

Dasavatharams of lord Vishnu has been prayed to by very many great savants

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Dasavathara BHujanga Sthavam

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(There are several prayers addressed to Lord Vishnu in his ten incarnation. Here is a rare one written in the Bhujanga(snake) meter.)

Challalola kallola kallolineesa,-
Sphuran nakra chakradhi vakthrambuleena,
Hatho yena meenavatharena sankha,
Sa payaada apaya jjagad Vasudeva. 1

Let the world be saved from all dangers by Vasudeva,
Who took the form of a fish and killed Hayagreeva,
Who was living beneath the sea with tumultuous water,
Moving hither and thither due to its giant waves.

Dharaa nirjararaathibhradhapara,-
Da koopaara neerathuradha pathanthi,
Drutha korma roopena yena swaprushte,
Sa deva mudhe vosthu seshanga sayee. 2

Let happiness be given by the God who sleeps on Sesa,
Who took the form of tortoise and lifted on his back,
The earth which sank in to water due to ,
The very heavy burden caused by Asuras.

Udagre radhaagresahothraapi gothra,
Sthitha yasya vaakethakagre shadangre,

Thanothi srayam sa sriyam vasthanothu,
Prabhu sri varahavatharo murari. 3

Let wealth be granted by the God ,
Who took the form of a giant boar,
And lifted the earth with all its mountains,
On his tusk resembling the bee at the end of pandanus.

Urodhara samrambhinaa yena daithyo,
Ramavibhrame banguragrair nakhagrai,
Hatho baktha vathasalya jathena dhara,
Raghogham sadaa va sahimsanyasimha. 4

Let all our sins be destroyed by Lord Narasimha,
Who rose from a log and killed the great Asura due to his,
Great love to his devotee, by tearing his chest by the tips of his nails,
Which are used to caress Goddess Lakshmi and make her happy.

Chhaladha kalayya trilokim baliyo,
Balim samba badha trilokee baleeyo,
Thanuthwam dhadhana thanum sandha dhano
Vimoham mano vamaano va sa kuryadh. 5

Let our mind be made bereft of passion by Vamana,
Who is the very strong one who tied Mahabali,
By measuring the three worlds by three steps in deceit,
And who has assumed the form of a tiny dwarf.

Adha kshatriyaasruk prapana pramatha,
Pranathyath pitha cha prageetha prathapa,
Dharaakaari yeana agrajanmagraho ,
Vihaaram kriyaan manase vas a rama. 6

Let your mind become the play Court of Parasurama,
Who saluted his father after he became exuberant
After drinking the blood of Kshatriyas and became famous,
And also made the entire earth to be populated by Brahmins.

Nathagra sugreeva samrajya hethur,
Dasa greva santhana samhara Kethu,
Dhanuryena bhagfnam mahatha kamathanthu,
Sa may Janaki janirenamsi hanthu. 7

Let my sins be destroyed by consort of Seetha,
Who was the reason for devotee Sugreeva getting a kingdom,
Who caused Ravana and his children to be destroyed,
And who broke the great bow of Lord Shiva .

Ganatha go dhanam yena govardhanena,
Vyarakshiprathapena govardhanena,
Hatharathi chakri rana dwamsa chakri,
Pada dwastha chakri san a pathu chakri. 8

Let us be protected by the holder of holy wheel,
Who saved the cows from torrential rain using Govardhana mountain,,
Who killed all his enemy hordes in the great war,
Who holds the wheel and who beat the Kaliya serpent,

Dhara badha padmasanasthamgriyashtir,
Niyaa nilaanya astha nasagra drushti,
Ya as the kalou yoginaam chakravarthi,
Sa budha prabhudhosthu nischintha varthi. 9

Let us be blessed with all things good by Buddha,
Who fixes his sight on his nose tip and does pranayama,
Who sits in lotus pose and is the emperor among yogis in kali age,,
And who enjoys divine pleasure in his Samadhi.

Durachara samsaara samhara kari,
Bhavathyaswago yaprupana prahari,
Murarir dasakaradha reeha kalki.
Karothu dishaam dwamsanam va sa kalki. 10

Let your enemies from all directions be killed by Kalki,

Who puts an end to people with bad habits of this world,
Who rides on a horse and keeps shaking his sword,
And who is Kalki , the tenth incarnation of Krishna.

Bhujangam bhujangesyavatharan ,
Dasapi smaran sradhayemam patedhya,
Dharanyavadastham saranyo druganthair,
Varenyassa bhaktham bharanyam bhibharthi. 11

He who remembers and reads this snake metered praise,
Of the ten incarnations of God who sleeps on the snake
Would be blessed by him who is partial to his devotees,
And the one who grants boon, as the one who rules him.

Dasavathara Sthuthi in Malayalam

Prayer to ten incarnations

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(a remarkable prayer)

1.Darppena nan mara harichasu sindhu jala,
Mul puku daithyane hanikkan Maha vibhava,
Mathsyavathaara udan aarnee jagathukkale
Rakshicha deva , Hari Narayanaya nama

Oh God when with pride when a rakshasa stealing
The four Vedas entered the water of the ocean
To kill him you took the very great incarnation of fish
And recovered it to earth immediately, Salutations to Hari Narayana

2.Saaparthi theerpathinnu amarthyarkku ponkalasa,
Vaarasi mandhana maha yathna maarnalavu,
Thaazhunna mandhara myurathethuvaan Kamada,
Roopam daricha Hari narayanaya nama

For removing the curse Of vas when they,
Undertook very high effort in churning the ocean,
For lifting up the mandhara mountain which was going down,
You took the form of a tortoise, Salutations to hari narayana

Van ghoniyaai bathe Hiranyaksha Dushtane , va-
Dhichu udharichu dharani chakra masthu puna,
Rambho Nrusimha vadivaarnno Hirany kasipu
Ajnaa ghaana kila NaraYANAAYA NAMA

Taking the form of wild boar you killed the evil,
Hiranyaksha and lifted back the earth and again,
Took the form of man lion and killed,
Hiranya Kasipu , salutations again to Narayana

Tharesa keerthiyodu mupparadakkiyara-
Saalaan kothicha Baliyodi jagat tritaaya,
Marala adakkuvathinnai vamanakruthiye,
Vyaajal dharicha Hari Narayana Hare

With the fame of a king. When Mahabali .
Was greatly desirous of controlling the three worlds,
To stifle his pride you assumed the form of
Vamana just for fun, Salutations to Hari Narayana

Rakshithra dharma gathi saaikkuvaan kodiya,
Raksha kulathe nihanikkan, pralamba mukha,
Sikshakkai dharayil annudhicha vibhu rama
Thrayaya, Hari Narayanaya Nama

To implement the Dharma of protection,
To kill the clan of Rakshasas , for punishing,
And for punishing Pralamba, You took birth,
As three Ramas then, Salutations to hari Narayana

Sthuthyaa vidhaathu Radha kamasaadhi daithya jana,
Hathyarthamai sujana rakshartha mayumiha,

Krishnaakhye poondu avathaichor ameya guna,
Nadhyasathaam manasi Narayanaaya nama

When Brahma and others prayed , for destroying
Kamsa and other Rakshasa as well as to protect good people.,
You took incarnation in the form of Krishna with ,
Magnanimous character and stayed in our mind, Salutations to Narayana

Thingi jjanam skhalitha vruthyaa dushichu, kali,
Thannandhya velayil dharmam thazhakkum,
Alavinnum janikkumiha Kalki aakhyaa poondu,
Hari konneduvaan Khalare , Narayanaaya Nama

The crowded people became evil due to bad acts,
And in the end of Kali age, seeing the measure ,
Of growth of Dharma, Hari will take the form of kalki,
To kill undesirable people, Salutations to Narayana

Thottuvadheeswara Dasavathara stotram (Malayalam)

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(This prayer is a Dasavathara Sthuthi addressed to The Danvanthari Murthi - the God who is a doctor consecrated in Thottuva , not far away from Cochin air port in Kerala. There are several curative prayers and offerings there given to the God. The most important is "Leeches" for getting cured of all diseases and Coir rope to get cured of all breathing problems.)

