and to re-evaluate the situation through his spiritual understanding.

This great and transcendental Truth has been so suddenly expounded here that it has, on Arjuna, the stunning effect of a sudden unexpected blast. We shall, later on, understand how this subtle, psycho-physical shock-therapy did immeasurable good to the hysterical condition of Arjuna.

"WHY DO THEY DESERVE NO GRIEF? BECAUSE THEY ARE ETERNAL. HOW?" THE LORD SAYS:

12. It is not that at any time (in the past), indeed, was I not, nor were you, nor these rulers of men. Nor, verily, shall we all ever cease to be hereafter.

Krishna here declares, in unequivocal terms, that the embodied Self in every one is set on a great pilgrimage in which It comes to identify itself with varied forms, temporarily to gain a limited but determined, set of experiences. He says that neither He Himself nor Arjuna nor the great kings of the age that have assembled in both the armies, are mere accidental happenings. They do not come from nowhere and, at their death, do not become mere non-existent nothingness. Correct philosophical thinking guides man's intellect to the apprehension of a continuity from the past --- through the present --- to the endless future. The Spirit remaining the same, It gets