

CHAPTER TWO

How the Flat Earthers Offend Srila Prabhupada



Tamal Krishna and his chief disciple for promoting his flat earth deviation Mayesvara dasa

In this chapter we shall expose two offensive schools of thought in regards to Srila Prabhupada. They are as follows:

1. Srila Prabhupada lied to everyone in regards to the true nature of the earth. His numerous statements about the earth being a planet or globe were circumstantial truths. In other words he only spoke of the earth in this way because that was the conventional understanding of the human population.
2. Srila Prabhupada didn't actually understand Vedic cosmology as described in the Srimad Bhagavatam. He was totally ignorant of the real dimensions of earth and simply spoke of it using the conventional understanding that it is a globe in space.

Anyone accepting the flat earth paradigm is directly or indirectly holding one of these offensive schools of thought.

PRABHUPADA LIED

Now let us look at some very clear quotes from Prabhupada that refute the claim that he lied to us about Vedic cosmology.

Prabhupada Does Not Deviate At All From The Instructions Of The Supreme Lord

*One is therefore advised to study Bhagavad-gita, or any other scripture, under a bona fide spiritual master, with service and surrender. A **bona fide spiritual master is in the disciplic succession from time eternal, and he does not deviate at all from the instructions of the Supreme Lord** as they were imparted millions of years ago to the sun-god, from whom the instructions of Bhagavad-gita have come down to the earthly*

kingdom. One should, therefore, follow the path of Bhagavad-gita as it is expressed in the Gita itself and beware of self-interested people after personal aggrandizement who deviate others from the actual path. (Srila Prabhupada from Bhagavad-gita As It Is 4.42)

As we can clearly see from this quote Srila Prabhupada as a bona fide spiritual master could not possibly present the earth as a globe or planet, which he does hundreds of times throughout all his books, lectures and conversations unless that is EXACTLY what it is. If the earth was actually described as flat in the scriptures especially the Srimad Bhagavatam, then Prabhupada would be deviating by presenting it as a planet or globe. Therefore if one wishes to take the flat earthers indirect interpretation of the Fifth Canto of the Srimad Bhagavatam then he has directly or indirectly rejected Srila Prabhupada as a bona fide spiritual master. This is the factual position.

I Have Not Deviated From The Original Instructions

*Actually I cannot claim any credit for myself, but I say if any credit is due, it is due to the fact that **I have not deviated from the original instructions.** Whatever I have learned from my spiritual master I have presented before you and similarly whatever success you are having only it is due to the purity of the message which you are carrying. So continue to see to the management of ISKCON and keep up the standards of devotional service and this Krishna Consciousness movement will be accepted all over the world. (Srila Prabhupada Letter to: Krishna dasa, Surat, 18 December, 1970)*

Again Prabhupada says that he is presenting what he has learnt from his spiritual master and he has not deviated from the original instructions. So if the Bhagavatam says the earth is flat then Prabhupada has deviated from those original instructions by always presenting it as a globe. The real fact is this; Srimad Bhagavatam never says the earth is a flat plane. This concept is a mental concoction presented by self-interested people after personal aggrandizement who are deviating others from the actual path of true Krishna consciousness understanding.

Established Knowledge. It Cannot Be Changed In Any Circumstance.

*Prabhupada: So in order to know that science, one has to approach a perfect teacher. Tad-vijnanartham sa gurum evabhigacchet. Here also it is said, gurau hamsa. Hamse gurau mayi. The mayi is also significant. **That means, paramahansa guru means, he's as good as the Supreme Personality of Godhead. Because he does not deviate from the instructions of the Supreme Personality of Godhead. That is the symptom of guru. Guru does not deviate from the instruction of the Supreme Personality of Godhead. He does not manufacture something new, novel. No, the same thing.** Just like Krishna says in the Fourth Chapter, although He is the speaker, millions of years ago He instructed the science to the Sun god, and again when He was instructed to Arjuna, He said that, "I am instructing the same thing." Sa evayam puratanah. **Not that on account of change of time, the instruction has been changed, no.** (aside:) What is that exact verse? Sa evayam puratanah?*

Devotee: Yogah proktah puratanah.

*Prabhupada: Yogah proktah puratanah. **Puratanah, not something new. This is nonsense. There cannot be something new. Everything established.** Science means, scientific knowledge means, it is not something new. Just like the sun rises from the*

eastern horizon. So millions of years ago, the sun used to rise from the eastern horizon, and still it is going on. Not that because time has changed, the sun is rising from the western side or northern side, no. Knowledge means... **That is Vedic knowledge. Established knowledge. It cannot be changed in any circumstance. That is Vedic knowledge.** What was millions of years ago fact, it is fact now. So, tad-vijnanartham sa gurum evabhigacchet. So in order to know that factual knowledge, one has to approach the bona fide spiritual master. (Prabhupada Lecture on Srimad-Bhagavatam 5.5.14, Vrndavana, November 2, 1976)

This quote totally destroys the notion that Prabhupada lied to us and presented the earth as a globe because of a changed in circumstance. If the earth is actually flat then Prabhupada as a bona fide spiritual master cannot present Vedic knowledge in a changed or deviated way just because the general public have a particular vision of reality. Prabhupada cannot present the earth as a globe just because that was the conventional understanding of a deluded human population. Prabhupada says that Vedic knowledge is established knowledge. It cannot be changed in any circumstance! Therefore when Prabhupada repeatedly and always spoke of the earth as a globe and planet, he did so because that is exactly what it is, as confirmed in the Srimad Bhagavatam.

**Bhagavata Is Very Open For Discussing All Subject Matter. That Is Fact.
We Should Not Hide Anything Artificially. We Must Discuss The Fact**

*So Srimad-Bhagavatam, everything threadbare discussed, very practical, and Absolute Truth. There are social, political, religious. Everything is discussed very scientifically... In Chicago, when I was there, they talked about independence of the woman. They asked me question. So I replied, "No, woman cannot be given independence." So there was a great agitation against me. In many papers I was very much criticized. But actually it is the fact, because they are innocent, not so intelligent and... These are all practical. We may avoid discussing, **but Bhagavata is very open for discussing all subject matter. That is fact. We should not hide anything artificially. We must discuss the fact.** (Prabhupada Lecture From Srimad-Bhagavatam 5.6.4, Vrndavana, November 26, 1976)*

If the Srimad Bhagavatam actually described the earth as flat why would Srila Prabhupada hide this truth and present a falsehood, especially in his presentation on Srimad Bhagavatam which will be the law book of mankind for the next ten thousand years?

Prabhupada says WE SHOULDN'T HIDE ANYTHING ARTIFICIALLY BUT MUST DISCUSS THE FACT. Prabhupada cites the example of how he spoke the Bhagavatam's truth in regards to the independence of the woman. Prabhupada never hid that truth just because it wasn't the accepted public opinion. The same was true of the moon landing hoax that Prabhupada boldly exposed, again citing the Bhagavatam as proof in regards the distance of the moon from earth.

In the same way if the earth was actually flat then Prabhupada would have presented it as such because Srimad Bhagavatam is very open for discussing all subject matter threadbare. Prabhupada didn't hide the so called flat earth. This is a totally fallacy presented by the deviant flat earthers that has no sastric basis.

Now let us totally refute the second school of thought held by these guru aparadhis (offenders) in regards to Prabhupada being ignorant of Vedic cosmology.

PRABHUPADA DIDN'T UNDERSTAND VEDIC COSMOLOGY

There is actually no sastric evidence to prove that a pure devotee of the Lord like Srila Prabhupada does not understand the meaning of the Vedas such as the Fifth Canto of Srimad Bhagavatam, which deals with Vedic cosmology. The flat earthers are basically bluffing everyone when they make such offensive claims against Srila Prabhupada. In reality they have ZERO PROOF!

The basis of their bluff is the interpretations they give on certain things Prabhupada said and did in regards to the Vedic Planetarium he wanted constructed in Mayapur India.

With the false narrative they have presented, they feel they can neglect Prabhupada's purports, go directly to the statements of Sukadeva Gosvami in the Srimad Bhagavatam and give their own indirect interpretations. This I will discuss more deeply in the fourth chapter.

According to the flat earthers because Srila Prabhupada asked his Ph.D disciples to collaborate and study the Fifth Canto of Srimad Bhagavatam, so they could make a model for building the Vedic planetarium, that meant he didn't understand Vedic cosmology? This is insanity! The fact that they feel they could neglect Prabhupada's purports and go directly to the verses of the Fifth Canto is totally condemned by all Vedic authorities. This jumping over one's guru to the previous acaryas is highly offensive and extremely detrimental to spiritual advancement.

**You Cannot Jump Over. You Must Go Through The Parampara System.
You Have To Approach Through Your Spiritual Master To The Gosvamis**

*You cannot jump over Krishna consciousness without going through the mercy of Sri Caitanya Mahaprabhu. And to go through Sri Caitanya Mahaprabhu means to go through the six Gosvamis. This is parampara system. Therefore Narottama dasa Thakura says, ei chay gosai jar--tar mui das ta-sabara pada-renu mora panca-gras This is parampara system. **You cannot jump over. You must go through the parampara system. You have to approach through your spiritual master to the Gosvamis, and through the Gosvamis you will have to approach Sri Caitanya Mahaprabhu, and through Sri Caitanya Mahaprabhu you have to approach Krishna. This is the way.** Therefore Narottama dasa Thakura said, ei chay gosai jar--tar mui das. We are servant of servant. That is Caitanya Mahaprabhu's instruction, gopi-bhartuh pada-kamalayor dasa-dasanudasah. **The more you become servant of the servant, the more you are perfect. And if you all of a sudden want to become master, then you go to hell. That's all. Don't do that. This is the teaching of Sri Caitanya Mahaprabhu. If you go through the servant, servant, servant, then you are advanced. And if you think that you have now become master, then you are going to hell. This is the process. Dasa-dasanudasah.** Caitanya Mahaprabhu said. So servant, servant, servant, a hundred times servant now, that means he is advanced. He is advanced. And one who is becoming directly master, then he is in the hell. (Srila Prabhupada from a Sri Caitanya-caritamrta, Lecture, Adi-lila 1.4 Mayapur, March 28, 1975)*

You cannot jump over. You must go through the parampara system. You have to approach through Srila Prabhupada to understand the statements of Sukadeva Gosvami regarding Vedic cosmology, in the Srimad Bhagavatam. This is the way.

Then the flat earthers will say that because Prabhupada went to an Indian astronomer to get a map produced for the Vedic planetarium this also proves that Prabhupada didn't understand Vedic cosmology. Again this is total speculation on the part of these offenders.

Of course the true meaning as to why Prabhupada had to take this course of action was not because he didn't understand but because his disciples were coming under the influence of Tamal and his prejudiced flat earth understandings thus they were not able to produce a map according to

Prabhupada's directions given in the Srimad Bhagavatam. I will discuss this in more detail in a later chapter and refute this false claim.

Now let us now look at the main so called evidence the flat earthers use to bluff everyone to accept their false narrative and make it appear that Prabhupada didn't understand Vedic cosmology.

The cosmology section of the fifth canto of Srimad Bhagavatam is unique in Srila Prabhupada's otherwise inviolable presentation of Vedic knowledge; it was one of the few areas of transcendental science where Srila Prabhupada expressed his own limited knowledge of this subject: "I was praying Krishna that "I do not actually accommodate all this knowledge. Please help me". - Room Conversation, June 18, 1977, Vrindavana. (Mayesvara dasa "Why Did Srila Prabhupada Call the Earth a Globe?")

Here we see Mayesvara dasa selectively quoting from the Bhu-mandala discussions. As I pointed out in chapter one these discussions are the least authoritative evidence because they violate the Vedic law in regards to receiving knowledge from a spiritual master. But the essential point here is that Mayesvara deliberately omits some vital statements of Prabhupada. Here is the quote in full:

That Somebody, Krishna, Helped Me. That He Manufactured

*Prabhupada: And it was not possible for me to digest. (laughs) **Somebody else helped me to... I am a layman. I do not know.***

Tamala Krishna: How did you write it?

