

The Supreme Pontiff of Hinduism (SPH) $Bhagavan Nithyananda Paramashivan 1008^{th}$ Incarnation of Paramashiva

Ashtavakra was a spontaneous person with great respect for himself. Unless we allow or give our silent permission, nobody can disrespect us or hurt us. Ashtavakra was such an integrated being, such a beautiful being, he did not allow others to hurt him or depress him.

Contemplate on the following:

- 1. Reflect on Ashtavakra's teachings about detachment and inner intelligence. How can we apply these concepts in our daily lives to attain peace and freedom from bondage? Develop a short journal entry exploring this idea.
- 2. Discuss Ashtavakra's perspective on the body and mind as not being necessary for living.
- 3. Craft an essay on how to examine our own beliefs about the relationship between physical existence and spiritual enlightenment.
- 4. [For your friends] Create a group discussion prompt focusing on King Janaka's transformation after engaging with Ashtavakra's wisdom.
- 5. How can seeking truth lead individuals or societies towards awakening?
- 6. [For your friends] Write an exercise that asks friends to analyze the role of questioning and doubt in one's spiritual journey, using examples from Janaka's interaction with Ashtavakra as a reference point.

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