

Some Vedanta Memes

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A Gem from Veda

- **Ekam sat, vipra bahudha vadanti - Truth is One; the wise express it in many ways.**
- **Attributes of Truth**
 - **Thri-Kala-Abheditwam**
 - **Karya-Karana-Ananyatvam**

A Wonderful verse from Bhartrhari

- भोगे रोगभयं कुले च्युतिभयं वित्ते नृपालाद्भयं
 - माने दैन्यभयं बले रिपुभयं रूपे जराया भयम् ।
 - शास्त्रे वादिभयं गुणे खलभयं काये कृतान्ताद्भयं
 - सर्वं वस्तु भयान्वितं भुवि नृणां वैराग्यमेवाभयम्
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• - वैराग्यशतकम् ३१

Word dissection

- भोगे (bhoge) = in enjoyment; रोगभयं (roga-bhayam) = fear of disease; कुले (kule) = in lineage;
- च्युतिभयं (cyuti-bhayam) = fear of down-fall; वित्ते (vitte) = in wealth;
- नृपालात् भयं (nrpālāt bhayam) = fear of kings; माने (māne) = in prestige;
- दैन्यभयं (dainya-bhayam) = fear of humiliation; बले (bale) = in power;
- रिपुभयं (ripu-bhayam) = fear of enemy/adversary ; रूपे (rūpe) = in beauty;
- जराया भयं (jarāyā bhayam) = fear of old age; शास्त्रे (śāstre) = in scriptural erudition;
- वादिभयं (vādi-bhayam) = fear of learned opponents; गुणे (guṇe) = in virtue;
- खलभयं (khala-bhayam) = fear of wicked vilifying person; काये (kāye) = in body;
- कृतान्तात् भयं (kṛtāntāt bhayam) = fear of death; सर्वम् (sarvam) = all; वस्तु (vastu) = things;
- भयान्वितं (bhayānvitam) = filled with fear; भुवि (bhuvi) = in the world;
- नृणाम् (nrṇām) = of mankind; वैराग्यं (vairāgyam) = non-expectation, disattachment;
- एव (eva) = alone; अभयम् (abhayam) = fearlessness;

Literal meaning in English

- In enjoyment is the fear of disease,
in wealth is the fear of hostile rulers,
in honour is the fear of humiliation,
in knowledge the fear of opponents,
in beauty the fear of old age,
in power the fear of backbiters,
in virtue the fear of jealousy,
even in body is the fear of death.
- Everything on this earth is fraught with fear.
He alone is fearless who has given up everything.

Q&A

- If any!