*Prabhupada: **That somebody, Krishna, helped me. That He manufactured.***

Yasodanandana: And these mountains, they extend to the beaches. "It is considered, according to the Bhaga..."

Prabhupada: When I was writing, I was praying Krishna that "I do not actually accommodate all this knowledge. Please help me." Yes. That's all right. (Room Conversation, June 18, 1977)

The fact that Krishna wrote the Fifth Canto of the Srimad Bhagavatam through Srila Prabhupada is deceitfully hidden by Mayesvara dasa. And if Krishna is the actual writer then how can anything Prabhupada writes be conditioned, ignorant or against the Vedic conclusions? They are self-evident and need no interpretation from prejudiced souls.

Here are more quotes that confirm the secret of Prabhupada's writings:

Well, It Is Not My Book; It Is Krishna's Book. I Am Trying My Best To Present It As It Is. That's All.

Tamala Krishna: The whole thing is being done by the mercy of your books, Prabhupada.

*Prabhupada: **Well, it is not my book; it is Krishna's book. I am trying my best to present it as it is. That's all. That much you can say my, but there is nothing mine.***

Tamala Krishna: The effect of these books is hard to perceive immediately because we can't imagine how... So many millions of books have gone out. In the future they will all fructify as devotees, the people who have read them.

Prabhupada: Yes. When they will read, then they will get. Nowadays in the Sixth Canto, Fourth Chapter, the soul and how the soul is covered, that is being described wonderfully. Srimad-Bhagavatam amalam puranam. Vidvams cakre satvata-samhitam. It is written by the most learned Vyasadeva, vidvams, and satvata-samhitam. How merciful he was. He is still living, Vyasadeva. He is still existing. (Arrival Conversation, Los Angeles, June 20, 1975)

**I Am Surprised How I Have Written So Many,
What To Speak Of Them? (Laughter) It Is All Krishna's Mercy.**

Dhira-Krishna: When we take your books on the library party to the professors at the universities... (fades out)

Srutakirti: This way? Srila Prabhupada, Srila Prabhupada... (break)

*Prabhupada: **I am surprised how I have written so many, what to speak of them? (laughter) It is all Krishna's mercy.***

Dhira-Krishna: One professor the other day was trying to convince one of our boys that you were coming in the disciplic succession and were authorized to translate all these books.

*Prabhupada: **Yes, that is right.***

Dhira-Krishna: Because he was dressed and he didn't know that he was your disciple, so he was saying, "Bhaktivedanta Swami, he is coming in a disciplic line straight from Krishna. That's why he can speak on all these books."

*Prabhupada: **Yes, that is a fact. That authority I have got. That's a fact.** Yasya deve para bhaktir yatha deve tatha gurau, tasyaite kathita hy arthah prakasante. **They become manifest, all the meanings of the Vedic literature.** Yasya deve para bhaktih. (Morning Walk, March 1, 1975, Atlanta)*

In this quote it is very clear that Prabhupada has the authority to translate the Vedic literature, and because of his unflinching devotion to the Lord and his spiritual master ALL THEIR MEANINGS HAVE BECOME MANIFEST TO HIM! So how can the flat earthers claim he was ignorant of anything? Their claim is totally baseless and offensive to His Divine Grace and his wonderful books.

**It Is Therefore Understood That When A Devotee Writes
Or Speaks About The Supreme Personality Of Godhead,
His Words Are Dictated By The Lord From Within.**

*The Personality of Godhead, being situated in everyone's heart, specifically gives a devotee intelligence to describe Him. **It is therefore understood that when a devotee***

writes or speaks about the Supreme Personality of Godhead, his words are dictated by the Lord from within. This is confirmed in Bhagavad-gita, Tenth Chapter: to those who constantly engage in the transcendental loving service of the Lord, the Lord, from within, dictates what to do next in order to serve Him. (Srimad Bhagavatam 4.9.4)

The Secret In A Devotee's Writing Is That When He Writes About The Pastimes Of The Lord, The Lord Helps Him; He Does Not Write Himself.

TRANSLATION: The subject matter of this book is so sublime that it appears that Sri Caitanya Mahaprabhu has personally spoken through the writings of Sri Vrndavana dasa Thakura.

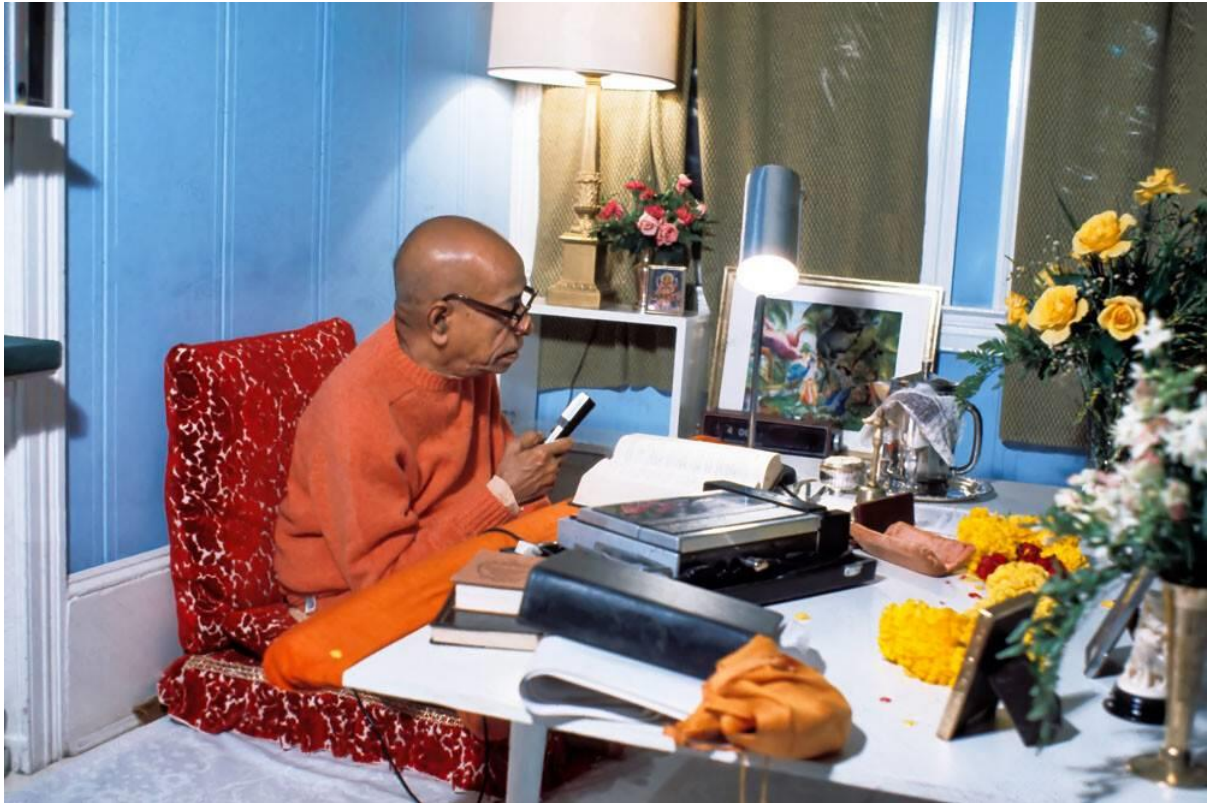
PURPORT: Srila Sanatana Gosvami has written in his Hari-bhakti-vilasa:

*avaisnava-mukhodgirnam
putam hari-kathamrtam
sravanam naiva kartavyam
sarpocchistam yatha payah*

Transcendental literature that strictly follows the Vedic principles and the conclusion of the Puranas and pancaratrika-vidhi can be written only by a pure devotee.

It is not possible for a common man to write books on bhakti, for his writings will not be effective. He may be a very great scholar and expert in presenting literature in flowery language, but this is not at all helpful in understanding transcendental literature. Even if transcendental literature is written in faulty language, it is acceptable if it is written by a devotee, whereas so-called transcendental literature written by a mundane scholar, even if it is a very highly polished literary presentation, cannot be accepted. **The secret in a devotee's writing is that when he writes about the pastimes of the Lord, the Lord helps him; he does not write himself.** As stated in the Bhagavad-gita (10.10), *dadami buddhi-yogam tam yena mam upayanti te.* **Since a devotee writes in service to the Lord, the Lord from within gives him so much intelligence that he sits down near the Lord and goes on writing books.** Krishnadasa Kaviraja Gosvami confirms that **what Vrndavana dasa Thakura wrote was actually spoken by Lord Caitanya Mahaprabhu, and he simply repeated it.** (Sri Caitanya Caritamrta Adi Lila Adi 8.39)

Prabhupada says it is not possible for a common man to write books on bhakti, for his writings will not be effective. Therefore when the flat earthers say Prabhupada didn't understand the Fifth Canto of Srimad Bhagavatam, they are calling him a common man whose writings are ineffective. The actual true fact is this; the secret in Prabhupada's writing is that when he writes about Vedic cosmology, the Lord helps him; he does not write himself. Since Prabhupada writes in service to the Lord, the Lord from within gives him so much intelligence that he sits down near the Lord and goes on writing books perfectly!



When I Have Got Perfect Knowledge, Then I Can Write.

Hayagriva: Well then you wouldn't be able to write so many books.

Prabhupada: Huh? No. When I have got perfect knowledge, then I can write.

Hayagriva: Then.

*Prabhupada: Without perfect, whatever I write, that is nonsense. That is nonsense. That is the difference--parampara system. All these philosophers, they are simply talking nonsense, and whatever we are writing, there is meaning. Why? Because we are studying God from God. This is our perfection. We are not speculating about God. That is the difference. Now we are expanding my knowledge so that you can understand. That is my writing. But my basic principle is that I have understood God from God, not by speculation. That is my qualification. If I know God from God, then my knowledge about God is perfect. Then whatever I write, that is perfect. Therefore Visvanatha Cakravarti Thakura says, saksad-dharitvena samasta-sastrair, that **therefore all scriptures accept the guru, spiritual master, as directly the Supreme Lord. Why? He does not speak anything nonsense. That is; therefore he is called servitor God. He is serving God, giving the same knowledge as God has given to him; therefore he is perfect.** Saksad-dharitvena samasta-sastrair uktas tatha bhavyata eva. So knowledge, if we, if we take God, what is God, if we understand from God, then our knowledge of God is perfect. Simply by speculating you cannot become perfect. That is not possible. (Philosophy Discussions - Georg Wilhelm Friedrich Hegel)*

Prabhupada says he has got perfect knowledge and therefore he can write his books! So here Prabhupada directly refutes the flat earthers offensive claim that he was ignorant while writing the Fifth Canto of Srimad Bhagavatam. He goes on to say that his qualification is that he knows God

from God, not by speculation. Thus his knowledge about God is perfect. THEN WHATEVER HE WRITES, THAT IS PERFECT!

Mayesvara dasa on the other hand believes that the Fifth Canto of Srimad Bhagavatam which Prabhupada has written is violable. Or in other words it is something that is possible for him and others to act against, remove, or not respect. This is the factual situation that we now have with the flat earthers. They have zero respect for Prabhupada and violate all his words about Vedic cosmology and the structure of the universe.

The cosmology section of the fifth canto of Srimad Bhagavatam is unique in Srila Prabhupada's otherwise inviolable presentation of Vedic knowledge; it was one of the few areas of transcendental science where Srila Prabhupada expressed his own limited knowledge of this subject. (Mayesvara dasa "Why Did Srila Prabhupada Call the Earth a Globe?")

