

inert and motionless throwing down his weapons. Krishna asks his friend to come out of this moodiness and dejection, "determined to fight" the noble war.

The call to war is justified because of the particular situation in the *Mahabharata* where the Geeta was given out. Generalising the call of Krishna, we may say that it is a divine call to Man to discard his melancholy dejections in the face of life's challenges and to come forward to play as best as he can "the game of life" with a firm determination to strive and to win. In this line, we have the universality of the Geeta explicitly brought out for those who understand it and find its vast application to the community of man.

NOW LISTEN TO THE ADVICE I OFFER YOU ON  
YOUR INNER ATTITUDE WHILE YOU FIGHT THE  
BATTLE:

*38. Having made --- pleasure and pain, gain and loss, victory and defeat --- the same, engage in battle for the sake of battle; thus you shall not incur sin.*

From this stanza onwards we have a slight hint about the technique of *Karma Yoga* as explained in the Geeta. In the introduction we have stated that the second chapter is almost a summary of the whole Geeta; later on, we shall see how the Path of Devotion also is, in brief, indicated in this very chapter.