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Karma of Suicide

(from Chapter 11)

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Suicide is the action of a person taking his/her own life. Spiritually, this is very dangerous because although we think our life belongs to us, it does not. The human body is a divine gift given to us to rise higher on the Spiritual Ladder, eventually gaining our release from this nether world. By committing suicide we disclaim the gift.

In *Quest for Light* Saint Charan Singh discusses suicide at length, repeating the message multiple times to drive the point home that suicide is a great sin. He says: (Letter #145)

All our karmas (the results of our thoughts and actions) go with us to the next life with an added sin of suicide if we succumb to such an act. We can never escape from reaping what we have sown by cutting short our life. On the contrary, we would only make our burden still heavier.

In Letter #328 of *Quest for Light* Saint Charan Singh addresses the act of suicide further in direct response to a personal letter. He states:

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I am surprised to read that you even tried to take your own life. There is no greater sin than that. Do you in any way escape from your karmas when you do that? All the uncleared karmas go with you to the next life with the additional very heavy load of suicide. The next life will be much more miserable with this additional load of unforgivable sin. Never think, not even in your dreams, to take your own life.

He further emphasizes the point in Letter #415: (Ibid.)

No Master will ever advise anyone to commit suicide. . . Suicide is a heinous sin and a very heavy penalty has to be paid for taking one's life. . . Never think, not even in dreams, of such a thing as suicide.

From letter #432 . . . (Ibid.)

Suicide is a heinous sin and is unpardonable. The gates of hell are wide open for one who commits suicide. We have no right to take our own or anyone else's life. This life is a rare privilege and we have to go through our destiny bravely and courageously. . . No Master has ever advised nor will He ever advise anyone to commit suicide or to take anyone else's life.

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Also from Letter #432 we read: (Ibid.)

By committing suicide we do not escape from our karmas, but carry them to the next life with the additional very heavy sin of suicide. Please bear in mind that nothing can justify this act of madness and it should never be in your thoughts. No such thought should ever enter anyone's mind, not even in dreams. It is a terrible sin and means a very heavy burden followed by correspondingly heavy punishment.

And more from Letter #459 ... (Ibid.)

Suicide is a very great sin and entails an extremely heavy burden. It should never be thought of by anyone. A person commits suicide in order to escape from his present suffering, but does not realize that the karma he is paying off through this suffering will have to be paid in the next life with the additional burden and sin of suicide. One can never escape from reaping what one has sown. Karmic accounts have to be cleared, if not in this life, then in another one. Karmas are never forgotten, ignored or overlooked. They have to be paid.

After this lengthy set of quotes, can anyone doubt that suicide is a great sin whose karmas are devastating and incarcerating? Therefore, whatever karmas we are challenged with in this life, it is

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better to go through them now rather than trying to avoid them, which is impossible. Taking our own life only compounds the karmic debt we already are strapped with.

Obviously, we do not make our life easier by attempting to escape our troubles via the act of suicide. We must never, as Saint Charan Singh states multiple times, even think of suicide in our dreams.

Whatever our karma is now, we have to deal with it now, not try to run away from it or negate it through suicide. Our life will only get worse, much worse, if we take our own life. Death, by any means, is not the end of life, although it may be the end of this incarnation. We must live it and deal with its karmas but never try in any way to escape it because we won't be able to do so.

As this work has stated multiple times, human life is the Top of Creation, the Crown Jewel of all living species, a precious gift given to us after millions of lives. If we dishonor it by killing it, what can we honestly expect? A better life next time? No. This will never happen; just the reverse, even worse.

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All this being said, therefore, we need to understand the depth of the problem and solve it now while we're in this body, in this life. If we're suicidal or know someone who is, we need to get help or offer help to them. Activating the suicide button, be it the trigger of a gun, a hangman's noose, a needle in the arm, a jump off a cliff or out a window, whatever, is a ticket to hell and a more hellish future. Nothing good will come of an act of suicide, nothing. But when we fight our suicidal demons through courage, strength, humility, faith, determination and prayer and win, as win we must, we'll be able to move on and upward to a more advantageous life.

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