So here we see Mayesvara's bluff totally exposed. He says Prabhupada expressed limited knowledge in regards to the cosmology section of the Fifth Canto of Srimad Bhagavatam. Yet we have just shown in the above quote Prabhupada saying the exact opposite. Prabhupada says:

No. When I have got perfect knowledge, then I can write... Without perfect, whatever I write, that is nonsense. That is nonsense. That is the difference--parampara system. (Philosophy Discussions - Georg Wilhelm Friedrich Hegel)

So Mayesvara dasa and the other flat earthers are directly saying Prabhupada is writing only nonsense about Vedic cosmology in the Fifth Canto and as such his writings are not in the paramapara system. Thus by such offensive charges against Prabhupada they are decrying his position as a bona-fide spiritual master and representative of God.

Therefore Visvanatha Cakravarti Thakura says, saksad-dharitvena samasta-sastrair, that therefore all scriptures accept the guru, spiritual master, as directly the Supreme Lord. Why? He does not speak anything nonsense. That is; therefore he is called servitor God. He is serving God, giving the same knowledge as God has given to him; therefore he is perfect. (Philosophy Discussions - Georg Wilhelm Friedrich Hegel)

Prabhupada does not speak anything nonsense as the flat earthers offensively claim. Therefore he is called servitor God. He is serving God, giving the same knowledge as God has given to him; therefore he is perfect and his writings on Vedic cosmology in all his books are also perfect.

In the following statement we see Mayesvara dasa (while again deceitfully hiding the full quote) try to refute the idea that Prabhupada was speaking with humility when he described himself as a layman in regards Vedic cosmology.

We Should Not Take Such Statements As Simply A Mark Of Srila Prabhupada's Humility.

It may be argued that Srila Prabhupada had himself translated the fifth canto and had consulted the commentaries of the previous acharyas, so obviously he was aware of the Earth's description, as well as being made aware of the understanding of the disciplic succession. But listen to what Srila Prabhupada himself is saying in the statement above from the room conversation on June 18 1977, "I do not actually accommodate all this knowledge. Please help me...I am a layman. I do not know." We should not take such statements as simply a mark of Srila Prabhupada's humility. (Mayesvara dasa "Why Did Srila Prabhupada Call the Earth a Globe?")

This rascal Mayesvara dasa doesn't quote from the authority but presents himself as the authority and expects that everyone will have to accept whatever nonsense he says.

**One Should Quote Evidence From The Sruti--The Vedas Or
Vedic Literature--And Then One's Statements Will Be Correct.**

*In the parampara system, when the questions are bona fide the answers are bona fide. No one should attempt to create or manufacture answers. One must refer to the sastras and give answers according to Vedic understanding. The words yatha-srutam refer to Vedic knowledge. The Vedas are known as sruti because this knowledge is received from authorities. The statements of the Vedas are known as sruti-pramana. **One should quote evidence from the sruti--the Vedas or Vedic literature--and then one's statements will be correct. Otherwise one's words will proceed from mental concoction.** (Prabhupada from Srimad Bhagavatam 7.13.23)*

Mayesvara dasa doesn't quote from authority in regards to Prabhupada's humility. His statements proceed from mental concoction and are totally incorrect. We shall see in the next quote that this nonsense he is speaking about Prabhupada is the exact opposite of what His Divine Grace actually teaches.

**An Empowered Devotee Sees And Feels Himself To Be The
Lowest Of Men, For He Knows That Whatever He Does Is
Due To The Inspiration Given By The Lord In The Heart.**

*Unless one is specifically empowered by the Supreme Personality of Godhead, he cannot spread the Krishna consciousness movement. **An empowered devotee sees and feels himself to be the lowest of men, for he knows that whatever he does is due to the inspiration given by the Lord in the heart.** (Sri Caitanya Caritamrta Madhya Lila Adi 19.135)*

Prabhupada's humility is factual and is based on his realization of the fact that whatever he does is due to the inspiration given to him by the Lord in his heart.

**If Somebody Misunderstands The Humbleness
Of A Vaisnava Then He Is Doomed**

*So Prakasananda Sarasvati was submissive to Lord Caitanya, because he begged Lord Caitanya to occupy superior seat, while Caitanya Mahaprabhu out of His extreme humbleness, was sitting in a place where they were washing their feet. **A Vaisnava is always humble, and if a person does not misuse this humbleness of a Vaisnava, he gets a chance to be elevated. But if somebody misunderstands the humbleness of a Vaisnava then he is doomed.** Just like in the Caitanya Caritamrta, the author Kaviraja Goswami says that he is lower than the stool, and Sanatana Goswami says that he is born and associated with most degraded persons. **If such humbleness of Vaisnavas are taken verbatim, then we are misled.** Prakasananda Sarasvati appreciated the greatness of Lord Caitanya, even though He was humble, **and therefore Lord Caitanya's Mercy was bestowed upon him, and thus he could accept Him as He is.** (Prabhupada Letter to: Gurudasa, Los Angeles, 14 December, 1968)*

Prabhupada said he was a layman and couldn't actually accommodate all this knowledge of Vedic cosmology. If such humbleness of Prabhupada is taken verbatim, then Mayesvara dasa and the other

flat earthers are misled and cannot accept Prabhupada as he is. They have misunderstood and misused the humbleness of a His Divine Grace to fulfill their flat earth agenda and therefore they are doomed!

The following quote totally destroys the notion that Prabhupada expressed himself to be ignorant of Vedic cosmology.

Although A Devotee May Apparently Express Himself To Be Ignorant, He Is Full Of Knowledge In Every Intricate Matter.

TRANSLATION: Sri Sukadeva Gosvami said: O King, Maitreya, being thus agitated by the inquisitive Vidura, at first seemed astonished, but then he replied to him without hesitation, since he was fully God conscious.

*PURPORT: Since the great sage Maitreya was filled with God consciousness, he had no reason to be astonished at such contradictory questions by Vidura. Therefore, although as a devotee he externally expressed surprise, as if he did not know how to reply to those questions, he immediately became perfectly settled and properly replied to Vidura. Yasmin vijñate sarvam evam vijñatam bhavati. **Anyone who is a devotee of the Lord knows about the Lord to some extent, and devotional service to the Lord makes him able to know everything by the grace of the Lord. Although a devotee may apparently express himself to be ignorant, he is full of knowledge in every intricate matter.** (Srimad Bhagavatam 3.7.8)*

Prabhupada's devotional service to the Lord makes him able to know everything by the grace of the Lord. ALTHOUGH PRABHUPADA MAY APPARENTLY EXPRESS HIMSELF TO BE IGNORANT OF VEDIC COSMOLOGY, HE IS FULL OF KNOWLEDGE IN EVERY INTRICATE MATTER.

Caution Flat Earth Poison Ahead!

Mayesvara Dasa has been instrumental in helping establish the flat earth deception of Tamal Krishna in the minds of many in the devotee community worldwide. That deviation is the false concept of Bhu- mandala as a flat plane rather than a planetary system as clearly described by Srila Prabhupada and Srimad Bhagavatam.

The following quotes are from a paper by Mayesvara dasa called "Why Did Srila Prabhupada Call the Earth a Globe?" As you will see it is heavily contaminated with the second school of offensive thought in regards to Srila Prabhupada. Also note how he openly admits that Prabhupada never spoke of the earth as a flat plane.

Srila Prabhupada never made any explicit statement that the Earth is not a globe. Srila Prabhupada mostly spoke of the Earth in the conventional sense that it is a globe. (Mayesvara dasa "Why Did Srila Prabhupada Call the Earth a Globe?")

Here we see Mayesvara dasa admit that Prabhupada never made any statement that the Earth is not a globe. This is one of the only factual things this offender says. Indirectly he is saying that the only way that you can come to the conclusion that the world is flat is to make interpretations on

Prabhupada's teachings. As you will discover in the fourth chapter that is not the Vedic way but rather a deviation.

We shall further argue that the reason why Srila Prabhupada called the Earth a globe, was not because that is what Srimad Bhagavatam actually teaches, but merely because no clear idea of the Bhu-mandala conception—nor its incompatibility with the so-called globe idea—had been established (or even barely thought about) by the time of Srila Prabhupada's departure in November 1977. (Mayesvara dasa "Why Did Srila Prabhupada Call the Earth a Globe?")

Here we see Mayesvara dasa make the offensive claim that Prabhupada had no clear idea of what Bhu-mandala was! He says Prabhupada had barely thought about the incompatibility of his so-called globe idea with what Bhu-mandala truly is. Totally outrageous and blasphemous!

*However, the knowledge of Vedic cosmology had been covered over for many centuries and **many of the details were unknown even to Srila Prabhupada.** (Mayesvara dasa "Why Did Srila Prabhupada Call the Earth a Globe?")*

So again Mayesvara dasa offends Srila Prabhupada by saying that many of the details of Vedic cosmology were covered and unknown to him. So according to this rascal, Prabhupada is in the dark, just like any mundane ignorant man!

***In the absence of a clear conception of Bhu-mandala, Srila Prabhupada had simply worked with the conventional understanding of the Earth as a globe floating in space.** There is, otherwise, no great mystery as to why Srila Prabhupada spoke of the Earth in this way. To look for some deeper significance to Srila Prabhupada's use of the word 'globe' or 'planet' is to make a mountain out of a mole-hill.... **When Srila Prabhupada began his translation of Srimad Bhagavatam, he was obviously working with the common understanding of the Earth as a globe floating in space...** The disparity between the Srimad Bhagavatam's description of the Earth as a great circle, and Srila Prabhupada's references to the Earth as a globe floating in space has a simple explanation: Although Srila Prabhupada was attempting to re-establish Vedic cosmology in the modern world, practically all knowledge and understanding of the subject had been covered over for many centuries, and many of the details were unknown. **In the absence of a clear conception of Bhu-mandala, Srila Prabhupada simply spoke of the Earth using the conventional understanding that it is a globe in space.** (Mayesvara dasa "Why Did Srila Prabhupada Call the Earth a Globe?")*

So here we again see Mayesvara dasa claim that Prabhupada had no clear conception of Bhu-mandala and was working with the "conventional understanding" or "common understanding" that the earth is a globe floating in space. This is directly calling Prabhupada a mundane man or a conditioned soul, which is highly offensive.

The scriptures say that anyone who considers the spiritual master to be an ordinary man has a hellish mentality. (Srila Prabhupada from SSR Chapter 4)

This mental speculation by the flat earthers who offensively claim that Prabhupada didn't understand Vedic cosmology and therefore he simply accepted the conventional or common understanding that the earth is a globe is completely refuted by Srila Prabhupada in the Bhu-mandala Discussions.

We Accept Nothing Of Their Theory. They Are Prejudiced And Nonsense

Tamala Krsna: Do we accept the contour of the continents? Do we accept the general continents?

Prabhupada: We accept nothing of their theory. They are prejudiced and nonsense. Formerly they were speaking that the world is flat. Now they have changed: "It is round." So what is the value of his estimate? And you'll find in that book, "probably." (Bhu-mandala Discussion, July 3, 1977, Vrndavana)

Srila Prabhupada clearly says that he doesn't accept any theories coming from materialists who are prejudiced and nonsense mental speculators. Prabhupada's knowledge, as I have clearly shown, is coming directly from Krishna. That knowledge of the Vedic sastra has clearly declared the earth as round.

But In The Vedic Sastra, Millions Of Years Ago It Is Mentioned: Bhu-Gola. Gola Means Round.

Prabhupada: Anda means it is egg-shaped, round, egg-shaped. Therefore it is called anda, brahmanda. Bhu-gola. Gola means round. I have heard that before the science, the people were under the impression that this world is square. Is it not?

Devotees: Flat.

Prabhupada: Flat. Flat, yes. But in the Vedic sastra, millions of years ago it is mentioned: bhu-gola. Gola means round. Just see. And these rascals say that formerly people were not so intelligent. They are intelligent because they are thinking that this world is flat. And those who have spoken millions of years ago, "It is round," they will have less intelligence. Just see. Bhu, gola. Gola means round. Bhu-gola. Similarly, jagad-anda. Anda means round, just like egg. Anda means egg. Jagad-anda. This universe is egg-shaped. And we can see also, the sky is round. This is the wall of this universe. (Prabhupada Lecture Bhagavad-gita 1.43 London, July 30, 1973)

This is the reason Prabhupada always described the earth as a globe and not because he was taking knowledge from prejudiced conditioned souls as offensively claimed by Mayesvara dasa and the other flat earthers.

