

to the extent men understand each other affinity develops. This link between love and knowledge can be made use of to strengthen the relationship between God and man. Love of God leads to a knowledge of Him. The more one understands God the more one loves Him. Love and knowledge are the obverse and the reverse of the same fact of Godhood. The inter-relation between emotion and cognition is indeed patent in all stages and phases of life.

Intelligence, awareness, cognition, consciousness, conscience—these are terms indicating the same faculty. Chapters thirteen to eighteen of the Gita delineate the path of knowledge. By becoming brighter and brighter a burning lamp reveals itself and its surroundings in an increasing measure. It also begins to throw increasing light on the objects brought to its presence. Let us suppose that the lamp is placed in a glass case, coated with dirt. Bright though the flame is, its brilliance is seemingly tarnished. To the extent the glass undergoes cleansing, brilliance becomes patent. The divine lamp of Intelligence is enshrined in the temple of the human frame. As the faculty of understanding undergoes purification, the inner Light begins to shine with greater glory. The processes of cleansing the faculty of understanding are presented in the third section dealing with the path of knowledge. God is Light. It is ultimately realized by the seeker that what shines through the human frame is none other than the inextinguishable Cosmic