

of all the sensations, it is reckoned as an attribute of the Lord.

The difference between the living and the dead is in the presence or otherwise of consciousness. The more evolved the being, the clearer is the consciousness. Ultimately the Pure Consciousness gets equated with God.

As wealth distinguishes the wealthy man, these glories reveal the Lord.

रुद्राणां शङ्करश्चास्मि वित्तेशो यक्षरक्षसाम् ।

वसूनां पावकश्चास्मि मेरुः शिखरिणामहम् ॥ २३

रुद्राणाम् शम्-करः च अस्-मि वित्त-ईशः यक्षरक्षसाम् ।

वसूनाम् पावकः च अस्-मि मेरुः शिखरिणाम् अहम् ॥

*rudrāṇām śaṅkaraś cā 'smi vittēśo yakṣarakṣasām ।*

*vasūnām pāvakaś cā 'smi meruḥ śikhariṇām aham ॥*

रुद्राणाम् *rudrāṇām* among the Rudras शङ्करः *śaṅkaraḥ* Sankara च *ca* and अस्मि *asmi* (I) am वित्तेशः *vittēśaḥ* Vitesa or Kubera यक्षरक्षसाम् *yakṣa rakṣasām* among Yakshas and Rakshasas वसूनाम् *vasūnām* among Vasus पावकः *pāvakaḥ* Pavaka च *ca* and अस्मि *asmi* (I) am मेरुः *meruḥ* Meru शिखरिणाम् *śikhariṇām* of mountains अहम् *aham* I

Of the Rudras I am Sankara, of the Yakshas and Rakshasas I am Kubera. Of the Vasus I am Pavaka and of mountains I am Meru. 23

Rudras are eleven in number. Puranas are not all agreed in naming them. But their wide accepted names are Ajaikapad, Ahirbudhnya, Virabhadra, Girisa, Sankara, Aparajita, Hara, Ankaraka, Pinaki,