

atha

puruṣottama-yoga nāma

pañcadaśo’dhyāyah

Verse 1

श्रीभगवान् उवाच
ऊर्ध्वमूलमधःशाखमस्थं प्राहुरव्ययम् ।
चन्दांसि यस्य पर्णानि यस्तं वेद स वेदवित् ॥१॥

śrī-bhagavān uvāca
ūrdhva-mūlam adhaḥ-sākham aśvattham prāhur avyayam |
chandāṁsi yasya parṇāni yaś tam veda sa veda-vit ||1||

śrīdharaḥ :

vairāgyeṇa vinā jñānam na ca bhaktir atah sphuṭam |
vairāgyopaskṛtam jñānam īśah pañcadaśe’diśat ||

pūrvādhyānte māṁ ca yo’vyabhicāreṇa bhakti-yogena sevate [Gītā 14.26] ity ādinā parameśvaram ekānta-bhaktyā bhajatas tat-prasāda-labdhā-jñānenā brahma-bhāvo bhavatīty uktam | na caikānta-bhaktih jñānam cāviraktasya sambhavatīti vairāgya-pūrvakam jñānam upadeṣṭu-kāmaḥ prathamam tāvat sārdha-ślokābhyaṁ saṁsāra-svarūpam vṛkṣa-rūpakālaṅkāreṇa varṇayan bhagavān uvāca ūrdhva-mūlam iti | ūrdhvam uttamaḥ kṣarākṣarābhyaṁ utkṛṣṭah puruṣottamo mūlam yasya tam | adha iti tato’rvācīnām kāryopādhayo hiranyaagarbhādayo gṛhyante | te tu sākhā iva sākhā yasya tam | vinaśvaratvena śvah prabhāta-paryantam api na sthāsyatīti viśvāśānarhatvād aśvattham prāhuḥ | pravāha-rūpeṇāvicchedād avyayam ca prāhuḥ | ūrdhva-mūlo’vāk-sākha eso’śvatthaḥ sanātana [KaṭhU 2.3.1] ity ādyāḥ śrutayah | chandāṁsi vedā yasya parṇāni dharmādharma-pratipādana-dvāreṇa cchāyā-sthānīyaiḥ karma-phalaiḥ saṁsāra-vṛkṣasya sarva-jīvāśrayanīyatva-pratipādanāt parṇa-sthānīyā vedāḥ | yaś tam evambhūtam aśvattham veda sa eva vedārtha-vit | saṁsāra-prapañca-vṛkṣasya mūlam īśvaraḥ | brahmādayas tad-amśāḥ sākhā-sthānīyāḥ | sa ca saṁsāra-vṛkṣo vinaśvaraḥ | pravāha-rūpeṇa nityāś ca | vedoktaih karmabhiḥ sevyatām āpāditaś ca ity etāvān eva hi vedārthaḥ | ata evam vidvān vedavid iti stūyate ||1||

madhusūdanaḥ : pūrvādhyāye bhagavtā saṁsāra-bandha-hetūn guṇān vyākhyāya teṣām atayena brahma-bhāvo mokṣo mad-bhajanena labhyata ity uktam --

māṁ ca yo’vyabhicāreṇa bhakti-yogena sevate |
sa guṇān samatītyaitān brahma-bhūyāya kalpate || [Gītā 14.26] iti |

tatra manusyasya tava bhakti-yogena kathāṁ brahma-bhāva ity āśāṅkāyāṁ svasya brahma-rūpatā-jñāpanāya sūtra-bhūto’yam śloko bhagavatoktaḥ –

**brahmaṇo hi pratiṣṭhāham amṛtasyāvyayasya ca |
śāsvatasya ca dharmasya sukhasyaikāntikasya ca ||**[Gītā 14.27] iti |

asya sūtrasya vṛtti-sthānīyo’yam pañcadaśo’dhyāya ārabhyate | bhagavataḥ śrī-kṛṣṇasya hi tattvam jñātvā tat-prema-bhajanena guṇātītah san brahma-bhāvam katham āpnuyāl loka iti | tatra brahmaṇo hi pratiṣṭhāham ity ādi bhagavad-vacanam ākarṇya mama tulyo manusyo’yam katham evam vadatīti vismayāviṣṭam apratibhayā lajjayā ca kiṁcid api praṣṭum aśaknuvan tam arjunam ālakṣya kṛpayā sva-svarūpam vivakṣuḥ śrī-bhagavān uvāca ūrdhvetaḥ |