1.pathavatharangaal othangu cholluvaan ,
Sakthi yenikkilla yengilum jnan,
Sakthi poal cholvathu kettu kshamikkane,
Thottvaadheeswawara Kumbidunnen.

Though I do not have the power to tell ,
About the ten incarnations together,
Please hear me telling it as per my strength,
Oh Lord of Thottuva , My salutations to you.

2.Sathyavruthannu pralayathe kattuvaan,
Kruthyangalaaya Vedangaal veendedukkuvaan,
Mathsyavatharathe poondoru govinda ,
Thottvaadheeswawara Kumbidunnen.

For showing Sathyvrutha the deluge ,
And to recover the sacred composition of Vedas,
Oh Govinda, who took the incarnation of fish,
Oh Lord of Thottuva , My salutations to you.

3.Mandhara parvatham thazhottu poyannu,
Koormavatharathe poondoru Kesava ,
Thottvaadheeswawara Kumbidunnen.

3.On the day when the Mandhara mountain went down,
Oh Kesava, you took the incarnation of Tortoise,
Oh Lord of Thottuva , My salutations to you.

4.Pandu Hiranyaaksha dhanavan garvathaal,
Poondithu paatala Bhoomiyai ,
Annu varahamai bhoomiya pokkiya,
Thottvaadheeswawara Kumbidunnen.

4.In olden days when the Rakshasa Hiranyaksha ,
Due to pride made this earth down under to Patala,
You took the form of boar and lifted the earth,
Oh Lord of Thottuva , My salutations to you.

5.Ghora Hiranya kasipuve kolluvaan,
Kroora Narasimhanaya Deva,
Vaaranam cheika durithangaal okkeyum,
Thottvaadheeswawara Kumbidunnen.

5.For killing the horrible Hiranya Kasipu ,
Oh God you took the form of cruel Narasimha,
Please remove all my sufferings,
Oh Lord of Thottuva , My salutations to you.

6.Maveli thannodu moonadi yaachippan,
Vamana veshathe poonda Nadhaa,
Aamayam onnum manassil bhavikkolaa,
Thottvaadheeswawara Kumbidunnen.

6.For the sake of begging three feet from Maha Bali,
Oh Lord who assumed the form of Vamana,
Please do not make any sorrow to be in mind,
Oh Lord of Thottuva , My salutations to you.

7.ooku peruthoru Kshatriya vamsathe,
Aakkamodu annu mudippathinnai,
Parsuvaam aayudhamendhi nadannoru,
Thottvaadheesawara Kumbidunnen.

7.For completely exterminating the Kshatriyas,
Who had become mad with power,
Holding an axe you wandered ,
Oh Lord of Thottuva , My salutations to you.

8.Kandakanaayoru Ravanane kolluvaan,
Kodanda paaniyaam Ramanai,
Soorya kulathil vannu pirannoru ,
Thottvaadheesawara Kumbidunnen.

8.For the sake killing the wicked Ravana ,
You became Rama who held the Kodanda,
And were born in the Solar dynasty,
Oh Lord of Thottuva , My salutations to you.

9.Bala gopalande sodharanaayoru,
Seeriyaam ninneNamichidunnen,
Krishna Kadal varnaa vrushnee kuleswaraa,
Krishnavatham ithethra chithram,
Kamsanaam mathula nasana nin paadham,
Thottvaadheesawara Kumbidunnen.

9,I salute you who is the brother ,
Of Bala Gopala and one who carries the plough,
Oh Krishna of the colour of the sea, who is the lord of vrushnee clan,
What a wonderful thing is the incarnation as Krishnsa,
Oh lord who killed his uncle Kamsa,
Oh Lord of Thottuva , My salutations to your feet.

10.Gadgaayudhanaai pralaya kalathingal,
Kalkiyai vannidum Narayana,
Gadkathaal dushta vinasanam varuthunna ,
Thottvaadheesawara Kumbidunnen.

10.Oh Narayana who comes as Kalki ,
Armed with a sword at the time of deluge,
And who exterminates bad people with his sword ,
Oh Lord of Thottuva , My salutations to your feet.

11.Pathavathaarangal yi vidham cholli jnan,
Uthama purushaa ninnodaayi,
Paksheendra vahana, Thootuvadheeswara,
Thottvaadheesawara Kumbidunnen.

11.I told you like this about ten incarnations,
Oh Great person to you ,Oh Lord who used to travel,
On the back of king of birds, Oh lord of Thottuva,
Oh Lord of Thottuva , My salutations to you

12.Krishna hare Jaya . Krishna Hare Jaya,
Krishna hare Jaya . Krishna Hare Jaya,
Thottvaadheesawara Kumbidunnen.

12.Krishna hare Jaya . Krishna Hare Jaya,
Krishna hare Jaya . Krishna Hare Jaya,
Oh Lord of Thottuva , My salutations to you

Dasavathara Stotram

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1.Munibhie eeditham , Madhu nishkevitham , haya mukhanthakam , bhaya vinasanam ,
Pralaya Jaladhigam, nalinajarchitham , makara roopinam , Bhaavayaamyaham.

1.I cherish him who took the form of fish. Who was praised by the sages, Who destroyed Madhu,

Who killed Hayamukhasura, who destroys fear , who was in the water of deluge
And who was worshipped by Goddess Lakshmi.

2.Pithru gana sthutham , dathru sevitham , drutha daradharam , bhootha bhavanam,
Ajitham avyayayam sujana palakam kachapathmakam bhavayaamyaham

2. I cherish him who took the form of a tortoise, who was worshipped by groups of manes ,
Who is served by the creator , who holds the earth , who determines the future ,
Who cannot be defeated, Who does not have any faults and who looks after good people.

3.Udhrutha kshithim , vaardhvi madhyagam , dithija soodhanam , drutha gadham Harim,
Abhaya dhayagam , vibhudha vandhitham , sookarathmakam bhaavayaamyaham

3. I cherish him who took the form of a boar , who lifted the earth from the middle of ocean,
Who killed the son of dithi , who was Hari who held the mace ,
Who gave protection and who is saluted by wise people.

4.Bruthya poshanam , daithya soshanam , bhaktha vathsalam , mukthi dayakam,
Sitha nakhayudham , kshatha jalochanam nruhari roopinam bhavayamyam

4.I cherish him who took the form of man lion , who looks after his servants ,
Who loved his devotees , who grants salvation ,
Whose weapons were teeth and nails and who killed by making wounds.

5.Kasyapathmajam , viswa roopinam , bali madhapaham , balinameeswaram,
Vaasavanujam , baswaropamam vamanakruthim bhavayamyaham.

5.I cherish him who took the form of Vamana, who is the son of sage Kasyapa,
Who took the mega form, who destroyed the pride of Mahabali,
Who is the powerful God , Who is the younger brother of Indra and who shined like Sun.

6.Sankara priyam, mangala pradhama . kshathriyanthakam , vikramamsajam,
Parasudharinam , sura ganarchitham , brugu kulodhwaham bhavayamyaham.

6. I cherish him who was born in the clan of Brugu , who was dear to Lord Shiva ,
Who gave auspiciousness , who killed all Kshatriyas , Who was valorous ,
Who was armed with an axe and who was worshipped by Devas.

