

Kindred Souls



“True Love exists only between kindred souls. They unite in the name of the Divine within them. Their union is unbreakable—nothing can separate them. If two kindred spirits meet on Earth, rejoice in their Love.”

The Marriage of Savitra

Now I will tell you a story from the ancient Indian Vedas that describes the development of the Hindu woman in the old times. This story is not about an ordinary woman but instead about a woman of high origin. This woman was a princess called Savitra. Every person should manifest themselves on Earth in a way like the royal daughter Savitra. Marriage, for example, is one of the manifestations of the human soul. In this respect, all music, science, and religion are a specific kind of human manifestation. For example, how will a violinist manifest? He will take the violin and play it. So, knowledge is a manifestation of the human soul.

When getting married, a Hindu woman will play a Divine piece of music, and then the Hindus will go home. There is a Hindu tradition that when a young woman of royal origin is married, they invite sages and adepts to tell her fortune. The wise guests will listen to the musical piece that she plays, and from this will determine her future.

To my mind, the piece of music she will play represents her beloved one, and the sages decide if he can live in harmony and in a Divine way with the young woman or not.

After the sages listened to the playing of Savitra, they said that her beloved one was a good-hearted, gifted, and noble person, but that he would live for only ten months after the marriage. The king told Savitra about the prediction of the sages, but she said, "Never mind what will happen; I will marry that man, determined for me by fate. I may live with him only for ten months, but he is my choice." His name was Sativan, meaning the soul of Truth.

As predicted, ten months after the marriage, Yama—the god of death—came to take the soul of Truth and bring it into eternity. Savitra followed Yama and pleaded, "Please return Sativan to me; do not take this soul away; leave it to me! You have so many souls around you; why should you take this soul too?" Death was going its way without paying attention to Savitra and her words. But Savitra continued to follow Yama, begging to have Sativan given back to her. They passed through forests and mountains, valleys and fields, and went up and down, yet she did not give up insisting on the return of Sativan.

Death told her, “I will give you whatever you want, but I cannot return the soul of Sativan.”

Savitra replied, “If this is so, then the father of my beloved one is blind; return to him his sight.” Immediately, the sight of the old man returned. Savitra continued to follow Death and ask for the return of Sativan.

Death told her, “I will give you whatever you want, but I cannot return the soul of Sativan.”

Savitra replied, “If this is so, then I want to have sons, to reign over my father’s land; that is why I ask you to have Sativan returned to me.”

Death said, “Let also this wish be fulfilled. You may marry whomever you like.”

“You are telling me that I can have sons, but you forget that according to the traditions in India, a woman can have only one husband. I cannot be the wife of two men at the same time. So please, return the soul of Sativan.”

Death went to God and told Him about the suffering of Savitra, then came back to her and relayed the following message of God: “As you are a woman of virtue and wisdom, I will fulfill your wish.” So, Sativan was resurrected and returned to Earth to continue his life with Savitra.



To insist with your virtues—that is the highest state to which a person can come. That is how one’s desires can be manifested without doubts, hesitations, and many negative traits. There is no way that Love could reveal itself in someone if Sativan, the soul of Truth, is not there. If a person allows doubt, like a worm, to eat all his bright ideas, is he able to attain his ideals?

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