



Education helps you to develop Personality, while Educare will build up Individuality. Personality and Individuality are two opposite poles. Personality is ego-centric, ego-centered, whereas, Individuality gives you emotional satisfaction. Personality is self-centered conditioning. You condition yourself, and therefore you stipulate so many narrow limitations. But Educare gives you self application, you applied yourself to the Self.

Education is full of hallucinations and imaginations. One goes on imagining and dreaming of the future. Education will make you hesitate and be indefinite. But Educare is meant for mental rehabilitation.

Education will tend to lead toward escapism, Educare leads to self-improvement. It gives you power and vitality. Education is for materialistic benefits and gains, whereas Educare teaches us the art of life, the discovery of man.

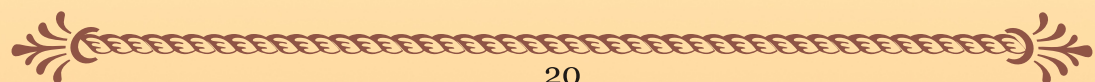
Education deals with the objective world, composed of the five elements and is external. Whereas Educare is subjective, dealing with the inner reality. Education lays an emphasis on Conscience, the physical glory. Whereas Educare is spiritual, taking us from Conscience to Consciousness. Conscience is Divinity at the level of the individual. Consciousness is all-pervasive, universal, cosmic Divinity. The same Divinity limited at the individual level is Conscience. The Divinity which is cosmic is Consciousness.

Education always takes us to the sense of doer-ship. But Educare focuses on the fact that things just 'happen.' That is, "I did not do this, rather, it simply happened." 'Doing' is egoistic, while 'happening' is Divine, and spiritual.

Life is a challenge. An educated man should be prepared to meet the challenge of life. Life is a game. There is a difference between game and play. "Life is a Game. Play it," Baba says. Why? Game has rules and regulations.

A Game is serious, while Play is playful. In a Game, someone wins or loses, while in a Play, there is nothing like winning and losing. Game is within the limitations of rules and restrictions, while Play is a matter of fun and frolic. It's God's Play. Therefore, Education will make you an expert in games, which are rigid, while Educare will make you playful, full of laughter, and flexible.

And then there is passion. An educated man is passionate. A passionate person always thinks in terms of competition and comparison. The educated man is passionate, rigid and competitive. Where there is competition and comparison, there is no spirituality, no God, because the spiritual texts say that



there is only one God – One Without A Second. When there is One Without A Second, with whom are you going to compete? With whom are you going to compare? Educare will make you full of compassion and not competition. Educare confers gratitude. You remain ever grateful to God for all the opportunities given to you.

Education will make you have higher standard of living, while Educare brings higher standard of life in general. Education teaches you the art of Becoming; while Educare gives you the art of Being. Education helps you toward Proficiency, while Educare leads to Efficiency.

Finally, there are two words I would like to speak about: dreams and visions. Dreams are the qualities of educated people. Dreams, actually speaking, are unfulfilled desires. People are always telling about their dreams. Dream is nothing but a mind phenomenon. But dreams relating to Bhagawan are not mere dreams, but Visions. After the dream, you get tired, exhausted. But Visions give energy, because you are in contact with Existence. You dream in sleep in an unconscious state. Dreams take you farther from reality whereas Visions take you closer to yourself. Dreams are black and white but Visions are Technicolor. Dreams relating to Bhagawan are Visions and leave you with full of energy and in contact with God. Visions can happen while awake also.

My friends, Education as taught in the typical classroom is quite different from Educare. An uneducated man, may through Educare acquire depth and profundity. Finally, I want to thank all of you for having heard my thoughts. Jai Sai Ram.

Air Chief Marshall N.C. Suri

The final speaker of the session was Retired Air Chief Marshall Suri, whose topic was Selfless Service in the context of Unity, Purity and Divinity. He observed that, "for 70 years, I was in total darkness; whatever little I have learned I learnt in the last few years. So do not expect from me any great words of wisdom to flow through my mind. What you will hear from me is what I have begun to believe. And that is what I prayed to Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba just now."

So the first thing that I need to mention here is that I Love each one of you, intensely. I say this, not because of your face, not because I am able to read your hearts, but because each of you is a reflection of Sathya Sai Baba.

And the moment you accept my Love, I know that God will enter my heart and I