7.Dasarathathmajam, dasa mukhanthakam , janakajapathim , muni nishevitham,
Pavanajarchitham , bhuvana palakm , Raghu kulodhwaham Bhavayamyaham.

7.I cherish him who uplifted Raghu clan , who is the son of Dasaratha ,
Who killed ten headed Ravana , who is husband of daughter of Janaka,
Who is praised by sages , who was worshipped by Hanuman and who ruled the earth.

8.Neela vaasasam , thala kethanam balavathaam varam hala dharma balam,
Krishna sodharam , Vrushni vamsajam , Rohini sutham VBhavayamham

8. I cherish the son of Rohini , who wears blue cloths , who has a body with rhythm ,
Who is the greatest among strong, Who is strong holding a plough ,
Who is brother of Krishna and who belongs to the Vrushni clan.

9.Indirapathim, nana nandanam , vamsa vadhinam , kamsa soodhanam,
Bhuvana sundaram , DEvaki sutham , vijaya saradhim bhavayamyaham .

9.I cherish the charioteer of Arjuna , Who is consort of Goddess Lakshmi,
Who is the son of Nanda , who speaks of his clan , who is the killer of Kamsa ,
Who is prettiest in the world and who is the son of Devaki.

10.Aswa vahanam , viswa palakam , dushta sikshakam , sishta rakshakam,
Kali yuganthyajam balinam achyutham kalki roopinam Bhavayamyaham

10.I cherish The one who has the form of Kalki , who would ride on a horse ,
Who would take care of the world , who would punish evil people ,
Who would take care of good people who is strong and who is Achyutha.

Dasavathara stotram

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(This very delectable prayer addressed to the ten incarnations of Vishna was brought to my notice by Sri Chakravathi Madhusoodhana. My grateful acknowledgements to him.
The audio and text in Devanagari of this prayer is available in <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tzBNIEjtkok>. In this stotra Lord Budha is considered as Avathara(incarnatuion)
instead of Lord Balarama.)

1.Namasmana danyopayam pasyamo bhava tharane,
Rama Hare, Krishna Hare , thava nama Vadami sada nruhare.

Do you see any method to cross of ocean of birth other than remembering God's names,
Oh Rama, Oh Hari, Oh Krishna, Oh Hari , Oh Narasimha , I would chant your names always.

2.Vedodhara vichara mathe , somaka danava samharane,
Meenakara sareera namo , Hari bhaktham they paripalaya maam.

He always wanted to save Vedas and killed the asura called Somaka,
My salutations to him who had a body of fish ,
And I request him to look after me who am a devotee of Vishnu.

3.Mandhana chala dharana hetho, devasura paripalana bho,
Koormakara sareera namo, Hari bhaktham they paripalaya maam.

He happened to lift the mountain that was used to churn and looked after asuras and devas,
My salutations to him who had the body of a tortoise,
And I request him to look after me who am a devotee of Vishnu.

4.Bhoochoraka hara punyadha murthe, krododruth bhoothesa hare,
Krodakara sareera namo, Hari bhaktham they paripalaya maam.

He was the blessed one who killed the thief who stole the earth,
He was Hari who took the form of hog to protect all beings,
My salutations to him who had the body of the hog,
And I request him to look after me who am a devotee of Vishnu.

5.Hemakasipu dharana hetho,Prahaladhasura palana bho,
Narasimhachyutha roopa namo, Hari bhaktham they paripalaya maam.

For the sake of Hiranya kasipu he took that form,
For protecting the asura called Prahladha,
My salutations to the man lion form of Achyutha,
And I request him to look after me who am a devotee of Vishnu.

6.Bali makha bandhana vithatha mathe, pada dwaya krutha loka krutha,
Patu vatu vesha manogna namo, Hari bhaktham they paripalaya maam.

He wanted in his mind to stop the sacrifice done by Maha bali,
And measured all the words by his two steps,
My salutations to the skilful , mind stealing young lad,
And I request him to look after me who am a devotee of Vishnu.

7.Kshithi pathi vamsa sambhava moorthe, Kshithi pathi rakshaa kshatha murthe,
Bhrugu pathi rama varenya namo, Hari bhaktham, they paripalaya maam.

He took birth for the sake of the clans of kings,
He caused damage and also saved the kings of earth,
Salutations to Rama who was the chief of Bhrugu clan,
And I request him to look after me who am a devotee of Vishnu.

8.Sitha vallabha dasaradhe , dararatha nandana loka guro,
Ravana mardhana rama namo, Hari bhaktham they paripalaya maam.

He was the husband of Sita and son of Dasaratha,
He was the universal teacher who was the son of Dasaratha,
Salutations to Rama who killed Ravana,
And I request him to look after me who am a devotee of Vishnu.

9.Krishnananda krupa jaladhe , kamsare kamalesa hare,
Kaliya mardhana Krishna namo, Hari bhaktham they paripalaya maam.

He was Krishna the joy who was a ocean of mercy,
He was the Lord of Lakshmi and killer of Kamsa,
Salutations to Krishna who conquered the pride of Kaliya,
And I request him to look after me who am a devotee of Vishnu.

10.Tripura sathi manavee harana, Tripura vijaya margana roopaa,
Shudha gnana vibudha namo, Hari bhaktham they paripalaya maam,.

He left the town and his virtuous wife for the sake of killing the sorrow of humans,
He won over the cities by his form of search,
My salutations the greatly wise one who has pure wisdom,
And I request him to look after me who am a devotee of Vishnu.

11.Dushta vimardhana sishta hare , kali thuragothama vahana hare,
Kalkin kara karavana namo, Hari bhaktham they paripalaya maam.

He is Lord Vishnu born to punish bad ones ,
He rides on the horse and comes in the age of Kali,
My salutations to Kalki holding a sword in his hand,
And I request him to look after me who am a devotee of Vishnu.

Jayadeva's Dasavathara Stotra

Dasavatara Stotra

(Prayer about ten incarnations)

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(Jayadeva was a poet who lived in the 12th century in Orissa. He is a well known mystic, who drowned himself in the ocean of devotion to Lord Krishna. His only work Gita Govinda(The song of our Lord) , starts with this prayer to ten incarnations of Vishnu. Since it is written in verses of eight lines each, it is also called Ashta Padi. This is one of the earliest works in Sanskrit to be translated in to English verse.

This great Stotra mentions, Buddha as an incarnation but nothing has been mentioned about the incarnation as Lord Krishna. This was possibly due to the fact that the poet was writing about ten incarnations of Krishna and not about ten incarnations of Vishnu.)

Pralaya-payodhi-jale dhruta vanasi vedam

Vihita-vahitra-charitramakhedam

Keshava dhruta-meena-sarira jaya jagadisa hare 1

Victory to Keshava, the lord of Universe,

Who assumed the form of a fish,

And gave protection like a boat to Vedas,

Which were immersed in the turbulent sea of deluge.

Kshitirathi vipulatare tisthtati tava prushte

Dharani-dharana-kina-chakra-garishte ,

Keshava dhruta-kachapa-sarira jaya jagadisa hare 2

Victory to Keshava , the lord of Universe,

Who assumed the form of a tortoise,

And made the great mountain rest on his back,

And allowed it to churn the ocean like a wheel.

Vasati dasana-sikhare dharani thava lagna

Sasini kalanka-kaleva nimagna

Keshava dhruta-sukara-rupa jaya jagadisa hare 3

Victory to Keshava , the lord of Universe,

Who assumed the form of a boar,

On whose tusks rested the earth,

Which was drowned and appeared.

