

The Cause of Spiritual Tears

Once, while dictating a book to Acharya Vijayananda, Baba's official amanuensis in the later years, he explained why spiritual aspirants often weep when they are in the presence of the Sadguru. "If you meet someone who is extremely close to you after a very long time, what happens? Don't tears automatically well up in your eyes? You have been connected with me since the beginning of creation, and that relationship is deeper than anything you can imagine. There were times when some of you were with me in a different form on another planet, but you do not remember it. I remember everything. I never forget anything. When sadhakas see me for the first time, those whose sadhana is good spontaneously feel a deep connection with me from the distant past. That is because I give them a slight hint about their true relationship with me, which creates a stir in the depths of their being, causing tears to flow. Vijayananda, now do you understand what happened to you at the Krishnanagar Railway Station when you saw me for the first time?"

Baba's reference to a long forgotten incident that had occurred more than twenty-five years before, filled Acharya Vijayananda's eyes with tears. After pausing for a while, Baba continued, "The bond between me and all of you is eternal. Before creation came into existence, you were all part of me in the non-qualified state of Nirguna Brahma and when you finally attain salvation, once again you will be part of me in the Nirguna state. If anyone is able to realize the true nature of his or her relationship with me, it will become impossible for them to maintain a separate existence in that state of intense spiritual intoxication."