

Goal. Whereas the man given to the Vedic rites oscillates and merely speculates about his future prospects here and hereafter.

The new born calf totters and tumbles down several times before learning to frisk about. Similarly, the *sadhaka* has to struggle much before he meets with success — Sri Ramakrishna

Yoga being hard to achieve, what is the harm in the ordinary man having recourse to any other ways of accomplishing the desired ends? The sovereignty of yoga is extolled :—

+ Yoga is Unparalleled — 46-47

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कर्मिभ्यश्चाधिको योगी तस्माद्योगी भवार्जुन ॥ ४६

तपस्-विभ्यः अधिकः योगी ज्ञानिभ्यः अपि मत्-तः अधिकः ।

कर्मिभ्यः च अधिकः योगी तस्मात् योगी भव अर्जुन ॥

tapasvibhyo 'dhiko yogi jñānibhyo 'pi mato 'dhikaḥ ।
karmibhyaś cā 'dhiko yogi tasmād yogi bhavā 'rjuna ॥

तपस्विभ्यः *tapasvibhyaḥ* than ascetics अधिकः *adhikaḥ* superior योगी *yogī* the योगी ज्ञानिभ्यः *jñānibhyaḥ* than the wise अपि *api* even मतः *mataḥ* thought अधिक. *adhikaḥ* superior कर्मिभ्यः *karmibhyaḥ* than the men of action च *ca* and अधिकः *adhikaḥ* superior योगी *yogī* the योगी तस्मात् *tasmāt* therefore योगी *yogī* a योगी भव *bhava* be अर्जुन *arjuna* O Arjuna

The yogi is deemed superior to ascetics, superior to men of knowledge even; he is also superior to ritualists. Therefore be you a yogi, O Arjuna. 46

It is incumbent on man to choose an ideal in life lest he should drift and deviate into an empty existence. The higher the ideal the harder it is to achieve. Still, an attainable great ideal has to be fixed. The highest and best of all ideals is to become