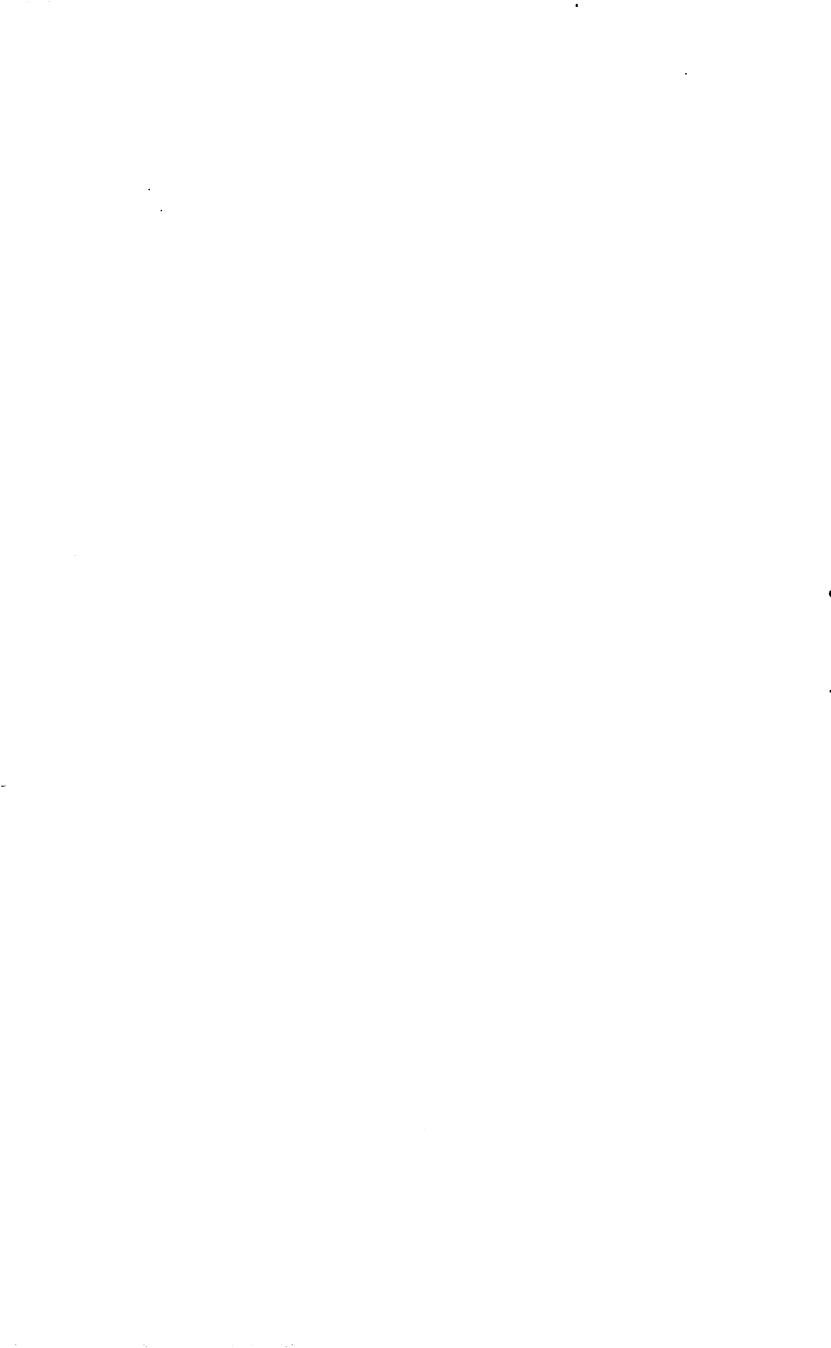




35th
Anniversary of
Avatar
MEHER BABA'S
Unique Silence

JULY 10, 1960





“The breaking of my silence—The signal for My public Manifestation—is not far off. I bring the greatest treasure which it is possible for man to receive—a treasure which includes all other treasures, which will endure forever and which increases when shared with others. Be ready to receive it!”

—MEHER BABA

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Love Vs. Devotion

“Love burns the lover;

Devotion burns the Beloved.

Love seeks happiness for the Beloved;

Devotion seeks blessings from the Beloved.

Love seeks to shoulder the burden of the Beloved;

Devotion throws the burden on the Beloved.

