## COMPREHENSIVE LIST OF QUOTES ON AMERICAN PRESIDENTS, PART 10E: ABRAHAM LINCOLN



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"The first time I went to America in 1973 [1972], and I told them that they will get into AIDS, clearly: it's on the tape, it's on the television. And they get ... got very angry with Me, because that [they] have thought I was curbing their freedom which Abraham Lincoln had pictured for them.

Abraham Lincoln himself was a realized Soul and his idea of freedom was not abandonment by any chance."

1991-0801 Public Program, Day 1, Others Should Not Take Advantage of You, Koningszaal, Artis (Natura Artis Magistra), Plantage Middenlaan 41 A, Amsterdam, Netherlands

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"You can feel the persons who were really realized Souls in the past also. Like Abraham Lincoln was a realized Soul, you can feel it. Mozart was a realized Soul, you can feel it. So many of these people were realized Souls but they were lonely. And the Saints were also lonely. That is why they were tortured."

1992-0702 Public Program, Day 2, Cultureel Centrum `Artemis' (now Rijksmonument), Keizersgracht 676 (at the Vijzelstraat), Amsterdam, Netherlands

## [Version 2:]

"Abraham Lincoln wanted us to achieve this Śhiva Tattwa. Whatever stuff you get that gets spoilt. The quality to get spoilt is there in every item. People make pickles at home, very cleanly, after washing, drying, etc. so that it does not get any bugs. Like this pickle can get spoilt similar is our situation. Where are such people? Whatever you make, this is what will happen because of the germs in it. There is a quality of getting spoilt in everything. Until human beings have this weakness [mistake], anything that man makes will get spoilt."

1993-0219 Śhivarātri Pūjā (Hindi), Kyukī Mānava kā Amtima Lakshya yahī hai kī Vo Śhiva Tattwa ko Prāpta Kare (The Ultimate Aim of Human Beings Is to Attain that Śhiva Tattwa), Mumbai, Maharashtra, India

"So many Incarnations came, They came, told you everything, like words, and said, `This in good,' `This is good,' `This is good.' Some people who were enamored by Them, followed Them. But nothing was inside their heart. Whatever

they heard, `All right, it's a sermon, it's a lecture, it's a Gītā,' that's all. And the life of such a person didn't have that spark of the Divine Love within that person.

We have had lots of good people, during this short time if you see. See, if you see, Mahātmā Gāndhī was there's, Martin Luther was there, all kinds of people you see uh-uh-uh all over, uh Abraham Lincoln was there, uh George Washington was there, we have uh William Blake was there, uh we had Shakespeare.

All this, this time, you see in the literature, in every way, Lao Tze, then we had uh-uh-uh Socrates. Will start from Socrates to today, we have had lots of philosopher[s], lots of people who talked about [a] higher life.

Despite that, people were thinking, `These are some absurd people, there's nothing in it now, too much to understand.' Nobody would read anything about, uh-uh-uh say, Guru Gītā they would not. They would think a, `What's this nonsense? What's the use? It's all humbug going on,' like that." **1993-0606 Shrī Ādi Shakti Kuṇḍalinī Pūjā, Incarnation of Divine Love, Tent, Cabella Ligure, Alessandria, Italy** 

"But even in modern times there are many Saints who are born. Abraham Lincoln was a Saint, even Gorbachev is a Saint. Also, we had in our country Mahātmā Gāndhī, who was a Saint. Another was the Prime Minister called Lal Bahadur Shastri, he was a Saint.

But they were alone, and they had to fight their way through ignorant people." 1993-0718 Public Program, Alpheusdal (now Zaal Apollo), Filip Williotstraat 22, Berchem (5 kms SSE of Antwerp), Belgium

"Now, what is the reason? Why they didn't do it? We should ask a question: `When others were expanding their empires, why did not America doing [do it]? The reason is very simple: at that time some great people with great conscience were born in that country and they guided that country. Like, you can say, Washington was there. Of course, uh there were so many people, whom if I name there, there will be a big list of those people. But if you see their character, their life, the way they lived, Abraham Lincoln, if you see his life: full of conscience, full of conscience. And they didn't allow the nation to be drifted away to the ambition of gathering other uh countries and making them their slaves and ... This they didn't do."

1993-0815 Śhrī Kṛiṣhṇa Pūjā, The Qualities of Śhrī Kṛiṣhṇa (Giver of Dharma, He did not believe in Forgiveness, The One Who Communicated, Mādhurya, Diplomacy, To Make Your Brain Dhārmik) and Americas, Tent, Cabella Ligure, Alessandria, Italy "So when you rise into your Virāta Śhakti, by the enlightenment of the Kundalinī, your Virātanganā is the Power which gives you a complete vision of the decline into which every mental projection, which was idealistic, beautiful, has fallen.

For example, Abraham Lincoln gave a great idealistic idea about a state, about democracy. But now many people say, `That's is demono-cracy.'

Those people who were in Russia, of course they were wrong, but still they had an argument, `That we don't want to become democratic, because look at America: nothing is safe, nothing is normal, so what's the use of becoming democratic country?' "

1993-1010 Śhrī Virāta Virātanganā Pūjā, YMCA Camp Whittle, 31701 Rim of the World Drive, Fawnskin (156 kms E of Los Angeles), CA, U.S.A.