tatra viraktasyaiva saṁsārād bhagavat-tattva-jñāne’dhikāro nānyatheti pūrvādhyāyoktam parameśvarādhīna-prakṛti-puruṣa-saṁyoga-kāryam saṁsāraṁ vṛkṣa-rūpa-kalpanayā varṇayati vairāgyāya prastuta-guṇātītavopāyatvāt tasya | ūrdhvam utkr̄ṣtaṁ mūlam kāraṇam sva-prakāśa-paramānanda-rūpatvena nityatvena ca brahma | atahvordhvam sarva-saṁsāra-bādhe’py abādhitam sarva-saṁsāra-bhramādhiṣṭhānam brahma tad eva māyayā mūlam asyety ūrdhva-mūlam | adha ity arvācīnāḥ kāryopādhayo hiranya-grabhādyā grhyante | te nānā-dik-prasṛtavāc chākhā iva śākhā asyety adhah-śākhām | āśu-vināśitvena na śvo’pi sthāteti viśvāsānarham aśvattham māyā-mayam saṁsāra-vṛkṣam avyayam anādy-ananta-dehādi-santānāśrayam ātma-jñānam antareṇānucchedyam anantam avyayam āhuḥ śrutayah smṛtayaś ca | **śrutayas** tāvat -- ūrdhva-mūlo’vāk-śākha eso’śvatthah sanātanaḥ [KaṭhU 2.3.1] ity ādyah kaṭha-vallīsu paṭhitāḥ | arvāñco nikṛṣṭāḥ kāryopādhayo mahad-ahaṅkāra-tanmātrādayo vā śākhā asyety arvāk-śākha ity adhah-śākha-pada-samānārthaḥ | sanātana tiy avyaya-pada-samānārtham |

smṛtayaś ca—

avyakta-mūla-prabhavas tasyaivānugrahottithāḥ |
buddhi-skandha-mayaś caiva indriyāntara-kotarāḥ ||
mahā-bhūta-visākhaś ca viṣayaiḥ patravāṁś tathā |
dharmādhharma-supuṣpaś ca sukha-duḥkha-phalodayah ||
ājīvyah sarva-bhūtānām brahma-vṛkṣaḥ sanātanaḥ |
etad brahma-vanam cāsyā brahmācarati sākṣivat ||
etac chittvā ca bhittvā ca jñānenā paramāsinā |
tataś cātma-gatim prāpya tasmān nāvartate punah || [Mbh 14.35.20-22] ity ādayah |

avyaktam avyākṛtaṁ māyopādhikām brahma tad eva mūlam kāraṇam tasmāt prabhavo yasya sa tathā | tasyaiva mūlasyāvyaktasyānugrahād atidṛḍhatvād utthitah samvardhitah | vṛkṣasya hi śākhāḥ skandhād udbhavanti | saṁsārasya ca buddheḥ sakāśān nānā-vidhāḥ pariṇāmā bhavanti | tena sādharmyeṇa buddhir eva skandhas tan-mayas tat-pracuro’yam | indriyāṇām antarāṇi cchidrāṇy eva koṭarāṇi yasya sa tathā | mahānti bhūtāṇy ākāśādīni pṛthivy-antāni vividhāḥ śākhā yasya viśākhaḥ stambho yasyeti vā | ājīvyā upajīvyah | brahmaṇā paramātmanādhiṣṭhito vṛkṣo brahma-vṛkṣaḥ | ātma-jñānam vinā chettum aśakyatayā sanātanaḥ | etad brahma-vanam asya brahmaṇo jīva-rūpasya bhogyam vananīyam sambhajaniyam iti vanam brahma sākṣivad ācarati na tv etat kṛtena lipyata ity arthaḥ | etad brahma-vanam saṁsāra-vṛkṣātmakām chittvā ca bhittvā cāharin brahmāsmīty atidṛḍha-

jñāna-khadgena sa-mūlam nikṛtyety arthaḥ ātma-rūpāṁ gatiṁ prāpya tasmād ātma-rūpāṁ mokṣān nāvartata ity arthaḥ | spaṣṭam itarat |

