



VASUDEO - KRISHNA
It was dark midnight of the month of Bhadra when Vasudeo, the father of Krishna, had to go to Braja with Krishna to put him near Yashada in order to save him from the clutches of cruel Kansa. Vasudeo, keeping new born child upon his head, set out crossing the roaring waters of river Yamuna in that fearful night.

वसुदेव-कृष्ण भादौं की अधराति औ गरजत यमुना नीर, चले जात वसुदेव मंग तिर धरि स्याम सरीर।



YAMALARJUN - UDDHAR

Having been fed up with the mischiefs of Krishna, mother Yashoda tied him with an ukhal. Krishna crawled with it and entangled it between a pair of Yamalarjun trees in such a way that both the trees fell down. Two Gandharwas, who were converted as the trees by curse of a sage, became free and with folded hands are looking surprisingly towards the wonderful performance of the Lord.

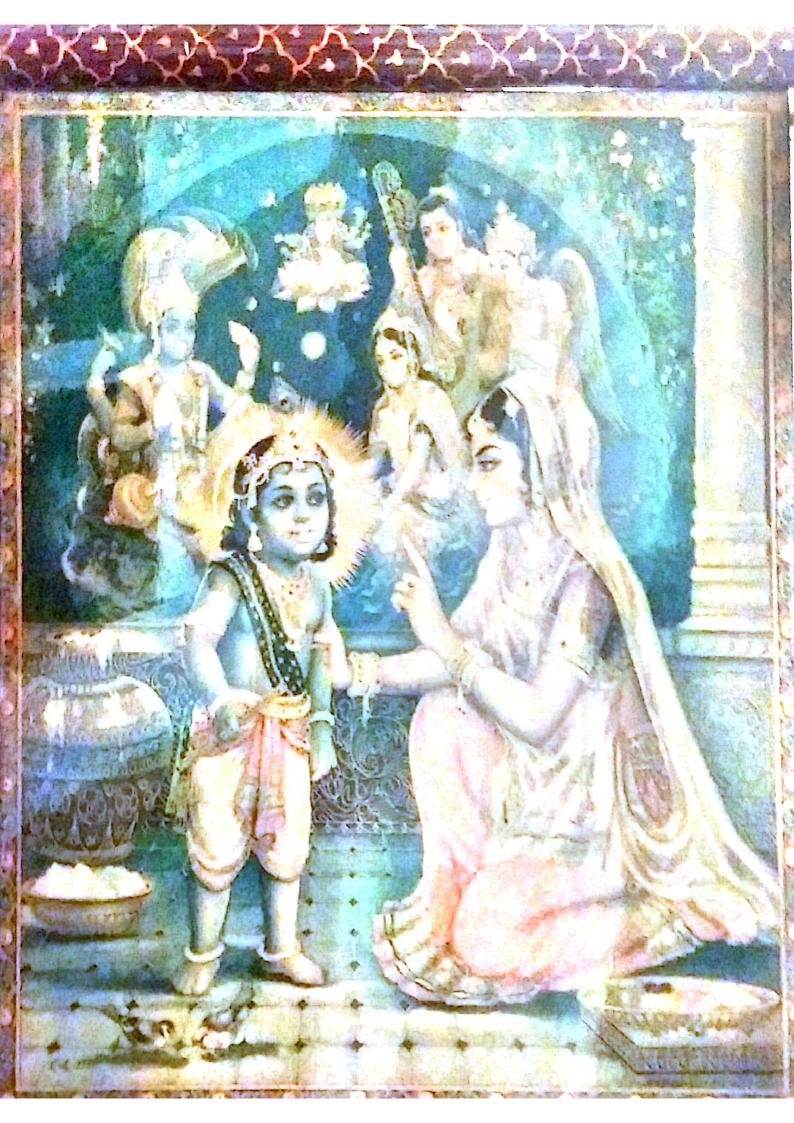
यमलार्जुन उद्धार ऊखल संग चले विहंसि करि यमलार्जुन भंग, शाप मुक्त गन्धर्व हैं चिकत देखि रस-रंग।



MAKHAN - CHOR

Young Krishna, along with his playmates wander in the streets of Gokul. They enter one house after another finding the opportune moment and start their usual performance. Well dressed in valuable clothes and precious ornaments they steal curd, milk and butter, taste it, put it on each other and also pour it on the ground only to make the housewife angry. They freely do this and enjoy.

मास्तन-चीर भवन पतिभवन चिल चोरही दूध दिधा, रतन भूषण बसन तन उजेरे। रवात लपटात दरिकात फिर हैसि भजता, चकुत है भवन निज भवन हेरे॥



BRAHMAND - DARSHAN

Mother Yashada heard that Krishna was in habit of eating clay. She took him to task, Krishna was trying his best to escape punishment. Yashada urdured, "Open your mouth," Krishna obeyed. The mother was surprised to see the entire Universe in his mouth, She at once realised that Lard Himself, had come to her as her son. This feeling overwhelmed the mother and she stared at her son dumb-founded. But Krishna is standing quite indifferently.

