## Śrī Caitanya Mahāprabhu is Rādhā-Kṛṣṇa combined?



## 1. From madangopal.blogspot.com, April 14, 2013 -

Bhakta: "You said that Śrī Caitanya Mahāprabhu is not Rādhā-Kṛṣṇa combined but just Kṛṣṇa accepting the mood and complexion of Rādhā. But in Caitanya Caritāmṛta Madhya 8.282 it is said that Rāmānanda Rāya saw Śrī Caitanya Mahāprabhu as *rasarāja-mahābhāva dui eka rūpa*, Rādha and Kṛṣṇa in one form."

Advaitadās – 'Look at the context. Earlier, Rāmānanda Rāya saw Śrī Caitanya Mahāprabhu as follows: (verses 268-270)

pahile dekhilun tomāra sannyāsī-svarūpa ebe tomā dekhi mui śyāma-gopa-rūpa tomāra sammukhe dekhi kāncana-pancālikā tāra gaura-kāntye tomāra sarva anga ḍhākā tāhāte prakata dekhon sa-vaṁśī vadana

"First I saw You as a *sannyāsī*, but now I see You as a Śyāma cowherd boy.

Facing You I see a golden doll, which covers Your whole body with a golden luster.

In that I see manifest Kṛṣṇa playing His flute. "

After Śrī Caitanya Mahāprabhu playfully denied His own godhood, Rāmānanda Rāya repeats (verse 279):

## rādhikāra bhāva-kānti kori angīkāra nija rasa āsvādite koriyācho avatāra

"You have accepted Rādhā's feelings and complexion, and have descended to relish Your own *rasa*."

Finally, after 'seeing Śrī Caitanya Mahāprabhu as Rādhā-Kṛṣṇa combined' Śrī Caitanya Mahāprabhu repeats again: (verses 287-288)

gaura aṅga nahe mora----rādhāṅga-sparśana gopendra-suta vinā teho na sparśe anya-jana tāra bhāve bhavita kori' ātma-mana tabe nija-mādhurya kori āsvādana

"My body is not golden. It is touched by Rādhā's body. She will not touch anyone but that prince of cowherds, my heart and mind think in Her way. Thus I relish the flavors of Her sweetness."

Gaur vs Kṛṣṇa-līlā practise is like biting an apple - the peel is Gaur-sādhana (bite by just offering vandana), and the flesh is Rādhā- Kṛṣṇa-līlā.

## 2. From madangopal.blogspot.com, February 8, 2009 –

Bhakta: "Prof. Dimock concludes that two become one in Mahāprabhu, Rādhā and Kṛṣṇa."

Advaitadas: "Not only he, even most Vaiṣṇavas have that mistaken understanding. Mahāprabhu is Kṛṣṇa, accepting the feelings of Rādhā. That is quite something else from a merger. Look at it like this - your father is English, your mother is English, so genetically you are 100% English, yet for many years you have accepted the feelings and culture of India. So now are you English or Indian? You are English, accepting the mood of an Indian. If one of your parents were Indian and the other English, you would be a half breed, as what Prof. Dimock and many Vaiṣṇavas misunderstand

about Gaura. Gaura is Kṛṣṇa, cent percent, but He accepts the feeling of Rādhā.  $r\bar{a}dh\bar{a}$   $bh\bar{a}va$  dyuti subalitam naumi kṛṣṇa svarūpam.