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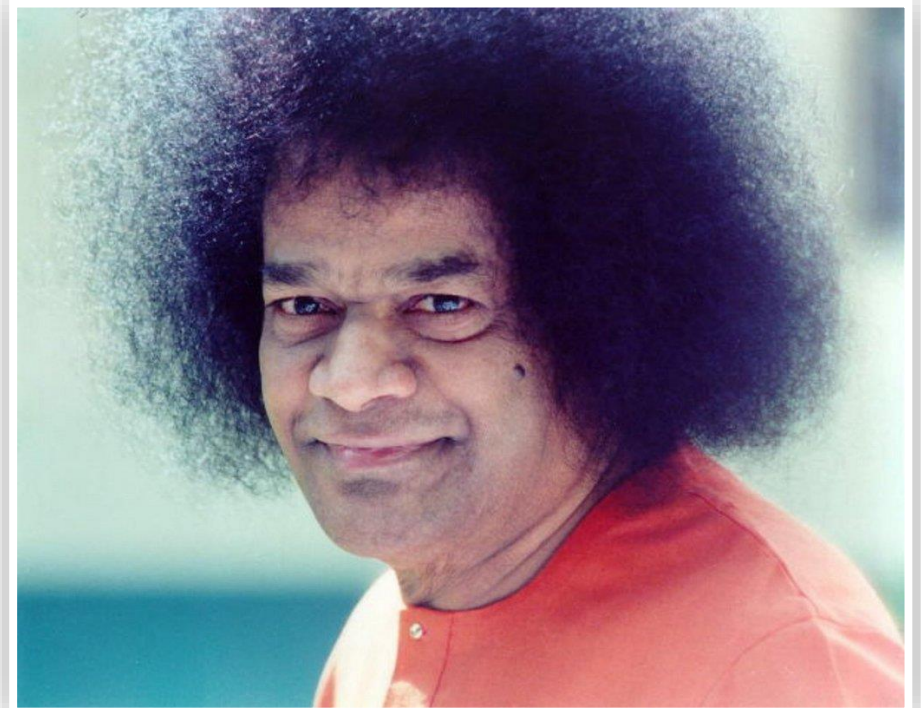
SATHYA SAI BABA

His Life & Teachings

ORIENTATION PROGRAMME FOR SSIO OFFICE BEARERS

Module 1 ~ General Outline

- Who is Sathya Sai Baba?
- His Purpose & Mission
- His Central Teachings
- His Life & Works



*Who is
Sathya Sai
Baba?*



Who is Sathya Sai Baba?

- Born as Sathya Narayana Raju on the 23rd of November 1926, in Puttaparthi.
- From a very young age, Sathya was a compassionate child and ideal student with extraordinary spiritual wisdom.
- On the 20th of October 1940, he made a historic declaration at the age of 14.



Historic Declaration



*“I am no longer your Sathya, I am Sai.
I do not belong to you. I have My work.
My devotees are calling Me. I am going.
I can no longer stay here...”*