Like the shadow on the moon.

Thava kara-kamala-vare nakha madbhuta-srngam

Dalita-hiranyakasipu-thanu-bhrngam

Keshava dhruta-narahari-rupa jaya jagadisa hare 4

Victory to Keshava , the lord of Universe,

Who assumed the form of a man lion,

Whose nails of his lotus like hand,

Were made wonderful weapons,

And Crushed Hiranyakasipu like a wasp.

Chalayasi vikramane balimadbhuta-vamana

Pada-nakha-nira-janita-jana-pavana

Keshava dhruta-vamana-rupa jaya jagadisa hare 5

Victory to Keshava , the lord of Universe,

Who assumed the form of a dwarf Brahmin,

Who by his massive steps deceived Mahabali,
And the water* emanating from the nail of whose feet,
Made all living beings holy and divine.
* River Ganga is believed to have originated from Vishnu's feet.

Kshatriya-rudhira-maye jagad-apagata-papam
Snapayasi payasi samita-bhava-tapam
Keshava dhruta-bhrgupati-rupa jaya jagadisa hare 6

Victory to Keshava , the lord of Universe,
Who assumed the form of Parasurama,
Who bathed the earth with blood of Kshatriyas,
Who washed away the sins of the world,
And who calmed down the pains of existence.

Vitarasi dikshu rane dik-pati-kamaniyam
Dasa-mukha-mauli-balim ramaniyam
Keshava dhruta-rama-sarira jaya jagadisa hare 7

Victory to Keshava , the lord of Universe,
Who assumed the form of Lord Rama,
Who presented the lords of ten pretty directions,
The delightful offering of ten heads of Ravana.

Vahasi vapusi visade vasanam jaladabham
Hala-hati-bhiti-milita-yamunabham
Keshava dhruta-haladhara-rupa jaya jagadisa hare 8

Victory to Keshava , the lord of Universe,
Who assumed the form of Balarama,
Who wore cloths of colour of The River,
Yamuna over his white body and made ,
The river fear his weapon of the plough.

Nindasi yajna-vidher ahaha shruti-jatam
Sadaya-hrdaya darsita-pasu-ghatham
Keshava dhruta-buddha-sarira jaya jagadisa hare 9

Victory to Keshava , the lord of Universe,
Who assumed the form of Buddha,
Who found fault with fire sacrifices,
In which poor animals were sacrificed,
As prescribed in the Vedas due to his compassionate heart.

Mleccha-nivaha-nidhane kalayasi karavalam
Dhumaketum iva kim api karalam
Keshava dhruta-kalki-sarira jaya jagadisa hare 10

Victory to Keshava , the lord of Universe,
Who would assume the form of Lord Kalki,
Who would appear like a blazing comet,
Holding a terrifying sword and kill,
All barbarians at the end of Kali age.

Sri-jayadeva-kaver idam uditam udaaram
Srunu sukha-dam subha-dam bhava-saram
Keshava dhruta-dasa-vidha-rupa jaya jagadisa hare 11

Victory to Keshava , the lord of Universe,
Who assumed ten different forms,
With a humble request to hear,
This pleasant , holy and divine,
Poem composed by Jayadeva.

Vedan uddharate jaganni vahate bhu-golam udbibhrate
Daityam darayate balim chalayate ksatra-ksayam kurvate
Paulastyam jayate halam kalayate karunyam aathanvate
Mlecchan murchayate dasakruti-krute krushnaya tubhyam namah 12

Salutations to Lord Krishna who assumed ten different forms,
And saved the Vedas, bore a mountain, lifted the earth,
Killed Asuras, tricked Mahabali, exterminated Kshatriyas,
Won over Rakshasas, drew Yamuna towards him and showered mercy,
And would numb the barbarians, in his ten different incarnations.

Dasavatara Stotra By Vedantha Desika

(Prayer about ten incarnations)

Composed by
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(Vedanta Desika is possibly one of the greatest poets of Srivaishnavism and lived between 1269 and 1370. He was born in Thoopul, near Kanchipuram. He was named as Venkata Natha and was trained in the philosophy of Saint Ramanuja. This great prayer extols the ten incarnations of Lord Vishnu)

Devona shubhamathanothu dasadha nirvarthyan bhoomikam,
Range dhaamani labda nirbhara rasaii adhyakshitho bhavukai,
Yad bhaveshu prauthak videshva anugunaan bhavaan swayam bibrathee,
Yad dharmair iha dharmini viharathey nana krithir nayika. 1.

Let the God , who has acted in ten different roles,
In the great Stage of this world* and made happiness reach his devotees,
And the Goddess who acted in appropriate roles along with him,
Playing the proper Dharma suitable to his Dharma, Grant us all that is good.

* Some commentators prefer "In the great Sri Rangam"

Nirmagna sruthi jala margana dasa datha kshanair veekshanai,
Anthasthanadvahivaravinda gahananyouthanwathi namapam,
Nish prathyootha ranga ringana midha prathyooda pada schata,
Dolaroha sadohalam bhagavatho, maathsyam padu na. 2

Let us be protected by the fish form of our God , which appeared for,
Searching for the Vedas, with tense examining looks
And Created a mirage of the lotus forest in the great waters of the sea,
And appeared to climb on the swing created by the dashing of waves with waves.

Avayasur bhuvana thrayee manibrutham kanduyanai rathrina,
Nidranasya parasya Koorma vapusho nishvasavathormaya,
Yad vikshepana samskrudho dadhi paya prengola paryangika,
Nithyarahana nirvrutho viharathe deva sahaiva sriya. 3

Let all the three worlds be protected by the Lord who took the form of tortoise,
Who when, the great mountain was churned on his back, felt as if it soothed his itching,
And by whose wave like motion the salt waters of the sea rose up and shook
The cot of the Lord, who was ever wakeful and made him play with Goddess Lakshmi

Gopayedanisam jaganthi kuanapothri pavithri krutha,
Brahmanda pralayormi gosha gurubhirgonaravavair gurgurai,
Yad damshtrangura koti ghada ghatana nishkamba nithya sthithi,
Brahma sthambhamasodasou bhagavathi mustheva viswambhara. 4

Let the world be always protected by the lord who took the form of a boar,
Who cleaned all the universe by the sound of "Kur", Kur" made by his nose,
Who resembled the giant waves at the time of the final deluge,
And by holding tightly to his protruding teeth , the great earth goddess,
Could stand stable like a giant tuber and created everything from Brahma to the grass.

Prathyadishta purathana praharana grama kshanam panijai,
AAVyath threeni jaganthya kunta mahima vaikunta kanteerava,
Yad pradur bhuvana davanthya jatarayadruchikkath vedasam,
Ya kachith sahasa maha sura grahsdhoonapithamayaboth. 5

Let all the three worlds be protected by the great lord of Vaikunta,
Who had great collection of natural weapons like the claw,

Who had strength which never went waste and whose accidental.
Incarnation made one pillar of the home of the big Asura,
Became the paternal grandma to Brahma and other devas.

Vreeda vidha vadanya dhanava yaso naseera ghatee bhata,
Triyaksham makutam punannavathu nasthrai vikramo vikrama,
Yad prasthava samuchritha dwaja patee vruthantha sidhanthibhee,
Sthrothomi sura sindhurashtasu disa soudeshu dodhooyathe. 6

May we, be protected by the giant feet of the Lord who was Trivikrama,
Which made the great Asura feel shy and ashamed and made his fame,
Flutter like the flag which is hoisted above his palace
And which was offered purifying bath by Brahma ,
Which fell on the matted hair of Lord Shiva,
And from there spread from the very beginning in eight directions.

