- **Essence:** Sweet children, to take the pledge of purity is true Raksha Bandhan. Only once in a cycle does the Father tie this rakhi on you children.
- **Question:** Why do those who take the pledge to remain pure receive a signal to stay in yoga?
- Answer: Because it is with the power of yoga that you can make the atmosphere peaceful. Yoga is the only method to give everyone in the whole world the inheritance of peace. You remember the Father in order to spread peace in the world. The more you remember the Father, to that extent you will remain uninfluenced by Maya. The Father's order is: Children, be bodiless.
- **Song:** O, brother, fulfil your bond of rakhi.

Om shanti. The unlimited Father's order to the children is: Remain bodiless, that is, have the faith that you are a soul and consider yourself to be separate from your sense organs. The body *depends* on the soul. When the soul leaves, the body is of no use and is therefore cremated. When the soul leaves, the body becomes a corpse, rubbish. When there is rubbish, it is said: Burn this rubbish. This body is useless without a soul. Therefore, I the soul am *immortal*. The body you receive to play your *part* is mortal. When the soul leaves, the body is of no use. It begins to smell. A soul without a body remains in *silence*. Baba explains: The original religion of you, the soul, is *silence*. You understand that you souls in fact reside in Paramdham (the supreme abode). The Supreme Father, the Supreme Soul, also resides there. When there is sorrow, everyone remembers the Father and says: Free us from this sorrow. It is the soul that experiences happiness and sorrow. There are many sannyasis etc., who say that the soul is immune to action. However, this is not so. Alloy is mixed into the soul. When pure gold has *silver* mixed into it, it changes from 24 *carat* gold to 22 carat gold. When alloy is mixed into real gold the ornament is gilded. The soul is the important thing. The Supreme Father, the Supreme Soul, is the Father of souls. He comes at this time and says to His children: Now renounce the consciousness of your body. I am a soul and I am going to the Father. We are the Pandavas. This is the plan of the Pandavas. First there are the Yadavas, the people of Europe, then the Kauravas, and then there are these Pandavas. The Mahabharat War definitely took place after which there were the cries of victory. This Raja Yoga is for the new world of heaven. There were cries of victory for the Pandavas and everyone else was destroyed. There are cries of victory in the golden age. The people of Bharat celebrate the Festival of Rakhi. They tie a rakhi. You children now know that rakhi is only tied once, through which you remain pure for 21 births. Therefore, the One who ties the rakhi is definitely needed at the end of the iron age. Who comes and ties this rakhi? Who inspires you to take this pledge? God, Himself, and His children, the Brahmins. You are true Brahmins. It is brahmins who tie a rakhi. The system of a sister tying a rakhi on her brother is artificial. Elderly people remember that, earlier, a brahmin priest used to come to tie a rakhi of thread. They never said that you have to remain pure. They don't know what is meant by purity. Therefore, this festival of Rakhi must have surely originated in the confluence age. How many years has it been? 5000 years. Baba came at the confluence age and tied this rakhi and we remained pure from the beginning of the golden age till the end of the silver age. Then this festival of Rakhi began on the path of bhakti (devotion). People say that this festival has been celebrated from time immemorial, but that is not so. We only tie rakhi once in every 5000 years. Since you become impure from the copper age onwards, you tie a rakhi every year. Just as people burn Ravan every year, in the same way, they tie a rakhi every year. In fact, you are the ones who understand the meaning of this. Baba comes and says: Children, take this pledge. Nothing happens simply by tying a rakhi. You have to take a pledge: Baba, I will now remain pure. So these festivals are fixed in the drama. There is no need to tie a rakhi in the golden and silver ages. That is the viceless world. Now it is your stage of ascent. Later you have to descend, and then we will become satopradhan deities again. You Brahmins say: We are now the children of God and then we will become deities. It is the Supreme Father, the Supreme Soul, who makes you this. The incorporeal Supreme Father, the Supreme Soul, changes you from humans into deities. Human beings cannot make you this. People have inserted the name of a human being. They have also depicted Krishna in the copper age. At the end of the iron age you become pure from impure. Then the golden age comes. If He were to come in the copper age, the iron age would not appear. However, that is wrong. Only when it is wrong does the Father come to put it right. Everyone is now false. Maya is false and the body is also false. Baba comes and makes the children true. No one tells lies in the golden and silver ages. Here, people