"Why not getting inside and know yourself, what is inside, what's wrong with you?

But that's not possible. That, for that, they won't listen.

I know, in America there have been so many seekers. We have had people like Abraham Lincoln.

All kinds of great people have come here, and we have to know our own value system. On what foundations do we stand, firmly?

We talk of family, you cannot bring in family life now anymore. Because you worshiped Freud as Jesus Christ. Now you are, after so many years, you are saying, "Enough." He is Freud uh `Fraudulent Freud', there's a book [`Freudian Fraud' published in 1992]! Then another book I have seen is the `Fall of Freud's empire'. But it has gone into the brain of the people, into the families, into everywhere."

1993-1014 Public Program, Masur Auditorium, National Institute of Health, Clinical Center (Building 10), 9,000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD, U.S.A.

"See, Abraham Lincoln was such a great man, who created this theory of freedom and of democracy, but he was a lanky-panky man and not so good looking, his wife hated him, because he was not a good looking man or something. But what he has done for the whole world!

Even Gāndhījī, you would call him, `A very ugly looking man.'

All kinds of people would call him only ugly, there's no beauty inside them. Then they call themselves beautiful and those who have beauty inside are [laughing:] called as ugly, ugly.

Is the inner beauty. This inner beauty gives you the shine, the everything on your face also. And also, your work, what you have achieved, what you have done." 1994-0413 Talk to Sahaja Yogis, We Are Here to Cure This World, before Moving to a Hotel, Āśhram, Wamuran (63 kms N of Brisbane), Queensland, Australia

"What was George Washington? They said he was great. [Laughing:] Ho, what was Abraham Lincoln? He was great.

But you are all having your Self-realization. You have to think of the whole universe, the whole expanse. Unless and until that brain develops in you, I'm sure, very sure, that's ... the progress of Sahaja Yoga, within and without, will be less.

So understand these powers are with you, you have to utilize them, with humility." 1994-0626 Shrī Ādi Shakti Pūjā, Seekers, Ego, Women are Shaktis, Tent, Cabella Ligure, Alessandria, Italy

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"I'm sure today I'm not talking to stupid people. Sahaja Yoga is not meant for idiotic people, I must tell you.

The kind of idiocity that has come, I can't understand, because by ... I used to worship Abraham Lincoln, used to worship, and he gave us such a great thing like democracy, and how can this democracy be a demono-cracy?

There are seekers, [drinks water] but misled."

1994-0929 Public Program, Think about Your Benevolence, Loews Santa Monica Beach Hotel, 1700 Ocean Ave, Santa Monica, CA, U.S.A.

"But this One is the God of Gods. He's the President's of all the presidents. [Laughing:] If you have to take His name, if you go and take name of Lincoln, a yeah of a Clinton, and go on saying, `Clinton, Clinton, Clinton,' they'll all arrest Me! So if you go on saying, `Rāma, Rāma, Rāma,' `Allah, Allah, Allah,' `Akbar, Akbar, Akbar,' you'll be arrested! You have no connection!"

1994-1002 Śhrī Yogeśhwara Pūjā, Śhrī Kṛiṣhṇa and the Enlightenment of the Brain, Camp Vacamas, 256 Macopin Road, West Milford, NJ, U.S.A.

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"And only after Self-realization, I have seen, people show their love for their country. Immediately, they know what's wrong with their country -- immediately. They are the ones who told Me, that, "Mother, this is wrong with our countrymen." Another one will come and tell Me, "Mother, see, this is wrong with our society. " Another, ``With our politics." I was amazed!

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So far they could never see these things. They're so proud of their country, that to [they] could never see anything wrong with them.

And here is somebody who has seen the wrong, what is destroying this great country.

But it can never be destroyed. It's a country of ... [applause] eternal nature. It cannot be destroyed. Again and again, people of this quality will come up and save this country from complete destruction. [Applause.]

Corruption, of course, uh is the worst thing, but because they believe that it's a business.

Actually, they should know that it is through politics: people like Abraham Lincoln, [Anwar el-]Sadat, and so many people, have such a love." 1995-0321 Talk to Sabaja Vogis, Birthday Felicitations, Nizamuddin

1995-0321 Talk to Sahaja Yogis, Birthday Felicitations, Nizamuddin Scouts Grounds, New Delhi, India

"And you must know that in countries where women are not respected, Gods do not reside. And, in those countries where women are tortured and troubled, what will happen? Their society will break, completely. And one day they will sit on top of the heads of all the men, as it has happened in America.

Once upon a time, Abraham Lincoln's time, men were very dominating. As a result, today if you go there you'll see them [just like] cabbages. Better than these American men. The way they [women] are treating their men left and right, because law is in their support: they marry seven times, become rich, and man marries once, he becomes poor." [Laughter.]

1996-0718 Talk to Sahaja Yogis, Marriage Is a Very Important (Pivotal) Thing in Sahaja Yoga (The Basis of Society Is a Family and Is Not a Mental Thing to Get Married, Is Not an Emotional Thing to Get Married, in Sahaja Yoga It Is Spiritual) and You Need Really Wise and Mature People to Have a Sahaja Marriage, Marriages Ceremony, Moscow, Russia (exact date not sure)

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