Krodhagnim jamadagni peedanabhavam santharpayishyan kramath,
Aakshthramiha santhi thaksha ya imam tri saptha kruthwa kshitheem,
Dathwa karmaani dakshinaam kkachana thamaskandhya sindhum vasan,
Aabrahmnaya mapakarothu Bhagawan brahmakeetam muni. 7

Let that God , who to douse the flame of anger due to slaying of his father Jamadagni,
Uprooted the world of the royal clans, by directly cutting them off, twenty one times
And who gave this earth as Dakshina during a fire sacrifice,
And made the land recovered from sea his own and started living there,
Remove all ills among all beings from a lowly worm to Lord Brahma.

Paravara payo visoshana kala paareena kalaanala,
Jwala jala vihara hari vishika vyapara ghora karma,
Sarvastha sakruth prapanna janatha samrakshanaika vrathee,
Dharmo vighrahavaan aadharma viratheem dhanvee cha thanveetha na. 8

Let that personification of Dharma , who is the great archer,
Who had control over arrows which burnt like the fire at deluge,
And was an expert in the art drying up the waters of the sea,
And Whose main resolution was to protect any one who surrenders to him,
Help us drive away the sinful acts from our mind.

Pakkath kourava pattana prabruthaya prastha pralambhadaya,
Thaalangasya thada vidha vihruthya yasthanvanthu bhadrani na,
Ksheeram sakaryeva yabhirabrudak bhootha prabhoothair gunai,
Aakoumaraka maswadhantha jagathe krushnasya thaa kelaya. 9

Let the various playful actions of Lord Balarama, who upturned ,
The kingdom of Kauravas, who killed Asuras like Pralamba,
And whose playful actions mixed with the playful actions of Krishna,
Like the sugar getting mixed up with milk and made them more tasty,
Bless us with results that are always good.

Nadhamaiva nama padam bhavathu naaschithrai scharitha kramai,
Bhooyobhirbhuvananyamooni kuhana gopaaya gopaayathe,
Kalindee rasikaya kaliya phanisphara sphatavatika,
Rango th sanga visanga sangrama duraa parayaya charyo yathe. 10

Let our phrase "I salute" belong only to that Lord,
Who protects this world by his surprising actions,
Who found the waters of Yamuna tasty,
And who fearlessly danced in the centre of the wide hood of the snake Kaliya,
As if it is a stage and who is but a cowherd boy doing these great actions.

Bhaavinya dasaya bhavanniha bhava dwamsaya na kalpathaam,
Kalki vishnuyasa sutha kali kadha kalooshyakolankasha,
Nissessa kshatha kantake kshithi thale dharaa jalou ghair druvam,
Dharma kaarthu yugam prarohayathi yannisthramsa dharadhara. 11

Let that God Kalki , who is going to be born to Vishnu Yasa,
Who is going to fully cure all the problems caused by Kali age,
Who is going to be in this world adjusting to the future,
And whose cloud like sword will cut off all the thorns of the earth,
And definitely going to help Dharma germinate in the Krutha yuga,
Help us to cut off our bondage to the problems of daily life.

Iccha meena vihara kachapa maha pothreen yadrucha hare,
Raksha vamana rosha rama karuna kakustha hela haleen,
Kreedaa vallava kalka vahana dasakalkeen ithi prathyaham,
Jalpantha purusha punanthe bhuvanam punyogapanyapana. 12

Those men who are like the shop that only sells holy acts,
And who with pure mind meditate on the Lord calling him,
"He who was born as a fish due to his own wish,
Who was born as a tortoise just to play,
Who assumed the form of a big boar,
Who without thought came as Narasimha,
Who was Vamana who was born to protect,
Who was the very angry Parasurama,
Who was the merciful Rama,
Who was Balarama who played with his plough,
Who was the playful cowherd Krishna,
And who is going to be the Kalki riding on a white horse,"
Would surely make this world greatly pure.

Vidhye dhanvathi venkateswara kavou jatham jagan Mangalam,
Devesasya dasavathara vishayam stotram vivakshetha ya,
Vakthre thasya Saraswathi bahu mukhi bhakthi paraa maanase,
Shudhi kaa aapi thanou dhisaasu dasasu khyathi shubha jrumbhave. 13

In the mouth of him , who wishes to chant this prayer,
Which was composed Poet Venkatesa ,who is the ocean of knowledge,
Which is intended to do good to the world,
Which is about the ten incarnations of the Lord of Sri Rangam,
The goddess Saraswathi would stay in different forms,
And in his mind great devotion would grow
His Body will become greatly pure,
And his fame would spread in all ten directions.

Dasavathara Stotram

Translated by
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(Lord Vishnu took several incarnations in the world. Of them the most important are ten incarnations(Dasavathara).This prayer addresses the ten avatharas. It is written in a way that complains to god that he does not show the same haste in solving the devotee's problems, as he did when he took these incarnations.)

Yaa thwara jala sanchare,
Yaa thwara Veda Rakshane,
Mayyarthe karunamurthe ,
Saa thwara kwa gatha hare. 1

Why did you not show the same haste
Which you showed in your travel through the water,
And which you showed in your Protection of Vedas,
When it did concern with solving my sorrow, Hey Vishnu.

(The asura called Hayagreeva stole the four Vedas from Lord Brahma, Lord Vishnu took the incarnation of fish(Mathsyavathara) to chase and kill that Asura and bring back the Vedas.)

Yaa thwara mandharodhare
Yaa thwara deva rakshane
Mayyarthe karunamurthe ,
Saa thwara kwa gatha hare. 2

Why did you not show the same haste
Which you showed in lifting mandhara mountain
And which you showed in taking care of devas,
When it did concern with solving my sorrow, Hey Vishnu.

(To retrieve the lost vigour of the devas, it was decided to churn the ocean of milk with the Mandhara mountain , with snake Vasuki as the rope. The mountain was not standing in a stable manner. Lord Vishnu took the form of Tortoise (Koormavathara) and lent stability to the mountain under the sea)

Yaa thwara kroda veshasya,
Vidhruthou bhoo samudhyathou,
Mayyarthe karunamurthe ,
Saa thwara kwa gatha hare. 3

Why did you not show the same haste

Which you showed when you took the shape of boar,
And bring back and save the earth,
When it did concern with solving my sorrow, Hey Vishnu.

(The rakshasa called Hiranyaksha took away the earth and hid himself under the sea. Lord Vishnu took the form of a boar (Varahavathara) followed and killed him and brought back the earth.)

Yaa thwara Chandra maalaya,
Dharane potha rakshane,
Mayyathe karunamurthe ,
Saa thwara kwa gatha hare. 4

Why did you not show the same haste
Which you showed in wearing the garland of guts
And in saving the young boy,
When it did concern with solving my sorrow, Hey Vishnu.

(The Rakshasa Hiranya Kasipu who was the brother of Hiranyaksha tormented the universe. He could not be killed either by a man or animal. So Lord Vishnu took the form of man-lion(Narasimhavathara) , killed Hiranya Kasipu and wore his guts as garland and also protected his so Prahladha.)

Yaa thwara watu veshasya,
Darane bala bandhane
Mayyathe karunamurthe ,
Saa thwara kwa gatha hare. 5

Why did you not show the same haste
Which you showed in assuming the form of a boy,
And which you showed in catching hold of Bali
When it did concern with solving my sorrow, Hey Vishnu.

(The King Mahabali by his great strength ruled over the entire universe. Lord Vishnu took the form of a young dwarfish boy(Vamanavathara) and requested King Mahabali for three feet of land. Once given he measured the entire earth by two feet and Pushed Mahabali in to the Patala.)

