

The goal of life varies with people. But all the divergent goals of all the people can be sorted and brought unmistakably under three classes — striving for long efficient life, seeking after wider knowledge and searching for more happiness. And these three groups are nothing but the modifications of *Sat-cit-ānanda* — Life, Light, Love. This is a comprehensive definition of God. He is therefore the direct or indirect Goal of all beings.

Because all sustenance comes from God, He is the Supporter of beings.

As the sea is the owner of the waves, Cosmic Life is the owner of the individual lives. He is therefore the Lord.

The universe and the beings appear from and disappear into Iswara; He is therefore the Witness.

Beings rest and reside in the Cosmic Consciousness even as the cinema pictures get themselves expressed on a screen. The Lord is therefore the Abode.

He is the only lasting Shelter to those who want to be freed from the clutches of the cold hand of death.

The Lord is the one fast Friend residing in the hearts of the good and the bad in the form of Conscience and directing them on the right way.

What the ocean is to the wave, the Lord is to the entire Creation. He is therefore the Origin, the Dissolution, the Foundation, the Treasure-house and the Seed Imperishable.