

incomprehensible to the gross equipments of thought, feeling and perception.

IT IS FAR AND NEAR --- Limited and conditioned things can be defined by their location in space as "here" or "there." And with reference to their distance from the observer, we can say they are *near* or *far*. But that which is All-pervading must be at once "here" and "there." And therefore, it is NEAR AND FAR. This phrase also has been sometimes interpreted as "FAR AND YET NEAR." "FAR": in its Transcendental Absolute nature the Truth is FAR AWAY from all the hallucinations of names and forms, which, in their aggregate, constitute the Universe, but at the same time as Existence, Truth exists in every name and form: "NEAR."

In short, this verse, in its staggering beauty arising out of its deliberate language of contradiction, shakes the reader from his intellectual complacency and whips him up to reflect and to realise that the Absolute Reality is at once transcendent and immanent.

THIS *BRAHMAN*, WHICH CAN BE REALISED WITHIN OURSELVES AS SELF, IS ONE AND THE SAME IN ALL, AND REVELS AS THE SELF IN ALL. THIS IS EXPLAINED BELOW: