

Module 2- Drop the Vain - Reflect

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Summary

- First become conscious... something's going wrong
- Recognise dysfunctional patterns
- Don't let your anger become the issue
- Access the mode of goodness (Mindfulness)
- Change state (Calm is Strength!)
- State Change strategies... use individually or combined

Drop the vain

Reflect... on how the other person is experiencing this interaction

It's all about ME!







Reflection...

dissolves conflict quickly and painlessly.

RELATIONSHIPS... ARE ABOUT 2 PEOPLE

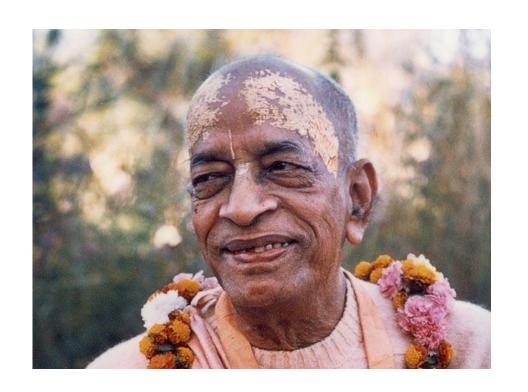
...It's not just about ME!



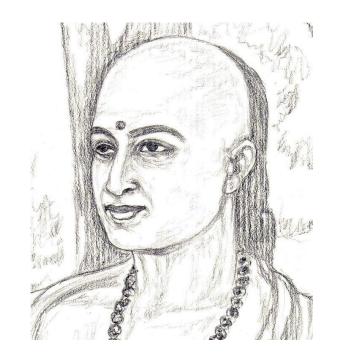
No holes in MY bucket!



Srila Prabhupada tells a funny story...



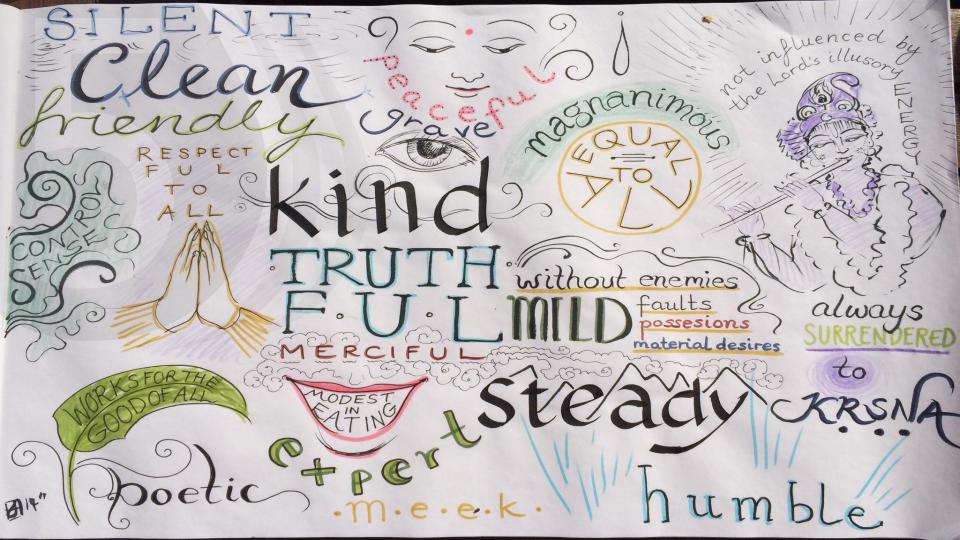
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'atmavan manyate jagat'

Turn it around





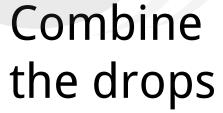
Cooperation

Always give more than you take





- Make up a 'story'
- React to the 'made up story'
- Wait for things to get worse!





Drop the flame (Pause)



Drop the vain (Reflect)







'Great relationships have no upsets'

(Utopian idea!)

How we deal with conflict... is what matters!



Focus on the good qualities of others



Drop the vain

Regular strategies keep us stuck!

ATTACK & DEFEND

Story of the Scissors and the Knife



Door Opening Strategies

Empathic Listening...
opens the door to
Authentic Communication



Take your relationship to a new level! RELATIONSHIPS grow out of Love



... not out of Force or Control

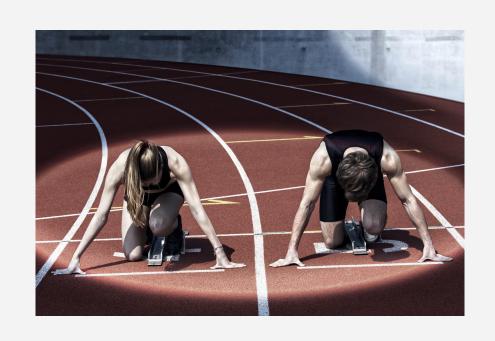
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REFLECT... the only way forward...

with NO OTHER ALTERNATIVE!

Be first into REFLECTION Make it a Race!

You won't lose out!



Homework

Only works when you use it

Use it or lose it!



PAUSE... then get into reflection mode ... use this KEY to unlock any conflict

Reflect back... practice your empathic listening

Gauge response... How did you feel? How did other person respond?

Homework - Role Play

Person 1 states briefly what they feel about a recent conflict

Person 2 attempts to mirror back the essence of what they say (not like a parrot) **What I hear you saying is...**

Person 1 confirms if person 2 got it right or not

Person 2 'modifies' until Person 1 is happy that they got it right

Drop the blame

Accept Responsibility...

Do whatever it takes to make a shift in the communication breakdown

