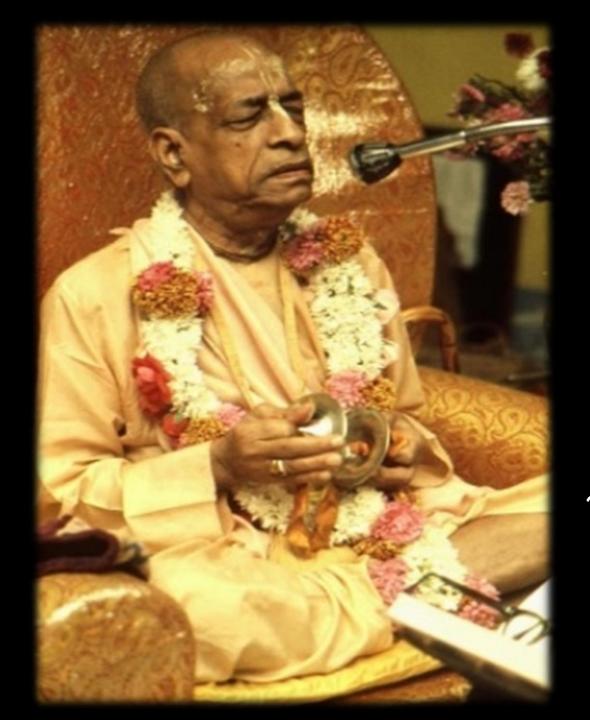
# Bhagavad Gita - 2 Contents of Gita Summarized

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# Chapter 2 - Sections

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С	2.31 to 2.38	Karmakanda fight! for gains come from dutifully fighting and losses come from not fighting
D	2.39 to 2.53	Buddhi-yoga (Niskama Karma)fight! but without any reaction
E	2.54 to 2.72	Sthita Prajna fight! become fixed in krsna consciousness

### Summary - Section - A

### Verse 2.1 to 2.10

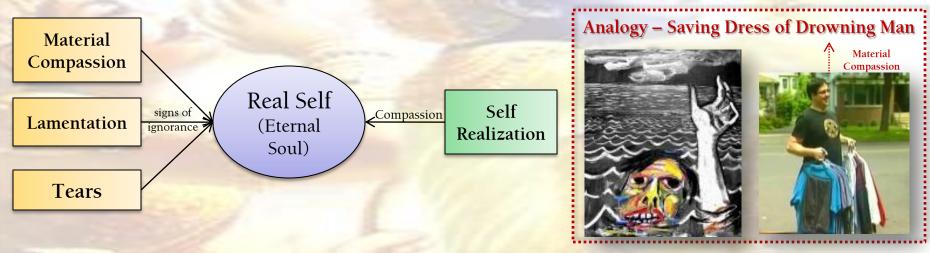
# Arjuna's further doubts & his surrender 1-10 After Arjuna continues to express his doubts about fighting, he surrenders to Krsna for instruction.

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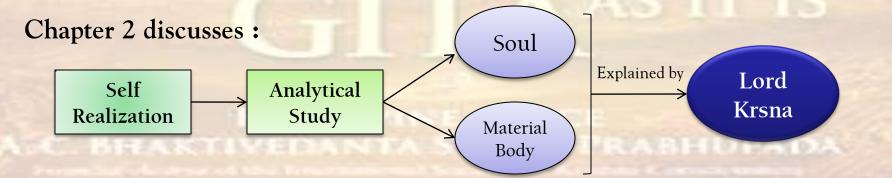
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# Text – 1

#### Seeing Arjuna depressed Lord Krsna thus spoke....



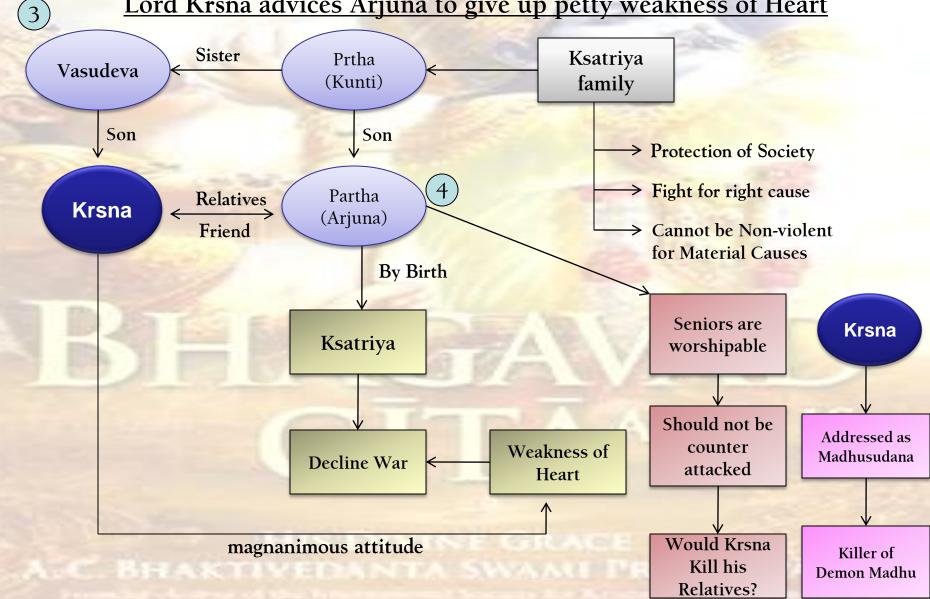
- Compassion for the dress of a drowning man is senseless (Sudra)
- Real Compassion means Compassion for the Eternal Soul, (Self Realization)
- Madhusudana: Killer of Demon Madhu.
- Lord Krsna is addressed as Madhusudana, expected to kill Arjuna doubts(demons)

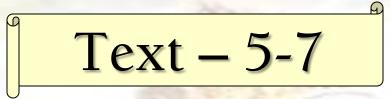


#### Text - 2Lord Krsna (Sri-Bhagavan) spoke, where from impurities Analogy - Sun Sunshine-Brahman come upon you(Arjuna)? impersonal all-**Absolute** pervasive **Brahman** Truth Spirit. (Sun shine) Realized as SB 1.2.11 Lord Krsna localized aspect, The Supreme in heart of all Paramatma Sun Surface Personality of living entities. **Paramatma** Godhead (Sun's Surface) Personal feature of Bhagavan Sun Lord. (Sun Planet) Planet Bhagavan All Riches Aryan, who know value of life Arjuna based on Spiritual Realization Aryan All Fame Parāsara Muni • Non-Aryans: No Knowledge of liberation from bondage of Material Life. All Strength Arjuna is deviating from performing his duty as All Beauty Kstriya. • Such deviation, will stop progressing in Spiritual All Knowledge Life and become infamous. Lord Krsna condemns such non-aryan behavior. All Renunciation

### Text - 3-4

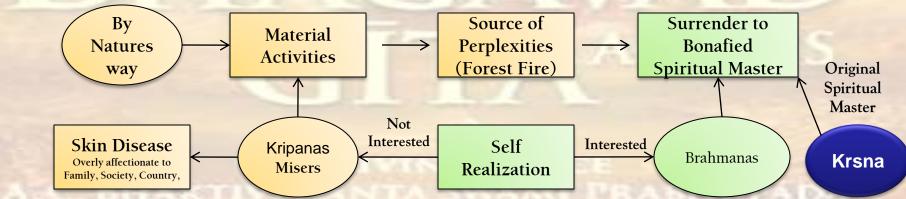
Lord Krsna advices Arjuna to give up petty weakness of Heart





#### Arjuna continues to give reasons for not Fighting and Finally Surrenders.

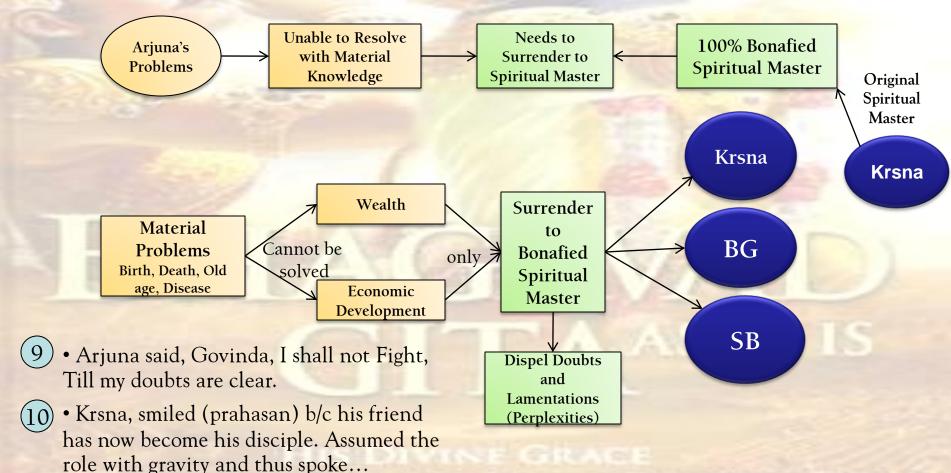
- Arjuna thinks better to live in this world by begging, rather than killing his Teachers, Grandfathers.
  - Teacher who engages in an abominable action and has lost his sense of discrimination is fit to be abandoned
  - Bhisma and Drona were obliged to take the side of Duryodhana because of his financial assistance.
  - Arjuna thinks if they are killed, everything we enjoy will be tainted with blood.
- Arjuna didn't knew which is better, conquering them or being conquered by them.
  - Arjuna did not know whether he should fight and risk unnecessary violence, although fighting is the duty of the ksatriyas, or whether he should refrain and live by begging.
- 7 Arjuna is confused about his duties & lost all composure b/c of miserly weakness, surrenders.



# Text - 8-10

#### Arjuna's symptoms and doubts continues & Finally decided He shall not Fight...

• Symptoms & doubts : grief drying up sense. Not be able to dispel it even if he is prosperous, unrivaled kingdom on earth with sovereignty like the demigods in heaven



### Summary - Section - B

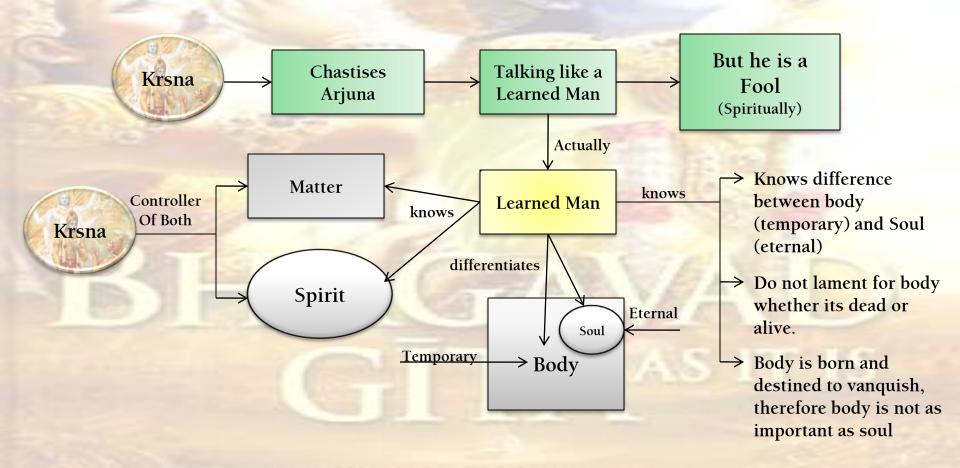
### Verse 2.11 to 2.30

JNANA fight! there is no death for the soul			
11-13 16-25	Death is the eternal soul changing from one body to another; therefore, since no soul can die, Arjuna would not be killing.		
14-15	Performance of duty must not be affected by happiness and distress arising from sense perception.		
26	Atheistic and Materialistic theory.		
27-30	The eternal, indestructible, immutable soul cannot be killed and the temporary body cannot be saved.  Therefore fight.		