Yaa thwara raja hanane,
Yaa thwara vakhya rakshane
Mayyathe karunamurthe ,
Saa thwara kwa gatha hare. 6

Why did you not show the same haste
Which you showed in killing of kings
And which you showed in keeping your word,
When it did concern with solving my sorrow, Hey Vishnu.

(The kings and emperors of the earth became powerful and started to torment the earth. At that time Lord Vishnu was born as Parasurama(Parasuramavathara) .When the kings killed his parents he took the vow of exterminating the earth of its kings and killed several generations of all kings)

Yaa thwara raksho hanane,
Yaa thwara brathru palane,
Mayyathe karunamurthe ,
Saa thwara kwa gatha hare. 7

Why did you not show the same haste
Which you showed in killing of Rakshasas
And which you showed in protection of brother,
When it did concern with solving my sorrow, Hey Vishnu.

(Several Asuras lead by the great Ravana , because of their boons defeated several devas and killed many sages. Lord Vishnu was born as Lord Rama(Ramavathara) and killed all as auras including Ravana. He was helped in this job by his brother Lakshmana)

Yaa thwara kapi rajasya poshane,
Sethu bandhane,
Mayyathe karunamurthe ,
Saa thwara kwa gatha hare. 8

Why did you not show the same haste
Which you showed in protecting kingdom,
Of monkeys and building of a bridge,
When it did concern with solving my sorrow, Hey Vishnu.

(Lord Rama took the help of monkeys, crossed the ocean between India and Lanka by constructing a bridge and killed Ravana.)

Yaa thwara gopa kanyanam,
Rakshane, kamsa hanane,
Mayyathe karunamurthe ,
Saa thwara kwa gatha hare. 9

Why did you not show the same haste
Which you showed in protecting gopis
And in killing of Kamsa,
When it did concern with solving my sorrow, Hey Vishnu.

(Evil kings with bad qualities again grew up in this earth. Lord Vishnu was born as Lord Krishna(Krishnavathara) killed Kamsa. He also befriended Gopis in his childhood, possibly to show the myth of caste superiority.)

Yaa thwara baishmi harane
Yaa thwara rugmi bhandane
Mayyarthe karunamurthe ,
Saa thwara kwa gatha hare. 10

Why did you not show the same haste
Which you showed when stealing Rugmani
And which you showed in tying Rugmi
When it did concern with solving my sorrow, Hey Vishnu.

(As Lord Krishna he waged war and made Rukhmani as his wife and in the process killed her brother Rugmi.)

Yaa thwara budha sidhantha
Kadhane budha mohane,
Mayyarthe karunamurthe ,
Saa thwara kwa gatha hare. 11

Why did you not show the same haste
Which you showed in telling principles of Budha
And attracting the wise ones,
When it did concern with solving my sorrow, Hey Vishnu.

(The religion of Sanathana dharma was corrupted by fanatics. Lord Vishnu took birth as Lord Budha and reformed the great religion. Many people do not agree that Budha is an incarnation. They believe that Balarama (the brother of Rama) was an incarnation.)

Yaa thwara thuraga rohe
Yaa thwara mlecha marane
Mayyarthe karunamurthe ,
Saa thwara kwa gatha hare. 12

Why did you not show the same haste
Which you showed in riding the horse
And which you showed in killing the foreigners
When it did concern with solving my sorrow, Hey Vishnu.

(It is predicted that Lord Vishnu will be born as Kalki (Kalkiavathata), who will ride on a horse and kill all foreigners who would be corrupting the Hindu religion.)

Sathya avatharya puthrena
Bhakthiko niraneridham,
Dasavathara sthavakam,
Vadan Mokshamapunyath. 13

He who recites with devotion,
And deep interest,
This prayer of the ten incarnations,
Would himself attain salvation at the end.

Poonthanam's Dasavathara Stotram

By
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Translated by
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1.Ambujathaya lochana , komala ,
Kambu dharana, Karunya varidhe ,
Kanmasha paha nin pada Pankajam,
Chemme Kanumarakanam , Govinda

Oh Govinda , Oh Lotus eyed one ,
Oh God who has a white conch,
Oh sea of kindness , Oh God without any blemish,
I should be able to see your lotus like feet properly.

2.AAzhi thannil muzhukiya Vedathe,
Meeluvan oru meenayi chennudan,
Yezhu sagaram choozhe ninnedunna ,
Vesham anbody kananam Govinda.

Oh Govinda , I want to see with love that form of yours,
Which was surrounded by all the seven oceans,
When you went in the form of a fish to recover,
The Vedas which were drowned in the sea .

3.Ichayode sura asura sanchayam,
Swacha varidhi thoyam kadayumbol,
Kachapakruthi kai kondu mevidum,
Viswa vyapiye kanumarakanam.

I would like to see you who pervades all the world,
When you took the form of a turtle ,
When all the devas and Asuras,
Where churning the clear sea with desire.

4.EEshalenniye sookara veshamai,
Dweshichidum Hiranyakshane konnu,
DAthri chakrathe Veendu kondu vannoru,
Gathram ambodu kananam Govinda.

Oh Govinda , with love I would like to see your full form,
When without any doubt you assumed the form of a boar ,
And killed The Hiranyaksha who was hating you ,
And brought back the wheel of the earth.

5.Ugranaya Hiranya kasipuve,
Nigrahicha Narasimha moorthiye,
Agre Prahladha devithanayittu,
Vyagram koodathe Kananam Govinda.

Oh Govinda , I want to see you zealously ,
Along with you being served by Prahladha in the front,
When in the form of a man lion you killed,
The very ferocious Hiranyakasipu.

6.Oodamodham Mahabali thannodu,
Goodamai chennu moovadi bhumiye ,
Yachicheedunna Vamana moorthiye ,
SEvicheedumarakanam . Govinda

Oh Govinda, I want to be able to serve you ,
When you were in the form of Vamana , when you took that form,
With joy and went to Mahabali in secret ,
And begged for three feet of earth from him.

7.Yenni kondu irupathi onnu pravasyam,
Yenna millatha Kshatriya vamsathe ,
DAndipicha Parasuramakruthi ,
Kannil kanumarakanam , Govinda

Oh Govinda I want to be able to see ,
The form of Parasurama who ,
Counting twenty one times ,
Punished innumerable clans of Kshatriyas.

8.Yena neer mizhi Janaki chorane ,
Banam yeithu vadhicha Sri Ramane ,
Kani neram piriyaathe yen mumbil,
Kanumaru aruleedenam, Govinda.

Oh Govinda , please assure that I would be able to see,
In front of me without a break of even a second ,
The Sri Rama , who killed by sending an arrow,
That thief who stole Sita, Who had very pretty eyes.

9.Iyo hasthinamaya puri pukku ,
Kayyil mevum kalappayil koreettu,
Payyave yerivaan thuniyum bala-
BHadrane kananam Govinda.

Oh Govinda , I want to see that Balarama ,
Who entered the great elephant city(Hasthinapura)
And using the plough that he was holding in his hand,
Took the city and was about to throw it out slowly.

10. Ottozhiyaathe bhoo baram theerpanai,
Dushta bhoopare konnu mudichathum,
Pettenu anbody kattiyathokkeyum ,
Krishna roopame kananam, Govinda,

Oh Govinda , I want to see your form as Krishna,

When for lessening the burden of this earth,
You killed all the bad kings of this earth,
And also did various things with great love.

11,Orkkil yethrayum pediyam ini mel,
Kalkki yayittu avatharikkunnathum,
Gadgvam yenthi mlechare okkeyum,
Vekkam kolvathum kananam , Govinda.