commit sins and tell lies. Only Baba can transform sinful souls into pure, charitable souls. At the time of Deepmala, people settle their accounts for the whole year. Your account of sins of half the cycle are absolved and you begin to accumulate an account of charity. It is only when you accumulate that here that you will receive the fruit of it for 21 births. Only by remembering the Father will your sins be absolved. You must not commit any new sin. You have to end the old account. Some tell the Father: Baba, I have committed such-and-such a sin. Achcha, half is forgiven. Even in this birth if you have committed sins in your childhood, by telling Baba, half the punishment will be *cut* away. However, you still have to make effort for the other half. From the life-story of this birth, one can also know about your previous birth, because a soul carries the sanskars with himself and the stage of the soul can be understood. You understand that, day by day, your stage has been falling. The world continues to become tamopradhan and sins continue to increase. Now the Purifier Father comes and ties a rakhi on you, that is, He makes you make a promise so that you become pure. "Time immemorial" means that every 5000 years you have this true rakhi tied by the Father. Then this custom and system continues for half a cycle. There is great importance given to it. The foremost importance is of the One who ties the rakhi. This festival is a main one. The highest festival of all is Shiv Jayanti. No one knows Him or when He comes or what he does when He comes. Everyone knows when Abraham, Buddha and Christ came. No one knows the history and geography of what existed before that in the golden and silver ages. How was the kingdom of the deities established and how long did it last? No one knows this. They say through their mouth that Lakshmi and Narayan of the golden age were all virtuous, 16 celestial degrees full and completely non-violent. Lakshmi and Narayan were the empress and emperor. There has to be their childhood too. However, no one knows of their childhood. Radhe and Krishna have been falsely shown in the copper age. All of that is the imagination of human beings. They have even elongated the duration of the golden age to hundreds of thousands of years; it cannot be that long. They themselves say that 3000 years before Christ there was definitely the kingdom of deities. In that case how can they estimate the golden age to be so many years? This is a simple thing, but Maya has turned everyone's intellect to stone so that they have totally forgotten that they were deities. When the number one becomes Narayan he doesn't have this knowledge. Knowledge vanishes. Baba says: I am now giving you the knowledge of becoming deities from human beings. What more can be taught once you become deities? There would be no need. You understand the meaning of the festival of Rakhi. All of these festivals also take place every year. A huge kumbh mela takes place where the ocean and the river meet. The meeting of the ocean and the Brahmaputra River is famous. The Father is the Ocean. This Brahmaputra is the first one to emerge from Him, and then gradually there is expansion. The meeting of the ocean and the Brahmaputra River can be clearly seen. It is clearly visible, one has clean water and the other has dirty water. A mela takes place every year. Every year they go there to bathe in order to change from impure to pure. You are now at the confluence age. You have truly come and met the Ocean of Knowledge at this time. This is the beautiful meeting in which the meeting of souls with the Supreme Father, the Supreme Soul, takes place. You children know that all the religious festivals that are celebrated belong to this time. Today is the festival of Raksha Bandhan. Baba has brought a few rakhis with Him. Now, Baba asks you: Whoever wants to have a rakhi tied by Shiv Baba, raise your hand. (At first only 2 or 4 raised their hands) Then Baba asked again: Raise your hand if you want a rakhi tied by Shiv Baba. (The *majority* raised their hands). BapDada said: Why? Have you not all become pure that you need to have a rakhi tied? BapDada then asked Mama. Mama replied: The rakhi has already been tied. Just look, Baba was testing you children and you all *failed*. Mama gave the correct answer. You are pure anyway. However, the rest depends on imbibing knowledge. You will continue to receive treasures. Continue to accumulate these treasures for as long as you live. You are pure, but by staying in remembrance you make the atmosphere peaceful. You are giving the inheritance of peace to the whole world. You take the pledge of purity. You remember the Father in order to spread peace. You know that to whatever extent you remember the Father, so you will be uninfluenced by Maya. Storms of Maya also come. The Father teaches you children to become trikaldarshi (the knowers of the 3 aspects of time). You understand the beginning, the middle and the end of the drama. Your forgetting is also fixed in the drama and this is why I have to come again and teach you children Raja Yoga. Although people celebrate