# Text – 11

#### Lord Krsna taking role of a Spiritual Master chastises Arjuna



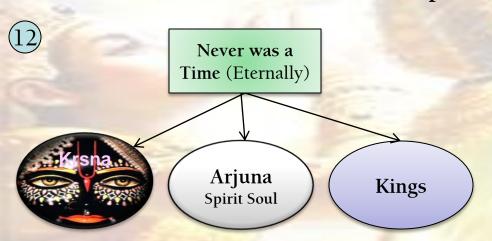


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### Text - 12

Lord Krsna explains the Science of Soul

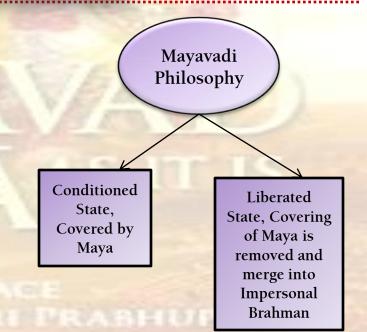


#### **Analogy**: Bee Licking outside Honey Jar



Mayavadi (Non-devotee)
explanation of Bhagavad Gita
is like bee licking honey
outside Jar, will never taste
actual nectar of Gita. Krsna
keeps the Jar closed b/c of
their envious nature.
Caitanya Mahaprabhu Mayavadi bhasya sunile haya sarvanasa

- Spirit Soul is Eternally Existing (Conditioned OR Liberated)
- 2 Spirit Soul is individual (past, present, Future) (Defeats Mayavadi Philosophy) (Conditioned OR Liberated)
- 3 Supreme Personality of Godhead Eternally maintaining the Jivas (soul) (Conditioned or liberated Stage)
- 4 Lord Krsna is not under Maya, otherwise the knowledge given by him is useless.





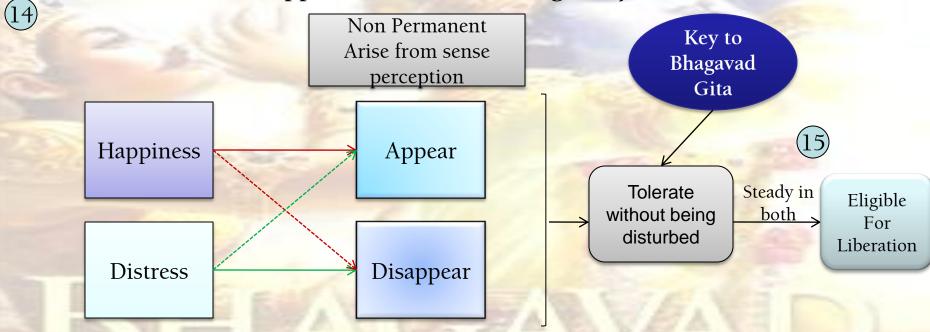
Lord Krsna further describes the Soul Soul Soul Soul Death Youth Old Age **New Body** Boyhood Learned Man not bewildered Spirit Soul is Eternally never changing 1 2 there is no cause of lamentation. 3 will get nice based on their current activities.



- Body is always changing (every second) boyhood, youth, old age,
- Spirit soul gets next body based on the activities of the current body.
- Arjuna should not lament for Bhisma or Dronas body change as they
- 5 Dhira (Sober man): Who perfectly knows individual Soul, Supersoul, and nature both Material & Spiritual, never bewildered by changes in the body or death.

# Text - 14-15

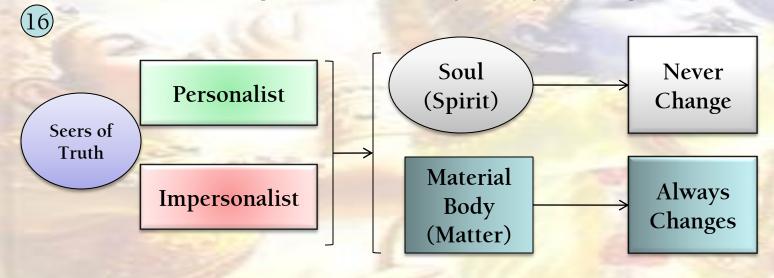
Tolerate Happiness & Distress (Eligibility for Liberation)



- 1 In discharge of duty one has to tolerate happiness and distress which arise from sense perception.
- 2 Similarly Kshatriya has to fight with relatives in order to protect dharma.
- Arjuna is called as Kaunteya, Bharata: her is representing 2 great dynasty (responsibility), he needs to perform his prescribed duty to fight against irreligion
- 4 Examples: Women has to cook for family in heat, one has to take cold shower in the morning in winter.

# Text - 16-19

Soul Never changes, Material Body Always Change, Soul is indestructible



- The Soul pervades the entire body and its indestructible.
- 2 Symptom of Soul is Consciousness, this consciousness is limited to ones own body (individual consciousness)
- 3 Size of Soul is one ten thousand the Tip of the Hair.
- 4 The Soul is situated in the region of heart and cannot be asserted by any material means b/c its Spiritual.
- Soul is immeasurable (minute), Material body is sure to come to an end, there is no doubt, its matter of time, as soon as soul leaves the body, the body starts decomposing. Arjuna therefore must fight.
- When someone is killed, body is killed, soul is eternal and hence cannot be slayed. When someone thinks he has killed or is being killed is not in Knowledge. However this does not encourage killing others.

# Text - 20-21

Soul is neither born nor dies, unborn, eternal, ever-existing and primeval



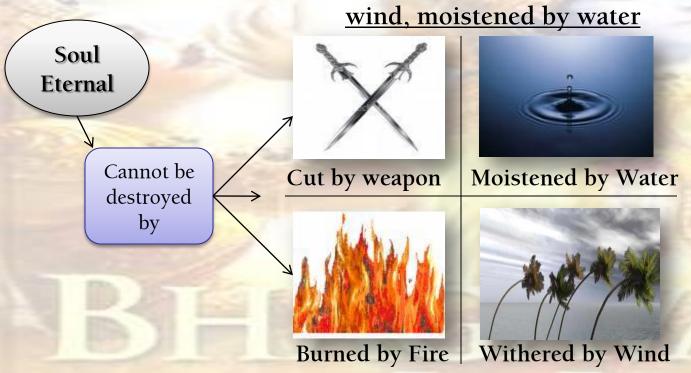
- The symptom of Soul is consciousness, even if we can't find soul physically in the region of heart, we can understand/perceive by the symptom ie consciousness. Eg. Sun covered by Clouds.
- 2 Soul is full of eternal, full of Knowledge and blissful, Currently covered by its desire to enjoy separate from Krsna.
- There are 2 kinds of Soul minute particle soul ( u-atma) and the Supersoul (vibhu-atma). The consciousness of Supersoul is different to that of particle soul. Supersoul knows about past, present and future all the time, where as particle soul subjected to forgetfulness.
- 4 Violent has its utility, Manu Samhita: Murderer should be killed otherwise will suffer in his next life. Similarly fighting under direct order of Krsna is not Violence. Eg. Surgical operation is meant for curing not killing.



- 1 Changing of body is compared to changing of garment, when it becomes old and useless.
- 2 individual soul is transferred to another body by the Grace of Supersoul. The Supersoul being a friend of the soul eternally fulfills the desire of the friend.
- Arjuna is advised by Lord Krsna, not to lament for the changes of the body of Bhisma and Drona since they will be cleansed from the reaction of all the activities of the present body and will get fresh new body.

# Text - 23

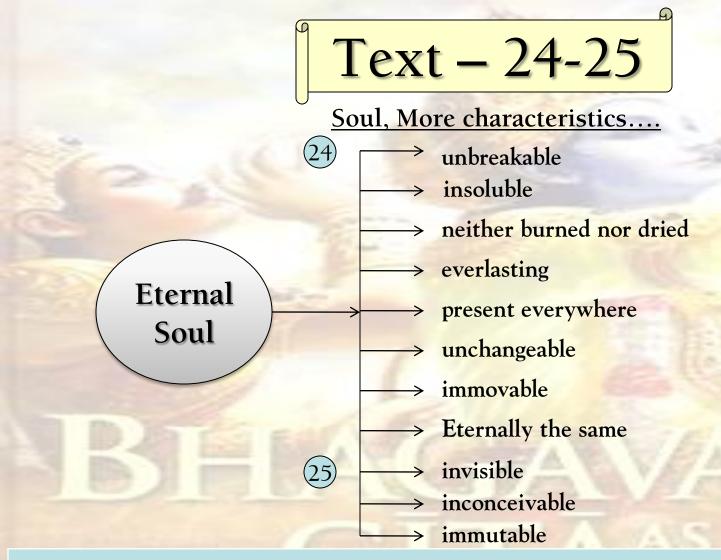
Soul cannot be cut by weapon, burned by fire, withered by



Analogy – Sparks of Fire compared to Soul, separated



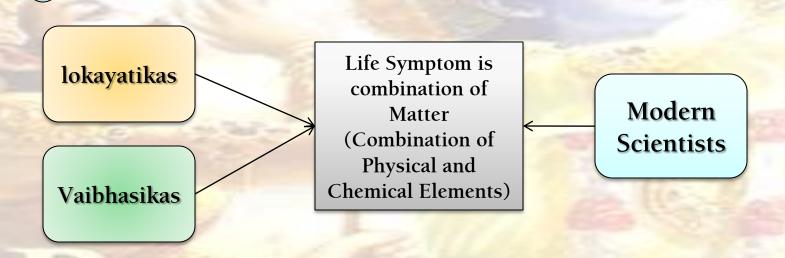
- All kinds of weapons swords, flame weapons, rain weapons, tornado weapons, etc. are unable to kill the spirit soul because it spiritual.
- individual souls are eternally parts and parcel of the Supreme Soul. Its not that the individual soul is cut from the Supreme Soul.
- 3 When the individual soul is liberated, it does not merge into supersoul.



- 1 Spirit soul is eternally the same size and never become homogenous.
- 2 | Spirit Soul is (sarva-gatah) present everywhere ie earth, water, air, fire, even in the sun planet
- Magnitude of Soul is very small, cannot be seen by Microscope, it should be understood from scriptures, inconceivable by experimental knowledge. Repetition means to understand matter thoroughly.

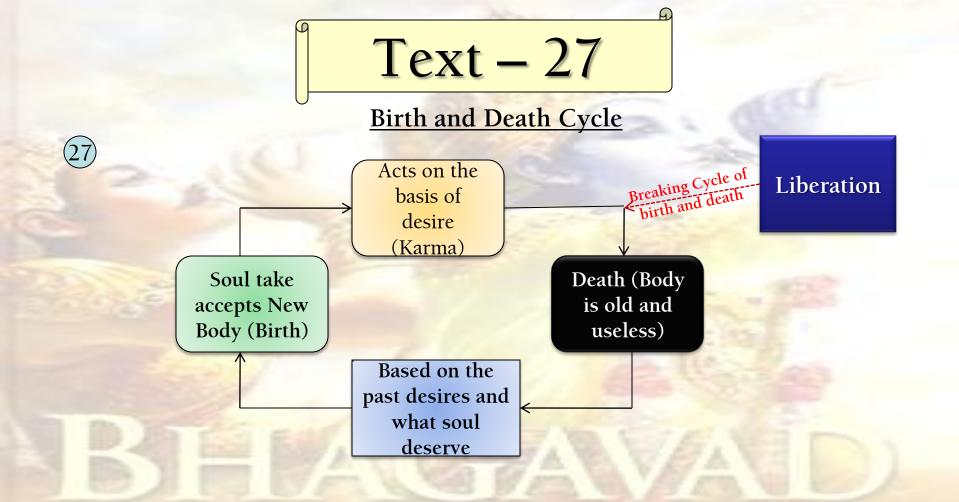
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Atheistic Arguments: Soul is always born and dies for ever.