It Is Tamal And The Flat Earthers Who Don't Understand Vedic Cosmology

One interesting fact that should be clearly noted is that Prabhupada declared ISKCON's flat earth founder, namely Tamal Krishna as prejudiced in regards to his understanding of the earth. In the following quote we can see very clearly that Prabhupada and Tamal differ in regards to their understanding of the shape of the earth.

Still We Differ. That Means One Of Us Is Prejudiced

Prabhupada: You are prejudiced. That's all. If I can understand, why don't you understand? You are prejudiced.

Tamala Krsna: Well I can understand if I accept it as... I'm only trying to think as the persons who are going to make this planetarium.

Prabhupada: You are Western. You are prejudiced. That is reason. If I can understand why you...

Tamala Krsna: I can understand blindly, but I don't want to do that.

Prabhupada: I do not understand blindly.

Tamala Krsna: No.

Prabhupada: Then.

Tamala Krsna: But I don't want to...

Prabhupada: Still we differ. That means one of us is prejudiced.

Tamala Krsna: Well it's not Your Divine Grace. (laughter) I mean I'm sorry I have to take this thankless task to ask all these questions. (Discussion about Bhu-mandala, July 5th, 1977, Vrndavana)

So the true position is the exact opposite of what the flat earthers are saying. Prabhupada says he understands and Tamal does not! Also Prabhupada says he does not understand blindly. This is because he takes his knowledge directly from Krishna and the Vedic scriptures. Thus it is clear that it is actually Tamal who is ignorant of Vedic cosmology due to his prejudiced flat earth nonsense which is coming from the Talmud. Let us now look at the definition of prejudiced.

Dictionary Definition of Prejudice

An unfair and unreasonable opinion or feeling, especially when formed without enough thought or knowledge.

Any preconceived judgement, opinion or feeling, either favourable or unfavourable.

So Tamal and all the other flat earthers who follow him are influenced by their own personal opinion or feeling which is formed without enough knowledge. Out of self-interest they have tried to impose this prejudiced theory within the Vaishnava community. Thus due to their personal motivations they cannot actually understand the Krishna consciousness philosophy.

As Soon As Personal Motivation Comes In It Is Not Possible For One To Understand Our Krishna Consciousness Philosophy.

*In my books I have tried to explain clearly this simultaneously one and different philosophy acinta beda beda tattva propounded by Lord Caitanya Mahaprabhu. **But sometimes it happens that this philosophy is given a self-interested interpretation. As soon as personal motivation comes in it is not possible for one to understand our Krishna Consciousness philosophy.** (Prabhupada Letter to: Isana, Vibhavati, Calcutta, 21 September, 1970)*

It is clear that Tamal was completely prejudiced in his understanding of the shape of the earth. **THUS IT IS TAMAL AND THE FLAT HEADS WHO CANNOT UNDERSTAND VEDIC COSMOLOGY AND NOT SRILA PRABHUPADA!!!**

Let me now continue with the destruction of the offensive claims made by Mayesvara dasa and the other flat earthers.

**Everything Within This Material World Is Fully Manifested
To A Devotee Who Has Seen The Supreme Personality Of Godhead**

TRANSLATION: O best of persons, O supreme director, those who actually aspire for supreme good fortune worship this form of Your Lordship according to the Vedic Tantras. My Lord, we can see all the three worlds in You.

PURPORT: The Vedic mantras say: yasmin vijñate sarvam evam vijñatam bhavati. When the devotee sees the Supreme Personality of Godhead by his meditation, or when he sees the Lord personally, face to face, he becomes aware of everything within this universe. Indeed, nothing is unknown to him. Everything within this material world is fully manifested to a devotee who has seen the Supreme Personality of Godhead. Bhagavad-gita (4.34) therefore advises:

*tad viddhi pranipatena
pariprasnena sevaya
upadeksyanti te jñanam
jñaninas tattva-darsinah*

*"Just try to learn the truth by approaching a spiritual master. Inquire from him submissively and render service unto him. The self-realized soul can impart knowledge unto you because he has seen the truth." Lord Brahma is one of these self-realized authorities (svayambhur naradah sambhuh kumarah kapilo manuh). One must therefore accept the disciplic succession from Lord Brahma, and then one can understand the Supreme Personality of Godhead in fullness. Here the word visva-murtau indicates that everything exists in the form of the Supreme Personality of Godhead. **One who is able to worship Him can see everything in Him and see Him in everything.** (Srimad Bhagavatam 8.6.9)*

A pure devotee like Srila Prabhupada who sees the Lord personally face to face becomes aware of everything within this universe, which would include the Bhu-mandala planetary system! It even says in the translation that Prabhupada can see all the three worlds (which includes Bhu-mandala) in the Lord.

Next Prabhupada says that nothing is unknown to him (this includes Bhu-mandala). Everything within this material world is **fully manifested** to a devotee who has seen the Supreme Personality of Godhead. So how can the flat earthers say that knowledge of Vedic cosmology is unknown to Prabhupada? It is totally offensive and nonsensical!

Prabhupada goes on to say that we should try to learn the truth by approaching a spiritual master like himself who has seen the truth. This is the same instruction he gave to Madhava dasa who was getting disturbed by the flat earth propaganda of Tamal Krishna.

Simply Keep Faith That Whatever We Describe, That Is A Fact

My dear Madhava,

*Please accept my blessings. I am in due receipt of your letter dated 22nd Sept. 1976 and have noted the contents. **Regarding details of the universe, be satisfied by reading only Bhagavatam. What is the use of reading other books--you are not going there. Some portion of the earth is flat. When you stand in any place you see flat, so for us to some extent it appears flat, but it is round.***

***Simply keep faith that whatever we describe, that is a fact.** After all, we are an insignificant creature in the universe, so whether you take the modern scientists or Sukadeva Goswami, it is inconceivable. It is best to keep faith in Sukadeva Goswami, because actually our only business is to go back to home, back to Godhead. So whether Sukadeva Goswami or the modern scientists are right or wrong, it is nothing interesting to us. We want to go back to home, back to Godhead--yanti mad-yajino'pi mam.*

I hope this meets you in good health.

Your ever well-wisher,

A. C. Bhaktivedanta Swami

*P.S. **Bharata-varsa in fifth Canto refers to the whole earth.***

(Prabhupada Letter to: Madhava, Vrindaban, 3 October, 1976)

Prabhupada tells us all through Madhava dasa, that for understanding the details of the universe we should be satisfied by reading only his Bhagavatam. He says there is no use reading other books or articles (by offensive speculators like Mayesvara dasa) but we should simply **keep faith with whatever he describes, as that is a fact!**

He goes on to say that when a tiny ant like human being stands on the earth he sees it as flat. So for us to some extent such a huge globe may appear flat, but it is actually round.

The flat earthers try to interpret this statement to mean flat and round like a plate. Such is their insanity! If this were so then there is no meaning to Prabhupada saying **appears flat**. If it were round like a plate then it would actually be flat. Appearing flat means that due to the limited perception of the conditioned soul he can only see a tiny fraction of the round globe and therefore to some extent that planet appears flat to his imperfect senses.

Prabhupada finishes the letter with a P.S. saying that Bharata-varsa in Fifth Canto refers to the whole earth, which he just described as round.

Let us return to the previous quote about the pure devotee seeing the Lord face to face. How he becomes aware of everything within this universe and that nothing is unknown to him. Some may doubt that Prabhupada can see the Lord face to face.

I Am Seeing God Every Moment.

Guest (3): So, Srila Prabhupada, have you realized God?

Prabhupada: What do you think? What is your opinion?

Guest (3): I can't say.

Prabhupada: Then if I say, "yes," then what you will understand? If you are not yourself expert, then even if I say, "Yes, I am God realized," how you will take it as truth? If you do not know what is God realization, then how you can ask this question and how you will be satisfied by the answer? You do not know.

Guest (3): Well, what is God realization?

Prabhupada: Then... Then you were asking, "Are you God realized?" If I say, "Yes," then how you'll believe it? You do not know what is God realization. Then why do you put this question? You do not know yourself. If I say, "Yes," how you'll understand that I am right? Therefore you should not put all these questions. It has no value. You do not know yourself what is God realization. Now, just like a medical man, if he asks another man, medical man, so if he says, "Yes," then medical man will understand him by technical terms whether he is medical man. So unless one is medical man, what is the use of asking another man, "Are you medical man?" Unless you are prepared to take the answer whatever I give. Are you prepared?

Guest (3): Yes.

Prabhupada: Then it is all right. **I am. I am seeing God every moment.** So unless we are prepared to take the answer, we should not put ourself.. (Reporters Interview, June 29, 1974, Melbourne)

The answer is clear; Prabhupada is seeing God at every moment. This is confirmed in the following quote.

A Highly Advanced Devotee Can Talk With Krishna Face To Face.

*In the Bhagavad-gita it is said: ye yatha mam prapadyante tams tathaiva bhajamy aham. There is a responsive cooperation between the Supreme Lord Krishna and His devotees. The more a devotee sincerely loves Krishna, the more Krishna reciprocates, so much so that **a highly advanced devotee can talk with Krishna face to face.** (Sri Caitanya Caritamrta Madhya Lila Adi 4.95)*

This Vedic Hymn Declares Emphatically That The Devotee Of The Lord Knows Everything Material And Spiritual In Relationship With The Lord.

*TRANSLATION: O son of Mitra, kindly describe how the planets are situated above the earth as well as underneath it, and also please mention their measurement as well as that of **the earthly planets.***

*PURPORT: Yasmin vijñate sarvam evam vijñatam bhavati. **This Vedic hymn declares emphatically that the devotee of the Lord knows everything material and spiritual in relationship with the Lord.** Devotees are not simply emotional, as is ill conceived by certain less intelligent men. Their direction is practical. **They know everything that is and all the details of the Lord's domination over the different creations.** (Srimad Bhagavatam 3.7.26)*

This is a very interesting quote as Vidura is inquiring from Maitreya Muni about Vedic cosmology and he especially mentions earthly planets. There is no mention of a flat earth plane. Then in the purport Prabhupada says that the devotee of the Lord knows everything material and spiritual in relationship with the Lord and they know everything that is and all the details of the Lord's domination over the different creations. This is very clear and totally destroys the offensive statements of flat earthers like Mayesvara dasa, who Prabhupada indirectly mentions in this purport as less intelligent men, who ill conceive that Prabhupada is simply emotional in regards to Vedic cosmology.

The Devotee Becomes Acquainted With All The Different Manifestations Of The Lord

Dhruva Maharaja's understanding of the Supreme Personality of Godhead is complete. In the Vedas it is said, yasmin vijnate sarvam evam vijnatam bhavati: knowledge received through the transcendental, causeless mercy of the Lord is so perfect that by that knowledge the devotee becomes acquainted with all the different manifestations of the Lord. (Srimad Bhagavatam 3.7.26)

Dictionary Definition of Acquainted:

Having personal knowledge of something; having seen or experienced something.

Again more clear evidence that the pure devotee of the Lord Srila Prabhupada, has personal knowledge of all the different manifestations of the Lord including the Bhu-mandala planetary system.

If You Can Understand The Original Person, Krishna, Then Everything Will Come To Your Knowledge.

