, so we accept it, of course. We do not experience it as nothing.

**ATTENDEE #2:** What does He say of about true peace?

**ADI:** Hmm?

**ATTENDEE #2:** What does He say of true peace?

**ADI:** Have you read any of Baba's books?

**ATTENDEE #2:** No I haven't.

**ADI:** Then you should read Baba's books, I shall have to say so many things. True peace?

**ATTENDEE #2:** Yeah, what is the way of peace?

**ADI:** It is really not the peace of mind that a man has to finally acquire, it is the freedom from everything. Baba says one has to become free from everything, from every bondage.

And what you call about peace is also a bondage. That bondage may be of a gold

chain and another bondage may be of an iron chain. So what you call as peace and mental peace is really very fictitious.

It can never be attained at all. You see the freedom from peace or from confusion that one has to attain to. One has to become free from this.

Yes?

**ATTENDEE #2:** Can one halfway love Baba instead of one loves Baba, and even though one doesn't necessary obey Baba, Baba understands and cares.

**ADI:** Hmm. Really speaking if one obeys Baba, one loves Baba, then he must obey, and he must lead his own life in the way Baba wishes him to lead. If he is not able to do and still calls himself a Baba, you see, in the field of love, in the field of Baba's work, there is no compulsion. There is no coercion, you see.

Otherwise it will cease to be love. We have to present things to them. And if a man says that he loves Baba and he doesn't keep his life the way that Baba wants him to do, then, he must himself understand whether he is really truthful or honest to himself or whether he's a hypocrite.

And by our laying stress upon his weaknesses everytime, is not going to be of any use at all. It is he who should understand, he should compare the two things and he should understand because all the intellectuals are able to understand things, we are not ignorant people, you see. And things are placed before him, it is up to him to choose what he should have. And the life that Baba wishes us to lead, I have been all the time telling there are

only simple three things that man has to really take care of. And the rest of all the things, all the confusion, even if it is created in the mind should not be taken seriously and one should really become indifferent to it.

But the most important, you see, whether this is a ritual or that is a ritual is really not as important as the life one leads at home. Whether the life every Baba lover leads is a life as wished by Baba or not.

Now how Baba wishes us to lead our life? It is all given in the discourses, one has to read through and arrive at a conclusion, the life Baba precisely wants us to lead. Probably it will be a long process, so I just put it in three simple statements.

The life that Baba wants each one of us to lead and unless and until we lead our life the way Baba wants us to lead, we have no right to call ourselves as Baba lovers, much less the right to do any Baba work at all.

Because Baba work really should begin with oneself first as it is said that charity must begin at home. So Baba work, Baba's work, if he claims himself to be a Baba lover, his work should first begin with himself.

Unless he lives the life, his words is going to carry no weight at all anywhere. So, what are the, there are only simple three things Baba says.

Baba says, you do all the duties of your life faithfully and honestly but you love me the most. Keep me in my heart as the most precious thing. Love me. This is one thing.

Secondly, anything that doesn't belong to me, I should not covet. Anything that I use and possess in my life I must have a right, I must create a right for it. Otherwise I have no right to even touch it by even a small finger. I cannot touch anybody's money that really doesn't belong to me. I should not covet anybody's money.

Similarly, I should not covet anybody's woman. Unless she belongs to me as my own wife.

These are the three simple things. And one Perfect Master has said, Baba many a times had this little couplet recited before Him, He said only two things, he did not even say three things. He said two things.

If you do these two things, do not covet anybody's money or anybody's woman, If you only do these three things, I guarantee you God realization. If you do not get, I stand as a guarantor. How important, how important.

And the most important thing we absolutely neglect and we become so indifferent to it, and small things whether this is a ritual, whether this is repeated, whether silence should be observed, or a

lecture should be given, whether one should attend the meeting and how long it should be attended and some people get tired, whether meditation should be done.

These are absolutely very small things! We should not get disturbed over these things to fight like children. They are of no importance at all.

And the most important things is our own life.

**ATTENDEE #3:** I have a question.

**ADI:** Yes

**ATTENDEE #3:** Did Baba say anything about Baba's astrology?

[Sound of Attendees laughing]

**ADI:** He will give his own experience about astrology.

**MEHERJEE:** Well Baba, never asked us to depend upon astrology or be superstitious about stars and these things, I give you one concrete instance. As some of you know, I was doing.