# CHAPTER - 18 CONCLUSION – THE PERFECTION OF RENUNCIATION

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.1**

arjuna uvāca
sannyāsasya mahā-bāho
tattvam icchāmi veditum
tyāgasya ca hṛṣīkeśa
pṛthak keśi-niṣūdana

### **TRANSLATION**

Arjuna said: O mighty-armed one, I wish to understand the purpose of renunciation [tyāga] and of the renounced order of life [sannyāsa], O killer of the Keśī demon, master of the senses.

### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.2**

śrī-bhagavān uvāca kāmyānāṁ karmaṇāṁ nyāsaṁ sannyāsaṁ kavayo viduḥ sarva-karma-phala-tyāgaṁ prāhus tyāgaṁ vicakṣaṇāḥ

### **TRANSLATION**

The Supreme Personality of Godhead said: The giving up of activities that are based on material desire is what great learned men call the renounced order of life [sannyāsa]. And giving up the results of all activities is what the wise call renunciation [tyāga].

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.3**

tyājyam doṣa-vad ity eke karma prāhur manīṣiṇaḥ yajña-dāna-tapaḥ-karma na tyājyam iti cāpare

#### **TRANSLATION**

Some learned men declare that all kinds of fruitive activities should be given up as faulty, yet other sages maintain that acts of sacrifice, charity and penance should never be abandoned.

### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.4**

niścayam śṛṇu me tatra tyāge bharata-sattama tyāgo hi puruṣa-vyāghra tri-vidhaḥ samprakīrtitaḥ

#### **TRANSLATION**

O best of the Bhāratas, now hear My judgment about renunciation. O tiger among men, renunciation is declared in the scriptures to be of three kinds.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.5**

yajña-dāna-tapaḥ-karma na tyājyaṁ kāryam eva tat yajño dānaṁ tapaś caiva pāvanāni manīṣiṇām

#### **TRANSLATION**

Acts of sacrifice, charity and penance are not to be given up; they must be performed. Indeed, sacrifice, charity and penance purify even the great souls.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.6**

etāny api tu karmāņi saṅgaṁ tyaktvā phalāni ca kartavyānīti me pārtha niścitaṁ matam uttamam

#### **TRANSLATION**

All these activities should be performed without attachment or any expectation of result. They should be performed as a matter of duty, O son of Prthā. That is My final opinion.

niyatasya tu sannyāsaḥ karmaṇo nopapadyate mohāt tasya parityāgas tāmasaḥ parikīrtitaḥ

#### **TRANSLATION**

Prescribed duties should never be renounced. If one gives up his prescribed duties because of illusion, such renunciation is said to be in the mode of ignorance.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.8**

duḥkham ity eva yat karma kāya-kleśa-bhayāt tyajet sa kṛtvā rājasaṁ tyāgaṁ naiva tyāga-phalaṁ labhet

# **TRANSLATION**

Anyone who gives up prescribed duties as troublesome or out of fear of bodily discomfort is said to have renounced in the mode of passion. Such action never leads to the elevation of renunciation.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.9**

kāryam ity eva yat karma niyatam kriyate 'rjuna sangam tyaktvā phalam caiva sa tyāgaḥ sāttviko mataḥ

### **TRANSLATION**

O Arjuna, when one performs his prescribed duty only because it ought to be done, and renounces all material association and all attachment to the fruit, his renunciation is said to be in the mode of goodness.

na dvesty akuśalam karma kuśale nānusajjate tyāgī sattva-samāvisto medhāvī chinna-samśayaḥ

# **TRANSLATION**

The intelligent renouncer situated in the mode of goodness, neither hateful of inauspicious work nor attached to auspicious work, has no doubts about work.

# **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.11**

na hi deha-bhṛtā śakyaṁ tyaktuṁ karmāṇy aśeṣataḥ yas tu karma-phala-tyāgī sa tyāgīty abhidhīyate

# **TRANSLATION**

It is indeed impossible for an embodied being to give up all activities. But he who renounces the fruits of action is called one who has truly renounced.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.12**

aniṣṭam iṣṭaṁ miśraṁ ca tri-vidhaṁ karmaṇaḥ phalam bhavaty atyāgināṁ pretya na tu sannyāsināṁ kvacit

# **TRANSLATION**

For one who is not renounced, the threefold fruits of action — desirable, undesirable and mixed — accrue after death. But those who are in the renounced order of life have no such result to suffer or enjoy.

