

Indestructible. God as an All-powerful and All-merciful Reality has provided various paths and beliefs to suit the different types of men. The ignorant man does not take note of these facts and he refuses to do so. He imagines himself a self-appointed champion of God and a defender of faith. In the name of serving God and religion he does havoc to society and prevents its harmonious growth. The so-called proselytizer plays the part of the blind leading the blind. These are all specimens of the *Tamasika* knowledge. On scrutiny they are found to be not in tune with reason. Rather, they come into conflict with reason. They are so, because they are not founded in truth. Whims and fancies as they are, they have to be treated as trivial. Nothing good comes out of such baseless understanding.

नियतं सङ्गरहितमरागद्वेषतः कृतम् ।

अफलप्रेप्सुना कर्म यत्तत्सात्त्विकमुच्यते ॥ २३

नि-य(म्)-तम् सङ्ग-रहितम् अ-राग-द्वेषतः कृ-तम् ।

अ-फल-प्र-इप्सुना कर्म यत् तत् सात्त्विकम् उच्यते ॥

*niyatam sangarahitam arāgadveṣataḥ kṛtam* । -

*aphalaprepsunā karma yat tat sāttvikam ucyate* ॥

नियतम् *niyatam* ordained सङ्गरहितम् *sanga rahitam* free from attachment अरागद्वेषतः *arāga dvesataḥ* without love or hatred कृतम् *kṛtam* done अफलप्रेप्सुना *aphala prepsunā* by one not desirous of the fruit कर्म *karma* action यत् *yat* which तत् *tat* that सात्त्विकम् *sāttvikam* Sattvika उच्यते *ucyate* is declared

An action which is ordained, which is free from attachment, which is done without love or hatred by