

reflection of the Consciousness called the "ego" has also ended.

THE METHODS BY WHICH WE CAN BRING ABOUT THE VASANA-PURGATION ARE EXPLAINED IN THE FOLLOWING:

*35. Better is one's own 'duty' , though devoid of merit, than the 'duty' of another well discharged. Better is death in one's own 'duty' ; the 'duty' of another is fraught with fear (is productive of positive danger) .*

The word *Dharma* in Sanskrit is the most elusive word for translation into English. It is used generally in more than one definite meaning. Terms like righteousness, good conduct, duty, noble quality, etc., are some of them. We have explained it earlier and found how *Dharma* essentially means "the Law of being" of anything in the world.

That which determines one man's personality as distinctly different from another's, it is very well known, is the texture of the thoughts entertained by him. This texture of his thoughts is, again, in its turn, determined by the pattern of thinking (*vasanas*), which his mind has gained from its own past. These pre-determined 'channels-of-thinking' created by one's own earlier ways of thinking are called the *Vasanas*. Thus *Dharma* should be conceived here as the *Vasanas* in our mind, for no other explanation will