pañcaitāni mahā-bāho kāraṇāni nibodha me sāṅkhye kṛtānte proktāni siddhaye sarva-karmaṇām

# **TRANSLATION**

O mighty-armed Arjuna, according to the Vedānta there are five causes for the accomplishment of all action. Now learn of these from Me.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.14**

adhiṣṭhānaṁ tathā kartā karaṇaṁ ca pṛthag-vidham vividhāś ca pṛthak ceṣṭā daivaṁ caivātra pañcamam

# **TRANSLATION**

The place of action [the body], the performer, the various senses, the many different kinds of endeavor, and ultimately the Supersoul — these are the five factors of action.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.15**

śarīra-vāṅ-manobhir yat karma prārabhate naraḥ nyāyyaṁ vā viparītaṁ vā pañcaite tasya hetavaḥ

# **TRANSLATION**

Whatever right or wrong action a man performs by body, mind or speech is caused by these five factors.

tatraivam sati kartāram ātmānam kevalam tu yaḥ paśyaty akṛta-buddhitvān na sa paśyati durmatiḥ

# **TRANSLATION**

Therefore one who thinks himself the only doer, not considering the five factors, is certainly not very intelligent and cannot see things as they are.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.17**

asya nāhaṅkṛto bhāvo buddhir yasya na lipyate hatvāpi sa imāl lokān na hanti na nibadhyate

# **TRANSLATION**

One who is not motivated by false ego, whose intelligence is not entangled, though he kills men in this world, does not kill. Nor is he bound by his actions.

### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.18**

jñānam jñeyam parijñātā tri-vidhā karma-codanā karaṇam karma karteti tri-vidhaḥ karma-saṅgrahaḥ

### **TRANSLATION**

Knowledge, the object of knowledge, and the knower are the three factors that motivate action; the senses, the work and the doer are the three constituents of action.

jñānam karma ca kartā ca tridhaiva guņa-bhedataḥ procyate guṇa-saṅkhyāne yathāvac chṛṇu tāny api

# **TRANSLATION**

According to the three different modes of material nature, there are three kinds of knowledge, action and performer of action. Now hear of them from Me.

### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.20**

sarva-bhūteşu yenaikam bhāvam avyayam īkṣate avibhaktam vibhakteşu taj jñānam viddhi sāttvikam

# **TRANSLATION**

That knowledge by which one undivided spiritual nature is seen in all living entities, though they are divided into innumerable forms, you should understand to be in the mode of goodness.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.21**

pṛthaktvena tu yaj jñānaṁ nānā-bhāvān pṛthag-vidhān vetti sarveṣu bhūteṣu taj jñānaṁ viddhi rājasam

#### **TRANSLATION**

That knowledge by which one sees that in every different body there is a different type of living entity you should understand to be in the mode of passion.

yat tu kṛtsna-vad ekasmin kārye saktam ahaitukam atattvārtha-vad alpaṁ ca tat tāmasam udāhṛtam

# **TRANSLATION**

And that knowledge by which one is attached to one kind of work as the all in all, without knowledge of the truth, and which is very meager, is said to be in the mode of darkness.

### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.23**

niyatam sanga-rahitam arāga-dveṣataḥ kṛtam aphala-prepsunā karma yat tat sāttvikam ucyate

# **TRANSLATION**

That action which is regulated and which is performed without attachment, without love or hatred, and without desire for fruitive results is said to be in the mode of goodness.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.24**

yat tu kāmepsunā karma sāhaṅkāreṇa vā punaḥ kriyate bahulāyāsaṁ tad rājasam udāḥṛtam

### **TRANSLATION**

But action performed with great effort by one seeking to gratify his desires, and enacted from a sense of false ego, is called action in the mode of passion.

anubandham kṣayam himsām anapekṣya ca pauruṣam mohād ārabhyate karma yat tat tāmasam ucyate

# **TRANSLATION**

That action performed in illusion, in disregard of scriptural injunctions, and without concern for future bondage or for violence or distress caused to others is said to be in the mode of ignorance.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.26**

mukta-saṅgo 'nahaṁ-vādī dhṛty-utsāha-samanvitaḥ siddhy-asiddhyor nirvikāraḥ kartā sāttvika ucyate

