

of the taught. This psychological fact is made evident here. The Vedantic verdict — “Wonderful is the teacher, and equally clever the pupil” is more than proved by Sri Krishna and Arjuna. What the Lord imparts is the life-saving ambrosia to Arjuna.

The topic dealt with in chapters seven and nine is resumed and supplemented somewhat elaborately in this chapter. Repeated and comprehensive enquiry into the glory of the Lord clarifies the understanding and promotes devotion. For, knowing and loving are interrelated. What else can man do, than bend his head in reverence before the Grandeur and Sublimity of the Lord !

But what grandeur can there be in a personality bound in this mortal coil? The Lord Himself answers :—

न मे विदुः सुरगणाः प्रभवं न महर्षयः ।

अहमादिर्हि देवानां महर्षीणां च सर्वशः ॥ २

न मे विदुः सुर-गणाः प्र-भवम् न महत्-ऋषयः ।

अहम् आदिः हि देवानाम् महत्-ऋषीणाम् च सर्वशः ॥

*na me viduḥ suragaṇāḥ prabhavaṁ na maharṣayaḥ ।
aham ādir hi devānām maharṣīṇām ca sarvaśaḥ ॥*

न *na* not मे *me* my विदुः *viduḥ* know सुरगणाः *suragā-ṇāḥ* the hosts of Devas प्रभवम् *prabhavaṁ* origin न *na* not महर्षयः *maharṣayaḥ* the great Rishis अहम् *aham* I आदिः *ādir* the beginning हि *hi* for देवानाम् *devānām* of the Devas महर्षीणाम् *maharṣīṇām* of the great Rishis च *ca* and सर्वशः *sarvaśaḥ* in every way