

and complete dependence upon the Preceptor and Guide, the *Guru*.

MOREOVER, SEE HOW EXCELLENT 'KNOWLEDGE' IS:

*36. Even if you are the most sinful of all sinners, yet you shall verily cross all sins by the raft of 'Knowledge.'*

While Arjuna was promised such a glorious transcendental experience, too divine for him to believe, he felt a certain amount of lack of confidence in himself, which was, perhaps, reflected, on his face. He had a feeling that he was not fit for such a great inner experience. Such a feeling can come to anyone of us, because there is none among the intelligent who is not painfully conscious of his own shortcomings.

*Vedanta* is not a philosophy that heartlessly keeps the sinners out of its halls of wisdom. It does not believe that there is any lost soul who will ever wander among the heathens, and who can ONLY be redeemed IF he enters the portals of the Church of *Vedanta*!! Tolerant to a fault, *Vedanta* declares the Truth and nothing but the Truth. The All-pervading Divine manifests everywhere and therefore, there is no sinner who cannot, through his endeavour, come to claim his own heritage of Absolute Perfection.

The Geeta is a scripture of life written for man, and its universality is unmistakably seen in the statement here. It assures man that "EVEN IF HE BE THE MOST SINFUL