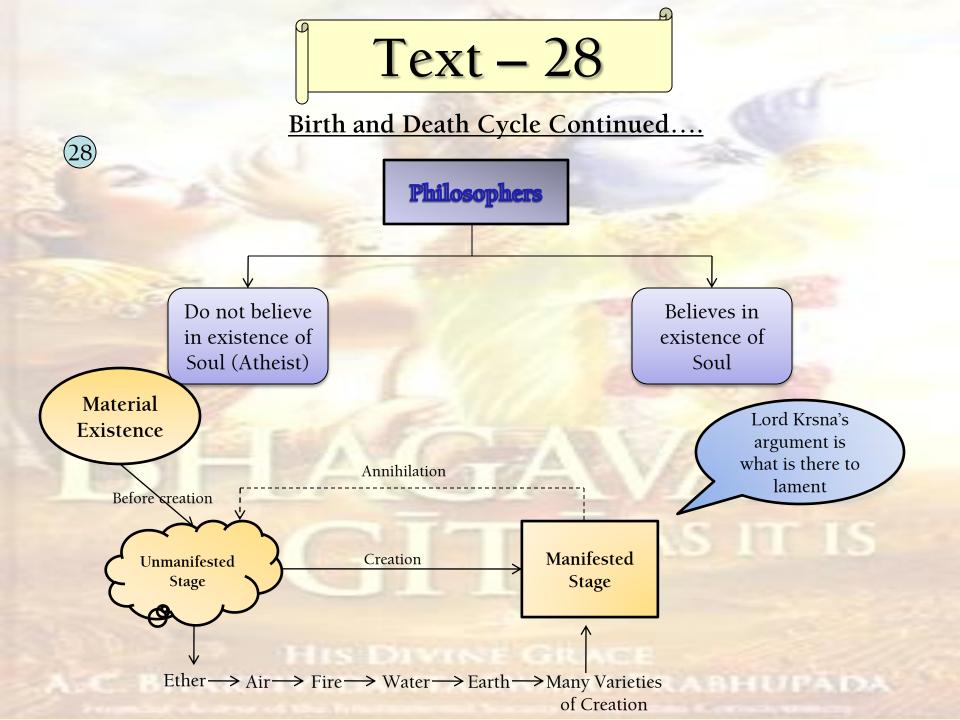


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- Lord Krishna tells even if Arjuna believes that life is combination of Matter, there is no reason to lament since no one laments for the destruction of lump of Chemicals and stop performing their prescribed duties.
- If there were no rebirth for the soul, Arjuna had no reason to be afraid of being affected by sinful reactions due to his killing his grandfather and teacher
- 3 Maha-bahuh Mighty bowman : b/c Arjuna did not accept these bogus theories.

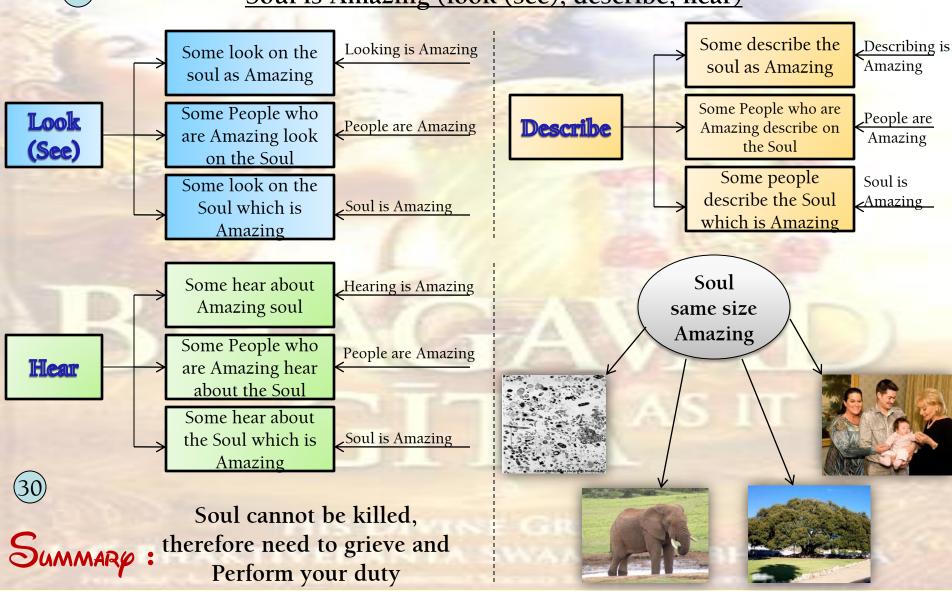


- 1 Cycle of birth and death does not mean one can kill unnecessarily, Violence is required if the Dharma has to be protected.
- 2 If Arjuna does not fight for Dharma he would go for wrong course of action (not performing his duty), hence subjected to sinful reaction.



# Text - 29-30

Soul is Amazing (look (see), describe, hear)



### Text - 30

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Soul cannot be killed so Perform your duty

### Analogy for Unnecessary Violence is not Justified

**Judge Awarding Capital Punishment** 



**Surgeon performing Operation** 



### **Characteristics of Soul**

No	Characteristics	No	Characteristics
1	Eternal (12,18,20,21)	16	Cannot be cut into pieces (23)
2	No Change (16)	17	Burned by Fire (23)
3	Indestructible (17,18,21)	18	Moistened by Water (23)
4	Imperishable (17)	19	Withered by Wind (23)
5	Immeasurable (18)	20	Unbreakable (24)
6	Neither Slayer (19)	21	Insoluble (24)
7	Nor ever Slained (19,20,30)	22	Neither burned or dried (24)
8	No Birth, No Death (20)	23	Everlasting (24)
9	Not Come into being (20)	24	Present everywhere (24)
10	Does not come into being (20)	25	Unchangeable (24)
11	Will not come into being (20)	26	Immovable (24)
12	Unborn (20,21)	27	Eternally the Same (24)
13	Ever existing (20)	28	Invisible (25)
14	Primeval (20)	29	Inconceivable (25)
15	Immutable (21,25)	30	Amazing (look, see, hear, describe) (29)

### Summary - Section - C

### Verse 2.31 to 2.38

### KARMAKANDA -- fight! for gains come from dutifully fighting and losses come from not fighting 31-38 If Arjuna dies in battle he will be promoted to heaven, and if he wins the battle, he will rule the earth. Dishonor will overcome him if he leaves the battlefield.

### KARMA-KANDA Regulated Sense Gratification

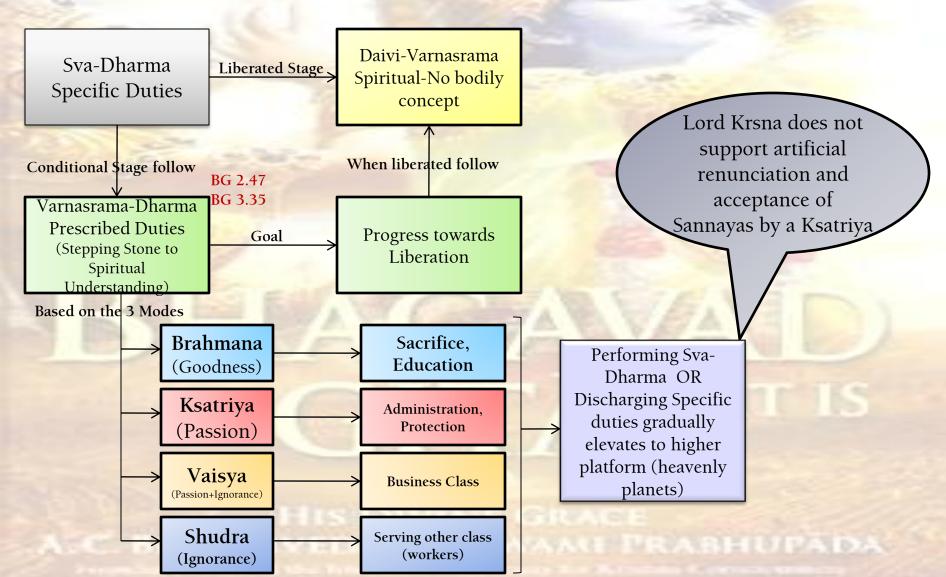
Using Prescribed
methods of Vedas
(Sacrifices & Rituals)
for the purpose of
higher Material Sense
Gratification
(No Spiritual Objectives)

Result Going Up
(Higher Planets) &
comes down to
(Earth/Lower Planets)



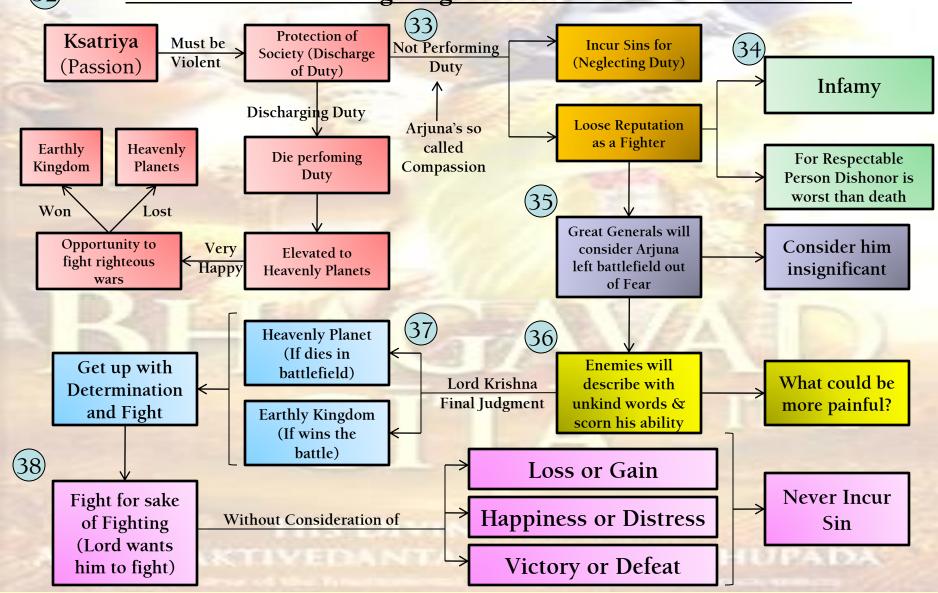
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Lord describes how Fighting would be beneficial – Karmakanda