# **TRANSLATION**

One who performs his duty without association with the modes of material nature, without false ego, with great determination and enthusiasm, and without wavering in success or failure is said to be a worker in the mode of goodness.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.27**

rāgī karma-phala-prepsur lubdho hiṁsātmako 'śuciḥ harṣa-śokānvitaḥ kartā rājasaḥ parikīrtitaḥ

### **TRANSLATION**

The worker who is attached to work and the fruits of work, desiring to enjoy those fruits, and who is greedy, always envious, impure, and moved by joy and sorrow, is said to be in the mode of passion.

ayuktaḥ prākṛtaḥ stabdhaḥ śaṭho naiṣkṛtiko 'lasaḥ viṣādī dīrgha-sūtrī ca kartā tāmasa ucyate

#### **TRANSLATION**

The worker who is always engaged in work against the injunctions of the scripture, who is materialistic, obstinate, cheating and expert in insulting others, and who is lazy, always morose and procrastinating is said to be a worker in the mode of ignorance.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.29**

buddher bhedam dhṛteś caiva guṇatas tri-vidham śṛṇu procyamānam aśeṣeṇa pṛthaktvena dhanañjaya

# **TRANSLATION**

O winner of wealth, now please listen as I tell you in detail of the different kinds of understanding and determination, according to the three modes of material nature.

### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.30**

pravṛttiṁ ca nivṛttiṁ ca kāryākārye bhayābhaye bandhaṁ mokṣaṁ ca yā vetti buddhiḥ sā pārtha sāttvikī

#### **TRANSLATION**

O son of **P** thā, that understanding by which one knows what ought to be done and what ought not to be done, what is to be feared and what is not to be feared, what is binding and what is liberating, is in the mode of goodness.

yayā dharmam adharmam ca kāryam cākāryam eva ca ayathāvat prajānāti buddhiḥ sā pārtha rājasī

# **TRANSLATION**

O son of P thā, that understanding which cannot distinguish between religion and irreligion, between action that should be done and action that should not be done, is in the mode of passion.

### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.32**

adharmam dharmam iti yā manyate tamasāvṛtā sarvārthān viparītāms ca buddhiḥ sā pārtha tāmasī

# **TRANSLATION**

That understanding which considers irreligion to be religion and religion to be irreligion, under the spell of illusion and darkness, and strives always in the wrong direction, O Pārtha, is in the mode of ignorance.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.33**

dhṛtyā yayā dhārayate manaḥ-prāṇendriya-kriyāḥ yogenāvyabhicāriṇyā dhṛtiḥ sā pārtha sāttvikī

#### **TRANSLATION**

O son of P tha, that determination which is unbreakable, which is sustained with steadfastness by yoga practice, and which thus controls the activities of the mind, life and senses is determination in the mode of goodness.

yayā tu dharma-kāmārthān dhṛtyā dhārayate 'rjuna prasaṅgena phalākāṅkṣī dhṛtiḥ sā pārtha rājasī

### **TRANSLATION**

But that determination by which one holds fast to fruitive results in religion, economic development and sense gratification is of the nature of passion, O Arjuna.

### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.35**

yayā svapnam bhayam śokam viṣādam madam eva ca na vimuñcati durmedhā dhṛtiḥ sā pārtha tāmasī

# **TRANSLATION**

And that determination which cannot go beyond dreaming, fearfulness, lamentation, moroseness and illusion — such unintelligent determination, O son of Prthā, is in the mode of darkness.

### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.36**

sukham tv idānīm tri-vidham śṛṇu me bharatarṣabha abhyāsād ramate yatra duḥkhāntam ca nigacchati

### **TRANSLATION**

O best of the Bhāratas, now please hear from Me about the three kinds of happiness by which the conditioned soul enjoys, and by which he sometimes comes to the end of all distress.

yat tad agre viṣam iva pariṇāme 'mṛtopamam tat sukhaṁ sāttvikaṁ proktam ātma-buddhi-prasāda-jam

# **TRANSLATION**

That which in the beginning may be just like poison but at the end is just like nectar and which awakens one to self-realization is said to be happiness in the mode of goodness.

### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.38**

viṣayendriya-samyogād yat tad agre 'mṛtopamam pariṇāme viṣam iva tat sukham rājasam smṛtam

# **TRANSLATION**

That happiness which is derived from contact of the senses with their objects and which appears like nectar at first but poison at the end is said to be of the nature of passion.

### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.39**

yad agre cānubandhe ca sukham mohanam ātmanaḥ nidrālasya-pramādottham tat tāmasam udāhrtam

#### **TRANSLATION**

And that happiness which is blind to self-realization, which is delusion from beginning to end and which arises from sleep, laziness and illusion is said to be of the nature of ignorance.

na tad asti pṛthivyām vā divi deveṣu vā punaḥ sattvam prakṛti-jair muktam yad ebhiḥ syāt tribhir guṇaiḥ

# **TRANSLATION**

There is no being existing, either here or among the demigods in the higher planetary systems, which is freed from these three modes born of material nature.

# **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.41**

brāhmaṇa-kṣatriya-viśām śūdrāṇām ca parantapa karmāṇi pravibhaktāni svabhāva-prabhavair guṇaiḥ

# **TRANSLATION**

Brāhman as, ksatriyas, vaiśyas and śūdras are distinguished by the qualities born of their own natures in accordance with the material modes, O chastiser of the enemy.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.42**

śamo damas tapaḥ śaucam kṣāntir ārjavam eva ca jñānam vijñānam āstikyam brahma-karma svabhāva-jam

### **TRANSLATION**

Peacefulness, self-control, austerity, purity, tolerance, honesty, knowledge, wisdom and religiousness — these are the natural qualities by which the brāhman as work.

śauryam tejo dhṛtir dākṣyam yuddhe cāpy apalāyanam dānam īśvara-bhāvaś ca kṣātram karma svabhāva-jam

### **TRANSLATION**

Heroism, power, determination, resourcefulness, courage in battle, generosity and leadership are the natural qualities of work for the ksatriyas.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.44**

kṛṣi-go-rakṣya-vāṇijyam vaiśya-karma svabhāva-jam paricaryātmakam karma śūdrasyāpi svabhāva-jam

# **TRANSLATION**

Farming, cow protection and business are the natural work for the vaisyas, and for the śūdras there is labor and service to others.

### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.45**

sve sve karmaņy abhirataḥ samsiddhim labhate naraḥ sva-karma-nirataḥ siddhim yathā vindati tac chṛṇu

### **TRANSLATION**

By following his qualities of work, every man can become perfect. Now please hear from Me how this can be done.

yataḥ pravṛttir bhūtānāṁ yena sarvam idaṁ tatam sva-karmaṇā tam abhyarcya siddhiṁ vindati mānavaḥ

# **TRANSLATION**

By worship of the Lord, who is the source of all beings and who is allpervading, a man can attain perfection through performing his own work.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.47**

śreyān sva-dharmo viguņaḥ para-dharmāt sv-anuṣṭhitāt svabhāva-niyataṁ karma kurvan nāpnoti kilbiṣam

# **TRANSLATION**

It is better to engage in one's own occupation, even though one may perform it imperfectly, than to accept another's occupation and perform it perfectly. Duties prescribed according to one's nature are never affected by sinful reactions.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.48**

saha-jam karma kaunteya sa-doṣam api na tyajet sarvārambhā hi doṣeṇa dhūmenāgnir ivāvṛtāḥ

### **TRANSLATION**

Every endeavor is covered by some fault, just as fire is covered by smoke. Therefore one should not give up the work born of his nature, O son of Kuntī, even if such work is full of fault.

asakta-buddhiḥ sarvatra jitātmā vigata-spṛhaḥ naiṣkarmya-siddhiṁ paramāṁ sannyāsenādhigacchati

# **TRANSLATION**

One who is self-controlled and unattached and who disregards all material enjoyments can obtain, by practice of renunciation, the highest perfect stage of freedom from reaction.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.50**

siddhim prāpto yathā brahma tathāpnoti nibodha me samāsenaiva kaunteya niṣṭhā jñānasya yā parā

# **TRANSLATION**

O son of Kuntī, learn from Me how one who has achieved this perfection can attain to the supreme perfectional stage, Brahman, the stage of highest knowledge, by acting in the way I shall now summarize.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.51**

buddhyā viśuddhayā yukto dhṛtyātmānaṁ niyamya ca śabdādīn viṣayāṁs tyaktvā rāga-dveṣau vyudasya ca

### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.52**

vivikta-sevī laghv-āśī yata-vāk-kāya-mānasaḥ dhyāna-yoga-paro nityaṁ vairāgyaṁ samupāśritaḥ

ahaṅkāraṁ balaṁ darpaṁ kāmaṁ krodhaṁ parigraham vimucya nirmamaḥ śānto brahma-bhūyāya kalpate

