

Bliss of *Brahman*, the smokeless shrine of Truth.

MOREOVER:

*25. Those RISHIS obtain Absolute Freedom or MOKSHA --- whose sins have been destroyed, whose dualities are torn asunder, who are self-controlled and intent on the welfare of all beings.*

When a man of meditation, striving diligently, with his senses well under his control, comes to wash off all his sinful mental impressions (which had been creating in him the veiling of the Self behind an unending array of doubts regarding the Reality), he gains the joy of the Self. When his ignorance, which is nothing other than agitations of the mind (*Vikshepa*) and the consequent veiling of the Truth (*Avarana*), has been removed, Knowledge of his Real Nature dawns in his bosom and he re-discovers himself as the Self!

Having thus re-discovered the Self, having thus gained the goal of all evolution, what would be the duties of such an individual in this existence, till finally, with a cheerful farewell, he drops his mortal coil down, to merge himself with what he knows to be his own Self? The general impression is that he will move about in the world like a mad, walking, stone-statue --- that eats at least once a day, a threat to society, a moving bundle of contagion and a screaming pillar of despondency and despair. Such a