*So Brahma is the son, or born out of the lotus flower from the abdomen of Visnu. Visnu is expansion of Krishna. In this way Krishna is the origin of everything. That is a fact. That is the verdict of all Vedic literature. Yasmin vijnate sarvam idam vijnatam bhavati. **If you can understand the original person, Krishna, then everything will come to your knowledge. Everything will be understood: how everything is existing, how they are appearing, how they are disappearing, how they are existing. Everything will be known. (Prabhupada Lecture, Srimad-Bhagavatam 7.9.8, Hawaii, March 21, 1969)***

Srila Prabhupada can understand the original person, Krishna, therefore everything has come to his knowledge. Everything is understood by him: how everything is existing, how they are appearing, how they are disappearing, how they are existing. Everything is known to Prabhupada!

The Upanisad Says, If You Simply Understand Krishna, Then All These Things Can Be Understood Very Easily.

So, these are the perfection of life, not that teeny, floating sputnik. (laughter) They do not know what is perfection of life. **You can go anywhere.** A living entity's name is sarva-gah. Sarva-gah means "one who can go anywhere he likes." Just Narada Muni. Narada Muni can travel anywhere he likes, either in the spiritual world or in the material world. **So you can also do that. There is possibility.** There was a Durvasa Muni, great yogi. Within one year he traveled all over the universe and went to Visnuloka and again came back. That is recorded in the history. So these are the perfections of life. And how these perfection can be attained? **By understanding Krishna. Yasmin vijñate sarvam eva vijñatam bhavanti. The Upanisad says, if you simply understand Krishna, then all these things can be understood very easily. Krishna consciousness is such a nice thing.** (Prabhupada Lecture on Radhastami, Srimati Radharani's, Appearance Day, London, September 18, 1969)

Prabhupada the pure devotee of the Lord is travelling all over the universe to different planets (see next quotes) and due to his Krishna consciousness all these things can be understood by him very easily.

The Servants Of The Lord, Visnu, Are Entrusted With This Responsible Work, And So They Wander Over The Earth And To All Other Planets In The Universe.

*A living being is not the material body but an eternal part and parcel of the Supreme Being, and thus revival of his self-knowledge is essential. Without this knowledge, the human life is baffled. **The servants of the Lord, Visnu, are entrusted with this responsible work, and so they wander over the earth and to all other planets in the universe.** (Srimad Bhagavatam 3.7.26)*

Authorized Sages Know Perfectly That Devotional Service In Krishna Consciousness Is The Essence Of All Vedic Literatures, And They Are All Preaching This In Different Planets, Traveling In Outer Space.

*The verses of Veda-stuti are to be considered the essence of all Vedic knowledge. **The four Kumaras and all other authorized sages know perfectly that devotional service in Krishna consciousness is the essence of all Vedic literatures, and they are all preaching this in different planets, traveling in outer space.** It is stated herein that such sages, including Narada Muni, **hardly ever travel on land; they are perpetually traveling in space.***

***Sages like Narada and the Kumaras travel throughout the universe in order to educate the conditioned souls** and show them that their business in the world is not that of sense gratification, but of reinstating themselves again in their original position of devotional service to the Supreme Personality of Godhead. It is stated in several places that the living entities are like sparks of the fire, and the Supreme Personality of Godhead is like the fire itself. Somehow or other when the sparks fall out of the fire they lose their natural illumination; thus it is ascertained that the living entities come into this material world exactly as sparks fall from a great fire. The living entity wants to imitate Krishna and tries to lord it over material nature; thus he forgets his original position, and his illuminating power, his spiritual identity, is extinguished. However, if*

*a living entity takes to Krishna a consciousness, he is reinstated in his original position. **Sages and saints like Narada and the Kumaras are travelling all over the universe educating people and increasing their disciples** to preach this process of devotional service so all the conditioned souls may be able to revive their original consciousness, or Krishna consciousness, and thus gain relief from the miserable conditions of material life. (Krishna Book Chapter Eighty-Seven. Prayers by the Personified Vedas)*

This is the actual position of the authorized sage Srila Prabhupada! It is very far removed from the envious mentality of the flat earthers who say he is ignorant of Vedic cosmology.

Srila Prabhupada is preaching in different planets, travelling in outer space. Srila Prabhupada hardly ever travels on land; he is perpetually travelling in space. Srila Prabhupada is travelling all over the universe educating people and increasing his disciples. The word increasing was actually spoken by Srila Prabhupada on the dictation tape but the editors used the word encouraging instead. (This is a note from my book Srila Prabhupada Lilamrta As It Is which was printed in 2001)

By Knowing The Supreme Personality Of Godhead, Everything Becomes Known (One Can Know All The Other Planetary Systems)

*There is a Vedic version, yasmin vijñate sarvam evam vijñatam bhavati, which means **that by knowing the Supreme Personality of Godhead, everything becomes known to the devotee**. Similarly, by going to the planet of the Supreme Personality of Godhead, **one can know all the other planetary systems on the path to Vaikuntha**. We should remember that Dhruva Maharaja's body was different from our bodies. While boarding the Vaikuntha airplane, his body changed to a completely spiritual golden hue. No one can surpass the higher planets in a material body, but when one gets a spiritual body he can travel not only to the higher planetary system of this material world, but even to the still higher planetary system known as Vaikunthaloka. **It is well known that Narada Muni travels everywhere, both in the spiritual and material worlds**. (Srimad Bhagavatam 4.12.34)*

By knowing the Supreme Personality of Godhead, everything is known to Prabhupada, including all the other planetary systems. As pointed out in the previous quotes, Prabhupada is like Narada Muni and travels everywhere, both in the spiritual and material worlds. Therefore he has personal experience of all the planetary systems. Yet Mayesvara dasa claims Prabhupada had no knowledge of Vedic cosmology because he had no working map!

*What to speak of having a 3 dimensional model or animation of Bhu-mandala, **Srila Prabhupada did not even see a simple map of Bhu-mandala until the end of June 1977; and so the conceptualization of what was being described as a vast Earth plane was an obvious difficulty**. In all of his Srimad Bhagavatam translations and purports, Srila Prabhupada invariably translated the areas of Bhu-mandala as other planets, when they are, in fact, just part of one vast Earth area that is divided into seven dwipas (islands) and varshas (regions within the dwipas)... Despite this extraordinary preaching achievement, **the details of where these civilizations/other worlds are located in the Vedic cosmos were not entirely familiar to Srila Prabhupada who did not even have a map of the Vedic cosmos to work from**. Srila Prabhupada simply used the default word 'planets' to describe places both upon and within the core of the great Earth itself.. (Mayesvara Dasa: Conversation With Vedic Astronomer, Jan 18, 2018)*

As mentioned, Srila Prabhupada had been translating Srimad Bhagavatam without even a map or image of Bhu-mandala to help him understand the location of one place in relation to another. This helps explain why Srila Prabhupada perhaps spoke of Bharata-varsha as the Earth planet when it is actually just a small part of the Bhu-mandala plane. (Mayesvara dasa "Why Did Srila Prabhupada Call the Earth a Globe?")

So Srila Prabhupada the pure devotee who talks directly with the Lord, who is preaching in different planets, travelling in outer space, is dependent on his envious disciples or a foolish Vedic astronomer to make him a map before he can understand the situation of the planetary systems! Just see the mind-set of these flat earthers who see Prabhupada as a mundane man covered by ignorance. These people are highly offensive and have no real connection to the parampara, even though they may be dressed as devotees of the Lord.

When The Cause Of All Causes Becomes Known, Then Everything Knowable Becomes Known, And Nothing Remains Unknown.

*TRANSLATION: I shall now declare unto you in full this knowledge both phenomenal and noumenal, by knowing which **there shall remain nothing further to be known.***

*PURPORT: Complete knowledge includes knowledge of the phenomenal world and the spirit behind it. The source of both of them is transcendental knowledge. The Lord wants to explain the above-mentioned system of knowledge because Arjuna is Krishna's confidential devotee and friend. In the beginning of the Fourth Chapter this explanation was given by the Lord, and it is again confirmed here: **complete knowledge can be achieved only by the devotee of the Lord directly from the Lord in disciplic succession.** Therefore one should be intelligent enough to know the source of all knowledge, who is the cause of all causes and the only object for meditation in all types of yoga practices. **When the cause of all causes becomes known, then everything knowable becomes known, and nothing remains unknown.** The Vedas say, "yasmin vijñate sarvam eva vijñatam bhavanti." (Bhagavad-gita 7.2)*

Prabhupada who knows the cause of all causes, knows everything knowable, and nothing remains unknown to him. This truth is a Vedic injunction.

According To This Vedic Injunction, Simply By Understanding Krishna One Understands Brahman, Paramatma, Prakrti, The Illusory Energy, The Spiritual Energy And Everything Else. Everything Will Be Revealed

*In the human form of life, one should understand the Supreme Personality of Godhead, for then one will understand everything else. Yasmin vijñate sarvam evam vijñatam bhavati. **According to this Vedic injunction, simply by understanding Krishna one understands Brahman, Paramatma, prakrti, the illusory energy, the spiritual energy and everything else. Everything will be revealed.** prakrti, the material nature, is working under the direction of the Supreme Lord, and we living entities are being carried away by various phases of prakrti. For self-realization, one should always remember Krishna. (Srimad Bhagavatam 6.16.53-54)*

**If You Simply Understand God, Krishna,
Then Everything Will Be Revealed To You**

*Krishna is abhijnah, svarat. So similarly Krishna's representative is also abhijnah, naturally. If one associates with Krishna, if one talks with Krishna, he must be very abhijnah, very learned, because he takes lessons from Krishna. **Therefore Krishna's knowledge is perfect, therefore, because he takes knowledge from Krishna, his knowledge is also perfect.** Abhijnah. And Krishna talks. It is not that it is fictitious, no. Krishna--I have already said--that Krishna is sitting in everyone's heart and **He talks with the bona fide person.** Just like a big man, he talks with some bona fide person, he doesn't waste his time talking with nonsense. He talks, that's a fact, but he does not talk with nonsense, **he talks with the bona fide representative.***

How it is known? It is stated in the Bhagavad-gita, tesam satata-yuktanam. Who is bona fide representative? Tesam satata-yuktanam bhajatam priti-purvakam, buddhi-yogam dadami tam. Krishna says that "I give him intelligence." To whom? Satata-yuktanam, those who are engaged twenty-four hours. In which way he is engaged? Bhajatam, bhajana, those who are engaged in devotional service. What kind of devotional service? Priti-purvakam, with love and affection. One who is engaged in devotional service of the Lord in love and devotion...

*If one is Krishna, **if one knows Krishna, he knows everything. He knows politics, he knows economics, he knows science, he knows philosophy, he knows religion, he knows sociology, everything.** Tasmin vijñate sarvam etam vijñatam bhavanti, that is the Vedic injunction. **If you simply understand God, Krishna, then everything will be revealed to you** because Krishna says, buddhi-yogam dadami tam. If Krishna gives you intelligence from within, who can excel Him? Nobody can excel Him. But Krishna can give you intelligence provided you become a devotee, or lover of Krishna. (Prabhupada from a Srimad-Bhagavatam Lecture 1.2.6, New Vrindaban, September 5, 1972)*

The flat earthers cannot deny this Vedic injunction just because Prabhupada's words don't fit with their mental speculations!

**God Is Omniscient, So A Pure Devotee Can
Become Omniscient By The Grace Of God.**

Bharadvaja: I understand, Srila Prabhupada, that the pure devotee can be as pervasive as Supersoul?

Prabhupada: Hmm?

Bharadvaja: By the mercy of Supersoul, he can be present in many places at once?

*Prabhupada: **Yes. By the grace of Krishna, a devotee can become anything.***

Duryodhana-guru: So in other words that means the pure devotees can be omniscient?

*Prabhupada: **Everything. God is omniscient, so a pure devotee can become omniscient by the grace of God.***

Radhavallabha: Srila Prabhupada explains that Varuna is omniscient.

Duryodhana-guru: Varuna?

Radhavallabha: It's in Fourth Canto.

Madhusudana: Srila Prabhupada, how come that in the sastra sometimes there are verses that are slightly doubtful about...

Prabhupada: Whenever there is doubtful, go to your...

