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*‘The Thousand Names of the Beloved of Realised Souls’ (Shri Karttikeya)
as a poem.*

Notes:

The original poem has many small ‘filler’ words such as **cha** –‘and’, **tu** –‘you’, **hi** –‘indeed’. Sometimes these create an extra syllable to fill out the meter and sometimes they create a break between a word ending and the vowel starting the next word; **tu-a** became **tva**, **hi-a** became **hya** and **cha-a** becomes **chā**; so no extra syllable is created. The **tv’**, **t’**, **hy’** and **ch’** in the early verses have been removed, as this simplifies the recitation without changing the rhythm or the meaning (*although not technically proper Sandhi* –‘euphonic rules’).

The names are in the nominative case (‘You are’) which mostly end in **-ah**. This modifies to **-o** before **h**, **s** and vowels, and a following short **a** is dropped (*and the -o made a bit longer*). So **Vatsalah-amogha** (v.1) becomes **Vatsalo-‘mogha** (name 5). **-ah** modifies to **-as** before **t**, **-aśh** before **ch**, etc.

Y (which, as a word ending, is **-i** modified) is always a consonant and does not form a separate syllable; so **atyudhāro** (v.2: pronounced **at-yudhāro**) is four syllables; and **anavady’āṅgo** (v.5: pronounced **anavad-yango**) is five syllables.

śh-ch has been shortened to **ś-ch** as being simpler and probably closer to the correct pronunciation.

The poem is in **Anushtubh metre** which is two lines of sixteen syllables; but there is usually a break in the middle of each line (*after eight syllables*). This has been marked with a comma to help recitation or a space if it comes in the middle of a compound (*it only once comes in the middle of a word*).

Many names end in **-ghna** (or **-ghno**) which means ‘destroying, removing’ from **han** –‘destroy’. The ending **-gñya** means ‘knowing’.

The transcript and translation of the Dedication and Introduction (4 pages) are included in the pdf of the Thousand Names as a list (*at the end*).

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Om, Achintya-śhaktir anaghas, akṣhobhyas aparājitaḥ Anātha-vatsalo-'moghas, aśhoko-'pyajaro-'bhayaḥ	1
Atyudāro agha-haras, agra-gaṇyo-'driajā-sutaḥ Ananta-mahimā-'pāro -'nanta-saukhya-prado-'vyayaḥ	2
Ananta-mokṣhado-'nādir, aprameyo-'kṣharo-'chyutaḥ Akalmaṣho-'bhir'āmogra -dhuryas amita-vikramaḥ	3
Anātha-nātho amalo, apramatto-'mara-prabhuḥ Arindamo-'khil'ādhāras, aṇim'ādi-guṇo-'graṇīḥ	4
Achañchalo-'mara-stutyō, akalaṅko-'mit'āśhanaḥ Agni-bhūr-anavady'āṅgo, adbhuto-'bhīṣhta-dāyakaḥ	5
Atīndriyo-'pramey-ātmā, adṛīśhyo-'vyakta-lakṣhanaḥ Āpad-vināśhakas ārya, ādhyas āgama-saṁstutaḥ	6
Ārta-saṁrakṣhaṇas ādya, ānandas ārya-sevitaḥ Āśhrit'eṣṭ'ārtha-varada, ānandy'ārta-phala-pradaḥ	7
Āśhcharya-rūpa ānanda, āpann'ārta-vināśhanaḥ Ibha-vaktr'ānujas iṣhta, ibh'āsura-har'ātmajaḥ	8
Itihāsa-śhruti-stutya, indra-bhoga-phala-pradaḥ Iṣhṭā-pūrta-phala-prāptir, iṣṭeṣṭa-vara-dāyakaḥ	9
Ihā-mutreṣṭa-phala-da, iṣṭadas indra-vanditaḥ Īḍanīyas īśha-putra, īpsit'ārtha-pradāyakaḥ	10
Īti-bhīti-haraś īḍya, īśhaṇā-traya-varjitaḥ Udāra-kīrtir udyogī, utkrīṣṭ'oru-par'ākramaḥ	11
Utkrīṣṭa-śhaktir utsāha, udāraś utsava-priyaḥ Ujjṛimbha udbhavaś ugra, udagraś ugra-lochanāḥ	12

