

प्रकाशम् च प्र-वृत्-तिम् च मोहम् एव च पाण्डव ।  
न द्वेष्टि सम्-प्र-वृत्तानि न नि-वृत्-तानि काङ्क्षति ॥

*sri bhagavān uvāca*

*prakāśam ca pravṛttim ca moham eva ca pāṇḍava ।  
na dveṣṭi sampravṛttāni na nivṛttāni kāṅkṣati ॥*

श्री भगवानुवाच *sri bhagavān uvāca* Sri Bhagavan said:

प्रकाशम् *prakāśam* light च *ca* and प्रवृत्तिम् *pravṛttim* activity च *ca* and मोहम् *moham* delusion एव *eva* even च *ca* and पाण्डव *pāṇḍava* O Pandava न *na* not द्वेष्टि *dveṣṭi* hates सम्प्रवृत्तानि *sampravṛttāni* (when) gone forth न *na* not निवृत्तानि *nivṛttāni* when absent काङ्क्षति *kāṅkṣati* longs

The Blessed Lord said :

He, O Pandava, who hates not light, activity and delusion, when present, nor longs after them when absent;

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The man immersed in *Sattva* has his intellectual pursuits and refined pleasures in which he is deeply absorbed. Scriptural learning has a remarkable hold on the devotee. Pious discourse, rapturous *Bhajana*, deep meditation—all these are meticulously practised by the man of *Sāttvika* disposition. If these doings are interrupted or dropped out for a day, the aspirant feels as if a great spiritual loss has been inflicted on him. This feeling is the sign of his being attached to *Sattva Guna*. But the man who has transcended the Gunas has nothing to gain by adhering to these observances and nothing to lose by abandoning them. With or without these good occupations the *Brahma jñāni* ever rests in Brahman.