atra ca gaṅgā-taraṇga-nudyamānottuṅga-tat-tīra-tiryāñ-nipatitam ardhonmūlitam
mārutena mahāntam aśvattham upamānīkṛtya jīvantam iyam rūpaka-kalpaneti
draṣṭavyam | tena nordhva-mūlatvādhaḥ-śākhavādy-anupapattiḥ | yasya māyā-
mayasyāśvatthasya cchandāṁsi cchādanāt tattva-vastu-prāvaraṇāt saṁsāra-vṛkṣa-rakṣanād
vā karma-kāṇḍāni ṛg-yajuh-sāma-lakṣaṇāni parṇānīva parṇāni | yathā vṛkṣasya
parirakṣaṇāthāni parṇāni bhavanti tathā saṁsāra-vṛkṣasya parirakṣaṇāthāni karma-
kāṇḍāni dharmādharmaa-tad-dhetu-phala-prakāśanārthatvāt teṣām | yas tam yathā-
vyākhyātām sa-mūlam saṁsāra-vṛkṣam māyā-mayam aśvatthām veda jānāti sa veda-vit
karma-brahmākhyā-vedārtha-vit sa evety arthaḥ | saṁsāra-vṛkṣasya hi mūlam brahma
hiranyaagarbhādayaś ca jīvāḥ śākhā-sthānīyāḥ | sa ca saṁsāra-vṛkṣah svarūpeṇa vinaśvarah
pravāha-rūpeṇa cānantah | sa ca vedoktaḥ karmabhiḥ sicyate brahma-jñānenā ca
cchidiyata ity etāvān eva hi vedārthaḥ | yaś ca vedārthavit sa eva sarva-vid iti sa-mūla-
vṛkṣa-jñānam stauti sa vedavid iti ||1||

viśvanāthah :

saṁsāra-cchedako’saṅga ātmeśāṁśah kṣarākṣarāt |
uttamāḥ puruṣah kṛṣṇah iti pañcadaše kathā ||

pūrvādhyāye --

**māṁ ca yo’vyabhicāreṇa bhakti-yogena sevate |
sa guṇān samatītyaitān brahma-bhūyāya kalpate ||** [Gītā 14.26] ity uktam |

tatra tava manusyasya bhakti-yogena kathām brahma-bhāva iti cet, satyam aham manusya
eva kintu brahmaṇo’pi tasya pratiṣṭhā paramāśraya ity asya sūtra-rūpasya vṛtti-sthānīyo’yam
pañcadaśādhyāya ārabhyate | tatra sa guṇān samatītya ity uktam iti guṇamyo’yam saṁsāraḥ
kah, kuto vāyam pravṛttas tad-bhaktyā saṁsāram atikrāmyan jīvo vā kah | brahma-bhūyāya
kalpate ity uktām brahma vā kim | brahmaṇah pratiṣṭhā tvam vā ka ity-ādy-apeksāyām
prathamam atiśayokty-alaṅkāreṇa saṁsāro’yam adbhuto’śvattha-vṛkṣa iti varṇayati | ūrdhvē
sarva-lokopari-tale satya-loke prakṛti-bījottha-prathama-praroha-rūpa-mahat-tattvātmakaś
caturmukha eka eva mūlam yasya tam | adhaḥ svar-bhuvor-bhūlokeṣu anantā deva-
gandharva-kinnarāśura-rākṣasa-preta-bhūta-manuṣya-gavāśvādi-paśu-pakṣi-kṛmi-kīṭa-
pataṅga-sthāvarāś tāḥ śākhā yasya tam aśvatthām dharmādi-caturvarga-sādhakatvād
aśvatthām uttamām vṛkṣam | śleṣeṇa bhaktimatām na śvah sthāsyatīty aśvatthām naṣṭa-
prāyam ity arthaḥ | abhaktānām tv avyayam anaśvaram | chandāṁsi vāyavyām śvetam
ālabheta bhūmikām aindram ekādaśaka-pālām nirvapet prajākāmāḥ ity ādyāḥ karma-
pratipādakā vedāḥ saṁsāra-vardhakatvāt parṇāni | vṛkṣo hi parṇaiḥ śobhate | yas tam jānāti
sa vedajñāḥ | tathā ca ūrdhvā-mūlo’vāk-śākha eso’śvatthaḥ sanātanaḥ [KathU 2.3.1] iti
kaṭha-vallī-śrutiḥ ||1||