Unmatta ugra-śhamana, udvega-ghn'orageśhvaraḥ Uru-prabhāvaś udīrṇa, umā-putra udāra-dhīḥ	13
Ūrdhva-retāḥ-sutas ūrdhva -gativas ūrja-pālakaḥ Ūrjitas ūrdhva-gas ūrdhva, ūrdhva-lok'aika-nāyakaḥ	14
Ūrjivān ūrjit'odāra, ūrjit'orjita-śhāsanāḥ Ṛṣhi-deva-gaṇa-stutya, ṛṇa-traya-vimochanaḥ	15
Ṛiju-rūpo ṛiju-kara, ṛiju-mārga-pradarśhanaḥ Ṛitam-bharo ṛiju-prīta, ṛiṣhabhas ṛiddhidas ṛitaḥ	16
Lulit'oddhārako lūta -bhava-pāśha-prabhañjanaḥ Eṇāṅka-dhara-sat-putra, eka eno-vināśhanaḥ	17
Aiśhvarya-das aindra-bhogī, aitihyas aindra-vanditaḥ Ojasvī oṣhadhi-sthānam, ojo-das audana-pradaḥ	18
Audārya-śhīla aumeya, augra aunnatya-dāyakaḥ Audārya auṣhadha-kara, auṣhadham auṣhadh'ākaraḥ	19
Aṁśhu-māly'amśhu-mālīḍya, ambikā-tanayo-'nnadaḥ Andha-kāri-suto-'ndhatva -hārī āmbuja-lochanaḥ	20
Astamāyo-'mar'ādhiśho, aspaṣṭho-'stoka-puṇyadaḥ Astāmitro-'sta-rūpaś chā 'skhalat-sugati-dāyakaḥ	21
Kārtikeyaḥ kāma-rūpaḥ, kumāraḥ krauñcha-dāraṇaḥ Kāma-daḥ kāraṇam kāmyaḥ, kamanīyaḥ kṛipā-karaḥ	22
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Pūtātmā puruṣhaḥ prāṇaḥ, prabhavaḥ puruṣhottamaḥ Prasannaḥ parama-spaṣṭhaḥ, paraḥ pari-vṛidhaḥ paraḥ	71
Param'ātmā para-brahma, par'ārthaḥ priya-darśhanaḥ Pavitraḥ puṣṭidaḥ pūrtiḥ, piṅgalaḥ puṣṭi-varadhanāḥ	72

Pāpa-hārī pāśha-dharaḥ, pramatt'āsura-śhikṣhakaḥ Pāvanaḥ pāvakaḥ pūjyaḥ, pūrṇ'ānandaḥ parāt-parah	73
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Phaladaḥ phala-hastaś-cha, phull'āmbuja-vilochanaḥ Phaḍuch-chāṭita-pāp'aughaḥ, phaṇi-loka-vibhūṣhaṇaḥ	77
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Bahu-bāhur-bala-śhrīmān, bahu-daitya-vināśhakaḥ Bila-dvār'āntar'ālastho, bṛihat-śhakti-dhanur-dharaḥ	81
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Phala-śhruti – *Listening to the rewards (of reciting this praise)*

**Iti nāmnām sahasrāṇi, Ṣhaṇ-mukhasya cha Nārada
Yaḥ paṭhet śhrīṇu yādvāpi, bhakti-yuktena chetasā**

1

Thus is the thousand names of the Six-faced Lord by Sage Narada

Whoever recites or listens, his attention becomes full of devotion

**Sa sadyo muchyate pāpair, mano vāk kāya sambhavaiḥ
Āyur-vṛiddhi karam puṁsām, sthairyā vīrya vivardhanam**

2

His sins are annulled, his mind, speech and body become integrated

His health improves, he receives progeny, his fortitude and courage increase

**Vākyen'aikena vakṣhyāmi, vāñchhit'ārtham prayacchati
Tasmāt sarv'ātmanā brahman -niyamena japet sudhīḥ**

3

Whoever says this once, all his desires are fulfilled

Said regularly he perceives all beings as the Supreme Consciousness and becomes wise.

**Iti Śhrī Skānde Mahāpurāṇe Īśhvara-prokte Brahma-Nārada-
saṁvāde, Ṣhaṇ-mukha sahasra-nāma stotraṁ sampūrṇam.**

Here ends the thousand names of the Six-faced Lord from the Skanda Purana,

announced by Shri Shiva and spoke by Brahma and Narada.