

of, as a book of dissension. Each system of philosophy traces its origin to the Gita, thereby claiming sanctity for itself and adding to the glory of the Gita. Various systems of philosophy go to enrich man's spiritual life. These systems supplement and complement one another. They are not empty wrangles as the thoughtless would have it. Even as Nature is the material for various branches of knowledge, Gita is the source of inspiration for the various systems of philosophy.

It is no fault of a sacred book if it happens to be misunderstood by the uninitiated. Ambrosia can be mishandled and turned into poison. Because of this possibility it is not proper to condemn it. If men of evil tendency resolve to read *their* meaning into the Gita it is no fault of that sacred book. It has been the source of inspiration to thousands of holy men in their path to perfection and it will continue to be so for ever. Time will have no adverse effect on this book. It is an eternal and infallible spiritual guide. Persons bereft of sense-control, devotion, detachment, austerity, self-abnegation and a passion for service will not be able to draw the right inspiration from this book. In unmistakable terms the Gita proclaims the unity and sanctity of existence and exhorts man to resort to right action in order to realize this fundamental oneness.

*Change-over from the Pleasant to the Good*

Sri Krishna and Arjuna are eternal companions. They are kith and kin. A closer relationship than theirs cannot be conceived of. It is indeed an objec-