baladevah :

saṁsāra-cchedi vairāgyam jīvo me’mśah sanātanaḥ |
aham sarvottamāḥ śrīmān iti pañcadaše smṛtam ||

pūrvatra vijñānānandasyautpattika-guṇāṣṭakasyāpi jīvasya karma-rūpānādi-vāsanānuguṇena
bhagavat-saṅkalpena prakṛti-guṇa-saṅgah | sa ca bahuvidhas tad-atyayaś ca bhagavad-bhakti-

śiraskena viveka-jñānena bhavet tasmīm ca sati samprāpta-nija-svarūpo jīvo bhagavantam
āśritya prmodo sarvadā tasmīm tiṣṭhatīty uktam | atha tad-viveka-jñāna-sthairya-karam
vairāgyam jīvasya bhajanīya-bhagavad-amśatvam bhagavataḥ svetara-sarvottamatvam cokteṣ
artheśūpayogāya pañcadaśe’smin varṇyate | tatra tāvad guṇa-viracitasya saṁsārasya vairāgya-
vaicchedyatvāt saṁsāram vṛksatvena vairāgyam ca śastratvena rūpayañ varṇayati bhagavān --
ūrdhvamūlam ity ādibhis tribhiḥ |

samsāra-rūpam aśvattham ūrdhva-mūlam adhaḥ-sākham prāhuḥ | ūrdhvam sarvopari-satya-
loke pradhāna-bijottha-prathama-praroha-rūpa-mahat-tattvātmaka-caturmukha-rūpam
mūlam yasya saḥ | adhaḥ satya-lokād arvācīneṣu svar-bhuvar-bhūr-lokeṣu deva-gandharva-
kinnarāsura-yakṣa-rākṣasa-manuṣya-paśu-pakṣi-kīṭa-pataṅga-sthāvarāntā nānādik-
prasrtatvāc chākhā yasya tam | caturvarga-phalāśrayatvād aśvattham uttama-vṛkṣam |
tādṛśena viveka-jñānena vinā nivṛtter abhāvād avyayañ pravāha-rūpeṇa nityaṁ ca | tam
āhuḥ śrutayaś cātra --

ūrdhva-mūlo’vāk-sākha
eṣo’śvatthaḥ sanātanaḥ |
ūrdhva-mūlam arvāk-sākham
vṛkṣam yo veda samprati || [KathU 2.3.1] ity ādikāḥ |

yasya samsārāśvatthasya chandāṁsi karmākarma-pratipādakāni śruti-vākyāni vāsanāā-rūpa-
tan-nidāna-vardhakatvāt parṇāni prāhus tāni cchandāṁsi vāyavyam śvetam ālabheta bhūti-
kāma aindram ekādaśaka-pālām nirvapet prajā-kāmaḥ ity ādīni bodhyāni | patrais tarur
vardhate śobhate ca tam aśvattham yo veda yathoktam jānāti sa eva veda-vit | vedah khalu
samsārasya vṛkṣatvam chedyatvābhiprāyeṇāha tad-chedanopāyajño vedārthavid iti bhāvah |

Verse 2

अधश्चेष्ट्वा प्रसूतास्तस्य शाखा
गुणपवृद्धा विषयप्रवालः ।
अधश्च मूलान्यनुसंततानि
कर्मनुबन्धीनि मनुष्यलोके ॥२॥

adhaś cordhvam prasṛtās tasya sākhā
guṇa-pravṛddhā viṣaya-pravālāḥ |
adhaś ca mūlāny anusamtatāni
karmānubandhīni manusya-loke ||2||

