Open book essay questions on preface and first three chapters

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- 1. Discuss the importance of at least two Vaishnava qualities revealed in Srila Prabhupada's Preface.
- 2. Briefly explain, with reference to Srimad Bhagavatam 1.1.1, how the Bhagavatam establishes Krsna as the Absolute Truth. Then show how this understanding:
 - a. refutes common misconceptions about God.
 - b. reflects the mood & mission of Srila Prabhupada.
 - c. helps your faith in Krsna consciousness and
 - d. helps your practices of devotional service.
- 3. Srila Prabhupada writes in purport to 1.2.8: "All activities other than those which awaken our love of Krsna are considered a useless waste of time." Discuss the significance of this statement for preaching Krsna consciousness. Give reference to 1.2.8-9, verses and purports in your response.
- 4. Describe in your own words, the glories of Srimad Bhagavatam with reference to 1.3.43 verse and purport. Explain the secret of learning Srimad Bhagavatam with reference to 1.3.44 verse and purport.