

Śrī-Śacī-Tanayāshtakam

Eight Prayers Glorifying the Son of Śrīmatī Śacīdevī
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*ujjala-varaṇa-gaura-vara-deham
vilasita-niravadhi-bhāva-videham
tri-bhuvana-pāvana-kṛpāyāḥ leśam
tam praṇamāmi ca śrī-śacī-tanayam*

ujjala—brilliant; varaṇa—complexion; gaura-vara-deham—beautiful golden body; vilasita—sporting; niravadhi—incessantly; bhāva—ecstasy; videham—transcendental body; tri-bhuvana—the three worlds; pāvana—liberating; kṛpāyāḥ—by His mercy; leśam—atomic particle; tam—to Him; praṇamāmi—I bow down; ca—also; śrī-śacī-tanayam—to the son of mother Śacī.

I offer my respectful obeisances to the beautiful son of Śrī Śacīdevī. His superexcellent spiritual body is a brilliant golden colour. He is incessantly churned by sublime transcendental ecstasies. A tiny fraction of His mercy is able to deliver all the three worlds.

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*gadgadāntara-bhāva-vikāram
durjana-tarjana-nāda-viśālam
bhava-bhaya-bhañjana-kāraṇa-karuṇam
tam praṇamāmi ca śrī-śacī-tanayam*

gadgada—choked-up with spiritual ecstasy; antara—internally; bhāva-vikāram—ecstatic transformations; durjana—wicked men; tarjana—threatening; nāda—sounds; viśālam—immense; bhava-bhaya—fear of the cycle of birth and death; bhañjana—smashing; kāraṇa—cause; karuṇam—mercy; tam—to Him; praṇamāmi—I bow down; ca—also; śrī-śacī-tanayam—to the son of mother Śacī.

I offer my respectful obeisances to the beautiful son of Śrī Śacīdevī. His transcendental form manifests transformations of ecstasy such as faltering of the voice. The mighty sound of His voice chastises wicked men. His mercy dispels the fear of all that causes repeated birth and death.

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*aruṇāmbara-dhara cāru-kapolam
indu-vinindita-nakha-caya-ruciram
jalpita-nija-guṇa-nāma-vinodam
tam praṇamāmi ca śrī-śacī-tanayam*

aruṇa—rising sun’s rays; ambara—garments; dhara—wearing; cāru—beautiful; kapalam—cheeks; indu—moon; vinindita—mocking; nakha—fingernails; caya—rows; ruciram—radiance; jalpita—uttered; nija-guṇa—His own qualities; nāma—His name; vinodam—the enjoyer; tam—to Him; praṇamāmi—I bow down; ca—also; śrī-śacī-tanayam—to the son of mother Śacī.

I offer my respectful obeisances to the beautiful son of Śrī Śacīdevī. He wears garments the colour of the rays of the rising sun. The radiance of his beautiful cheeks and nails puts to shame the moon. He takes delight in uttering the glories of His own transcendental qualities and holy name.

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*vigalita-nayana-kamala-jala-dhāraṁ
bhūṣaṇa-nava-rasa-bhāva-vikāraṁ
gati-atimanthara-nṛtya-vilāsaṁ
taṁ praṇamāmi ca śrī-śacī-tanayam*

vigalita—flowing; nayana-kamala—lotus eyes; jala-dhāraṁ—streams of water; bhūṣaṇa—ornament; nava-rasa—of fresh mellows; bhāva-vikāraṁ—ecstatic transformations; gati—the movements; ati-manthara—very slow; nṛtya-vilāsaṁ—pastimes of dancing; tam—to Him; praṇamāmi—I bow down; ca—also; śrī-śacī-tanayam—to the son of mother Śacī.

I offer my respectful obeisances to the beautiful son of Śrī Śacīdevī. Streams of ecstatic tears flow from His lotus eyes. He is ornamented with transformations of ecstasy caused by ever-new loving mellows. His pastimes of dancing exhibit very slow and graceful movements.

