## THE DIVINE HIDDEN IN GLOOM

The teacher, who is interested in the spiritual illumination of the human race, speaks from the depths of the Divine in him. Krishna's avatara is an illustration of the revelation of the Spirit in us, the Divine hidden in gloom. According to the *Bhagavata*, "at midnight, in the thickest darkness, the Dweller in every heart revealed Himself in the divine Devaki, for the Lord is the Self hidden in the hearts of all beings." The glorious radiance arises from the blackest of black nights. In mysteries and revelations the night is rich. The presence of night does not make the existence of light less real. Indeed but for night there could be no human consciousness of light. The meaning of the birth of Krishna is the fact of redemption in the dark night....

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