Madhusudana: Just like it will have something that has perhaps two meanings, you can't...

*Prabhupada: Huh? **There cannot be two meanings. Tad-vijnanartham sa gurum evabhigacchet. In order to understand, go to your guru.***

(Morning Walk, June 8, 1976, Los Angeles)

We can now understand that Mayesvara dasa is presenting a different meaning than Srila Prabhupada in regards to the knowledge possessed by a pure devotee. Mayesvara dasa says Prabhupada's knowledge is limited and he is ignorant in regards to Vedic cosmology. I have showed many statements from Srila Prabhupada that very clearly refutes this offensive speculation.

In the above quote Prabhupada even says that a pure devotee can become omniscient by the grace of God.

Dictionary Definition of Omniscient:

Having total knowledge; knowing everything.

So it is clear Mayesvara dasa and the flat earthers have a different opinion to Srila Prabhupada. THAT IS DEVIATION!

Any Opinion Different From The Opinion Of The Spiritual Master Is Useless. One Cannot Infiltrate Materially Concocted Ideas Into Spiritual Advancement. That Is Deviation.

TRANSLATION: Some of the disciples strictly accepted the orders of the acarya, and others deviated, independently concocting their own opinions under the spell of daivi-maya.

*PURPORT: This verse describes the beginning of a schism. When disciples do not stick to the principle of accepting the order of their spiritual master, immediately there are two opinions. **Any opinion different from the opinion of the spiritual master is useless. One cannot infiltrate materially concocted ideas into spiritual advancement. That is deviation. There is no scope for adjusting spiritual advancement to material ideas.***

TRANSLATION: The order of the spiritual master is the active principle in spiritual life. Anyone who disobeys the order of the spiritual master immediately becomes useless.

PURPORT: Here is the opinion of Srila Krsnadasa Kaviraja Gosvami. Persons who strictly follow the orders of the spiritual master are useful in executing the will of the Supreme, whereas persons who deviate from the strict order of the spiritual master are useless. [C.C. Adi Lila 12.9-10]

FLATHEAD MAYESVARA THE SINFUL LIAR WHO VIOLATES PRABHUPADA'S TEACHINGS!!!

In this section we shall clearly discover that Mayesvara dasa is a sinful liar who violates Srila Prabhupada's clear statements with his offensive mental speculations. Let us now look at one section from one of his articles:

"So now you all Ph.D.'s must carefully study the details of the 5th Canto and make a working model of the universe. If we can explain the passing seasons, eclipses, phases of the moon, passing of day and night, etc. then it will be very powerful propaganda. I am sending this letter to you, and you can make photocopies of it and send to our other Ph.D.'s and begin serious research into the matter in detail." (Auckland, 27 April, 1976)

*Notice here that Srila Prabhupada is requesting his disciples to make a working model of the universe according to the Vedic description. **It is significant that Srila Prabhupada is not presenting his own model or explanation of how the universe works.** The 'working model' in question is thus open for discussion and debate.*

We will again repeat Tamala Krishna Goswami's account of how Srila Prabhupada seems to have practically handed this subject over to his disciples:

*"Prem Yogi showed Srila Prabhupada some illustrations from the Srimad-Bhagavatam, Fifth Canto, and explained them briefly. Prabhupada was impressed with his proper understanding. Prabhupada showed him the Mayapur model and explained what we intended to do there. Srila Prabhupada then expressed his concern: **"We must exactly follow the description of Bhagavatam.** As we are going to spend many crores of rupees, and there will be those who will try to find fault in our presentation, 'Caesar's wife must be above suspicion.' **I have explained whatever I could already in my books. Now my brain is no longer able to work properly. You young men can tax your brains to understand the Sanskrit and English descriptions and present them."** (TKG's Diary: Prabhupada's Final Days, May 30 1977)*

*Such statements help us become aware that although Srila Prabhupada was the initiator of the great project to present the Vedic cosmology at the Mayapur Temple of Vedic Planetarium, **he did not present himself as an authority on the subject.** (Mayesvara dasa "Why Did Srila Prabhupada Call the Earth a Globe?")*

Here we see Mayesvara dasa selectively quoting from a letter Srila Prabhupada wrote to Svarupa Damodara dasa. He deceitfully hides the major part of the letter and claims that Srila Prabhupada is not presenting his own model or explanation of how the universe works.

*Notice here that Srila Prabhupada is requesting his disciples to make a working model of the universe according to the Vedic description. **It is significant that Srila Prabhupada is not presenting his own model or explanation of how the universe***

works. The 'working model' in question is thus open for discussion and debate. (Mayesvara dasa "Why Did Srila Prabhupada Call the Earth a Globe?")

This statement is a total falsehood! Mayesvara is lying through his teeth, or in other words he lies brazenly and unabashedly.

Now let us look at Srila Prabhupada's complete letter to Svarupa Damodara dasa and we will see that His Divine Grace clearly gives an explanation of how the universe is working and how a model should be made.

My Final Decision Is That The Universe Is Just Like A Tree, With Root Upwards.

*Now our Ph.D's must collaborate and study the 5th Canto to make a model for building the Vedic Planetarium. **My final decision is that the universe is just like a tree, with root upwards.** Just as a tree has branches and leaves so the universe is also composed of planets which are fixed up in the tree like the leaves, flowers, fruits, etc. of the tree. The pivot is the pole star, and the whole tree is rotating on this pivot. Mount Sumeru is the center, trunk, and is like a steep hill, like the alps mountains which also have very high peaks. I have seen in Switzerland one mountain peak which was so high that is penetrated through the clouds. **The tree is turning and therefore, all the branches and leaves turn with the tree. The planets have their fixed orbits, but still they are turning with the turning of the great tree.** There are pathways leading from one planet to another made of gold, copper, etc., and these are like the branches. Distances are also described in the 5th Canto just how far one planet is from another.*

*We can see that at night, how the whole planetary system is turning around, the pole star being the pivot. Each planet has its orbit fixed but the sun is moving up and down, north and south. It is not that we shall accept the theory that the sun is fixed up and the others are all going around the sun. That is not correct. Even the 7th star is rotating once around the pole star in each 24 hours. **The whole universe is just like a big tree, that is a fact.** I do not think that the modern astronomers have any such idea that the whole universe is like a big tree. The planets which are full of living entities are one after another, one above the other. **The relative positions of the planets is fixed up but the whole thing is turning.** The sun is going north and south, it has its own orbit below the moon. So now you all Ph.D.'s must carefully study the details of the 5th Canto and make a working model of the universe. If we can explain the passing seasons, eclipses, phases of the moon, passing of day and night, etc. then it will be very powerful propaganda.*

*I am sending this letter to you, and you can make photocopies of it and send to our other Ph.D.'s and begin serious research into the matter in detail. **But one thing, I am convinced that the universe is just like a great tree as described therein.** (Prabhupada Letter to: Svarupa Damodara, Auckland, 27 April, 1976.)*

Notice how Mayesvara dasa ends his quotation of the above letter just before Prabhupada repeats his explanation of how the universe is like a great tree. Yet he claims Prabhupada is not giving an

explanation or a working model of how the universe works! This is totally deceitful and proves how desperate this man is to push Tamal Krishna's deviations as bona-fide Vaishnava philosophy.

He then says "The 'working model' in question is thus open for discussion and debate." This is also a total falsehood as Prabhupada actually says:

*Now our Ph.D's must collaborate and study the 5th Canto to make a model for building the Vedic Planetarium. **My final decision is that the universe is just like a tree, with root upwards.** (Prabhupada Letter to: Svarupa Damodara, Auckland, 27 April, 1976.)*

Prabhupada doesn't say it is open for debate or interpretation!!! He says his Ph.D disciples (of which Tamal and Mayesvara are not) should collaborate and study the 5th Canto so they can make a model for building the Vedic Planetarium. This means these Ph.D disciples should work together, especially in a joint intellectual effort by studying his Srimad Bhagavatam. (verses and especially purports)

Like I pointed out earlier the flat earthers like Mayesvara wish to neglect Prabhupada's purports as they think Prabhupada is ignorant of Vedic cosmology. They want to offensively jump over Prabhupada and go directly to Sukadeva Gosvami and the Sanskrit.

***I have explained whatever I could already in my books. Now my brain is no longer able to work properly. You young men can tax your brains to understand the Sanskrit and English descriptions and present them.** (TKG's Diary: Prabhupada's Final Days, May 30 1977)*

Mayesvara dasa quotes from Tamal Krishna's diary to support this claim. Notice how Tamal, the agent of the great sinister movement, slanders Prabhupada with his hearsay by saying that Prabhupada's brain was no longer working properly!!! Now Tamal and the other young upstarts are supposedly qualified to translate the Srimad Bhagavatam, they just have to tax their envious brains to present it correctly.

Mayesvara doesn't have any direct quotes from Prabhupada to support this jumping over. As I have shown earlier this is offensive.

**You cannot jump over. You must go through the parampara system.
You have to approach through your spiritual master to the Gosvamis**

*You cannot jump over Krishna consciousness without going through the mercy of Sri Caitanya Mahaprabhu. And to go through Sri Caitanya Mahaprabhu means to go through the six Gosvamis. This is parampara system. Therefore Narottama dasa Thakura says, ei chay gosai jar--tar mui das ta-sabara pada-renu mora panca-gras This is parampara system. **You cannot jump over. You must go through the parampara system. You have to approach through your spiritual master to the Gosvamis, and through the Gosvamis you will have to approach Sri Caitanya Mahaprabhu, and through Sri Caitanya Mahaprabhu you have to approach Krishna. This is the way.** Therefore Narottama dasa Thakura said, ei chay gosai jar--tar mui das. We are servant of servant. That is Caitanya Mahaprabhu's instruction, gopi-bhartuh pada-kamalayor dasa-dasanudasah. **The more you become servant of the servant, the more you are perfect. And if you all of a sudden want to become master, then you go to hell. That's all. Don't do that. This is the teaching of Sri Caitanya***

Mahaprabhu. If you go through the servant, servant, servant, then you are advanced. And if you think that you have now become master, then you are going to hell. This is the process. Dasa-dasanudasah. Caitanya Mahaprabhu said. So servant, servant, servant, a hundred times servant now, that means he is advanced. He is advanced. And one who is becoming directly master, then he is in the hell. (Srila Prabhupada from a Sri Caitanya-caritamrta, Lecture, Adi-lila 1.4 Mayapur, March 28, 1975)

Mayesvara dasa knows he is being offensive and is jumping over Srila Prabhupada. This is confirmed by his following statement:

*To answer the first part of this question we had to look at the original description of the Earth provided by Sukadeva Goswami. Our motivation here is not to be 'over-intelligent' or to 'jump over the head' of the acharya as some may accuse, but rather to fulfill Srila Prabhupada's own instruction to "carefully study the details of the fifth canto and present a working model of the universe" (Letter from Srila Prabhupada to Svarupa Damodara dasa, April 27, 1976). **One cannot make a working model of the Vedic universe unless one works from the original description provided.** Nor can one make a working model of Vedic cosmology if one is still thinking Western cosmology is the standard model to which the ideas in Srimad Bhagavatam must conform. The Srimad Bhagavatam presents its own version of reality to which we must conform!*

*There cannot be a meaningful discussion on this topic unless one is aware of the Srimad Bhagavatam's definition and description of the Earth. We have to remember that anytime a name for the Earth is mentioned in Srimad Bhagavatam, it is referring to the Earth described in chapters 16-26 of the fifth canto. This is our reference point. **We cannot simply take Srila Prabhupada's constant usage of words like 'Earth globe' or 'Earth planet' as evidence that the Earth is, in fact, a globe; rather, we have to understand the meaning of Bhu-mandala from the description provided.** (Mayesvara dasa "Why Did Srila Prabhupada Call the Earth a Globe?")*

Again Mayesvara is being deceitful. We have shown that he has hidden Prabhupada's explanation of how the universe is working like a tree by selectively quoting from Srila Prabhupada's letter to Svarupa Damodara dasa to support his jumping over nonsense.