śrīdharaḥ : kiṁ ca adhaś ceti | hiraṇyagarbhādayaḥ kāryopādhayo jīvāḥ sākhā-
sthānīyatvenoktāḥ | teṣu ca ye duṣkṛtinas te’dhāḥ paśv-ādi-yoniṣu prasṛtās tasya samsāra-
vṛkṣasya sākhāḥ | kiṁ ca, gunaiḥ sattvādi-vṛttibhir jala-secanair iva yathāyathām pravṛddhā
vṛddhim prāptāḥ | kiṁ ca, viṣayā rūpādayaḥ pravālāḥ pallava-sthānīyā yāsām tāḥ | sākhāgra-
sthānīyābhīr indriya-vṛttibhiḥ samyuktatvāt | kiṁ ca, adhaś ca ca-sabdād ūrdhvam ca |
mūlāny anusamtatāni virūḍhāni | mukhyām mūlam īśvara eva | imāni tv antarālāni mūlāni
tat-tad-bhoga-vāsanā-lakṣaṇāni | teṣām kāryam āha manusya-loke karmānubandhīnīti |
karmaivānubandhy uttara-kāla-bhāvi yeṣām tāni | ūrdhvādho-lokeśūpabhukta-tat-tad-bhoga-
vāsanādibhir hi karma-kṣaye manusya-lokam prāptānām tat-tad-anurūpeṣu karmasu

pravṛttir bhavati | tasminn eva hi karmādhikāro nānyeṣu lokeṣu | ato manusya-loka ity uktam ||2||

madhusūdanaḥ : tasyaiva samsāra-vṛkṣasyāvayava-sambandhiny aparā kalpanocaye adhaś ceti | pūrvam hiranyagarbhādayah kāryopādhayo jīvāḥ śākhā-sthānīyatvenoktāḥ | idānīm tu tad-gato viṣeṣa ucyate | teṣu ye kapūya-caraṇā duṣkṛtinās te’dhah paśv-ādi-yoniṣu prasṛtā vistāram gatāḥ | ye tu ramaṇīya-caraṇāḥ sukr̄tinās ta ūrdhvam devādi-yoniṣu prasṛtā ato’dhāś ca manusyatvād ārabhya viriñci-paryantam ūrdhvam ca tasmād evārabhya satya-loka-paryantam prasṛtās tasya samsāra-vṛkṣasya śākhāḥ | kīdr̄śas tāḥ ? guṇaiḥ sattva-rajas-tamo bhir dehendriya-viṣayākāra-parinatair jala-secanair iva pravṛddhāḥ sthūlibhūtāḥ | kiṁ ca, viṣayāḥ śabdādayah pravālāḥ pallavā iva yāsām samsāra-vṛkṣa-śākhānām tās tathā śākhāgra-sthānīyābhir indriya-vṛttibhiḥ sambandhād rāgādhiṣṭhānatvāc ca | samyuktatvāt | kiṁ ca, adhaś ca ca-śabdād ūrdhvam ca mūlāny avāntarāṇi tat-tad-bhoga-janita-rāga-dveśādi-vāsanā-lakṣaṇāni mūlānīva dharmādharma-pravṛtti-kārakāṇi tasya samsāra-vṛkṣasyānusantatāni anusyūtāni | mukhyam ca mūlām brahmaiveti na doṣāḥ | kīdr̄śāny avāntara-mūlāni ? karma dharmādharma-lakṣaṇam anubandhum paścāj janayitum śīlaṁ yeṣām tāni karmānubandhīni | kutra ? manusya-loke manusyaś cāsau lokaaś cety adhikṛto brāhmaṇyādi-viśiṣṭo deho manusya-lokas tasmin bāhulyena karmānubandhīni | manusyānām hi karmādhikārah prasiddhaḥ ||2||

viśvanāthaḥ : adhah paśv-ādi-yoniṣu ūrdhvē devādi-yoniṣu prasṛtās tasya samsāra-vṛkṣasya guṇaiḥ sattvādi-vṛttibhir jala-sekair iva pravṛddhāḥ | viṣayā śabdādayah pravālāḥ pallava-sthānīyā yāsām tāḥ | kiṁ ca tasya mūle sarva-lokair alakṣito mahā-nidhiḥ kaścid astīty anumīyate yam eva mūla-jāṭābhir avalambya sthitasya tasyāśvattha-vṛkṣasyāpi baṭa-vṛkṣasyeva śākhāsv api bāhyā jaṭāḥ santīty āha adhaś ceti | brahma-loka-mūlasyāpi tasyādhaś ca manusya-loke karmānubandhīni karmānulambīni mūlāny anusantatāni nirantaram vistṛtāni bhavanti | karma-phalānām yatas tato bhogānte punar manusya-janmany eva karmasu pravṛttāni bhavantīty arthaḥ ||2||

