

enjoyment traces itself to it, practice of yoga is possible because of it; attainment of *moksha* is enabled by it, reaching Godhood is impossible without it, all divine traits have their source in it. In strength lie the key and the clue to all the teachings of the Lord Exalted life begins with *Atmabodham*, which expresses itself as strength Strength is life; weakness is death.

He who is soft and weak-minded like the puffed rice soaked in milk, is good for nothing He cannot achieve anything great But the strong and virile one is heroic He is the accomplisher of everything in life

— Sri Ramakrishna

Arjuna Declines to Fight against the Revered Ones — 4-6

अर्जुन उवाच

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इषुभिः प्रति-योत्स्यामि पूजा-अर्हौ अरि-सूदन ॥

*arjuna uvāca*

*katham bhiṣmam aham saṁkhye*

*dronam ca madhusūdana*

*iṣubhiḥ pratiyotsyāmi*

*pūjārḥāv arisūdana ॥*

अर्जुन उवाच *arjuna uvāca* Arjuna said

कथम् *katham* how भीष्मम् *bhiṣmam* Bhishma अहम् *aham* I सङ्ख्ये *saṁkhye* in battle द्रोणम् *dronam* Drona च *ca* and मधुसूदन *madhusūdana* O Madhusudana इषुभिः *iṣubhiḥ* with arrows प्रतियोत्स्यामि *pratiyotsyāmi* shall fight पूजार्हौ *pūjārḥau* worthy to be worshipped अरिसूदन *arisūdana* O destroyer of enemies