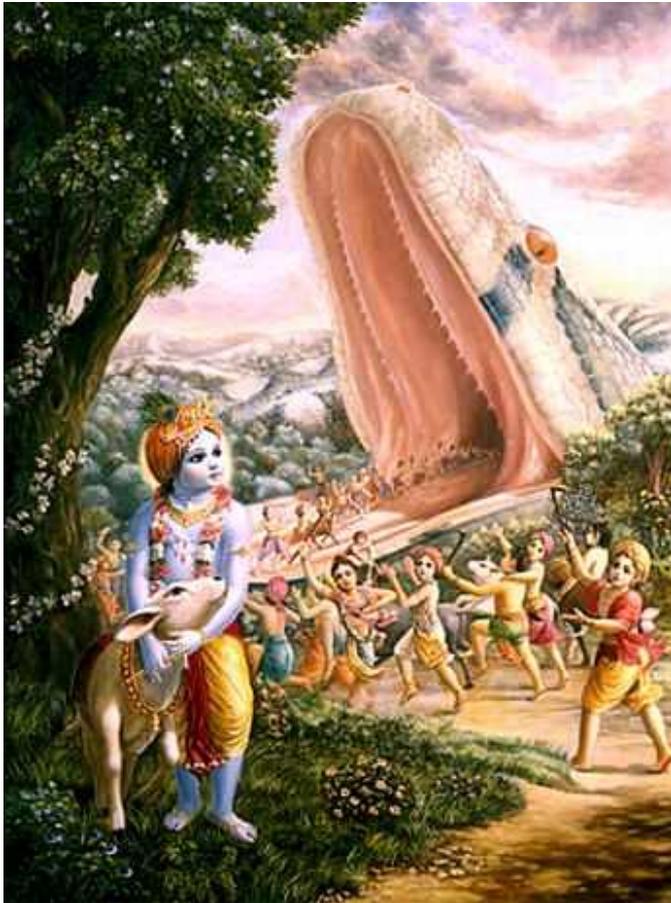


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Krishna Destroys The Demon Aghasura

Value: Compassion



- ☺ One day a huge demon Aghasura, an associate of Kamsa and younger brother of Bakasura and Putana came to Gokula. He was a mystic demon, who could disguise himself. When he came to kill, he assumed the form of a python as huge as 8 miles.
- ☺ Aghasura wanted to take revenge of his brother and sister's death by devouring Krishna and his cowherd friends.
- ☺ When the cowherd boys saw the demon, they could not distinguish whether it was a demon or a statue. Still they entered its mouth without any fear as they had full faith in Krishna protecting them.
- ☺ For a moment, Krishna felt very sad. His friends were lying in the belly of a great serpent! "How will I save them?" He wondered. Then Krishna entered Agha's mouth. All the demigods were watching

and become very worried. Once inside the demon's throat, Krishna grew bigger and bigger. Agha coked. Trashed about, and his big eyes moved violently. His life-air burst from a hole in the top of his head and waited in the sky. It was like a dazzling light that spread everywhere.

- ☺ Aghasura represents envy and cruelty towards the other living beings.
- ☺ Because of being killed by Lord Krishna, Aghasura achieved liberation. This indicates that at the end, even if one thinks of Krishna with devotion for just a moment he would be liberated.
- ☺ If one brings Krishna's form into mind, even once, he can attain salvation like Aghasura, and then what can be said of those whose hearts the Lord enters when he appears as an incarnation.
- ☺ Cruelty means a deliberate attempt to hurt someone. We can hurt someone in different ways. We can hurt him with our bodies-physically hitting or kicking or somehow causing pain. We can hurt someone with our words- saying mean things, making fun or teasing in a cruel way. Actually this can be more painful than being hit or dislike him. By thinking this way, we will disrespect him or dislike him and probably will not treat him nicely.

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