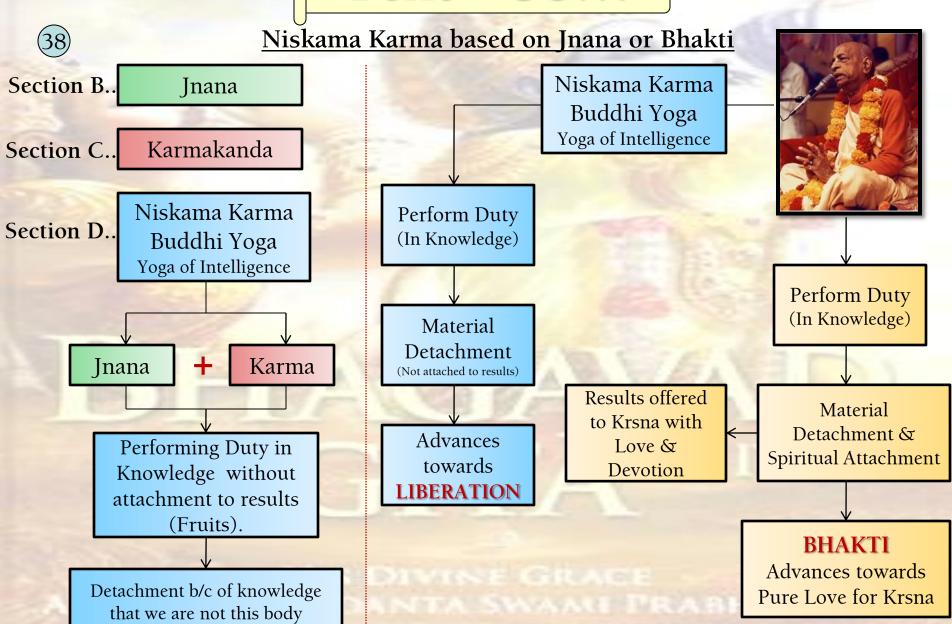


# Text – 32-38

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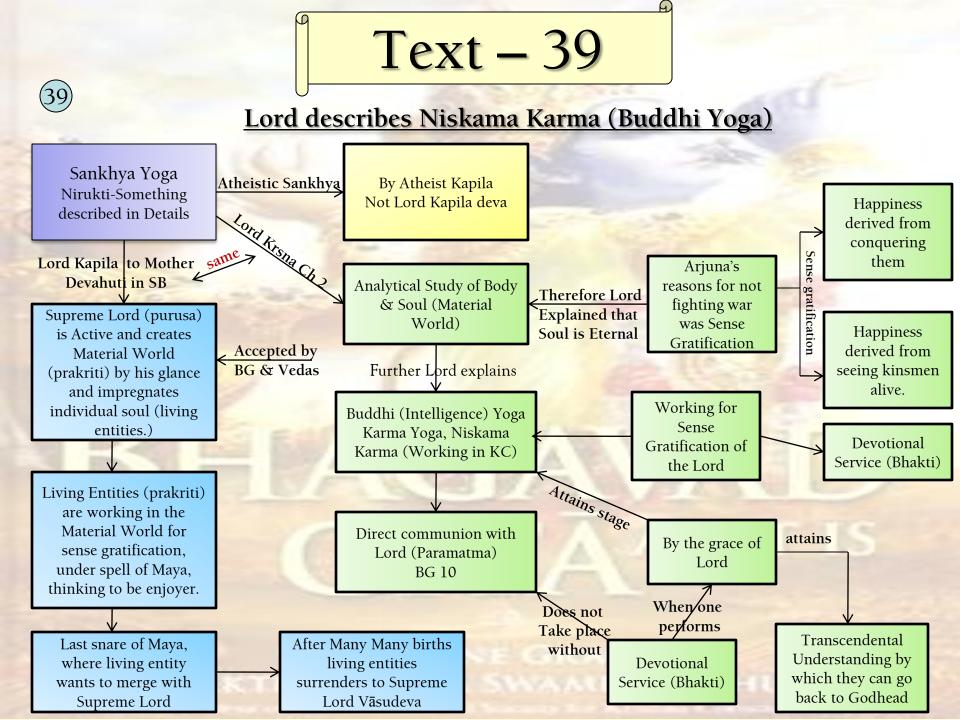


### Summary - Section - D

### Verse 2.39 to 2.53

BUDDHI-YOGA (NISKAMA KARMA) fight! but without any reaction				
39-41	If Arjuna fights without being attached to the			
47-51	result of his fighting, fighting simply because it			
	is Krsna's desire, with his mind focused on			
24	Krsna and in full resolve, his fighting will			
	bring no sinful reaction.			
42-46	Arjuna should rise above the "good and bad"			
52-53	of the Vedic formulas by knowing that the			
500	purpose of the Vedas is to serve Krsna.			

#### Understanding Srila Prabhupada's Vision SP defines this Working Niskama Karma without as Krsna Buddhi Yoga material desires Yoga of Intelligence Consciousness **Gradual Process Direct Process** Performing Duty in Knowledge Accept Lord Krsna as Knowledge without (Jnana) We are SPOG, Fix Mind on attachment to not this body Recommended Lord Krsna, Perform DS results (Fruits). but Spirit Soul Gradually Detach Gradually understand that there is Supreme Gradually Spirit Soul Attain Knowledge Surrender **Understand 3** Attain Lotus to Lord different features Feet of Krsna Krishna's of Supreme Soul Lotus Feet

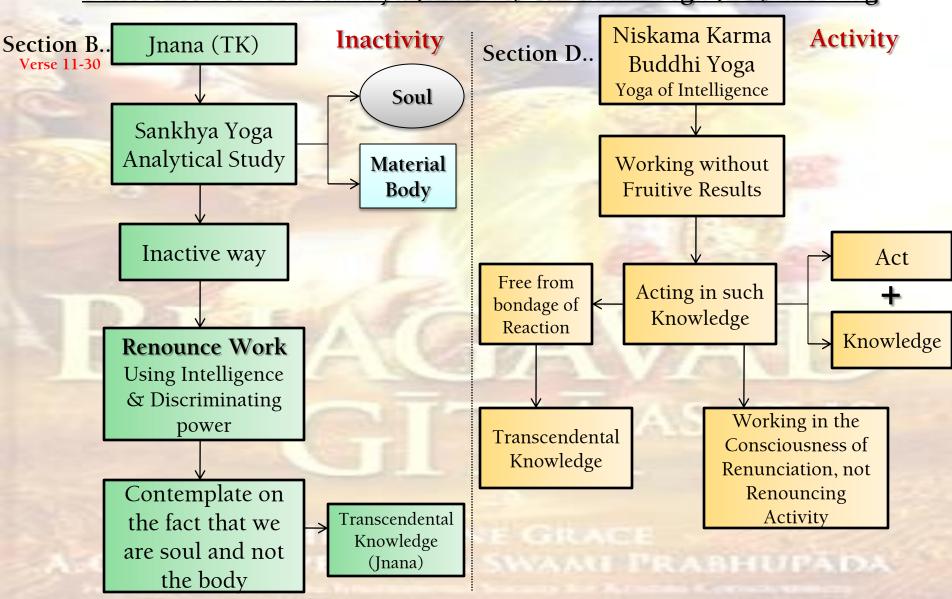


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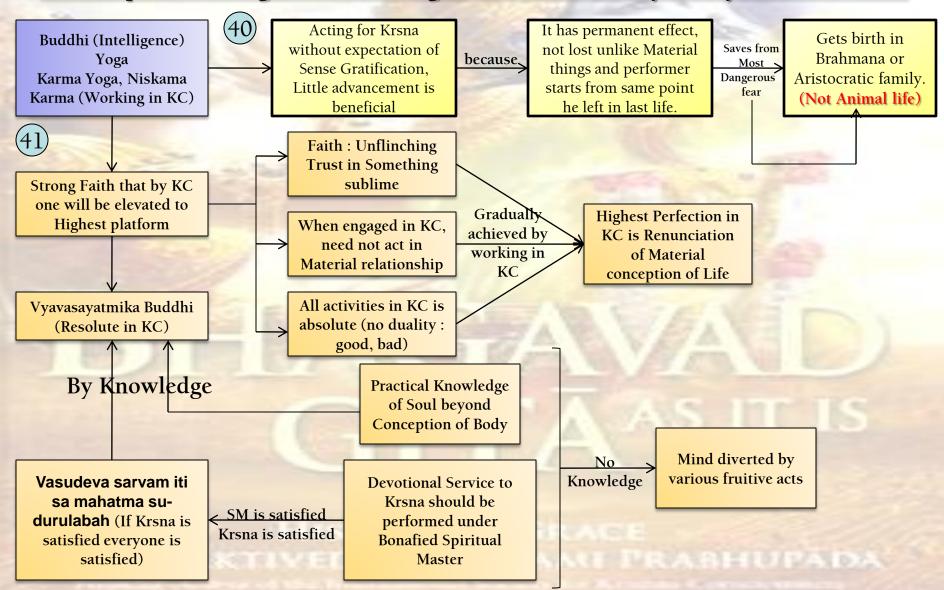
### Major Theme of Bhagavad Gita

Difference between Sankhya (Inactive) & Buddhi Yoga (NK) Working

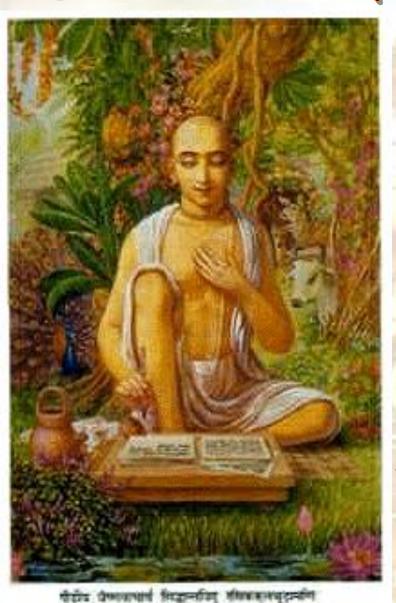


## Text - 40-41

#### Lord explains acting in Buddhi Yoga is beneficial & Vyavasayatmika Buddhi



# SRÎLA VÎSVANAYH CHAKRAVARTÎ (HAKURA

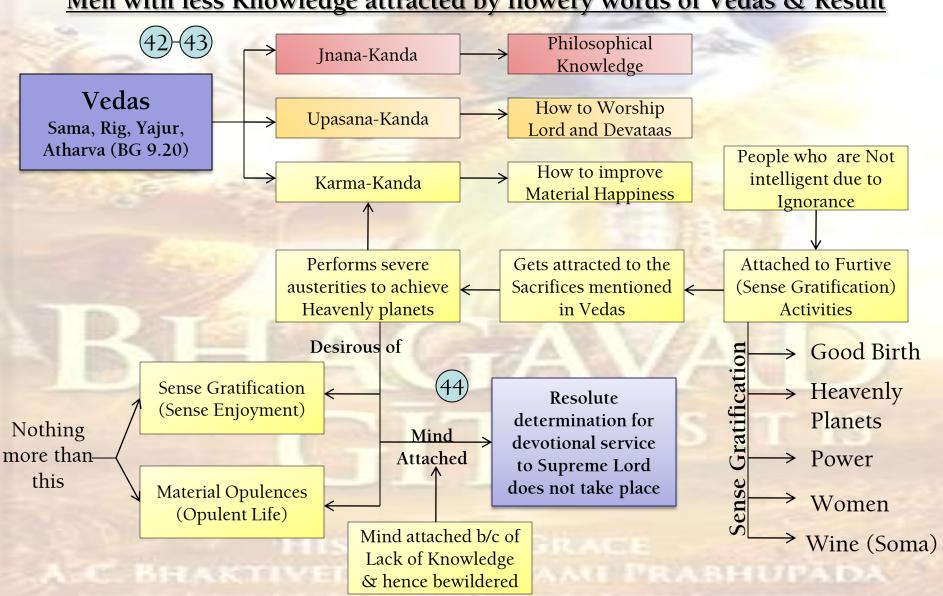


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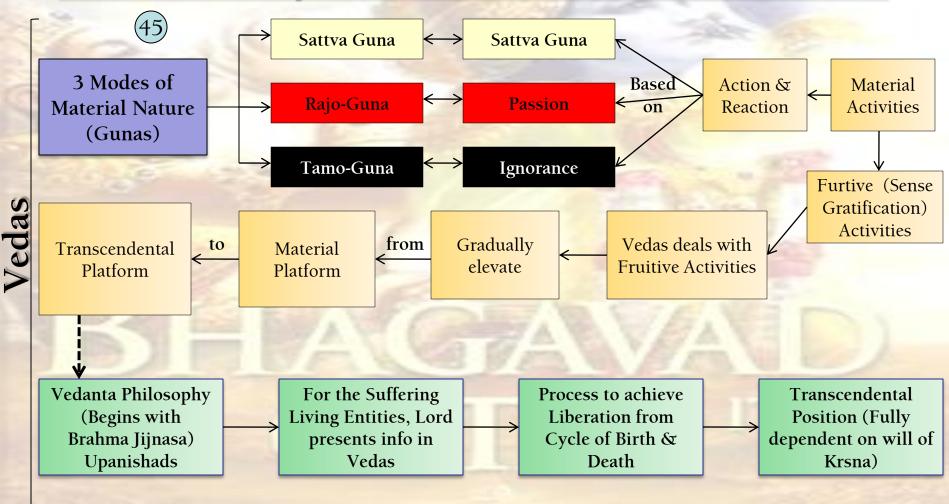
The best kind of intelligence I can have is intelligence used in the service of Krsna. That intelligence is defined as fixed when it is intent upon my spiritual masters instruction such as chanting the names of Krsna, remembering his activities and performing service to his lotus feet. His instructions are my sadhana and my life both in the beginning stages of Bhakti as well as in Bhakti's perfectional stage. I desire only to follow his instructions. I accept nothing else as my life's work, even in dreams, whether I am happy or distressed, whether the material world remains or is destroyed, I do not care, there is no loss for me. I simply must carry our the orders of my Spiritual Master. Fixedness upon his orders is determined intelligence in devotional service. And only by being fixed in his orders such determined intelligence is possible.

