## Holy Geeta by Swami Chinmayananda

energy cannot be resolved into locomotion unless it is made to pass through a steam-engine. Electricity cannot give us breeze unless it passes through the machine of a fan. The equipments (or assembly of matter layers), through which Life passes when an individuality is expressed, are defined here by Krishna as the "Field."

HE WHO KNOWS IT, IS CALLED THE "KNOWER-OF-THE-FIELD" --- This field is made up of lifeless matter, the minerals. And yet, as long as it lives and functions, it KNOWS. This "principle-of-knowing," functioning in the "field" is the "enjoyer-of-the-field;" the "knower," the EGO.

As long as life exists in any living organism, it expresses an urge to know. The degree of this urge may vary from individual to individual in the Universe. But the urge to know, expressed through an equipment, is what we recognise as its life. The capacity of an organism to receive stimuli and send forth responses is the transaction of life, and when this "knower" --- the individuality, has departed from the equipment, we consider it as dead. This is the "Knower-of-the-Field" (*Kshetrajna*).

BY THOSE WHO KNOW OF THEM --- Here, Lord Krishna has assured his listeners that the definitions given by him to the terms "body" and the "knower-of-the-body" are not arbitrary declarations or hypothetical suppositions, but are in keeping with the actual experiences of all the great Masters of yore. In short, here we have a definition of matter (*Kshetra*) and the Spirit