





My mind was clouded; You illumined it.

My awareness was fragmented; You restored it.

> My Being was troubled; You redeemed it.

I then saw that there is no difference between You and my true Self.

Roy Eugene Davis *Mystic Reflections* 



## what is discipleship? how does it arise?

There comes a time on our spiritual journey when we are ready to fully dedicate ourselves to living the awakened life of Self- and Godrealization. This is an auspicious time when the yearning for liberation becomes the predominant urge and focus of our life.

We are ready for discipleship.

A disciple is a "learner"—
one who is committed to follow
a spiritual path or philosophical system.

### the purpose of discipleship

**Liberation of consciousness** 

### the requirements for discipleship

- Receptivity
- Respect
- Faith
- Commitment
- Discernment
- Dedication
- Love

# divine love pervades the guru-disciple relationship

#### **Sri Yukteswar to Yogananda:**

Ordinary love is selfish, darkly rooted in desires and satisfactions. Divine love is without condition, without boundary, without change... If you ever find me falling from a state of God-realization, please promise to put my head on your lap and help to bring me back to the Cosmic Beloved we both worship.