#### **TRANSLATION**

Being purified by his intelligence and controlling the mind with determination, giving up the objects of sense gratification, being freed from attachment and hatred, one who lives in a secluded place, who eats little, who controls his body, mind and power of speech, who is always in trance and who is detached, free from false ego, false strength, false pride, lust, anger, and acceptance of material things, free from false proprietorship, and peaceful — such a person is certainly elevated to the position of self-realization.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.54**

brahma-bhūtaḥ prasannātmā na śocati na kāṅkṣati samaḥ sarveṣu bhūteṣu mad-bhaktiṁ labhate parām

#### TRANSLATION

One who is thus transcendentally situated at once realizes the Supreme Brahman and becomes fully joyful. He never laments or desires to have anything. He is equally disposed toward every living entity. In that state he attains pure devotional service unto Me.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.55**

bhaktyā mām abhijānāti yāvān yaś cāsmi tattvataḥ tato māṁ tattvato jñātvā viśate tad-anantaram

#### **TRANSLATION**

One can understand Me as I am, as the Supreme Personality of Godhead, only by devotional service. And when one is in full consciousness of Me by such devotion, he can enter into the kingdom of God.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.56**

sarva-karmāņy api sadā kurvāņo mad-vyapāśrayaḥ mat-prasādād avāpnoti śāśvataṁ padam avyayam

### **TRANSLATION**

Though engaged in all kinds of activities, My pure devotee, under My protection, reaches the eternal and imperishable abode by My grace.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.57**

cetasā sarva-karmāņi mayi sannyasya mat-paraḥ buddhi-yogam upāśritya mac-cittah satataṁ bhava

### **TRANSLATION**

In all activities just depend upon Me and work always under My protection. In such devotional service, be fully conscious of Me.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.58**

mac-cittaḥ sarva-durgāṇi mat-prasādāt tariṣyasi atha cet tvam ahaṅkārān na śroṣyasi vinaṅkṣyasi

**TRANSLATION** 

If you become conscious of Me, you will pass over all the obstacles of conditioned life by My grace. If, however, you do not work in such consciousness but act through false ego, not hearing Me, you will be lost.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.59**

yad ahaṅkāram āśritya na yotsya iti manyase mithyaiṣa vyavasāyas te prakṛtis tvāṁ niyokṣyati

#### **TRANSLATION**

If you do not act according to My direction and do not fight, then you will be falsely directed. By your nature, you will have to be engaged in warfare.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.60**

svabhāva-jena kaunteya nibaddhaḥ svena karmaṇā kartuṁ necchasi yan mohāt kariṣyasy avaśo 'pi tat

# **TRANSLATION**

Under illusion you are now declining to act according to My direction. But, compelled by the work born of your own nature, you will act all the same, O son of Kuntī.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.61**

īśvaraḥ sarva-bhūtānāṁ hṛd-deśe 'rjuna tiṣṭhati bhrāmayan sarva-bhūtāni yantrārūḍhāni māyayā

#### TRANSLATION

The Supreme Lord is situated in everyone's heart, O Arjuna, and is directing the wanderings of all living entities, who are seated as on a machine, made of the material energy.

### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.62**

tam eva śaraṇam gaccha sarva-bhāvena bhārata tat-prasādāt parām śāntim sthānam prāpsyasi śāśvatam

### **TRANSLATION**

O scion of Bharata, surrender unto Him utterly. By His grace you will attain transcendental peace and the supreme and eternal abode.

# **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.63**

iti te jñānam ākhyātam guhyād guhyataram mayā vimṛśyaitad aśeṣeṇa yathecchasi tathā kuru

### TRANSLATION

Thus I have explained to you knowledge still more confidential. Deliberate on this fully, and then do what you wish to do.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.64**

sarva-guhyatamam bhūyaḥ śṛṇu me paramam vacaḥ iṣṭo 'si me dṛḍham iti tato vakṣyāmi te hitam

**TRANSLATION** 

Because you are My very dear friend, I am speaking to you My supreme instruction, the most confidential knowledge of all. Hear this from Me, for it is for your benefit.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.65**

man-manā bhava mad-bhakto mad-yājī mām namaskuru mām evaiṣyasi satyam te pratijāne priyo 'si me

