## Holy Geeta by Swami Chinmayananda

*Rajasic* "knowledge," the world is an assortment of innumerable types of different varieties; the intellect of such a man perceives distinctions among the living creatures, and divides them into different classes --- as the animal, the vegetable and the human kingdoms --- as men of different castes, creeds, races, nationalities etc.

WHAT THEN IS THE NATURE OF "KNOWLEDGE" OF THE DULL?

22. But that "knowledge," which clings to one single effect, as if it were the whole, without reason, without foundation in truth and narrow, that is declared to be TAMASIC (Dull).

An intellect that has got fumed under the dulling effects of extreme *tamas* clings to one single "effect" as though it were the whole, never enquiring into its "cause." The "knowledge" of the dull is painted here as that belonging to the lowest type of spiritual seekers. They are generally fanatic in their faith and in their devotion, in their views and values in life. They never enquire into, and try to discover, the cause of things and happenings; they are unreasonable (*ahaitukam*).

Looking through such a confused intellect loaded with fixed ideas, the dull not only fail to see things as they are, but invariably project their own ideas upon the world and judge it all wrongly. In fact, a man of *Tamasic* intellect views the world as if it is meant for him and his pleasures