## Text - 42-44

#### Men with less Knowledge attracted by flowery words of Vedas & Result

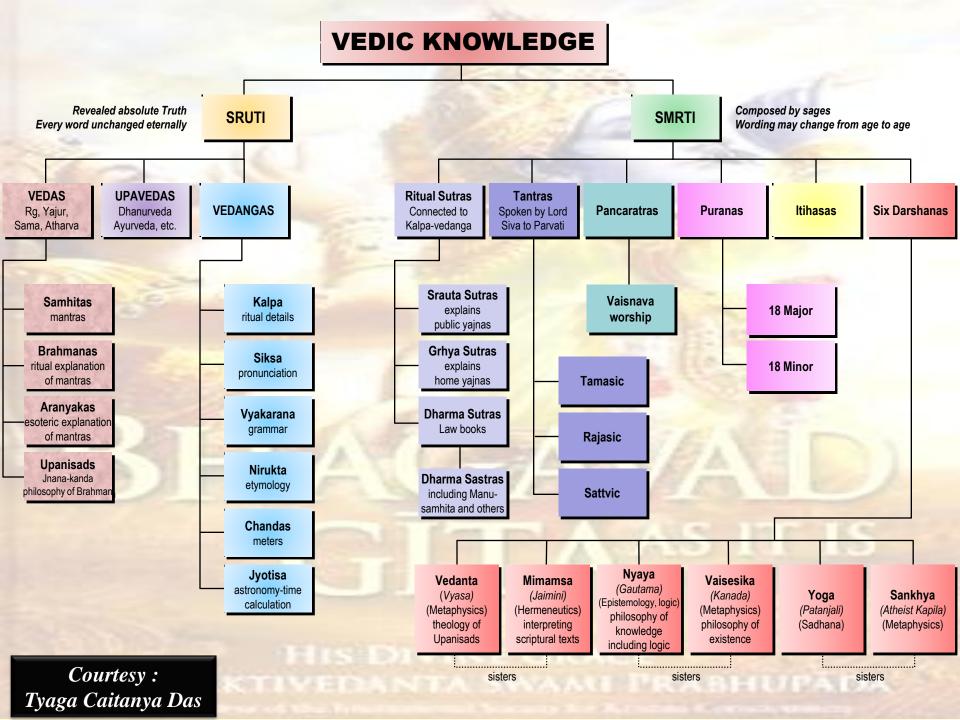


#### Vedas deals with subject of 3 modes, become Transcendental to 3 Modes

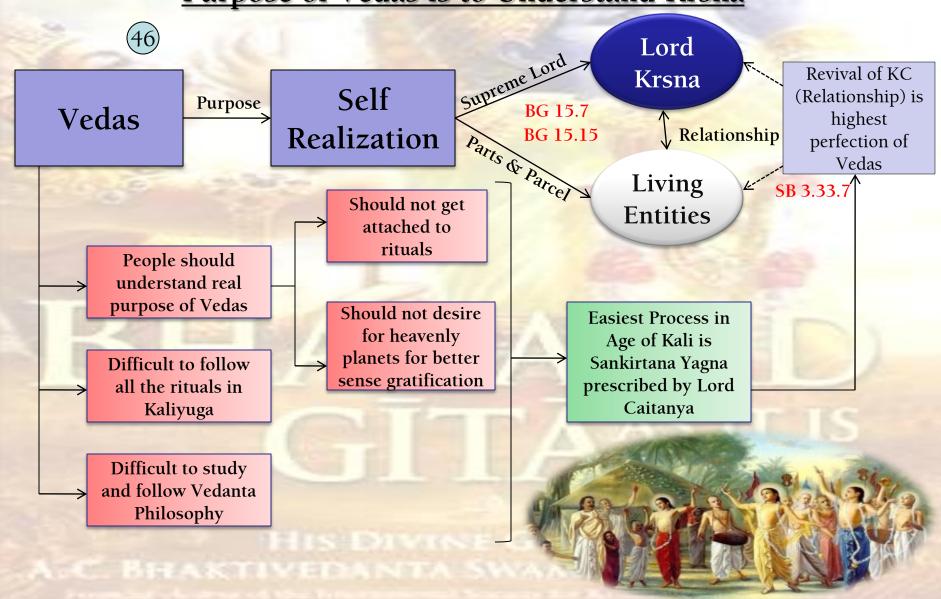


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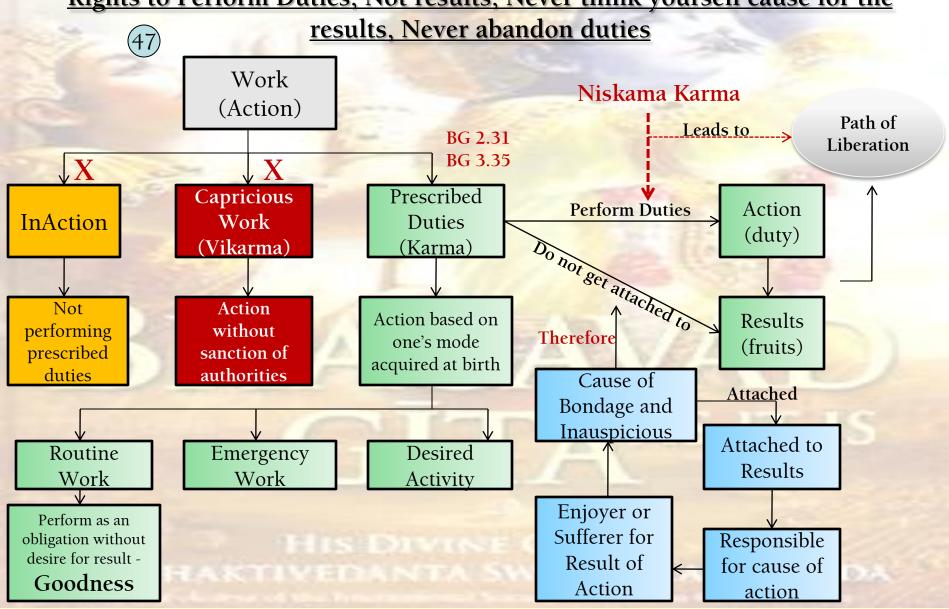
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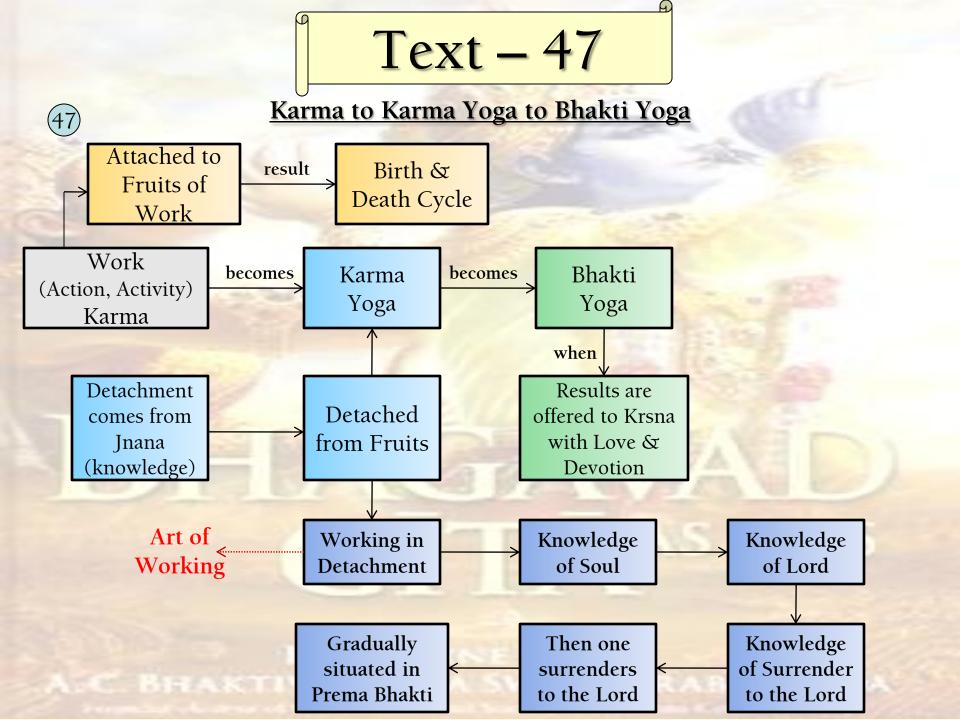


#### Purpose of Vedas is to Understand Krsna



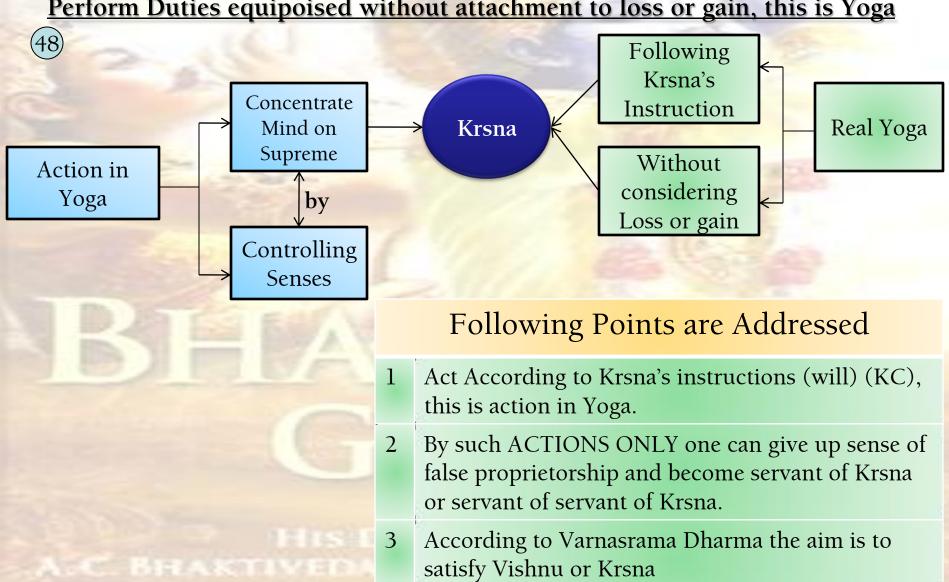
Rights to Perform Duties, Not results, Never think yourself cause for the





