

535. *That by which all Vedas, śāstras and Purāṇas and all other beings are endowed with meaning, verily, what can illumine that eternal Subject?*

All the great scriptural texts are meaningful and purposeful only because of this great Reality. Whatever was expounded by the mighty Masters, was because of this Consciousness which is the theme of the scriptures.

All beings have Existence. If this Existence is removed, nothing exists. The Self is the material cause for all the objects that we see, just as the waking mind is the material cause for the entire dreamworld. Infinite Consciousness illuminates this universe. Because of It everything exists. What other illuminator is necessary to illuminate this mighty Truth which lends existence and life to every living creature?

Therefore, at the time of samādhi, it is meaningless to discuss. 'What is That because of which I am experiencing this infinite Consciousness?'



एष स्वयञ्ज्योतिरनन्तशक्तिः
आत्माऽप्रमेयः सकलानुभूतिः ।
यमेव विज्ञाय विमुक्तबन्धो
जयत्ययं ब्रह्मविदुत्तमोत्तमः ॥ ५३६ ॥

*eṣa svayañjyotiranantaśaktih
ātmā'prameyāḥ sakalānubhūtiḥ,
yameva vijñāya vimuktabandho
jayatyayam brahmaviduttamottamaḥ. (536)*

536. *Here is the self-effulgent Ātman, of endless power, beyond all conditioned knowledge, yet the direct experience of all. Freed from bondage, realising this alone, the best among the knowers of Brahman lives his life of victory.*