baladevaḥ : kiṁ cādha iti | tasyokta-lakṣaṇasya samsārāśvatthasya śākhā adha ūrdhvam ca prasṛtāḥ | adho manusya-paśv-ādi-yoniṣu duṣkṛtair ūrdhvam ca deva-gandharvādi-yoniṣu sukr̄tair vistṛtāḥ | guṇaiḥ sattvādi-vṛttibhir ambu-niṣekair iva pravṛddhāḥ sthāulya-bhājāḥ | viṣayāḥ śabda-sparśādayah pravālāḥ pallavā yāsām tāḥ | śākhāgra-sthānīyābhiḥ śrotrādi-vṛttibhir yogād rāgādhiṣṭhānatvāc ca śabdādīnām pallava-sthānīyatvam |

tasyāśvatthasyādhaś ca śabdād ūrdhvam cāvāntarāṇi mūlāny anusantatāni vistṛtāni santi | tāni ca tat-tad-bhoga-janita-rāga-dveśādi-vāsanā-rūpāṇi dharmādharma-pravṛtti-kāritvān mūla-tulyāny ucyante | mukhyam mūlām tādṛk caturmukhas tat-tad-vāsanās tv avāntara-mūlāni nyagrodhasyaiva jaṭopajaṭāvṛndānīti bhāvah | tāni kīdr̄śānīty āha manusya-loke karmānubandhīni yatas tataḥ karma-phala-bhogāvasāne sati punar manusya-loke karma-hetu-bhūtāni bhavantīty arthaḥ | sa lokāḥ khalu karma-bhūmir iti prasiddham ||2||

Verses 3-4

न रूपमस्येह तथोपलभ्यते
नान्तो न चादिर्न च संप्रतिष्ठ ।

अङ्गमेनं सुविरुद्मूल-
मसङ्ग शस्त्रेण दुर्घेन छित्वा ॥३॥

ततः पदं तत्परिमार्गितव्यं
यस्मिन् गता न निवर्तन्ति भूयः ।
तमेव चाद्यं पुरुषं प्रपद्ये
यतः प्रवृत्तिः प्रसृता पुराणी ॥४॥

na rūpam asyeha tathopalabhyate
nānto na cādir na ca sampratiṣṭhā |
aśvattham enam su-virūḍha-mūlam
asaṅga-śastreṇa dṛḍhenā chittvā ||3||

tataḥ padam tat-parimārgitavyam
yasmin gatā na nivartanti bhūyāḥ |
tam eva cādyam puruṣam prapadye
yataḥ pravṛttiḥ prasṛtā purāṇī ||4||

śrīdharaḥ : kiṁ ca, na rūpam iti | iha saṁsāre sthitaiḥ prāṇibhir asya saṁsāra-vṛkṣasya
tathordhva-mūlatvādi-prakāreṇa rūpam nopalabhyate | na cānto’vasānam aparyaptatvāt | na
cādir anāditvāt | na ca sampratiṣṭhā sthitih | katham tiṣṭhatiti nopalabhyate | yasmād
evambhūto’yam saṁsāra-vṛkṣo durucchedo’narthakaraś ca tasmād enam dṛḍhenā vairāgyena
śastreṇa cchittvā tattva-jñāne yetetety āha aśvattham enam iti sārdhenā | enam aśvattham
suvirūḍha-mūlam atyanta-baddha-mūlām santam | asaṅgah saṅga-rāhityam ahan-mamatā-
tyāgah | tena śastreṇa dṛḍhenā samyag-vicārena cchittvā pṛthak-kṛtya ||3||

tata iti | tataś tasya mūla-bhūtaṁ tat padam vastu parimārgitavyam anveṣṭavyam | kīdrśam,
yasmin gatā yat padam prāptāḥ santo bhūyo na nivartanti nāvartanta ity arthaḥ | anveṣaṇa-
prakāram evāha tam eveti | yata eṣā purāṇī cirantanī saṁsāra-pravṛttiḥ prasṛtā vistṛtā | tam
eva cādyam puruṣam prapadye śaraṇam vrajāmi | ity evam ekānta-bhaktyānveṣṭavyam ity
arthaḥ ||4||