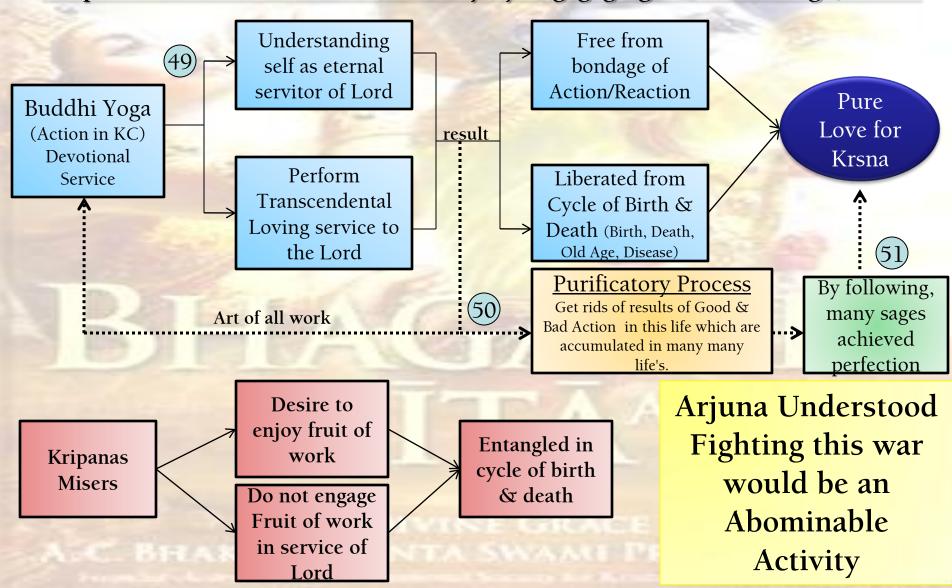
## Text – 48

Perform Duties equipoised without attachment to loss or gain, this is Yoga



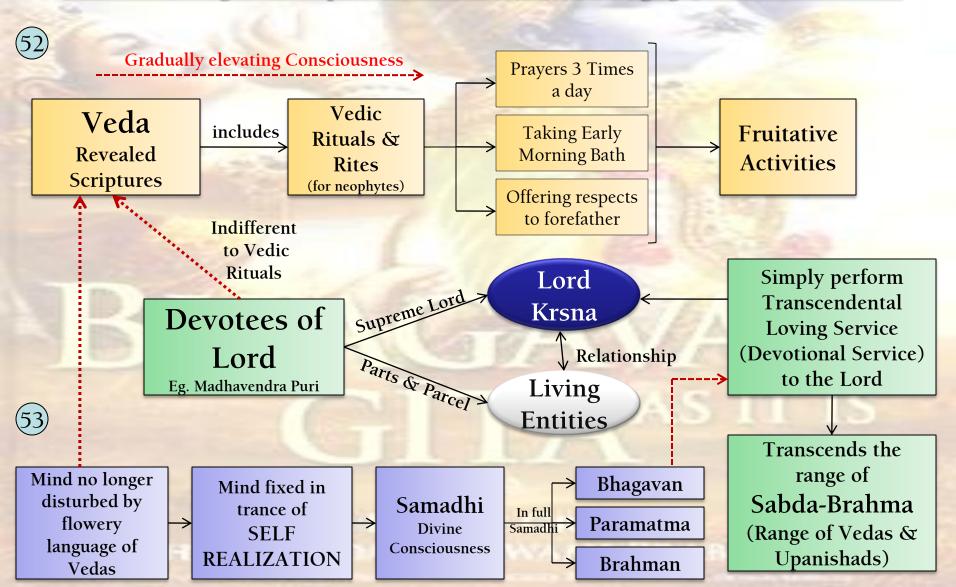


Keep all abominable activities far away by engagaging in Buddhi Yoga, Result

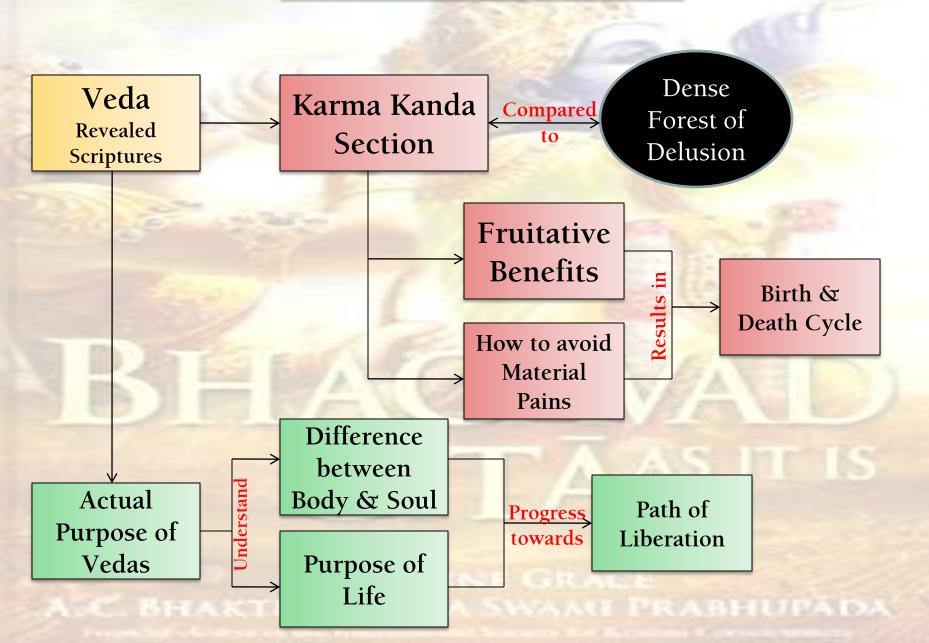


## Text - 52-53

#### When intelligence is purified, one does not engage in Vedic Rituals



#### **Dense Forest of Delusion**



## Summary - Section - E

#### Verse 2.54 to 2.72

STHITA PRAJNA fight! become fixed in Krsna Consciousness	
54	Arjuna asks Krsna four questions about one whose consciousness is merged in transcendence: What are his symptoms? How does he speak? How does he sit? How does he walk?
55	What are his symptoms? (How does he reveal his position?) the self-realized soul has renounced all tinges of sense gratification by finding pleasure in his self.
56-57	How does he speak? (How are his mentality and words affected by the affection, equanimity, or anger of others?) Such a pure soul is neither mentally disturbed, elated, attached, fearful, or angry, and verbally he neither praises nor criticizes the good and evil he attains.
58-63	How does he sit? (What is his mentality when his senses are restrained from their objects?) Such a person remains fixed in transcendental consciousness by virtue of his higher taste for the service of Krsna. (2.59) Therefore, one should restrict one's senses from the sense objects by focusing them on Krsna. Otherwise one will fall down into the material pool.
61-67	How does he walk? (How does he actually engage his senses?) Free from attachment and aversion and satisfied in Krsna consciousness, he is fixed by his intelligence (64-65) and achieves undisturbed peace by ignoring the desires of his mind. Thus, Internally renounced, he acts in connection with the Supreme.
72	Conclusion: By living in this way, one can enter into the kingdom of God at the time of death.

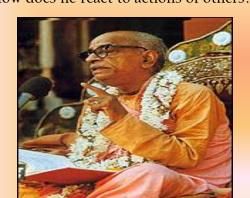
#### Symptoms of Sthita-Prajnaya: How does he Speak, Language, Sit & Walk?

#### Symptoms (55)

How does he reveals his position?

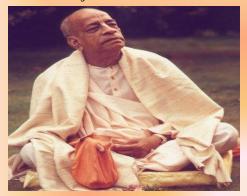


**Speak**, Language (56-57) How does he react to actions of others?

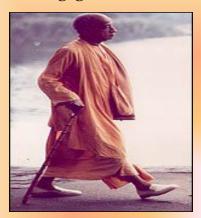


Sit (58-59)

Mentality when senses are withdrawn from sense objects, How is he situated?



