Spiritual Significance of Holi



India is a land of festivals, in which the festival of Holi has a special place in our hearts. We all celebrate Holi with great joy, do *Holika Dahan* & color each other with a lot of love... Have we been celebrating this festival in this way just like that or is there a deeper secret hidden behind it?

In fact, all our festivals are closely related to our own journey of life, they are memorable of our divine transformation! India's rich culture consists of 33 crore deities, and all our festivals are related to the deities in one way or the other. We also know that there was a time when India used to be a *Golden Sparrow*, the time/era which we call Paradise/Heaven/Satyuga, and at the same time there were **33 crore deities** on this land of India. Do we know where those deities are now??

Change is the only constant in life! Golden Age - Silver Age - Copper Age - Iron Age (Satyuga - Tretayuga - Dwaparyuga - Kaliyug) while passing through the ages, life after life, we souls drifted away from our divinity and became ordinary human beings from deities. Once who used to be embodiments of Purity, Peace, Love, Happiness & Prosperity, started falling into 5 vices (lust, anger, greed, attachment, ego), and started experiencing sorrow (Shokvatika / Kaliyug / World of Sorrow / Hell). But after every dark night the sun rises again and a beautiful day shines! Transforming this world from Iron Age and establishing Golden Age again on this earth is not a task of an ordinary soul. And that is why in the present time, at the end of the cycle the incorporeal God Shiva Himself appears on this earth to

re-establish Heaven for us! From the beginning of His divine incarnation to the beginning of the Golden Age is called Confluence Age/**Sangam Yug** which is of about 100 years. (Yes, God has descended!). **All our festivals are memorable of this Sangam Yug** when we make our life pure & blissful by directly connecting to the Supreme Being and become the masters of Heaven again!

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Holy - पवित्रता

Lust has been called our greatest enemy. We have lost our beloved Paradise by falling in lust (which is also mentioned in *The Holy Bible* - "They ate the forbidden fruit & lost Paradise.") It is only by conquering our vices that the world transforms & Heaven establishes. When we change, the world changes. God reminds us of our innate qualities, in which Purity is the main. Purity is the mother of happiness and peace, the key to all attainments. The true meaning of purity is not just celibacy, but becoming pure in thoughts-words-actions. When we receive His divine message, observe Purity in life & emerge our divine qualities, Heaven comes on this earth. The festival of Holi is a memorable of becoming Holy & imbibing Purity in practical life!

Holi... - Past is Past...

A lot of things come up in our lifetime... Many years go by, but we say - "This will never be forgotten"... And we keep holding onto it for years although we also know that it harms our mental well-being, physical health, and relationships. *God* reminds us that we are all children of Him, brothers among ourselves, & the whole world is one family. Whatever has happened, put a fullstop on the past and move ahead with everyone in joy...

Holi... - I Belong

"तुम्ही हो माता, पिता तुम्ही हो... " - The time has come to live what we have been reciting in our prayers! A Father, Mother, Friend, Teacher, Life Partner - We surely have experienced all these beautiful relationships with Him once, and that's why we all had been calling out to Him to come again & make us experience it! In fact, our true &

eternal relationship is with that One (God) only. We had been looking for Him for centuries... and now when He has arrived, we drench ourselves in love with our beloved father, enjoy the super sensious joy & bliss... We belong to Him. मैं आत्मा परमात्मा की हो ली... Surrendering to God means - Following His Shrimat (the Highest's opinion) for the welfare of ourselves & the world.

As it is said - जैसा संग वैसा रंग. By staying in *God's* company we become like Him - full of purity, full of peace, full of love, full of light & might... and then we also **apply this divine color of purity, love and respect to others.** This is why the world applies colors to each other to celebrate Holi.

Staying in constant remembrance of the Supreme Being is called Yoga-fire, which destroys the sins of our many births, the soul becomes free from all vices and becomes pure. In memory of this yoga-fire, people lit fire on the festival of Holi. Holi is lit first and then it is celebrated - that is, only by burning our 5 vices we can truly rejoice.



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Celebrate Holi To Become Holy

