

The Characteristics Of A Person Who Is Attached To Bhagvãn In the Samvat year 1879, on Fãgan sud 8 [18th February 1823], Swãmi Shree Sahajãnandji Mahãrãj was sitting on a decorated bedstead on the veranda outside the north-facing rooms of Dada Khãchar's darbãr in Gadhadã. He was dressed entirely in whiteclothes. A sabhã of munis, as well as haribhaktas from various places had gathered before Him. Then, Shreeji Mahãrãj said, “A bhakta whose mind has become deeply attached to the svarup of Shree Krishna Bhagvãn has the following characteristics: Firstly, even though they may be extremely exhausted after prolonged walking and do not have enough strength left in their body even to sit upright, if an opportunity to talk about Bhagvãn arises, then he becomes attentive and most willing to narrate and hear such talks – as if he has not walked even a single mile. Also, regardless of any disease or illness that may be a source of pain for them, and regardless of being insulted, if they hear talks about Bhagvãn, then they would instantly be relieved of all their miseries. Furthermore, they may appear to be totally engrossed in the wealth and property they have attained, but the moment they hear talks of Bhagvãn, it would seem as if they have no association with anything else. This would be their eagerness to listen to talks about Bhagvãn. A person who has these characteristics should be known to have developed deep attachment to Bhagvãn.” Then, Muktãnand Swãmi asked, “How does such deep attachment towards Bhagvãn develop?” Shreeji Mahãrãj replied, “Either due to very strong sanskãrs from past lives, or by serving and therefore pleasing the sant of Bhagvãn who has such firm attachment with Bhagvãn – these two methods help create deep attachment towards Bhagvãn. Besides these, there are no other methods.”