### **TRANSLATION**

Always think of Me, become My devotee, worship Me and offer your homage unto Me. Thus you will come to Me without fail. I promise you this because you are My very dear friend.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.66**

sarva-dharmān parityajya mām ekam śaraṇam vraja aham tvām sarva-pāpebhyo mokṣayiṣyāmi mā śucaḥ

# **TRANSLATION**

Abandon all varieties of religion and just surrender unto Me. I shall deliver you from all sinful reactions. Do not fear.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.67**

idam te nātapaskāya nābhaktāya kadācana na cāśuśrūṣave vācyam na ca mām yo 'bhyasūyati

### **TRANSLATION**

This confidential knowledge may never be explained to those who are not austere, or devoted, or engaged in devotional service, nor to one who is envious of Me.

ya idam paramam guhyam mad-bhakteşv abhidhāsyati bhaktim mayi parām kṛtvā mām evaiṣyaty asamśayaḥ

### **TRANSLATION**

For one who explains this supreme secret to the devotees, pure devotional service is guaranteed, and at the end he will come back to Me.

### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.69**

na ca tasmān manuṣyeṣu kaścin me priya-kṛttamaḥ bhavitā na ca me tasmād anyaḥ priyataro bhuvi

# **TRANSLATION**

There is no servant in this world more dear to Me than he, nor will there ever be one more dear.

### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.70**

adhyeşyate ca ya imam dharmyam samvādam āvayoḥ jñāna-yajñena tenāham iṣṭaḥ syām iti me matiḥ

### **TRANSLATION**

And I declare that he who studies this sacred conversation of ours worships Me by his intelligence.

śraddhāvān anasūyaś ca śṛṇuyād api yo naraḥ so 'pi muktaḥ śubhāl lokān prāpnuyāt puṇya-karmaṇām

# **TRANSLATION**

And one who listens with faith and without envy becomes free from sinful reactions and attains to the auspicious planets where the pious dwell.

# **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.72**

kaccid etac chrutam pārtha tvayaikāgreņa cetasā kaccid ajñāna-sammohaḥ praṇaṣṭas te dhanañjaya

# **TRANSLATION**

O son of P tha, O conqueror of wealth, have you heard this with an attentive mind? And are your ignorance and illusions now dispelled?

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.73**

arjuna uvāca
naṣṭo mohaḥ smṛtir labdhā
tvat-prasādān mayācyuta
sthito 'smi gata-sandehaḥ
kariṣye vacanaṁ tava

### **TRANSLATION**

Arjuna said: My dear Kṛṣṇa, O infallible one, my illusion is now gone. I have regained my memory by Your mercy. I am now firm and free from doubt and am prepared to act according to Your instructions.

sanjaya uvaca ity aham vasudevasya parthasya ca mahatmanah samvadam imam asrausam adbhutam roma-harsanam

### **TRANSLATION**

Sañjaya said: Thus have I heard the conversation of two great souls, Kṛṣṇa and Arjuna. And so wonderful is that message that my hair is standing on end.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.75**

vyāsa-prasādāc chrutavān etad guhyam aham param yogam yogeśvarāt kṛṣṇāt sākṣāt kathayataḥ svayam

# **TRANSLATION**

By the mercy of Vyāsa, I have heard these most confidential talks directly from the master of all mysticism, Kṛṣna, who was speaking personally to Arjuna.

# **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.76**

rājan samsmṛtya samsmṛtya samvādam imam adbhutam keśavārjunayoḥ puṇyam hṛṣyāmi ca muhur muhuḥ

#### **TRANSLATION**

O King, as I repeatedly recall this wondrous and holy dialogue between Kṛṣna and Arjuna, I take pleasure, being thrilled at every moment.

tac ca samsmṛtya samsmṛtya rūpam aty-adbhutam hareḥ vismayo me mahān rājan hṛṣyāmi ca punaḥ punaḥ

# **TRANSLATION**

O King, as I remember the wonderful form of Lord Ks na, I am struck with wonder more and more, and I rejoice again and again.

#### **BHAGAVAD-GITA 18.78**

yatra yogeśvaraḥ kṛṣṇo yatra pārtho dhanur-dharaḥ tatra śrīr vijayo bhūtir dhruyā nītir matir mama

# **TRANSLATION**

Wherever there is Kṣn a, the master of all mystics, and wherever there is Arjuna, the supreme archer, there will also certainly be opulence, victory, extraordinary power, and morality. That is my opinion.