

## WHY Parents' Worship Day?



Parents have spent longer time in this world; so they are more experienced than us. There can be no comparison of Sadguru's great experience with our petty experience. We easily get the benefit of experience of the three simply by respecting them. So; whosoever wants to progress in life must obey, respect and worship his parents. Youth get entangled in premarital relationships by celebrating 14<sup>th</sup> February as 'Valentine's-Day'. Their vital fluid and brightness gets wasted in the sexual indulgence caused by stimulation of lower chakras during day time. 'Parents' Worship' on 14<sup>th</sup> February will lift them from the evil of profligacy and mire of depravity to a life of bright future, purity of character and good conduct.

Since times immemorial parents and Sadguru have been respected and revered by great men throughout their life. Bapuji also served his parents in His childhood and received the following blessings;

***'My son! You will earn eternal fame in the world. The people would get their wishes fulfilled by your grace.'***

Pujya Bapuji served His Sadguru Sai Lilashahji Maharaj with deep faith and love obeying His commands. Pujya Bapuji's life is a good example of how one should respect and serve parents and Sadguru. Being satisfied with His service; the parents and the Sadguru gave him all they could. Explaining this Pujya Bapuji says: "I am very satisfied with myself. Many times my father expressed his strong emotions and blessed too. My mother was very satisfied with me; my Sadguru was also extremely satisfied with me; that's why He ended His journey of life keeping His head in my lap. Now His grace through me is satisfying my sadhakas and listeners. What else do I want! All those who listen to me or meet me feel satisfied; thus I feel no dearth of anything."

No Hindu, Christian, Muslim, or Jew parent wants his/her child to be spineless due to premarital relationship. No parent wants his/her child to disobey him/her and violate social norms and succumb to a profligate lifestyle; become mean by leading a selfish life, and moan and groan in the old age. If the children respect their parents and Sadguru; they will receive auspicious blessings from their hearts; which will save these future leaders of the nation from the evils of 'Valentine's Day'. It will be helpful to them in developing sense-control and self-

restraint to develop spiritual powers like Lord Ganesha. Respecting parents and Gurus is the asset of our culture. Parents don't insist their children to respect and worship them. But wise and courteous children always take benefit from the blessings and good-wishes of the parents by respecting and worshipping them.

The study and survey of the children and youth of 14 developed and developing countries conducted by MTVN international has revealed that Indian children and youth are the happiest and the most affectionate among all. The report published in London and New York says that the main reason behind this is the family affection and devotion to family in Indians. The Indian youths said that their parents have played a vital role in making their lives happy and solving their problems. Parents nourish their children by all means in India; and the parents are nourished by saints. 'Parents' Worship Day' inspired by Pujya Bapuji; which nourishes parents, children and all; supports this conclusion.

All want to be great in life; and the ways to become great are also easy. You need just to walk on this path. You take the right step making the life of great men as your ideal. Many have high hopes from you. I wish you a bright future.

## Opinion of Modern Scientists

Generally people jump to ask, 'What's the correlation between parents' worship and good performance in studies?' Those in doubt about it should study the conclusion of research work carried out in USA by Jane Kim, an attorney and immigration specialist at the Children's Hospital of Pennsylvania, and Dr. Soo Kim Abboud, a surgeon and clinical assistant professor at the University of Pennsylvania. 'How do Asian students get to the top of the class in American universities and schools?' Research carried out on this subject revealed that this was so because they respect their elders and obey their parents. They study hard and do well in school to secure a bright future. Even those who don't believe in saints and Shastras of Indian culture have to accept these teachings (of Shastras); and have to teach the western students to respect their parents to get good results.

Those who respect their parents can't spoil their character by celebrating 'Valentine's Day'. Living with self-control; they will protect their Brahmacharya (celibacy, chastity & virginity) and will develop their intellectual faculties; which will help them get good academic results.