Love gives;

Devotion asks.

Love is silent and sublime, devoid of outward expressions;

Devotion expresses itself outwardly.

Love does not require the presence of the Beloved in order to love;

Devotion demands the presence of the Beloved to express affection for the Beloved.

—MEHER BABA—

Breaking of His Silence and His Manifestation

Avatar Meher Baba commenced His Unique silence on 10th July 1925, and after completing 35 years of silence He enters the 36th year on 10-7-1960. In the beginning He was communicating by means of an alphabet board and later on by hand signs and gestures, which he has continued to this date.

In His universal message Meher Baba declared, "My present Avataric Form is the last Incarnation of this cycle of time, hence My Manifestation will be the greatest. When I break My Silence, the impact of My Love will be universal and all life in creation will know, feel and receive of it."

Of late He has been saying that the time has come when He will break His Silence. The last six months of the year, 1960, He says, are crucial and during this period He will utter the only real Divine Word that was spoken in the beginningless beginning. The word that He will utter will go to the world as from God; not as from a philosopher. It will pierce the mind of the world and go to

its very heart. It will convey the simple Truth in its utter and indefinable simplicity. It will mark the moment of fulfilment of the Divine Life. It will throw open new gates to Eternity and will bring new hope to despairing humanity.

Hatred and dissension will come to an end, and in their place will be love and understanding; and men shall be united in brotherhood based on the realized Oneness of God. Even the so-called sinner will feel that he is meant to be a saint while the saint will know that God is in the sinner as much as He is in himself.

All those who love Him will have some glimpse of His Divinity in accordance with their capacity to receive the Divine Grace—a treasure which includes all other treasures, which endures forever and which increases when shared by others.

The breaking of His silence will portend His Manifestations, eagerly looked forward to by His lovers all over the world.

On the eve of breaking His silence and His Manifestation Meher Baba is going into seclusion from 1-7-60 to 31-12-60 and it behoves all Baba lovers during this period to increasingly spread His message of Truth and Love and to hold fast to His daman whatever the circumstances may be.

How to Love God

"To love God in the most practical way is to love our fellow beings. If we feel for others in the same way as we feel for our own dear ones, we love God.

"If, instead of seeing faults in others, we look within ourselves, we are loving God.

"If, instead of robbing others to help ourselves, we rob ourselves to help others, we are loving God.

"If we suffer in the sufferings of others and feel happy in the happiness of others, we are loving God.

"If, instead of worrying over our own misfortunes, we think of ourselves more fortunate than many many others, we are loving God.

"If we endure our lot with patience and contentment, accepting it as His Will, we are loving God.

"If we understand and feel that the greatest act of devotion and worship to God is not to hurt or harm any of His beings, we are loving God.

"To love God as He ought to be loved, we must live for God and die for God, knowing that the goal of life is to Love God, and find Him as our own self."

— MEHER BABA —

Message given by

AVATAR MEHER BABA

on the occasion of the visit to
Him of the All India Congress President.

"It is better to deny God than to defy God.

"Sometimes our weakness is considered as strength, and we take delight in this borrowed greatness.

"To profess to be a lover of God and then to be dishonest with God, with the world, and with oneself, is unparalleled hypocrisy.

"Difficulties give us the opportunity to prove our greatness by overcoming them.

"A Child's trust in its Mother is complete, because it leaves all its worries to her. She has to take care of it. So, if we trust God and let Him worry for us, we live contented and happy.

"When the leader of a nation puts complete trust in God, God makes him the instrument to guide the nation rightly.

"We should think well of those who think ill of us."

Guruprasad, Poona,
6th June, 1960.
— MEHER BABA —

Existence Vs. Life

Existence is God;
whereas, Life is illusion.

Existence is Reality;
whereas, Life is imagination.

Existence is Everlasting;
whereas, Life is ephemeral.

Existence is Unchangeable;
whereas, Life is everchanging.

Existence is Freedom;
whereas, Life is a binding.

Existence is Indivisible;
whereas, Life is multiple.

Existence is Imperceptible;
whereas, Life is deceptive.

Existence is Independent;
whereas, Life is dependent on
mind, energy and gross forms.

Existence is Substance;
whereas, Life is shadow.

Existence, therefore, is not Life.

— MEHER BABA —

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