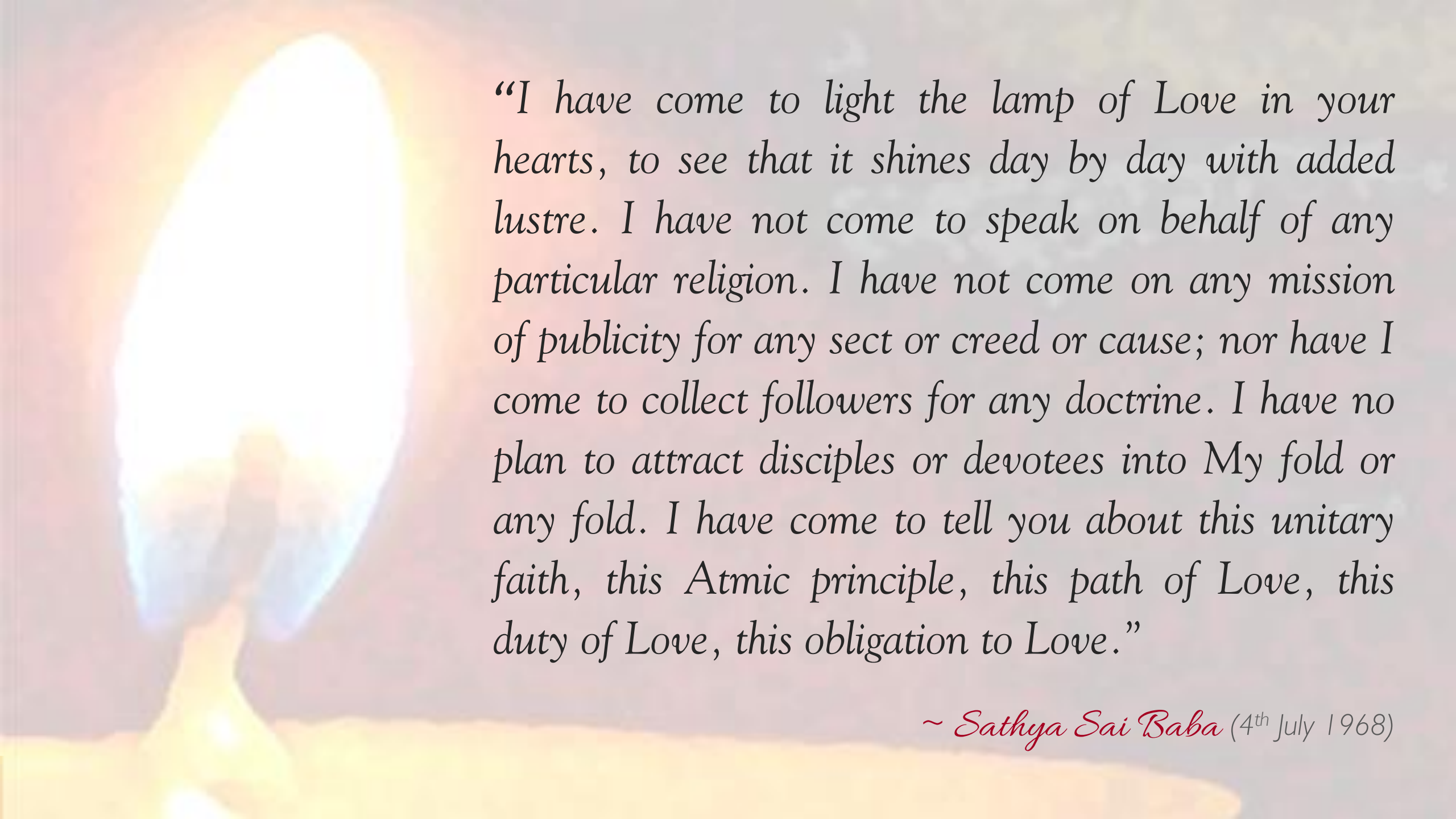
~ Sathya Sai Baba (20th October 1940)

- “I have a ‘**T**ask’: to foster all mankind and ensure for all of them lives full of bliss.
- I have a ‘**V**ow’: to lead all who stray away from the right path again into goodness and save them.
- I am attached to a ‘**W**ork’ that I love: to remove the sufferings of the poor and grant them what they lack.”

~ *Sathya Sai Baba* (25th May 1947)

