26. The Path of Light and the Path of Darkness available for the world are verily thought to be both eternal; by the one, the "Path of Light, " a man goes to return not; by the other, the "Path of Darkness," he returns again.

The two paths so vividly described above, are renamed here as the 'Path-of-Light' and the 'Path-of-Darkness,' according to the goal to which each "path" leads the pilgrims. One takes the travellers to the brilliant heights of evolutionary success; the other into the dark abyss of devolutionary sorrow. These two "paths" described here, in their general implications, can be considered as showing the 'Path-of-Moksha' and the 'Path-of-Samsara.'

The ways of life in any given generation always fall under two categories --- the secular and the sacred. The former, the secular, is pursued by those who feel that food, clothing and shelter are the absolutes and the fulfilment of life lies in the satisfaction of the largest number of physical and emotional sense-ticklers, and whose intellects are cold and satisfied, feeling no urge to seek anything nobler and diviner. The latter, the sacred, however, is pursued by those who can feel no encouragement in their bosom, when the sense-objects giggle and dance in front of their sense-organs, and whose intellects are ever on fire with a great seeking of something beyond, something deeper than the mere surface existence in life.