Way of Asuras, i. e., cruelty, untruth, and the like.

चतुर्विधा भजन्ते मां जनाः सुकृतिनोऽर्जुन ॥ स्रातों जिज्ञासुरर्थार्थी ज्ञानी च भरतर्षभ ॥१६॥

VII. 16.

भरतर्षभ O bull among the Bhâratas ग्रर्जुन O Arjuna चतुर्विधाः four kinds सुकृतिनः virtuous जनाः people ग्रातः the distressed जिल्लासः the seeker for knowledge ग्रर्थार्थां the seeker for enjoyment च and ज्ञानी the wise मां me भजन्ते worship.

Four kinds of virtuous men worship Me, O Arjuna,—the distressed, the seeker for knowledge, the seeker for enjoyment, and the wise, O bull among the Bhâratas.

Seeker for enjoyment: One who wishes for objects of enjoyment, both here and hereafter.

The Wise: One who has forsaken all desires, knowing them to arise from Maya.]

तेषां ज्ञानी नित्ययुक्त एक् मक्तिर्विशिष्यते॥ प्रियो हि ज्ञानिनोऽत्यर्थमहं स च मम प्रियः॥१७॥

VII. 17.

तेषां Of them नित्ययुक्तः ever-steadfast एकभक्तिः whose devotion is to the One ज्ञानी the wise विशिष्यते excels हि verily ग्रहम् I ज्ञानिनः of the wise ग्रत्यर्थे supremely प्रियः dear सः he च and मम my प्रियः dear.

Of them, the wise man, ever-steadfast, (and fired) with devotion to the One, excels; for supremely dear am I to the wise, and he is dear to Me,

इदाराः सर्व एवेते ज्ञानी त्वात्मैव मे मतम् ॥