Oh Govinda, I want to see very soon,
Your incarnation as Kalki, which is fearsome to imagine ,
When holding a sword you would ,
Kill all the bad people of this earth.

12.Owidhamaya pathu avatharavum,
Chovvode cholvaan aarkku kazhiyunnu,
Deivame thava karunyam kondum may,
Kai varename kaivalyam Govinda.

To those who are able to tell properly ,
This way about the ten incarnations,
Oh God, due to your grace , let them,
Be able to get eternal happiness , Oh Govinda.

13.Anthamillathe jnan cheytha papathe ,
Ninthiruvadi neeki kalanjudan,
Anthya kalathu mukthiye nalkuvaan,
Bandhu nee allathe yillamay , Govinda

Oh Govinda , I do not have any relation except ,
Your great self to completely remove,
The endless sins that I have committed,
And give me salvation at the end of life.

14.Achyuthananda Govinda Madhava,
SAchidananda roopa , sanathana,
Ucharikkai varenam nin namangal,
Viswa nayaka , Vishno Namosthutte.

Oh imperishable joy, Oh Govinda, Oh Madhava ,
Oh God with form of divine joy ,oh god who is without beginning,
I should be able to tell your holy names,
Oh Lord of the Universe , Oh Lord Vishnu, my salutations.

Here is a gift to all Tamil Knowing parents in the form of a very unique stotra, to protect our son addressed to Lord Guruvayurappan. . This was made possible because of Sri Anand Vasudevan(amrutha varshini) who acceding to my request translated the Malayalam stotra(Author unknown) in to a form which can be chanted by any of you daily .Personally having benefitted I can assure you that that God would accede to your request.PLease popularize this stotra. Share with all friends and all those groups you are members..Your children would thank you and Lord Guruvayurappan would bless you.

குருவாயுர்ப்பன் - மைந்தனைக்காக்கும் ஸ்தோத்திரம்

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அனுதினம் பக்தியோடு படிப்போர்க்கு

நற்குணங்கள் கூடிய சத்புத்திரன்
குருவாயுரப்பன் நிச்சயம் தந்தருள்வான்

என்று முடிக்கிறார். ஆகையால் இதை பாராயணம் செய்வோர்க்கு சத்புத்திரன் அமைவதோடு அல்லாமல் குருவாயுரப்பனின் பரிபூர்ண அருள் ம
ற்றும் க்ருபை கிடைக்கும் என்பதில் உள்ளவமும் சந்தேகமில்லை.

குருவாயுரப்பன் திருவடிகளே சரணம்

உலகெலாம் போற்றிப் புகழ் பெருகும்
குருவாயுரப்பா ஜகன்னாதா மாதவா
தீனனான என்னை காத்தருள்வாயென்று
உன் பொற்பாதத்தில் வீழ்ந்து வணங்குகிறேன் (1)

நின் திருவடியின் க்ருபை இருந்தால்
நடவாததும் நடந்தேறுமே பந்துவத்சலா
உன் கடைக்கண் பார்வையினால்
கஷ்டங்கள் யாவும் பறந்தோடுமே (2)

பரிபூர்ண பக்தியுடன் பகவத்பாத சந்நிதியில்
பாலகனை நின் திருவடியில் சமர்ப்பித்தேன்
உறுதியாய் அவனை காப்பாற்றுவாயென்று
கருதி உன்னை வேண்டிக்கொள்கிறேன் (3)

உலகில் காணும் பொருள் எல்லாம்
உதரமதில் பேராசையுடன் நிறைக்கும்போது
புகழ்வாஹனா தன்வந்தரி பகவானே
ரகூதித்து காத்தருள் புரியவேணுமே (4)

உற்சாஹமாய் நதியில் மைந்தன்
நீராடும்போது மத்யயரூப புருஷோத்தமா
வாத்சல்யத்தோடு அவனை நீயும்
காத்தருள் வேண்டும் குருவாயுரப்பா (5)

கர்ம சாக்ஷியாய் இருக்கும் ஜகன்நாயகா
கார்முகில் வர்ணா காருண்ய வாரிதே
ஆழ்ந்த நித்திரையில் உறங்கும் மைந்தனை
கூர்ம விக்ரஹா காத்திடல் வேண்டும்பா (6)

கூடித்திரியும் சிறார்கள் பசுவனங்களில்
ஓடித்திரிந்து விளையாடும் பொழுது
வராஹரூபா அசுரர்குலம் மாய்ப்பவனே
நாடிவந்து அவர்களை ரகூக வேணுமே (7)

பூத பிரேத பிசாசுகள் மூலமாய்
பீதியுடன் இவன் இரவில் துவளும்போது
மானுடம் காக்கும் ஹே நரசிம்ஹா
ப்ரீதியுடன் அபயம் நல்கிட வேண்டுமே (8)

பகட்டு களிப்பு போன்ற அறியாமையுடன்
வாலிபத்தை அவன் எட்டும் பொழுது

நேரும் அபத்தங்களில் இருந்தவனை
வாமன மூர்த்தியே காத்தருள வேண்டுமப்பா (9)

பார்க சிஷ்ய தபோநிதே கேரள
சொர்க பூமிதனை தந்தவனை
பார்கவ பகவானே மைந்தனை
நல்வழி காட்டி ரக்ஷிக்க வேணுமப்பா (10)

சத்ய தர்ம நெறிதனை வழிவி
நித்யமும் அதனில் வாழ்ந்து உய்ய
சத்யரூப ஹே ராமசந்திரா ராகவா
தசரதபுத்ரா அனுதினம் வணங்குகிறேன் (11)

பலம் பொருந்திய கலப்பையை ஏந்தும்
பலராம மஹாவீரா நற்குண கடலே
பலபத்ர பகவானே என் மைந்தனுக்கு
பல நற்குணங்கள் நல்கிட வேண்டுமப்பா (12)

நந்த நந்தனா பிருந்தாவன ப்ரியா
அருள் பொழியும் கருணைக் கடலே
நலமுடன் என் நந்தனை கனிந்து
இந்திராபதே பாலிக்க வேணுமப்பா (13)

வாள்ஏந்தி தீயோரை அழிப்பவனே
கல்கிரூபா கலிமல நாசனா
சற்குரோ கமலதள லோசனா
மைந்தனை என்றும் காத்தருள்வாயே (14)

பாற்கடலில் பாம்பணையில்
கருணையுடன் துயிலும் பத்மநாபா
நானுக்கு நாள் பெருகும் பேராசையை
ஒழித்தவனை ரக்ஷிக்க வேண்டுமப்பா (15)

நூறாண்டு நல் ஆரோக்யமொடு
தேஜஸுடன் உள்ளொளி பெற்று
ஸ்ரேயஸ்ஸோடு இவன் வாழ
அருள்புரிய வேண்டும் குருவாயுரப்பா (16)

வினயத்துடன் கூடிய ஞானமும்
அனைத்து சம்பத்துக்களும் அடைந்து
பகவத் பக்தியும் முக்தியும் இவனுக்கு
மறைபோற்றும் நாயகா தந்தருள்வாய் (17)

மைந்தனவன் வாலிபத்தை அடையும்போது
மாயையெனும் மோஹத்தில் சிக்காமல்
காக்கவேண்டி ஹே! கிருஷ்ணா! பாத பத்மமதில்
மீண்டும் மீண்டும் வீழ்ந்து வணங்குகிறேன் (18)

விஸ்வநாத ஹே விராட புருஷா
படைத்தல் காத்தல் அழித்தல் என
முத்தொழில் புரியும் ஜகதீஸ்வரா
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Prayer to protect the son in Malayalam(Dasavathara Stotram)

(Addressed to lord of Guruvayur)
Translated from Malayalam by
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(Here is a unique prayer in Malayalam addressed to the Lord of Guruvayur in his ten Avatars to take care of one's son at every stage of his life. I have not come across any other prayer with this theme in any other religion or languages)

Ipparil pukazh pongum Guruvay-
Rappa pothi , jagatpathe madhava,
Ippavapetta gnan akhileasa, nin,
Tripadambuje veenu vanangunen. 1

Oh, Lord of Guruvayur, whose fame,
Rises in this world, Oh lord of universe,
Oh Madhava, this innocent poor man,
Salutes you by falling at your lotus,
Like feet, Oh God of the Universe.