Here he boldly declares that he is rejecting Prabhupada's constant usage of the words 'Earth globe' or 'Earth planet' as evidence that the Earth is, in fact, a globe. Instead he advocates jumping over Prabhupada's purports, totally disregarding them. He impudently goes directly to the verses of Srimad Bhagavatam and gives his own explanations.

He clearly has no respect for Prabhupada's purports as he thinks Prabhupada is ignorant. We shall see in the next quote that he feels fully justified in violating Prabhupada's books and giving his own interpretations.

*In the absence of any historical discourse on the topic, Srila Prabhupada had to translate and comment on this most obscure part of the Srimad Bhagavatam with only the help of the commentaries; but even in the commentaries the description of Bhu-mandala had not been discussed in the light of the modern conception of the Earth as an Earth globe. To the uninformed reader, both text and commentary describing Bhu-mandala read as a rather obscure, incomprehensible, and impenetrable mystery having no bearing on the present construct of reality that we live on a ball-shaped planet flying through space. **The cosmology section of the fifth canto of Srimad Bhagavatam is unique in Srila Prabhupada's otherwise inviolable presentation of Vedic knowledge; it was one of the few areas of transcendental science where Srila***

Prabhupada expressed his own limited knowledge of this. (Mayesvara dasa “Why Did Srila Prabhupada Call the Earth a Globe?”)

Mayesvara dasa clearly claims that the cosmology section of the Fifth Canto of Srimad Bhagavatam is unique in Srila Prabhupada's otherwise inviolable presentation of Vedic knowledge. In other words this section is not an inviolable presentation. Let us look at some definitions of the word inviolable:

Dictionary Definition of Inviolable:

Not to be violated, criticized, or tampered with.

That must be respected and not attacked or destroyed.

So it is clear that Mayesvara and the other flat earthers feel that all Prabhupada's numerous statements throughout all his books (especially the Fifth Canto) on Vedic cosmology are something that they can violate, criticize, or tamper with (give interpretations on). They feel that these teachings are not to be respected. They can attack them, as they repeatedly do, and ultimately they can destroy them and make them obsolete. This is the factual position of the flat earth offenders!

In the following quote Mayesvara dasa claims that Srila Prabhupada would reconsider his statement that the Earth is round not flat, if he would have understood sastric descriptions correctly (as he thinks he does) and would have heard from flat earth scientists.

Thus taking the sastras description of the actual relationship between Earth's position to Jambudvīpa, as well as the observable science refuting a heliocentric and globe-shaped Earth, and not forgetting the innumerable exposes of NASA's fake Earth images from outer space, I would be confident that Śrīla Prabhupāda would reconsider his statement that the Earth is round not flat. (Mayesvara Dasa “Sailing To Jambudvīpa”)

Again Mayesvara is being offensive to Srila Prabhupada. If His Divine Grace changes his knowledge then that means he is imperfect and has no authority.

So Change Means Imperfect Knowledge. No Change Means That Is Perfect Knowledge. So We Follow That No Change Policy.

So Vedic laws are not like that. You cannot change. Five thousand years ago Kṛṣṇa said, sarva-dharmāṇāṃ parityajya mam ekam saraṇam vraja: "You give up all other religious principles. Simply surrender unto Me." We are preaching the same thing. No change. No change. There is no possibility of change. Then how Kṛṣṇa is authority? So change means imperfect knowledge. This very change. And perfect knowledge... You will find that one who is very experienced medical practitioner, he gives you a prescription, and you visit him again and again, he gives you the same prescription unless you are cured. His prescription is so nice that he doesn't change. But a nonexperienced physician, every time you go, he will change the prescription. But actually, those who are experienced, he knows "This is the disease, and ultimately this medicine will cure. So let him repeat that medicine." So our is that platform. Harer nama harer nama harer namaiva kevalam. We repeat only. We don't change: "Now harinama is not curing so let me add, instead of Hare Kṛṣṇa, 'John Kṛṣṇa,' if I may." No. No "John Kṛṣṇa." (laughter) That same Hare Kṛṣṇa must be repeated. And you will be cured. So change means imperfect knowledge. No change means that is perfect knowledge. So we follow that no change policy. No, not that because I think I have

become now advanced, I change this to that. That mean I am not advanced. My knowledge is imperfect. Therefore I am changing. (Srila Prabhupada from a Srimad-Bhagavatam Lecture 1.3.15 Los Angeles, September 20, 1972)

As you have seen throughout this chapter a pure devotee like Prabhupada is full of knowledge in every intricate matter. His knowledge is not limited even though he may apparently express himself to be ignorant. Let me again repeat that wonderful quote from earlier in my presentation. Repetition is very important for those people who do not like to hear the truth but wish to present their own illusory conceptions.

Although A Devotee May Apparently Express Himself To Be Ignorant, He Is Full Of Knowledge In Every Intricate Matter.

TRANSLATION: Sri Sukadeva Gosvami said: O King, Maitreya, being thus agitated by the inquisitive Vidura, at first seemed astonished, but then he replied to him without hesitation, since he was fully God conscious.

*PURPORT: Since the great sage Maitreya was filled with God consciousness, he had no reason to be astonished at such contradictory questions by Vidura. Therefore, although as a devotee he externally expressed surprise, as if he did not know how to reply to those questions, he immediately became perfectly settled and properly replied to Vidura. Yasmin vijñate sarvam evam vijñatam bhavati. **Anyone who is a devotee of the Lord knows about the Lord to some extent, and devotional service to the Lord makes him able to know everything by the grace of the Lord. Although a devotee may apparently express himself to be ignorant, he is full of knowledge in every intricate matter.** (Srimad Bhagavatam 3.7.8)*

Prabhupada's devotional service to the Lord makes him able to know everything by the grace of the Lord. **ALTHOUGH PRABHUPADA MAY APPARENTLY EXPRESS HIMSELF TO BE IGNORANT OF VEDIC COSMOLOGY, HE IS FULL OF KNOWLEDGE IN EVERY INTRICATE MATTER.**

**So You Read Our Books, Fifth Canto, Srimad-Bhagavatam.
You Will Get Full Description.**

Guest (1): I have another question. You were talking about the planets, the planetary systems. The planets in our solar system, are they in the middle planetary systems or the lower planetary systems?

Prabhupada: What is the question about planetary system?

Gurukrpa: This planet, where is it situated in the planetary system.

*Prabhupada: You cannot understand it? **The whole planetary system is just like a big tree, and there are many fruits. So here, this planet is one of the fruits of the planetary system.***

Guest (1): The planets in our solar system, I mean.

*Prabhupada: Yes, astrology. Astrology. There is planetary system. It is the Vedic system. You can see at night. **The whole planetary system is moving like this, bunch of tree.** And in Bhagavad-gita it is said, *urdhva-mulam adhah-sakham*. This, it is just like a big tree, and the root is upwards and the branches and fruits downwards. This is the... The Pole Star is the center of this root of this planetary system. **So you read our books, Fifth Canto, Srimad-Bhagavatam. You will get full description.***

(Prabhupada from a Bhagavad-gita Lecture 9.3, Melbourne, April 21, 1976)

Here Prabhupada is again describing the planetary system just like a big tree with many fruits. He says this planet is one of those fruits. He doesn't say it is flat! He then says if we read his books, especially the Fifth Canto, we will get a full description. This is again confirmation that the flat earthers are offensive, as they claim that Prabhupada was ignorant of Vedic cosmology and thus his purports should be neglected and disrespected.

PRABHUPADA ENLIGHTENED BY HIS KILLER IN REGARDS TO VEDIC COSMOLOGY

According to Mayesvara dasa and the other flat earthers it was Tamal Krishna (an agent of the great sinister movement within ISKCON - see appendix ???) who was responsible for kindly manifesting to Srila Prabhupada the discrepancies in his common and foolish assumption that the earth is a globe floating in space.

So not only do these flat earth lunatics want us to blindly accept their offensive mental speculations about Srila Prabhupada being an ignorant mundane man, now they want us to believe that he was enlightened by his killer (see appendix ???) in regards to Vedic cosmology. This is the absolute insanity of these people.

*In the absence of a clear conception of Bhu-mandala, Srila Prabhupada throughout his translations, conversations, and lectures, simply referred to both Bharata-varsha and the Bhu-mandala as an Earth planet floating in space. Other than presenting the common assumption that the Earth is a globe, Srila Prabhupada never attempted any elaborate explanation to argue that it is so; and certainly he never attempted to rationalize how the Earth could be a planet floating in space, when the location of our Earth area is described by Sukadeva Goswami to be just part of the Bhu-mandala itself. Why did Srila Prabhupada never address the question or attempt any elaborate answer? **The most likely reason is that the differences between the two world-views were not even raised as questions to Srila Prabhupada until Tamala Krishna Goswami did so in these discussions on Bhu-mandala in June/July 1977. It was only during the Bhu-mandala discussions of June/July 1977 that the glaring discrepancies between the two world-views began to become manifest.** Quite simply, Srila Prabhupada along with his disciples were in the process of deciphering the mysterious description of the Earth given by Sukadeva Goswami. At this late point, Srila Prabhupada's emphatic and repeated instruction was to just follow the Srimad Bhagavatam's version. (Mayesvara dasa "Why Did Srila Prabhupada Call the Earth a Globe?")*

Srila Prabhupada's concept of 'Earthy planets' actually refers to the sapta-dwipa—the seven islands of the Bhu-mandala that span for over 200 million miles and form the inhabited area of the Earth. They are not planets as we understand them, but simply other areas of the Earth's massive plane. Although Srila Prabhupada spoke of 'the

Earthly planetary systems,' 'the lower planetary systems', and 'the hellish planetary systems', and despite their conjuring up images of globe-like planets floating in dark space, they are actually just areas that either upon the surface of the Earth, or areas within it's huge depths.

It is not surprising, therefore, that Srila Prabhupada also spoke of Bharata-varsha (where our Earth is situated) in the conventional language of 'planet.'

"This earth planet is known as Bharata, or Bharata-varsha." (SB 1.12.20 Purport)

*In order to make Srimad Bhagavatam somewhat intelligible to the modern reader, Srila Prabhupada in his purport is explaining that Bharata-varsha refers to our known Earth. **Srila Prabhupada refers to our known Earth as 'this Earth planet' for the simple reason that even Srila Prabhupada at this point did not have a clear idea of Bharata-varsha's connection to the rest of Bhu-mandala, and hence did not call into question the modern conception of the Earth as a planet floating in space.** On closer inspection, however, Sukadeva Goswami's description of Bharata-varsha location on the southern side of Jambudwipa (the central island of the great Earth circle) has no correlation whatsoever with the modern idea that we are on an 'Earth planet' floating in space. **Srila Prabhupada was made aware of this to some degree in the Bhu-mandala discussions, (by Tamal) but the issue was never resolved.** Srila Prabhupada entered samadhi in November 1977, and the question of the Earth remained unanswered. (Mayesvara dasa "Conversation with Vedic Astronomer")*

As discussed in the previous chapter, it was Tamal who introduced three deviant philosophies into ISKCON:

- 1.) The appointment of unqualified diksa gurus
- 2.) The unrestricted editing of Prabhupada's original authorized books.
- 3.) The concept of Bhu-mandala as a flat earth plane.

