WHO IS MOTHER DIVINE?

21 Day Audio Meditation Series to Experience the Grace of the Divine Mother



Transcript of Today's Teaching

Day 1: Who is our Divine Mother?

Our Divine Mother is the creative power of God who gives birth to everything in the creation out of Herself. She is the energy that pervades the universe, which is there at the beginning of the creation, *becomes* the creation, evolves, then becomes quiet and returns to the source. She is the supreme energy hidden throughout the cosmos. She *is* life. She *is* love. She *is* unending bliss. She *is* all merciful, all compassionate, ever-present everywhere.

Sri Kaleshwar said, "She is the Universal Mother to everyone, no matter what religion you are," Our Divine Mother has been called many names in different traditions throughout history. In the ancient Indian tradition, She is called Shakti, Devi, Laxmi, Kali, Durga, and Maya, to name only a few. In Buddhism, She is called Tara or Quan Yin. In the *Bible*, our Divine Mother is called Wisdom, the Word, the Holy Spirit and Mother Mary. Although our Divine Mother has infinite names and forms, She is indescribable and can never really be expressed in words. She must be experienced. There is no amount of learning or understanding that can replace a direct personal experience of our Divine Mother.

As the great sage Vivekananda said, "She is a person and can be seen and known, as Ramakrishna saw and knew Her. Established in the idea of Mother we can do anything. She quickly answers prayers. She can show Herself in any form at any moment. She can have any name and form; or name without form. As we worship Her in all these aspects we can rise to pure Being, which has neither name or form."

Modern science has also discovered our Divine Mother, although they do not call Her by that name. Quantum physics speaks of the subtle vibratory field of energy that underlies everything we see and experience. This field of energy connects every thing to every thing else. Physicists call this the zero-point field. Einstein called this field the only reality that exists. It is the field of infinite possibilities. When scientists break down the tiniest particles of matter they discover

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it isn't solid at all, it is pure energy in constant motion. Even more extraordinary, these subatomic particles do not exist separately; they are part of one underlying energy, where everything affects everything else. Everything in the cosmos is connected through this one underlying energy. Each of us is a part of this unified energy, we are not separate from it, or from each other. We all exist in the matrix of our Divine Mother's energy.

In the *Bhagavad Gita*, Sri Krishna speaks of our Divine Mother this way. "Maya," he said, "makes all things, what moves and what is unmoving. She is why the world turns." In the *Devi Gita*, our Divine Mother describes Herself this way: "Infinite and endless creations are threaded on me like pearls on a string... Wherever there is anything to be seen or heard, I am to be found there, within and without. There is nothing moving or unmoving that can exist without me. This world cannot appear without me. I underlie everything."

Our Divine Mother is the supreme intelligence that guides and sustains the cosmos. In the Old Testament, King Solomon described our Divine Mother like this, "Wisdom penetrates and permeates everything that is, every material thing." Our Divine Mother gives the energy, the shakti, to our being and our consciousness. She is the hidden power inside each of us. Without coming to know Her we can never come to know our true being.

These are the words of our Divine Mother from the Devi Gita:

I am the intelligence from which the universe emanates and in which it abides. The ignorant believe me to be nothing more than Nature, but the wise experience me as the true self within. They glimpse me in their own hearts when their minds become as still and clear as an ocean without waves. The supreme wisdom is that which ends the delusion that anything exists apart from me. The fruit of this realization is a total lack of fear and the end of sorrow. When one understands that all the limitless universes are but a fraction of an atom in the unity of my being, that all the numberless lives in the universes are the wisps of vapor in one of my breaths, that all triumphs and tragedies, the good and the evil in all the worlds, are merely games I play for my own amusement, then life and death stand still and the drama of individual life evaporates like a shallow pond on a warm day. This world that you are experiencing now is nothing but my power. The only remedy for your ignorance is to worship me as your innermost self. Surrender yourself to me with one-pointed devotion and I will help you discover your true being. Abide in me as I abide in you. Know that even now at this very moment there is absolutely no difference between us. Realize and be fulfilled this instant.