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## 5<sup>th</sup> Opulence of the Supreme Lord Sri Krsna - All Famous

1. The dictionary definition of Fame is



The state of being well-known or much talked about.

- 2. Many famous people have come and gone over the ages. Who remembers them now? No one. Some were famous during the brief span of their lifetimes and some may remain famous for a few years after their death. Their fame is temporary. For e.g.
  - Ben Harrison (23<sup>rd</sup> president of the United states)
  - Karl Sauerbronn (inventor of the Bicycle 1816)
  - Peter Carl Goldmark (inventor of the color TV 1950)

These people are very famous in their days, but now it seems that many of the students don't know about them. Do students in Africa or Bushmen from Australia know who the President of the United States is? Probably not. Some one famous in one place isn't necessarily famous in another.

- 3. Fame does not last and it's even hard to find someone who is known all over this world.
- 4. Krishna's fame is unique. His fame is spread throughout the material and spiritual worlds. His activities have been sung from time immemorial. He is not forgotten and replaced by new idols.

## Krishna .... All famous

- 1. Krishna appeared on the earth 5000 years ago. He performed many superhuman pastimes. Since time immemorial people, have been relishing these pastimes.
- 2. The great sages have compiled many literatures describing these pastimes. For example, Srimad Bhagvatam, the spotless Purana, has 18,000 verses, which glorify Krishna and His pastimes. His pastimes are so famous that, Anant Shesha, the serpent bed of the Lord, has been glorifying Him with His millions of mouths, but still He has not been able to describe even a drop of the glories of Krishna till now.
- 3. A famous poet has sung, "Even if all the sky is used as paper, all the trees as pen and all the oceans as ink, still it is insufficient to describe even a drop of



Krishna's glories." Such is the unparalleled fame of Krishna!

- 4. Krishna is famous for his activities and due to this He has many names some of His name which depict some of His activities are:
  - a. Kunjabihari: one who plays in the groves of Vraja
  - b. Gopinath: The Lord of the gopis
  - c. Rasabihari: one who relishes different mellows with His devotees
  - d. Jagannatha: The Lord of the Universe
  - e. Shyamasundar: The beautiful blue boy
  - f. Giridhari: The lifter of the Govardhan hill.
  - g. Murari: The killer of the Mura demon
  - h. Krishna: The all attractive.
  - i. Govinda : One who gives pleasure to the cows
  - j. Hari: One who steals away all the happiness
  - k. Yadava: Member of the Yadu dynasty
  - Damodar: One whose stomach is bound by the ropes of Love of Yashoda maiya.
  - m. Madhava: Husband of the Goddess of fortune
  - n. Manohar: One who steals the hearts of His devotees.
  - 5. The Vishnu-sahastra nama-stotra describes thousand names of Lord Krishna. But these are only a few of them; Krishna actually has unlimited number of names according to His unlimited pastimes for which He is all famous.