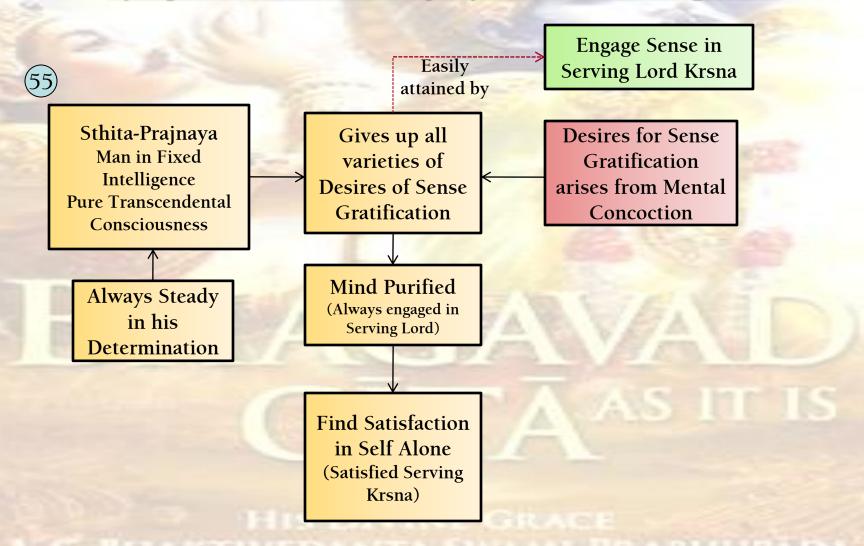
Walk (61-67)
Engage his senses



Parampara Examples

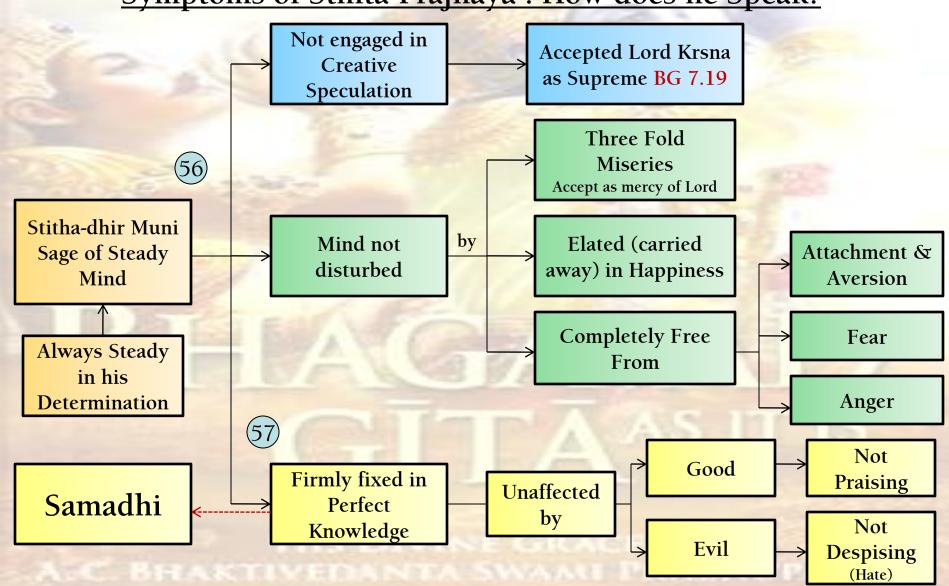


#### Symptoms of Sthita-Prajnaya (Fixed Intelligence)

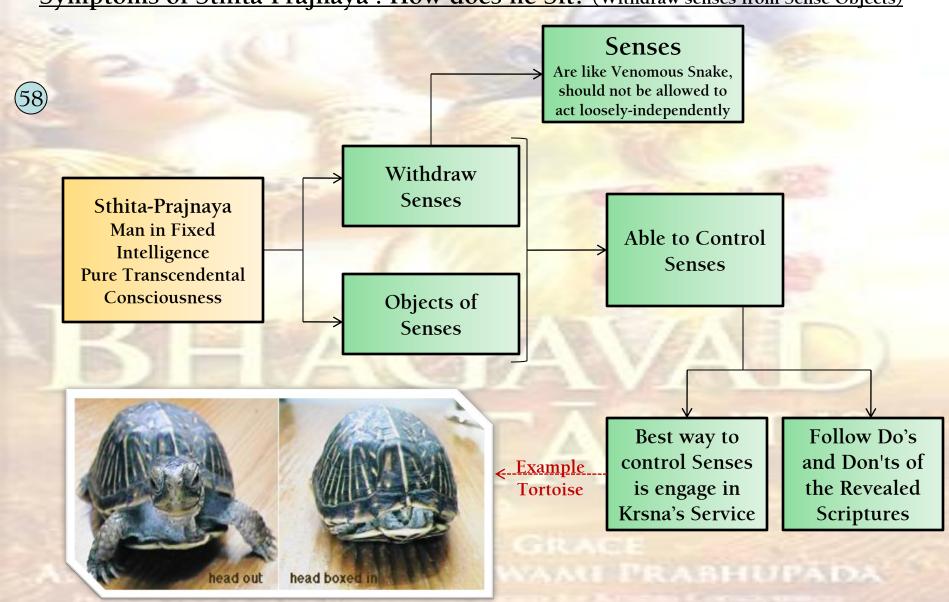


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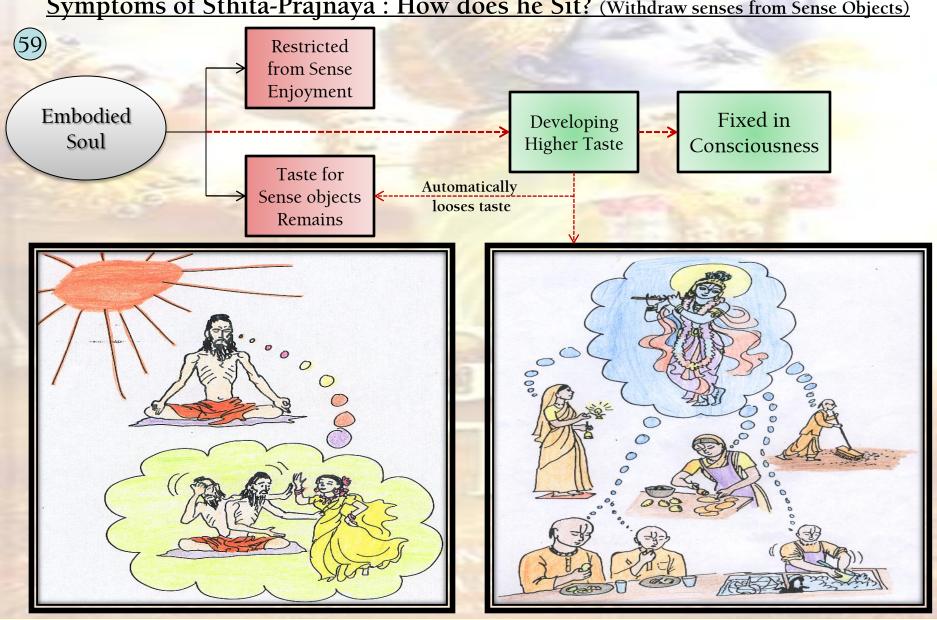
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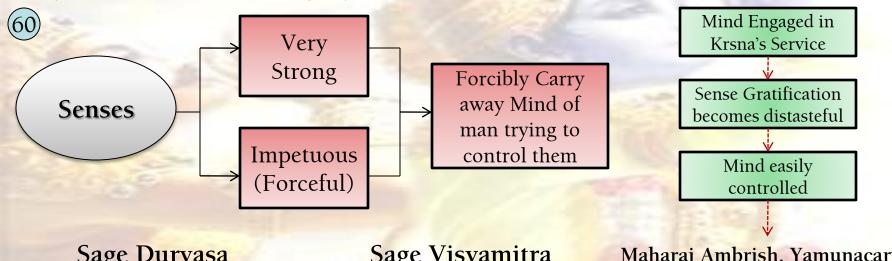
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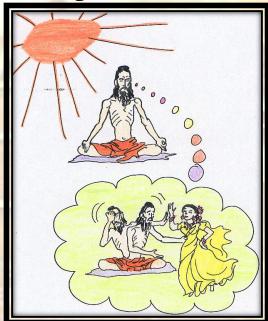
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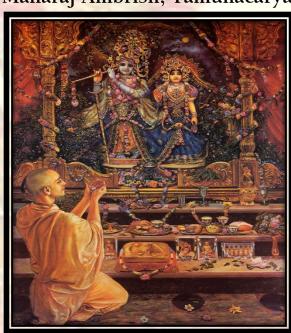
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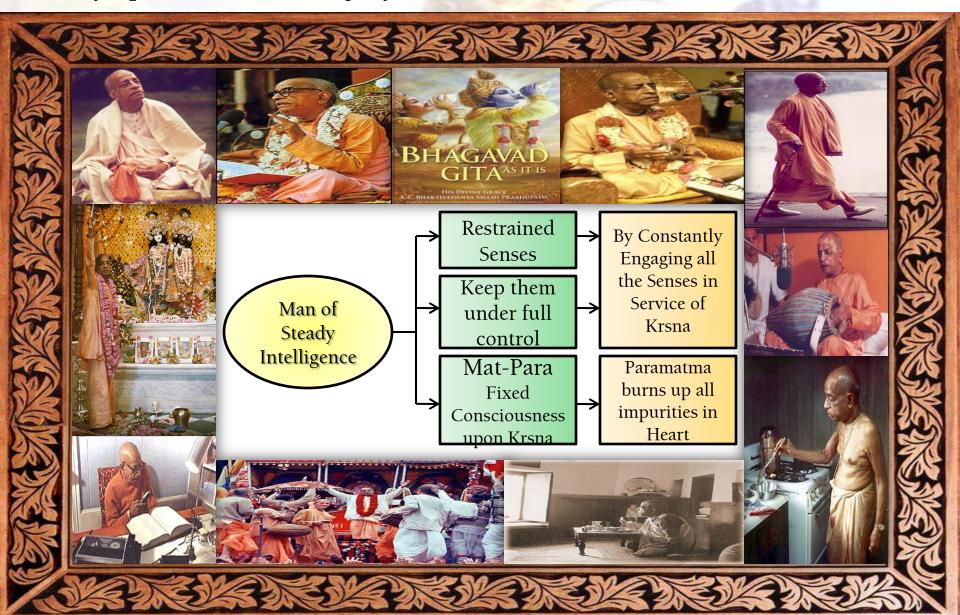
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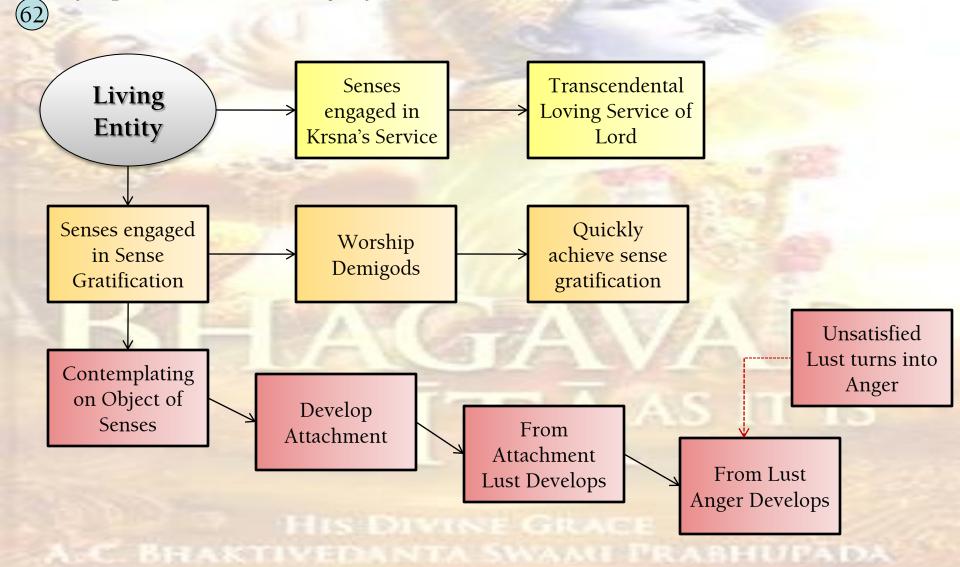


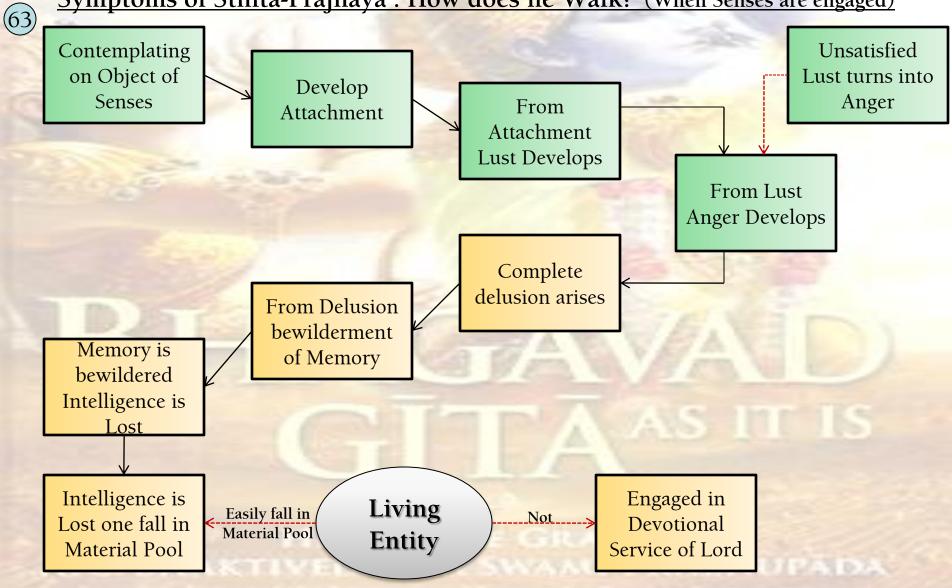
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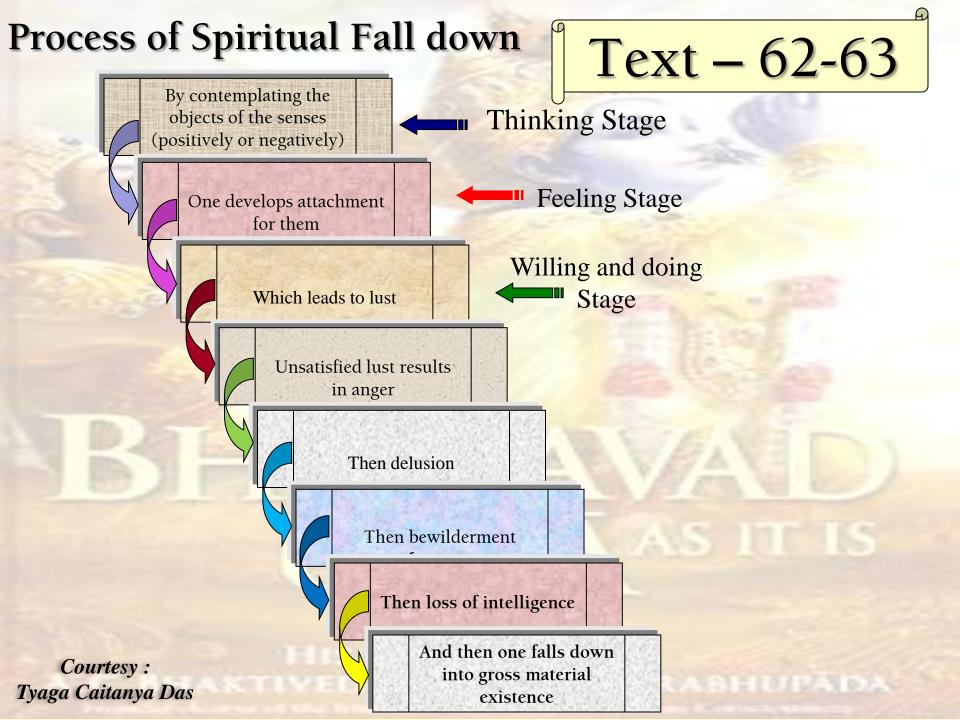


