

votary of principles than of personality; and that is what Sri Krishna asks Arjuna to do.

The culmination of all human endeavours is enunciated in the following three stanzas :—

The Category of Self-surrender — 64-66

सर्वगुह्यतमं भूयः शृणु मे परमं वचः ।

इष्टोऽसि मे दृढमिति ततो वक्ष्यामि ते हितम् ॥ ६४

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*sarvaguhyatamam bhūyaḥ śṛṇu me paramam vacaḥ ।*

*iṣṭo 'si me dṛḍham iti tato vakṣyāmi te hitam ॥*

सर्वगुह्यतमम् *sarva guhya tamam* the most secret of all भूयः *bhūyaḥ* again शृणु *śṛṇu* hear मे *me* my परमम् *paramam* supreme वचः *vacaḥ* word इष्टः *iṣṭaḥ* beloved असि *asi* (thou) art मे *me* of me दृढम् *dṛḍham* dearly इति *iti* thus ततः *tataḥ* therefore वक्ष्यामि *vakṣyāmi* (I) will speak ते *te* thy हितम् *hitam* what is good

Listen again to My supreme word, the profoundest of all. You are beloved of Me and steadfast of heart; therefore I shall tell what is for your good. 64

It is not possible for all to dive deep into the sea; a few experts alone can do it. Among the principles governing human life, the ordinary ones can be grasped by almost all; but the profound ones elude the understanding of the common man. A good deal of mental preparation is required for their comprehension. Being dazed with the knotty problems of life, Arjuna appealed to the Lord at the outset for *Sreyas* to be taught to him. The compas-