*His Purpose
& Mission*



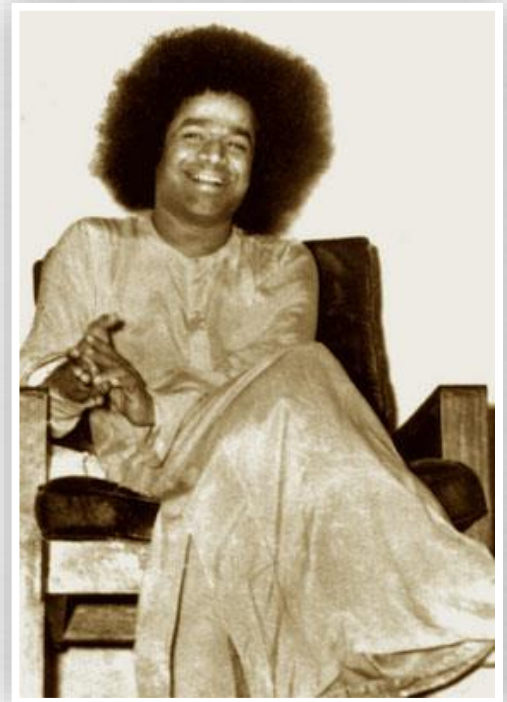
A close-up photograph of a hand holding a glowing lamp. The lamp is the central focus, emitting a bright, warm light that fills the frame. The background is softly blurred, showing the hand and parts of the lamp's structure. The overall mood is serene and spiritual.

“I have come to light the lamp of Love in your hearts, to see that it shines day by day with added lustre. I have not come to speak on behalf of any particular religion. I have not come on any mission of publicity for any sect or creed or cause; nor have I come to collect followers for any doctrine. I have no plan to attract disciples or devotees into My fold or any fold. I have come to tell you about this unitary faith, this Atmic principle, this path of Love, this duty of Love, this obligation to Love.”

~ Sathya Sai Baba (4th July 1968)

*“You will learn that I am love (Prema) itself;
that I give only one thing, bliss (Ananda)
through love (Prema). My task is to distribute
solace, courage and peace (Shanti). That is to say,
My characteristics are the ancient authentic ones,
only the manifested form is new.”*

~ Sathya Sai Baba (4th March 1962)



His Teachings



Know Thyself

*“True education
is that which
is related to you
and helps you
realise the true
meaning of ‘I’.”*

*~ Sathya Sai Baba
(20th July 2008)*



"Love All, Serve All"



“Do not limit divinity in a small frame. God is infinite and vast. Widen your vision. Make your love expand to cover the whole humanity. Realise all living beings as divine, then you realise all are one. Therefore, the best way to love God is to love all and serve all.” ~ *Sathya Sai Baba* (Sathya Sai Speaks, Vol. 31, pg. 127)

The 5 Human Values

“The human values of Truth, Righteousness, Peace, Love and Non-violence are latent in every human being. ‘Educare’ means to bring these human values out and translate them into action.

*~ Sathya Sai Baba
(26th September 2000)*



Unity

- Unity of Head, Heart & Hands
- Unity of Faiths
- Unity in Diversity



“Let the different faiths exist, let them flourish and let the glory of God be sung in all the languages and a variety of tunes. That should be the ideal. Respect the differences between the faiths and recognise them as valid as long as they do not extinguish the flame of unity .” ~ *Sathya Sai Baba* (4th July 1968)