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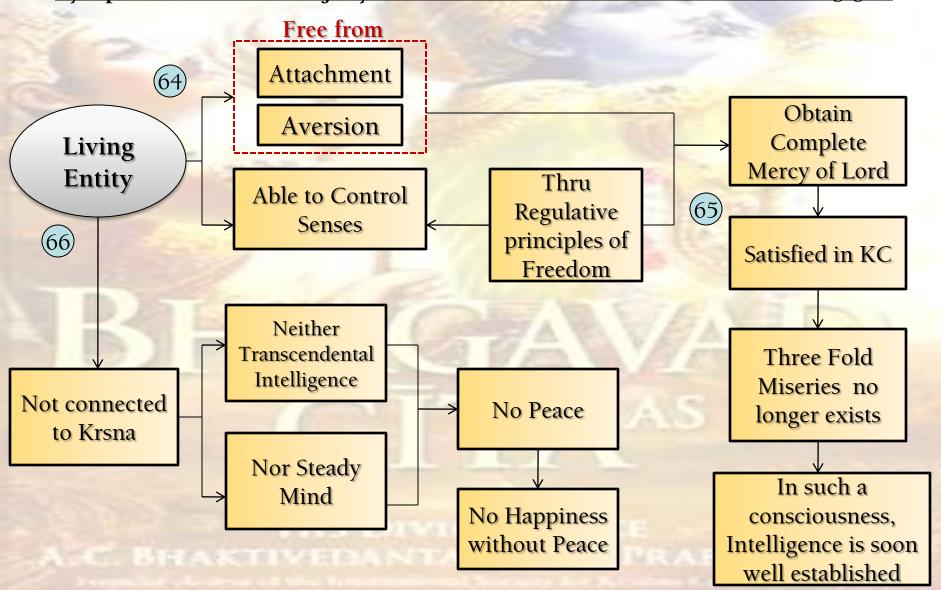






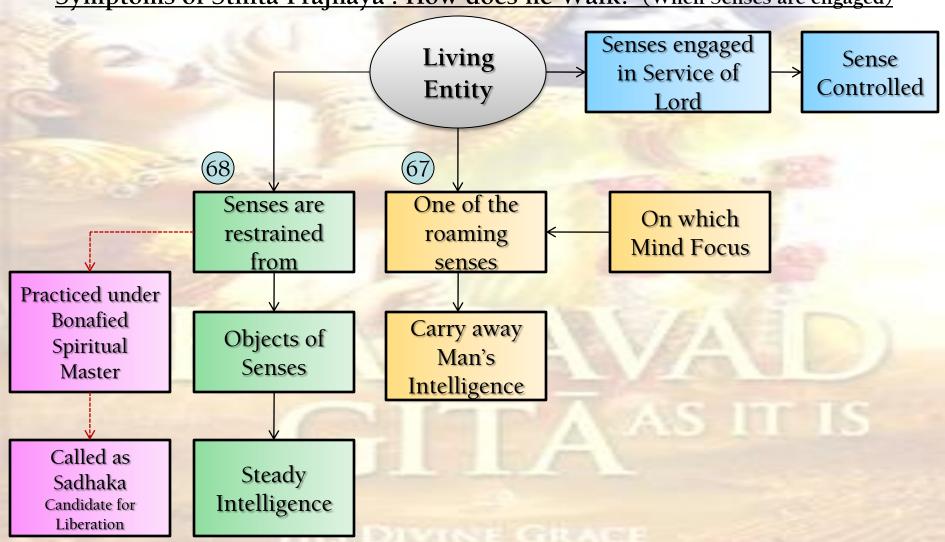


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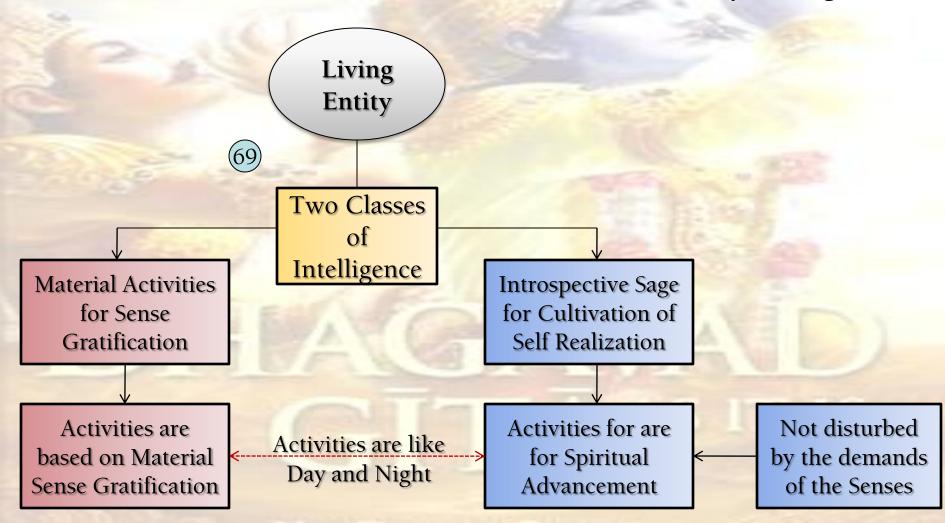
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Symptoms of Sthita-Prajnaya: How does he Walk? (When Senses are engaged)

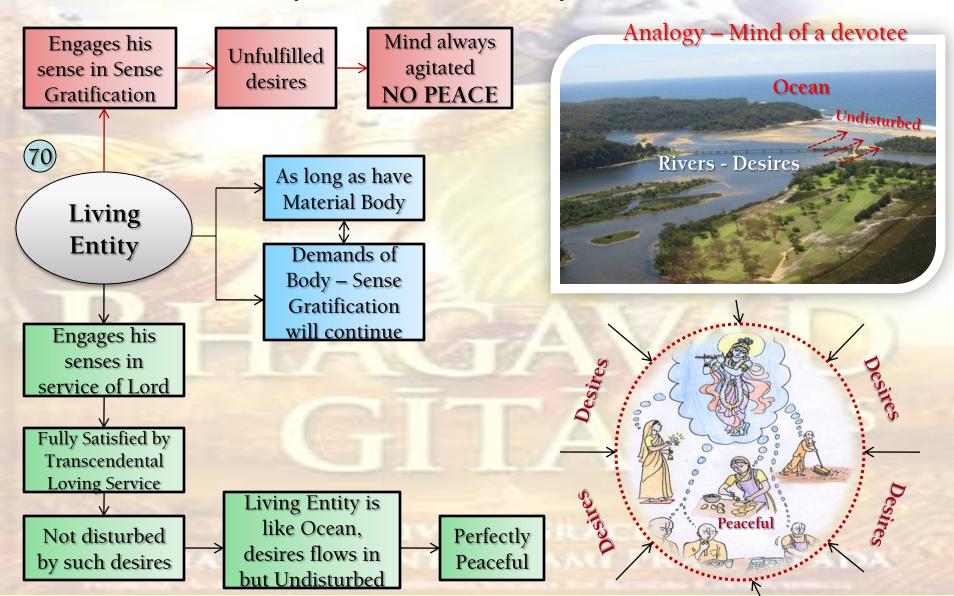


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Activities of Materialist and Transcendentalist are like day and night



Man not disturbed by incessant (indefinately) flow of desire is like Ocean

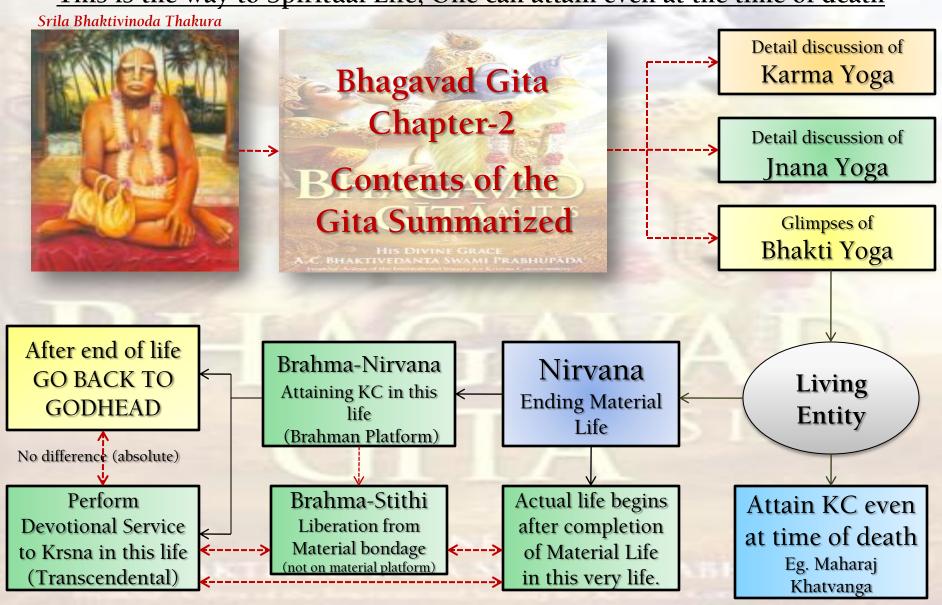


Person who has given up all desires for Sense Gratification, False
Proprietorship and False Ego can attain only attain Peace



Krsna

This is the way to Spiritual Life; One can attain even at the time of death



# Theme for Chapter 2



HIS DIVINE GRACE

# Summary – Chapter 2

Krishna's instructions to Arjuna i.e. the philosophical teachings of the Bhagavad Gita, begin in this chapter. Krishna provides a summary of all the instructions of the Bhagavad Gita in this chapter. Bewildered and perplexed as to the proper course of action, Arjuna submits himself as Kṛiṣhṇa's disciple and asks for instruction.

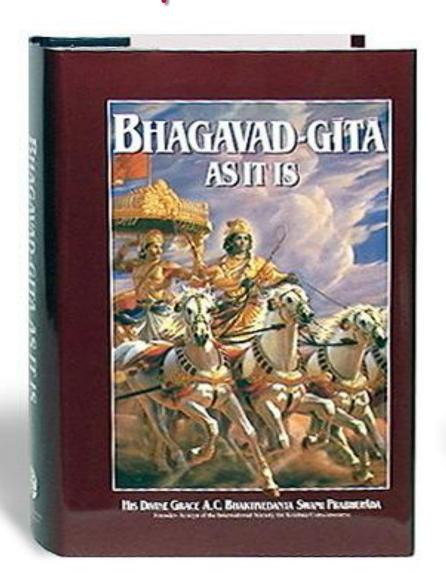
Kṛiṣhṇa begins His teachings by presenting Sāṅkhya philosophy-the analytical study of matter and spirit. To alleviate Arjuna's horror at the thought of killing his relatives, Kṛiṣhṇa contrasts the eternality of the soul (the real self) with the temporality of the material body (the soul's outer covering).

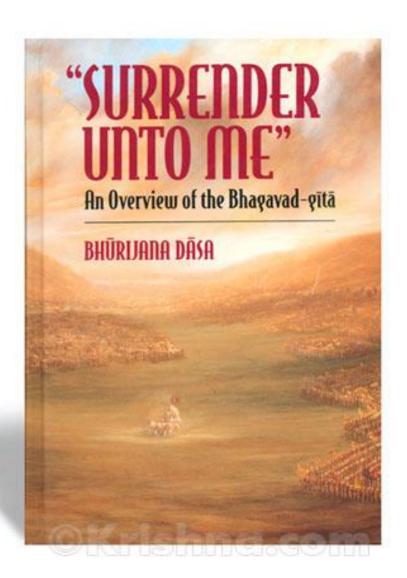
Then Krishna presents Karma-Kanda philosophy, to convince Arjuna. He advises him that if Arjuna dies in battle he will be promoted to heaven, and if he wins the battle, he will rule the earth. Dishonor will overcome him if he leaves the battlefield.

Then Krishna advises that Arjuna's reasons for not fighting, although having some basis in Vedic scripture, miss the higher purpose of the *Vedas*—specifically, to transcend material circumstance through yoga, which is the art of all work. This art means to work in the mode of selfless service, without being attached to the results of his fighting, fighting simply because it is Krsna's desire, with his mind focused on Krsna and in full resolve. By acting in this way, the self realized souls do not get any sinful reaction, and are able to get out of the cycle of birth and death.

Arjuna then asks about the nature of the self realized souls. The Lord explains, the self realized souls are free from desire to enjoy the senses, have a steady mind, indifferent from good & evil, have a taste for devotional activities, and control the senses by engaging them in the devotional activities. One who is not connected with the supreme or not doing devotional activity can not have steady mind or peace or happiness. By being thus situated at the time of death, one can enter into the kingdom of God, which is the ultimate goal of life.

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