

## IX. 23.

कौन्तेय O son of Kunti श्रद्धया with Shraddhâ  
अन्विताः endued ( with ) भक्ताः devotees ये who अन्य-  
देवताः other gods अपि even यजन्ते worship ते they  
अपि too अविधिपूर्वकम् by wrong method मां me एव  
alone यजन्ति worship.

Even those devotees, who endued with Shraddhâ, worship other gods, they too, worship Me alone, O son of Kunti ; ( but ) by the wrong method.

[ *Wrong method*—ignorantly, not in the way by which they can get Moksha. ]

अहं हि सर्वयज्ञानां भोक्ता च प्रभुरेव च ॥

न तु मामभिजानन्ति तत्त्वेनातश्च्यवन्ति ते ॥२४॥

## IX. 24.

हि Indeed सर्वयज्ञानाम् of all Yajnas अहं I एव alone  
भोक्ता enjoyer च and प्रभुः Lord च and ते they तु but  
मां me तत्त्वेन in reality न अभिजानन्ति do not know  
अतः hence च्यवन्ति ( they ) fall ( return ).

For I alone am the Enjoyer, and Lord of all Yajnas ; but because they do not know Me in reality, they return, ( to the mortal world ).

[ *They return*—By worshipping other gods they attain no doubt to the spheres of their sacrifice, but after the exhaustion of their results, they fall from those spheres and return to the mortal world. ]

यान्ति देवव्रता देवान् पितृन्यान्ति पितृव्रताः ॥

भूतानि यान्ति भूतेज्या यान्ति मद्याजिनोऽपि माम् ॥२५॥

## IX. 25.

देवव्रताः Votaries of the Devas देवान् the Devas  
यान्ति go to पितृव्रताः the votaries of the Pitris पितृन्