Ceiling on Desires

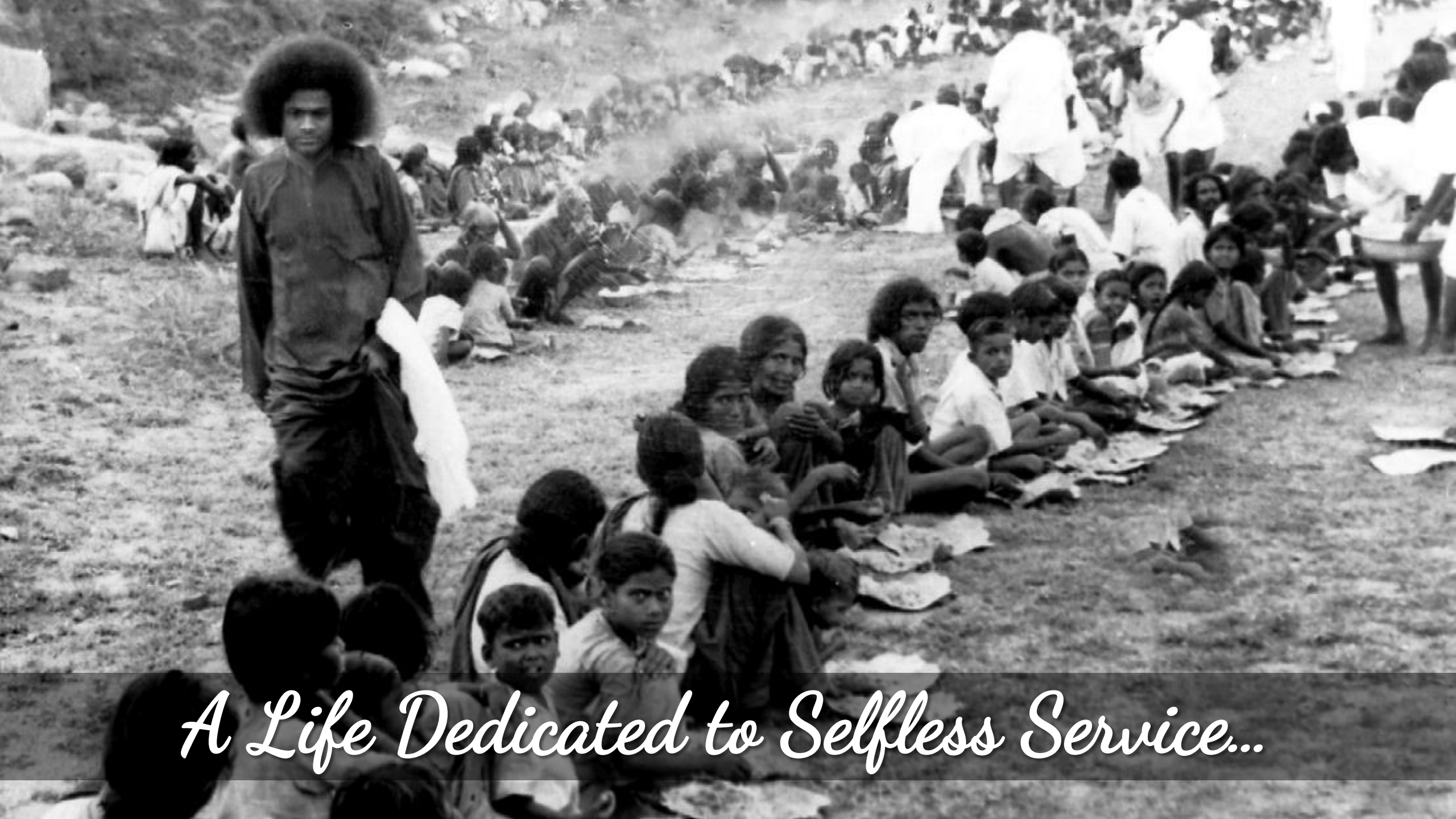
- Time
- Money
- Food
- Energy



“Man today has limitless desires. It is very dangerous to not place a limit on your desires. You will destroy your mind if it has uncontrolled desires. Without discipline, life becomes meaningless. Cultivate discipline and you will become ideal men and women.” ~ *Sathya Sai Baba* (2nd May 2006)

*His Life
& Works*





A Life Dedicated to Selfless Service..

The 3 Wishes of His Mother

- School for children in Puttaparthi

EduCare

- Healthcare for the villagers

MediCare

- Clean drinking water for villagers

SocioCare



EDUCARE



*“Education should not
just be information,
education is for
transformation.”*

~ Sathya Sai Baba



MEDICARE



“It is your good fortune that you have become doctors. Sacrifice is the hallmark of a true doctor. So, doctors should have the spirit of sacrifice. They should be compassionate and considerate towards the poor.”

~ Sathya Sai Baba (19th January 2001)

SOCIOCARE



*“Selfless
service is
the highest
spiritual
practice.”*

~ Sathya Sai Baba



*The Sathya Sai
International
Organisation*





“...is to help man recognise the divinity that is inherent in him. So, your duty is to emphasise the One, to experience the One in all you do or speak. Do not give any importance to differences of religion or sect or status or colour. Have the feeling of oneness permeate every act of yours. Only those who do so have a place in this Organisation; the rest can withdraw.”

~ *Sathya Sai Baba* (22nd November 1969)



*My only
wish is
that you
are happy!*