

Sri Radhikastaka

(Eight prayers Glorifying Sri Radhika)

1. *rasa valita-mrgaksi-mauli-manikya-laksmih
pramudita-muravairi-prema-vapi-marali
vraja-vara-vrsabhanoh punya-girvana-valli
snapayatu nija-dasye radhika mam kada nu*

When will Sri Radhika, who is a splendid ruby in the crown of all nectarean doe-eyed girls, a swan swimming in the lake of love for jubilant Lord Krsna, and a celestial vine sprouted from Vraja's exalted King Vrsabhanu, bathe me in Her service?

2. *sphurad-aruna-dukula-dyotitodyan-nitamba-
sthalam abhi vara-kanci-lasyam ullasayanti
kuca-kalasa-vilasa-sphita-mukta-sara-srih
snapayatu nija-dasye radhika mam kada nu*

When will Sri Radhika, who makes the sash of bells dance on Her hips splendid with red silk, and whose necklace of large pearls plays on the waterpots of Her breasts, bathe me in Her service?

3. *sarasija-vara-garbhakharva-kantih samudyat-
tarunima-ghanasaraslista-kaisora-sidhuh
dara-vikasita-hasya-syandi-bimbadharagra
snapayatu nija-dasye radhika mam kada nu*

When will Sri Radhika, who is as splendid as a great lotus whorl, who is new nectar mixed with the camphor of youth, and whose bimba fruit lips blossom with a gentle smile, bathe me in Her service?

4. *ati-catulataram tam kananantar milantam
vraja-nrpati-kumaram viksyasanka-kulaksi
madhura-mrdu-vacobhih samstuta netra-bhangya
snapayatu nija-dasye radhika mam kada nu*

When will Sri Radhika, who, accidentally meeting restless Krsna in the outskirts of the forest, stared at Him with suspicious eyes as He cast amorous glances at Her and flattered Her with many sweet and gentle words, bathe me in Her service?

5. *vraja-kula-mahilanam prana-bhutakhilanam
pasupa-pati-grhinyah krsna-vat-prema-patram*

*su-lalita-lalitantah-sneha-phullantaratma
snapayatu nija-dasye radhika mam kada nu*

When will Sri Radhika, who the girls of Vraja love as much as their own lives, who the gopa queen Yasoda loves as much as Lord Krsna, and who makes the heart of charming Lalita blossom with love, bathe me in Her service?

*6. niravadhi sa-visakha sakhi-yutha-prasunaih
srajam iha racayanti vaijayantim vanante
agha-vijaya-varorah-preyasi sreyasi sa
snapayatu nija-dasye radhika mam kada nu*

When will Sri Radhika, who in the company of Visakha at the forest's edge strings a Vaijayanti garland from the flowers of many trees, and who is the beautiful beloved resting on Lord Krsna's handsome chest, bathe me in Her service?

*7. prakatita-nija-vasam snigdha-venu-pranadair
druta-gati-harim arat prapya kunje smitaksi
sravana-kuhara-kandum tanvati namra-vaktra
snapayatu nija-dasye radhika mam kada nu*

When will Sri Radhika, who smelling the fragrance of Lord Krsna and hearing the sweet sounds of His flute, ran to Him in the forest grove and, scratching Her ears, approached Him with smiling eyes and lowered face, bathe me in Her service?

*8. amala-kamala-raji-sparsa-vata-prasite
nija-sarasi nidaghe sayam ullasiniyam
parijana-gana-yukta kridayanti bakarim
snapayatu nija-dasye radhika mam kada nu*

When will Sri Radhika, who on a summer evening happily plays with Lord Krsna by Her own lake cooled by breezes touching the many splendid lotuses, bathe me in Her service?

*9. pathati vimala-ceta mista-radhastakam yah
pariharta-nikhilasa-santatih katarah san
pasupa-pati-kumarah kamam amoditas tam
nija-jana-gana-madhye radhikayas tanoti*

Pleased with any person who, abandoning all hope of material happiness and overwhelmed with love, reads this sweet Sri Radhastaka with a pure heart, the prince of Vraja of His own accord places him among Sri Radha's personal associates.