

## **You are Beyond God**

Note: Bhagavan means God, the creator of the universe

Dear Ram

Thanks a lot for coming to Helsinki for the teaching of Vedanta. I am looking forward a lot. Is Matthias all ready in Portland? I have a question. If I am the self, why do you say then, it is *Bhagavan's* will? Isn't me and *Bhagavan* one? Then it is my will, isn't it? Are we puppets on a string, if it is my will?

Have a great journey. Here all is fine. Swimming so beautiful. Big hug and much love

Helga

Dear Helga,

When I said *Bhagavan's* will I was addressing Helga, not the self. As the self there is no *Bhagavan* and no will for you. These are just ideas based on ignorance of the nature of reality. When you think you are limited, you say you are Helga, so we have to speak of *Bhagavan*. You were confused because you were thinking of yourself as the self, but I thought you were thinking of yourself as Helga, a limited being. So it was my fault. Actually you are right, if there is a *Bhagavan* then his will and your will are one because he cannot will anything without you. But you do not will things because there is nothing other than you.

*Bhagavan* is you, but you are not *Bhagavan*. You are awareness, the self. *Bhagavan* is awareness and the macrocosmic vasanas. In this role awareness creates everything and knows everything and destroys everything. Catherine is awareness and a few of *Bhagavan's* vasanas. She is called a *jiva*, the individual. *Bhagavan* is called *Iswara*, the total mind. You...the self...shine on both *jiva* and *Bhagavan*. Without you, they cannot fulfill their roles.

It is cold and wet here and I am swamped with people. I wish I was there swimming with you.

Much love

Ram