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*cañcala-cāru-caraṇa-gati-ruciraṁ
mañjira-rañjita-pada-yuga-madhuram
candra-vinindita-śītala-vadanam
taṁ praṇamāmi ca śrī-śacī-tanayam*

cañcala—restless; cāru-caraṇa—lovely feet; gati—the movements; ruciraṁ—pleasing; mañjira-rañjita—adorned by anklets; pada-yuga—the two feet; madhuram—sweet; candra-vinindita—surpassing the moon; śītala-vadanam—cooling face; tam—to Him; praṇamāmi—I bow down; ca—also; śrī-śacī-tanayam—to the son of mother Śacī.

I offer my respectful obeisances to the beautiful son of Śrī Śacīdevī. The nimble movements of His beautiful dancing feet, adorned by sweetly twinkling anklets, are very pleasing. His soothing brilliant face surpasses the cooling rays of the moon.

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dhṛta-kaṭi-ḍora-kamaṇḍalu-daṇḍam

*divya-kalevara-muṇḍita-muṇḍam
durjana-kalmaṣa-khaṇḍana-daṇḍam
tam praṇamāmi ca śrī-śacī-tanayam*

dhṛta—wearing; kaṭi-ḍora—loincloth; kamaṇḍalu—waterpot; daṇḍam—staff; divya-kalevara—divine body; muṇḍita—shaven; muṇḍam—head; durjana—wicked souls; kalmaṣa—sins; khaṇḍana—destroying; daṇḍam—chastisement; tam—to Him; praṇamāmi—I bow down; ca—also; śrī-śacī-tanayam—to the son of mother Śacī.

I offer my respectful obeisances to the beautiful son of Śrī Śacīdevī. His wonderful divine form is graced by a shaven head and adorned with the loincloth of a mendicant, the sannyāsa staff and waterpot. Such a form of His chastises wicked souls and destroys their sins.

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*bhūṣaṇa-bhū-raja-alakā-valitam
kampita-bimbādhara-vara-ruciram
malayaja-viracita-ujjvala-tilakam
tam praṇamāmi ca śrī-śacī-tanayam*

bhūṣaṇa—ornament; bhū-raja—dust of the earth; alakā—hair; valitam—endowed; kampita—trembling; bimba-adhara—lips like red berries; vara-ruciram—excellent and pleasing; malaya-ja—sandalwood; viracita—drawn; ujjvala-tilakam—brilliant tilaka markings; tam—to Him; praṇamāmi—I bow down; ca—also; śrī-śacī-tanayam—to the son of mother Śacī.

I offer my respectful obeisances to the beautiful son of Śrī Śacīdevī. As a householder, His face is surrounded by locks of dark hair, decorated with the dust of the earth. His excellent lips, which are red like the bimba fruit, are beautified by their trembling in ecstasy. Upon His forehead He wears brilliant tilak made of sandalwood paste.

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*nindita-aruṇa-kamala-dala-nayanam
ājānu-lambita-śrī-bhuja-yugalam
kalevara-kaiśora-nartaka-veśam
tam praṇamāmi ca śrī-śacī-tanayam*

nindita—surpassing; āruṇa—reddish; kamala-dala—lotus petal; nayanam—eyes; ā-jānu—down to the knees; lambita—extending; śrī—splendrous; bhuja-yugalam—two arms; kalevara—divine body; kaiśora—adolescent; nartaka-veśam—dress of a dramatic dancing actor; tam—to Him; praṇamāmi—I bow down; ca—also; śrī-śacī-tanayam—to the son of mother Śacī.

I offer my respectful obeisances to the beautiful son of Śrī Śacīdevī. The glowing beauty of His lotus-petal eyes surpasses that of the rising sun. His two splendid arms extend down to His knees. His divine body is dressed in the fashion of an

adolescent dancer.