Shiv Jayanti, they don't know it's meaning. Baba has brought a rakhi to class with him because a new child has come. This is taking the initiative: Baba, I am going to have a rakhi tied. Purity is *first*, and so why should I not become pure and claim my inheritance from the unlimited Father? The unlimited Father says: For half the cycle, you have been floundering in the *gutter* of poison. This is the depths of hell. You have been floundering for 63 births, so now make a promise: I too will go to the pure world and claim my inheritance of happiness. However, some do not have the courage. This is the Mansarovar Lake of knowledge. By bathing in this knowledge, human beings become angels of heaven. People of Bharat create temples to Lakshmi and Narayan etc., but they don't know when they came, and so that is blind faith. The Father has now come to make you children like Himself, master oceans of knowledge. A barrister teaches his pupils and makes them like himself. Then they all pass numberwise according to their efforts. Similarly, this too is a study. The *aim and objective* has been *clearly* written. There is also the image of Shiv Baba. However, people don't understand anything. They sing: Oh Purifier! Sita Ram! This is the community of Ravan. This is why Baba says: Examine your face and see if you have become 16 celestial degrees full, completely viceless. Do you have the faith that you are a soul? Who is the Father of you, the soul? If you don't know Him, you are an atheist. In that case, how can you, an atheist, marry Lakshmi or Narayan? You understand that you definitely belonged to the community of monkeys, and that you are now becoming worthy of marrying Shri Narayan. Baba says: I have come to *liberate* you from the kingdom of Maya, Ravan. Then, you will no longer need to burn an effigy of Ravan. This is something to be understood. The more effort you make, the better the inheritance you will claim. Baba can tell you, if you want, what you will become according to your present efforts. Nowadays, the death of human beings is very *cheap*. There, when your life-span ends you will know straightaway that you have to shed that body and take a new one. When new souls come down they are praised a great deal at first. Then the praise gradually decreases. Everyone has to pass through the stages of sato, rajo and tamo. Baba comes and makes you satopradhan. It is a wonder that five and a half billion souls have received their own imperishable *part* which can never be destroyed. Souls are such tiny points and yet they have an entire imperishable *part* contained within them. This is called the wonder of nature. New ones cannot understand these things. These are very deep matters. Shiva's form has been shown in this way. If we were to change His form, people would say that our views are different from those of the rest of the world. You are now listening to new things for the new world. Then, after a cycle, you will come to listen again. Therefore, the Father, the Purifier, made you take a pledge. Those who took this pledge became the masters of heaven. This is why this festival is celebrated. You are the true Brahmins. Saraswati has been remembered as the highest Brahmin. Achcha.

To the sweetest, beloved, long-lost and now-found children, love, remembrance and good morning from the Mother, the Father, BapDada. The spiritual Father says namaste to the spiritual children.

## **Essence for dharna:**

1. End your old account of sin and accumulate a new account of charity. Stay in remembrance and make the atmosphere peaceful.

2. Take a pledge to remain pure and tie a true rakhi for becoming pure on everyone.

**Blessing:** May you remain beyond all gross feelings, and become a flying angel free from bondage. The earth, in the form of the body, is physical consciousness. You have become an angel, so how can you become caught up in the earth of the body? Angels do not set foot on the ground. Angels are those who fly. They cannot be pulled down by the gravity of the earth. If you stay down below, you will be taken as prey by hunters. However, if you remain flying, no one will be able to do anything. Therefore, no matter how beautiful a golden cage may be, do not become trapped within it. Only those who are constantly free and free from bondage can go into the flying stage.

**Slogan:** Those who are successful in making the impossible possible are the stars of success.

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