madhusūdanaḥ : yas tv ayam saṁsāra-vṛkṣo varṇita iha saṁsāre sthitaiḥ prāṇibhir asya
saṁsāra-vṛkṣasya tathordhva-mūlatvādi tathā tena prakāreṇa rūpam nopalabhyate svapna-
marīcy-udaka-māyā-gandharva-nagaravan mṛṣṭvena dṛṣṭa-naṣṭa-svarūpatvāt tasya | ata eva
tasyānto’vasānam nopalabhyate | etāvatā kālena samāptim gamiṣyatīti aparyaptatvāt | na
cāsyādir upalabhyate | ita ārabhya pravṛtta ity anāditvāt | na ca sampratiṣṭhā sthitir
madhyama-sthopalabhyate | ādy-anta-pratiyogikatvāt tasya | yasmād evam-bhūto’yam
saṁsāra-vṛkṣo durucchedaḥ sarvānartha-karaś ca tasmād anādy-ajñānenā suvirūḍha-mūlam
atyanta-baddha-mūlām prāg-uktam aśvattham asaṅga-śastreṇa saṅgah sprhāsaṅgah saṅga-
virodhi vairāgyam putra-vitta-lokaisaṅā-tyāga-rūpam tad eva śastram rāga-dveṣa-maya-
saṁsāra-virodhītvāt, tenāsaṅga-śastreṇa dṛḍhenā paramātma-jñānautsukhya-dṛḍhikṛtena
punah punar vivekābhyaśa-niśitena cchittvā sa-mūlam uddhṛtya vairāgya-śama-damādi-
sampattyā sarva-karma-saṁnyāsam kṛtvety etat ||3||

tato gurum upasṛtya tato’svatthād ūrdhvam vyavasthitam tad vaiṣṇavam padam vedānta-vākyā-vicāreṇa parimārgitavyam mārgayitavyam anveṣṭavyam **so’nveṣṭabhyah sa vijñāsitavya** iti **śruteḥ** | tat padam śravaṇādinā jñātavyam ity arthaḥ | kim tat padam yasmin pade gatāḥ praviṣṭā jñānenā na nivartante bhūyaḥ punaḥ saṁsāra� | katham tat parimārgitavyam ? ity āha – yaḥ pada-śabdenoktas tam eva cādyam ādau bhavam puruṣam yenedam sarvam pūrṇam tam puruṣu vā śayānam prapadye śaraṇam gato’smīty evam tad-eka-śaraṇatayā tad anveṣṭavyam ity arthaḥ | tam kaiḥ puruṣam ? yato yasmāt puruṣat pravṛttir māyā-maya-saṁsāra-vṛkṣa-pravṛttiḥ purāṇī cirantany anādir eṣā prasṛtā niḥsṛtaindrajālikād iva māyā-hasty-ādi tam puruṣam prapadya ity anvayah ||4||

viśvanāthaḥ : kim ceha manuṣya-loke’sya rūpam svarūpam tathā sa-niścayam nopalabhyate satyo’yam mithyāyam nityo’yam iti vādi-mata-vaividhyād iti bhāvah | na cānto’paryantatvān na cādir anāditvān na ca sampratiṣṭhāśrayah | kim vādhārah ko’yam ity api nopalabhyate tattva-jñānābhāvād iti bhāvah | yathā tathāyam bhavatu jīva-mātra-duḥkhaika-nidānasyāya chedakam śastram asaṅgam jñātvā tenitam chittvaivāsyam mūla-tala-stho mahānidhir anveṣṭavya ity āha aśvattham iti | asaṅgo’nāsaktih sarvatra vairāgyam iti yāvat tena śastreṇa kuṭhāreṇa cchitvā svataḥ pṛthak-kṛtya tatas tasya mūla-bhūtam tat-padam vastu mahā-nidhi-rūpam brahma parimārgitavyam | kīdrśam tad ata āha yasmin gatā yat padam prāptāḥ santo bhūyo na nivartante na cāvartanta ity arthaḥ | anvesaṇa-prakāram āha yata eṣā purāṇī cirantanī saṁsāra-pravṛttiḥ prasṛtā vistṛtā tam evādyam puruṣam prapadye bhajāmīti bhaktyā anveṣṭavyam ity arthaḥ ||3-4||

