

Talk by Swami Sri Brahmanandaji  
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"Wherever you are, and whatever works you are doing, do it with all sincerity and a single-pointed mind. Nobody can snatch success from you. Success is your birthright. Never worry about the results. Accept whatever comes as a boon from the Lord, for He knows what is best for you."

These are the inspiring thoughts of Pujya Gurudev Swami Brahmanandaji, of Chinmaya Mission.

Pujya Swami Brahmananda is one of the senior disciples of Pujya Gurudev, Swami Chinmayananda. Swamiji's clarity on profound Vedantic truths has made his spiritual discourses popular throughout India. Swamiji has also endeared himself to millions with his mastery in Sanskrit chanting and resonant devotional hymns.



Born to a devout family in Pavanje Village in Dakshina Kannada district, the young seeker of knowledge underwent rigorous training at Chinmaya Mission's Sandeepany Sadhanalaya ashram in Mumbai. After the completion of the intensive three-year Vedanta course, Pujya Gurudev, asked him to begin conducting spiritual discourses immediately.

He has extensively toured all parts of Karnataka and taught with inimitable style and down-to-earth examples, bringing home the intricate and subtle essence of Advaita Vedanta. Serving as the Resident Acharya of Chinmaya Mission Bangalore and Chinmaya Mission's Regional Head of Karnataka, Swamiji is not only a contemporary sage; he is also an administrator par excellence. Chinmaya Mission centres in Bangalore, Mysore, Shimoga, Tiptur, Mandya, Mangalore, Hubli, and Kolar have all been groomed and guided by his loving and enthusiastic involvement.



At the programme, Brahmanandaji insisted that for any development the Key is to grow. To grow in attitude. Man is in endless Search for happiness, kshama, shanthi irrespective of profession. It is the satvik happiness that will assist growth.

He drew attention of the audience to Bhaja Govindam which speaks of the attractions which deviate people from their chosen path. Ma Phaleshu Kadachana is the key to

happiness, as any materialistic desire would only lead to higher desires and finally to destruction.

Mahatmas sought and found peace in the service they pursued for the fellow human beings. He spoke on the route of Indriya - Manas - Buddhi for practicing yoga. He defined Raja Yoga and Jnana Yoga.

The session attracted lot of questions from the audience.