बल्लाण्ड दर्शन बाल विनोद मोद मन मोह्यो. भगति बताप दिखायो । 'म्रदासं पभु जसुमति के सुख. सिव विरोध बीसयो ॥



KALIYA-DAMAN
What Krishna wanted to do, he did. He wanted to remove the serpent Kaliya from his place in Yamuna as it was dangerous for people in Braja so he jumped in Kalidah to bring a ball back. He easily controlled the fierce snake and came out standing upon his hood. Let the polson remain beneath my legs and me to sing delightfully. "O Serpent! expand your hood, I wish to play flute standing upon it" And then he ordered the serpent to leave that place.

कालिया दमन
असे जहर चरण के नोचे, मैं उमग में गाऊं;
तान तान फण ब्याल, कि तुझपर मैं बाँसुरी बजाऊँ।



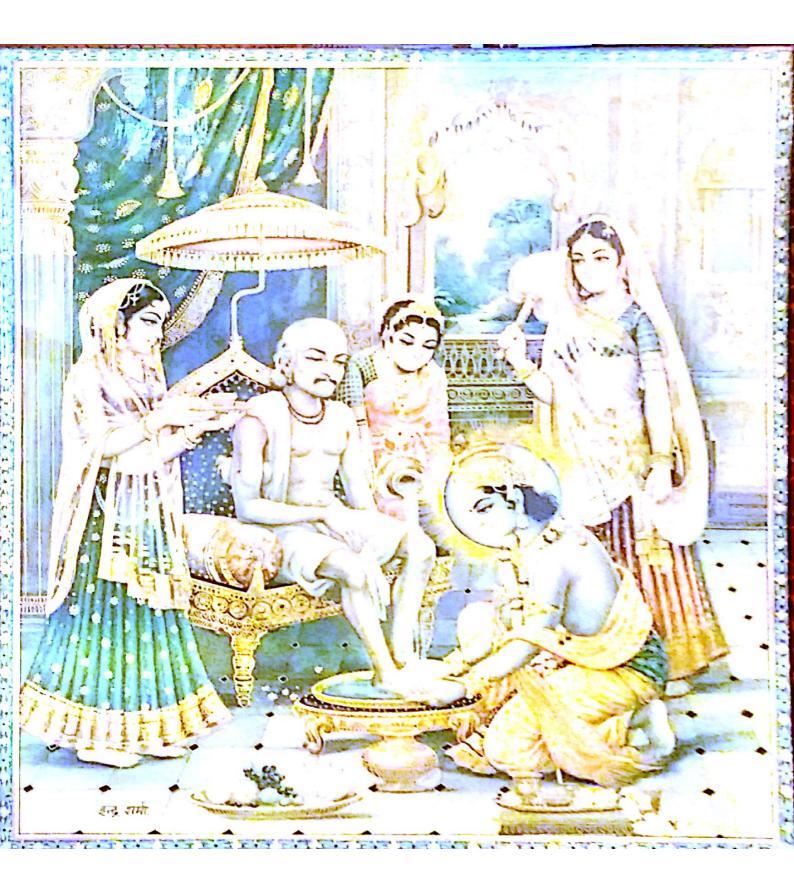
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तिज तीरथ हरि राधिका तन-दृति कर अनुराग ।

जिहि बज केलि निकृंज मग, पग-पग होत प्रयाग ॥ RASILIA
Rasilia is the most important event in Krishnavatar. The most significant day for this dance performance was the full-moon night of Sharad. Lord Krishna, Radha and all Gopis participated in it. A noted Hindi poet Bihari maintains that if you have devotion for Radha and Krishna you need not travel to various places of pilgrimage. Each and every step of Braja where the steps of Radha and Krishna had fallen, could easily be compared to Prayag, the king of Tirthas.

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KRISHNA-SUDAMA

Sudama, a poor Brahmin, was a school fellow of Krishna. After a long time of their seperation once Sudama went to Dwarka to' meet Krishna. Witnessing the pitiable condition of his friend Sudama, Krishna was so overwhelmed with grief that he did not even touch the water brought to wash the feet of Sudama because his feet were already washed with the tear shed by Krishna.

कृष्ण सुदामा देखि सुदामा की दीन दसा करुणा करि के करूणानिधि रोगे। पानी परात को हाथ खुपे नहिं नैनन के जल सों पण धोपे॥



RADHA KANT

Lord Vishnu, four-armed and the beloved of Kamala (the Godess of wealth) has incarnated himself as Krishna in Gokul, the land of cows. Here he has only two arms like ordinary human beings and is beloved of Radha.

राधा कान्त वैकुण्डे कमलाकान्तो स्पर्भदाचतुर्भुजम् । गोलोक गोकुले राधाकान्तोऽथं द्विषुजः स्वयम् ।