

the lower consciousness rises to meet and join the Higher Consciousness through the six centres or knots which are broken in the course of the ascent. Are the knots broken in our yoga also? Or are they loosened and resolved? If so, what is the process?

It looks as if it were only a question of words. What is meant exactly by broken? broken to pieces? Not likely. They (the centres) may *break open* to let the force pass upward — this is more probable.

But for each one the experience is different, and to try to make a rule by which all experience has to proceed, is childish mental nonsense.

The Spirit is *free* and will always be free in its workings.

3 October 1964

Sweet Mother,

Last August Y met me and asked whether it is permissible for disciples of Sri Aurobindo and Mother to do worship of other gods and goddesses at their Centres. He said that a lot of confusion has been caused by those who have been writing and preaching that the Supramental Yoga can be done and its goal reached through the deities to whom people are accustomed. The old Puranas, the Tulsī Ramayana, etc. are being expounded with a view to promote the ideal of Sri Aurobindo and Mother. Their view is that Sri Krishna, Rama, Sita — all can give the truth of the Supramental.

Here is the letter from Y asking me to seek guidance from Mother.

Those who still believe in gods can certainly continue to worship them if they feel like it — but they must know that this creed and this worship have nothing to do with the teaching of Sri

More Answers from the Mother

Aurobindo and *no connection whatsoever* with the Supramental Realisation.

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(The disciple wrote of a devotee who was willing to lend money to the Ashram at a high rate of interest.)

I am quite against borrowing money even at a reasonable rate of interest — this one is quite exorbitant and illegal, — this is completely out of the question.

Those who believe in the yoga of Sri Aurobindo must understand that money is not meant to bring money but to help the earth to prepare for the advent of the new creation.

With blessings.

23 December 1964

(The disciple, in collaboration with others, submitted a proposal for the publication of Sri Aurobindo's works. Its intention was to increase the sales of books by offering them to the public at a low price. Initially, six 80-page pocket-size books would be produced, and sold at a cost of one rupee each. On the proposal's cover letter the Mother wrote:)

The plan is good but *not* for Sri Aurobindo's work upon earth.
Blessings.

(At the end of the proposal, the Mother wrote:)

This is a very well mentally planned project. But I must remind you that Sri Aurobindo has warned us that his writings were not for the public at large and must not be treated like such.