Ninthiruvadi onnu kanignagil,
Endu asadyamayullu , Ijagathingal,
Bandu vathsala , nee ozinjarume,
Santhapam aghthiduvaan illa may. 2

In this universe, what is there ,
That cannot be achieved, If,
You take interest in it,
Oh God ,who loves his devotees,,
There is none for me in this world except you,
Who can brush away all my sorrows.

Vacha bhakthya bhavat pada sannidhou,
Kazhcha vechitha, deenanaam balane,
Theerchayay paripalanam cheyyuvan,
Nerchayod unarthikunnithen vibo. 3

Due to my devotion towards you ,my lord,
I give away my poor son to you,
For truly taking care of him , oh, my lord,
And I make this request along with offerings.

Akshyil kanda vasthu samasthavum,
Kukshiyil kothiyode nirakkumbol,
Pakshi vahana danwandara hare,
Rakshikkenam apathyam ozhichu nee. 4

When I am filling all that I see in this world,
Along with greed in this private bag of mine,
Oh God who rides on a bird. Oh Hari,
Oh Danwanthari, please take care of me,
Without taking a deep dislike to me.

Uthsahathode kootar onnichee,
Vathsan vellathil mungi kulikkumbol,
Mathsya roopa, purushothama hare,
Vathsalyathode kathu rakshikkenam. 5

When my this son along with his friends,
With exuberance takes bath in a pond,
Hey Hari , Hey greatest of men, who has the form of a fish,
Please take care of him with great affection.

Karma sakshiyagum jagannayaga,
Kar mugil varna, karunya varidhe,
Orma kai vitturangum en unniye,
Koorma vighraha palichidenam. 6

Oh lord of the universe, who is,
Witness to all actions, Oh Lord,
Of the colour of the black cloud,
Oh ocean of mercy, please take care,
Of this my son, who is sleeping,
With no care, Oh God who became a tortoise.

Prouda balanmar othu vanangalil,
Oodamodham kalichu nadakkumbol,
Kroda vighraha, danava nighraha,
Peeda koodathe nadha rakshikkenam. 7

When my son with other lads,
Without care travels and plays in the forest,
Oh God who took the form of a boar,
Oh God who killed several Asuras,
Please take care of him without any trouble, Oh Lord.

Bhootha pretha pisachukal moolamayi,
Beethi poondivan ravil uzhalumbol,
Bhootha bhavana, hey Narasimha hare,
Preethi poorvam abhayam ekidenam. 8

Due to devils, ghosts and bad souls,
When he tosses in his bed due to fear, Oh Hari,
Oh Narasimha, Oh Lord who takes care of beings,
Please extend him protection with affection, Oh Lord.

Padu vanga prabhuthwa madham ullil,
Pedum youvana kalathu ivan ethum,
Kuduthayidum apathozhikkuvan,
Padu vamaana murthe vangunnen. 9

During the time, when he reaches youth,
With mind full of idiocy, snobbishness,
And exuberance, to protect him from any dangers,
I salute that great God Vamana with devotion.

Bharga sishya , thaponidhe, Kerala,
Swarga souseelya leela visaradhe,
Bhargava bhagawane , makannu sa-
Nmargamayathu katti rakshikkenam. 10

The disciple of Bhargava, the storehouse of Thapas,
Who playfully made the heaven of Kerala,
Oh God Bhargava, please show the right,
Path to my son, lead him and protect him.

Sathya dharma rathany sadacharam,
Nithyanay ivan vanu sukikkuvan,
Sathya roopa , hey rama dasaratha,
Puthra Raghava , nithyam vanangidunnen. 11

I salute you daily , Oh Rama,
Who is Raghava ,the son of Dasaratha
And who is personification of truth,
So that my son lives in truth and piety,
And observes good conduct in his life.

Hala mudritha baho , maha veera,
Bala nirjitha sarvari sanjaya,
Balabadhra bhavan ende puthrannay,
Balabadhra gunangal egidenam. 12

O h Balabadhra who carries a plough,
Who is a great warrior, who is full of strength,
And treasure house of all that is good,
Please give my son, all your good qualities.

Nanda nandana, Vrundavana priya,
Nandaneeya guna gana varidhe,
Nandi poorvam en nandanil kani,
Njhu indira pathe , palichu kollenam. 13

Oh son of Nanda, Oh lover of Brindavana,
Of lad with ocean of all good qualities,
I gratefully request you to show mercy,
On my son and take care of him, Oh Lord of Lakshmi.

Gadgapane khalajana nasana,
Khadgi roopa , kali mala mochana,
Math guro kamala dala lochana,
Salgunalaya, paala balane. 14

He who holds the sword, who destroys ,
Bad souls, who is known as Kalki ,

Who is cure to ills of kali age,
Who is my teacher, who has lotus like eyes,
And who is temple of all that is good, take care of my son.

Paal kadalil phaneeswara metha mel ,
Akkamodennum palli kollum vibho,
Nalkku naal varum arthikal okkeyum,
Neeki rakshikka venam, jagat pathe. 15

Oh Lord who daily lies down on
The bed of a serpent, floating.
On the ocean of milk along with grace,
Please save my son from the desire after desires,
That are bound to come in this world, Oh Lord.

Ayussambathum ambathum eekenam,
Thejassum yassu ojassum mey sukham,
Sreyasllam ivannu labhikkuvan,
Asissu arulename daivame. 16

Oh god ,please bless him with a life,
Of fifty and fifty years, shine, fame,
Active life, physical comfort,
And well known recognition, Oh God.

Vidhyayum vinayadhi gunangalum,
Hrudya soubhagya sampath samrudhiyum,
Aadyanamumbhgavat bhakthiyum , mukthiyum,
Veda vedhya bhavan ivannu ekidenam. 17

Oh Good who is described by the Vedas,
Please give this boy, education, humility,
Broad mind, lot of riches, teaching,
Devotion to God and salvation.

Prayamakunna kalathu ameya nin,
Mayakodinnavane valaykkola,
Mayaa manusha nin pada padmathil,
Bhooyo bhooyo namayanvaham. 18

Oh, enchanter, I salute again,
Again endlessly your lotus feet,
With a request that when this boy ,
Becomes a man, You will not ,
Trouble him with your illusions.

Viswa krupa virat purusha prabho,
Viswapavana, visvaika palaka,
Viswsamhara viswaikanadha hey,
Viswavanditha vishno namosthuthu. 19

My salutations to that Vishnu,
Who is merciful to the universe,
Who is the great soul behind the universe,
Who is the most blessed of the universe,
Who looks after the entire universe,
Who destroys the universe ,
Who is the lord of the universe,
And who makes the entire universe happy.

Isthuthi nithya markodayathilum,
Asthamicum padikkum janangalkku.
Nisthula gunapoomaram puthrare,
Hastharingal vechu lalichidam. 20

People who read this prayer daily,
During dawn and after dusk.
Would be able to fondle,
Sons who are of great character.