Most of the ISKCON devotees have been fooled by all these deviations. There is a saying: "*Fool me once, shame on you; Fool me twice, shame on me.*"

But there are others who have seen through the first two deviations but still accept the third deviation! So now we need to add to that: "*Fool me thrice, shameless flat headed retard.*"

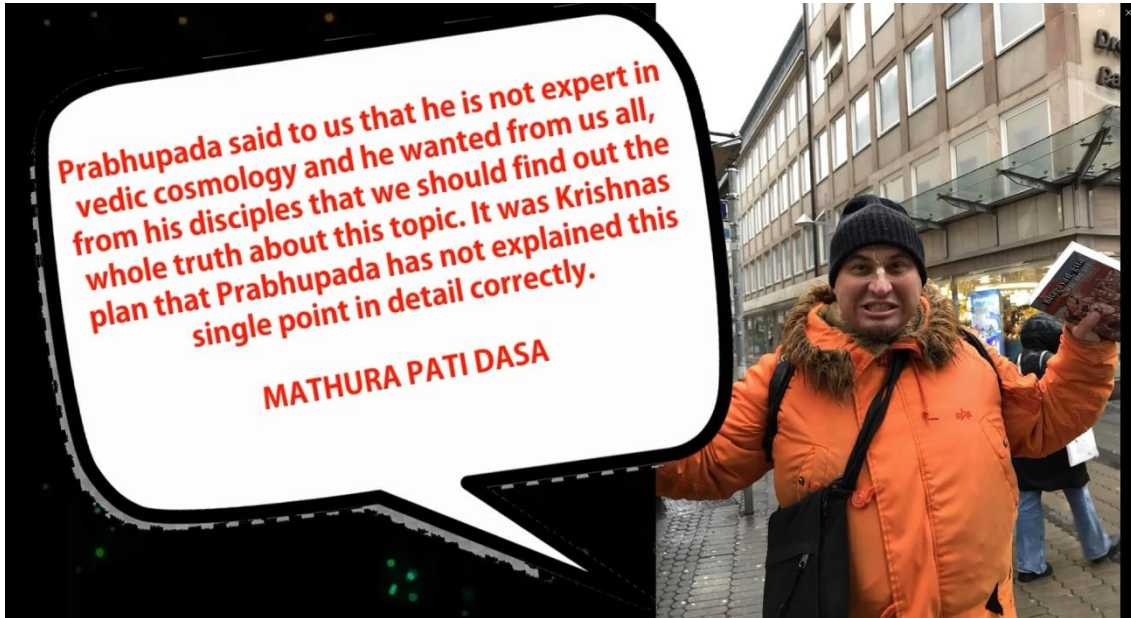
Why would anyone accept any philosophy coming from Tamal Krishna? This is a form of insanity! If a man is proved twice to be a cheater and at the same time is clearly implicated in trying to kill Srila Prabhupada and usurp his movement, why would any sane person even listen to anything this man says?

Mayesvara dasa admits Prabhupada never spoke of the earth as flat and also clearly declares the theory was not heard of within ISKCON until Tamal introduced it in 1977. So why are devotees even considering this deviant philosophy?

But the actual situation is that there are many deluded souls who are drinking down the poison of Mayesvara dasa. This offender is a first class disciple of Tamal who has taken it as his life mission to implement this flat earth speculation within the Vaishnava community and thus help International Jewry open their bowels all over Prabhupada's Vedic planetarium.

THE DANGEROUS EFFECTS OF HEARING FROM MAYESVARA DASA

I would now like to show one example of a devotee who has seen through the first two deviations of Tamal. He is doing some nice service for Prabhupada but because of hearing like a prostitute from Mayesvara dasa he has become bewildered and has imbibed his envious mentality. I sincerely pray that he may read my book and see through the lies of Tamal and Mayesvara.



Mukunda Dasa

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MY MESSAGE TO MATHURA PATI AND ALL THE OTHER FLAT EARTH SPECULATORS

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Mathura Pati Das

Mukunda Dasa I give my my life and soul that one day in the near future even u would understand that the earth-circle is the whole bhu-mandala with 4 billion miles in diameter. This is sastra and Prabhupada said to us that he is not expert in vedic cosmology and he wanted from us all, from his disciples that we should find out the whole truth about this topic. It was Krishnas plan that Prabhupada has not explained this single point in detail correctly. It was not the right time in that days. But now the time is coming for that truth..... I wish u a very healthy and KC new year and be not so hard with me. Haribol

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Mukunda Dasa

Mathura Pati Das watch my video Prabhupada is expert in everything.

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Mathura Pati Das

Mukunda Dasa i dont watch this nonsense , sorry. No time! U would see in the future and maybe understand more.....

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Mukunda Dasa

Mathura Pati Das I will never understand the bhagavatam according to the mental speculation of Mayesvara Sheol Dasa. I follow Prabhupada's instruction and take the direct meaning of sastra.

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Mukunda Dasa

Mathura Pati Das But you have time to hear from Mr. Sheol the offender of Prabhupada. This is your position.

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Mukunda Dasa

and you have lots of time to spread Mr. Sheol's teachings all over the net. Hypocrite.

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Mukunda Dasa

you keep Mr. Sheol's testicals on your head, it is the perfect spot for them.

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Mathura Pati Das

Mukunda Dasa Hare Krishna Pharisee-Globe-Believer.....I give my life and soul for Prabhupada and he is my Master life after life and i NEVER go against his instruction but only in this single topic Prabhupada himself is asking his disciples to help him with the 5. Canto of SB because he said that he could not accomodate all this knowledge. Please read all the parts of the 7 Parts above and i quote Prabhupada always there!! This part of topic is the greatest difficulty for us all. I know!! And actually i can understand everyone who deffend Prabhupadas globe statements because it is our gurus statements. BUT only in this single point we should think independently because Prabhupada asked us to study the 5. Canto SB very deeply and help him with the Planetarium. Now you are same like the fanatic muslims who can not accept something "wrong" in their Book. Prabhupada said we should do our research and i follow his Instruction even looks like i am going against his view but is not truth. There are some discrepancy and maybe other have changed the 5. Canto translation.....i dont know exactly.....



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Mukunda Dasa

you don't know EXACTLY!!!! but you think the sheol your guru he does know. This is your situation.

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Mukunda Dasa

Prabhupada doesn't know but the Sheol does know. Tamal lover Mayesvara knows but Prabhupada doesn't. You are in Tamal sampradaya not Prabhupada sampradaya.

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Mukunda Dasa

"Prabhupada himself is asking his disciples to help him with the 5. Canto of SB " this is total nonsense. Prabhupada never asked his disciples to help him with the Srimad Bhagavatam. He said Krishna was his helper not these retarded flat earth follwers of Tamal. I also proved how Bhu-mandala discussions with Tamal are unauthorized as they violate Guru discple etiquette. Still you don't understand. You only drink down the vomit of the sheol.

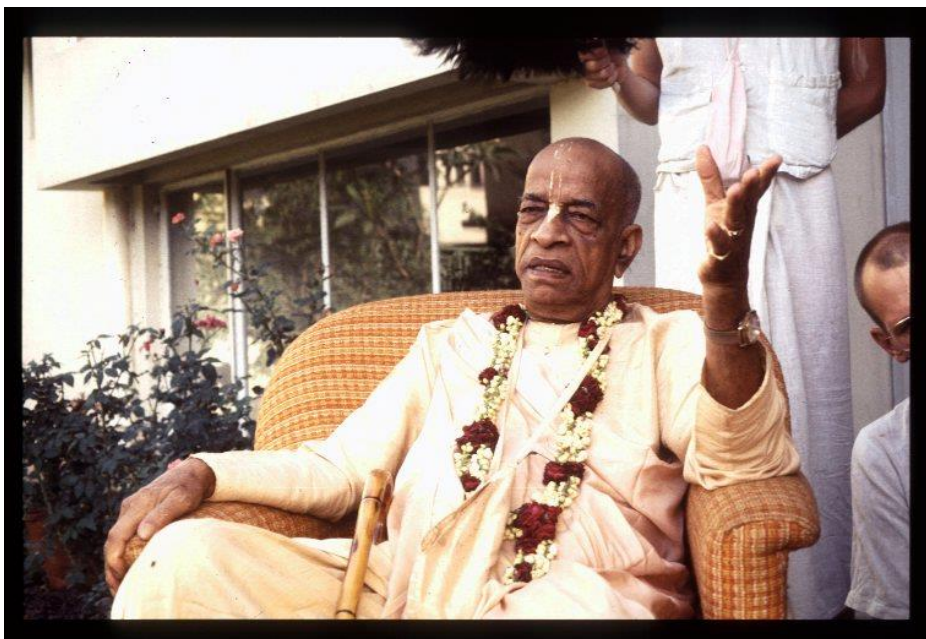
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**NO LEARNED MAN SHOULD BE WILLING TO
HEAR FROM TAMAL AND MAYESVARA**



“No learned man should be willing to hear a person who does not represent the original acarya.” [Srila Prabhupada from Srimad Bhagavatam 1.4.1]

Tamal and Mayevara do not represent Srila Prabhupada. They actually think Prabhupada is ignorant of Vedic cosmology and has thus presented the Fifth Canto of Bhagavatam like a mundane man or conditioned soul! So why are all these flatheads hearing from them like a bunch of prostitutes? Where is their connection to the Supersoul telling them to at least avoid these blasphemers?

*If someone blasphemes a Vaisnava, one should **stop him with arguments and higher reason**. If one is not expert enough to do this he should give up his life on the spot, and if he cannot do this, **he must go away**. (C.C. Adi 7.50)*

**HOW THE FLAT EARTHERS DESTROY THE
TRUE PURPOSE OF THE VEDIC PLANETARIUM**

In this section I wish to show how the flat earthers with their offensive philosophy about Srila Prabhupada being ignorant of Vedic cosmology, are totally destroying the true purpose of the Vedic planetarium.

And Not Only Simply Showing Museum, But Educating People To That Idea

Prabhupada: Twenty-six? That is Vaikuntha. Anyway... (break) Yes, planetarium...

Devotee (4): Temple and planetarium.

Prabhupada: Yes.

Devotee (4): "World's largest planetarium and Temple of Understanding."

Prabhupada: No "Understanding" simply Vedic "Temple of Vedic Planetarium," That's all. We shall show the Vedic conception of planetary system within this material world and above the material world. (break) We are going to exhibit the Vedic culture throughout the whole world, and they'll come here.

Jayapataka: The whole world will be coming here to...

Prabhupada: Yes.

Jayapataka: ...visit.

Prabhupada: Just like they come to see the Taj Mahal...

Hrdayananda: Yes.

Prabhupada: ...the architectural culture, **they'll come to see the civilization culture, the philosophical culture, the religious culture by practical demonstration with dolls and other things.**

Jayapataka: And we'll be advertising that all over the world.

Prabhupada: Yes.

Hrdayananda: It is a perfect plan.

Prabhupada: Yes.

Jayapataka: There can be a model of that temple in every temple all over the world.

Prabhupada: Yes.

Jayapataka: So then people can... Then advertising, "Come here."

Prabhupada: Oh, yes. Actually it will be an unique thing in the world. There is no such thing all over the world. That we shall do. **And not only simply showing museum, but educating people to that idea.**

Hrdayananda: **Preaching.**

Prabhupada: **Right. With factual knowledge, books, not fictitious. (end)**

(Morning Walk, February 27, 1976, Mayapura)

The Vedic planetarium will attract people to come and see the beautiful and magnificent temple with the wondrous display of all the planetary systems and the spiritual world beyond them. But its true purpose is to bring education to the mass of people in regards to their conditioned state within this material world and their liberation from the cycle of birth and death. They can do this only by taking shelter of the pure devotee Srila Prabhupada via his original books.

Now if the planetarium is displaying something contrary to what Prabhupada always describes in his books, then that makes Prabhupada look foolish. In fact if the earth globe and the Bhu-mandala planetary system are presented as flat, that in of itself is a declaration of Prabhupada being an ignorant man and not a divine representative of Krishna. This will destroy faith in the masses and work in total opposition to the true purpose of the Vedic planetarium. This is of course the desire of the demoniac who now control ISKCON.

In the next chapter we will discover that rather than presenting the Vedic planetarium exactly according to the Srimad Bhagavatam as Prabhupada desired, the demons have totally neglected the book Bhagavata and the person Bhagavata Srila Prabhupada.