baladevaḥ : na rūpam iti asyāśvatthasya rūpam iha manuṣya-loke tathā nopalabhyate yathordhva-mūlatvādi-dharmakatayā mayopavarṇitam | na cāsyānto nāśa upalabhyate | katham ayam anartha-vrāta-jātilo vinaśyed iti na jñāyate | na cāsyādi-kāraṇam upalabhyate | kuto’yam īdṛśo jāto’stī | na cāsyā sampratiṣṭhā samāśrayo’py upalabhyate | kim samāśrayo’yam satiṣṭhat iti |

kintu manusyoo’ham putro yajña-dattasya,, pitā ca deva-dattasya, tad-anurūpa-karma-kārī sukhī duḥkhī, sāmin deśe’smin grāme nivasāmīty etāvad eva vijñāyata ity arthaḥ | yasmād evam durbodho’nartha-vrate hetuś cāyam aśvatthas tasmāt sat-prasaṅga-labdha-vastu-yāthātmya-jñānenainam asaṅga-śastreṇa vairāgya-kuṭhāreṇa dṛḍhena vivekābhyaśa-niśitena cchitvā svataḥ pṛthak-kṛtya tat padam parimārgitavyam iti pareñānvayah | saṅgo viśayābhilāṣas tad-virodhy asaṅgo vairāgyam, tad eva śastram tad-abhilāṣa-nāśakatvāt suvirūḍha-mūlam pūrvokta-rītyātyantam buddha-mūlam | tataḥ saṁsārāśvattha-mūlād uparisthitam tat padam parimārgitavyam mat-prasaṅga-labdhaiḥ śravaṇādibhiḥ sādhanair anveṣṭavyam |

tat padam kīdrśam tatrāha yasminn iti | yasmin gatās taiḥ sādhanair yat prāptā janās tato na nivartante svargād iva na patanti | mārgaṇa-vidhim āha tam eveti | yataḥ purāṇī cirantanīyam jagat-pravṛttiḥ prasṛtā vistṛtā | tam eva cādyam puruṣam prapadye śaraṇam vrajāmīti prapatti-pūrvakaiḥ śravaṇādibhis tan-mārgaṇam uktam | yo jagad-dhetur yat-porapattyā saṁsāra-nivṛttiḥ sa khalu kṛṣṇa eva ahaṁ sarvasya prabhavah ity ādeḥ | daivī hy eṣā guṇamayī ity ādeś ca tad-ukteḥ | na tad bhāsayata ity ādinā vyaktibhāvitvāc ca ||3-4||

Verse 5

निर्मानमोहा जितसङ्ग दोषा

अध्यात्मनित्या विनिवृत्तकामाः ।
द्वन्द्वैर्विमुक्तः सुखदुःखसंज्ञैः
गच्छन्त्यमृढाः पदमव्ययं तत् ॥५॥

nirmāna-mohā jita-saṅga-dosā
adhyātma-nityā vinivṛtta-kāmāḥ |
dvandvair vimuktāḥ sukha-duḥkha-samjñair
gacchānty amūḍhāḥ padam avyayāṁ tat ||5||

śrīdharaḥ : tat-prāptau sādhanāntarāṇi darśayann āha nirmāneti | nirgatau māna-mohau
ahaṅkāra-mithyātisiveśau yebhyas te | jitaḥ putrādi-saṅga-rūpo doṣo yais te | adhyātma ātmā-
jñāne nityāḥ pariniṣṭhitāḥ | višeṣeṇa nivṛttāḥ kāmo yebhyas te | sukha-duḥkha-hetutvāt
sukha-duḥkha-samjñāni śītoṣṇādīni dvandvāni | tair vimuktāḥ | ata evāmūḍhā nivṛtāvidyāḥ
santaḥ | tad avyayāṁ padam gacchānti ||5||

madhusūdanaḥ : parimārgaṇa-pūrvakām vaisṇavām padam gacchatām aṅgāntarāṇy āha
nirmāneti | māno’haṅkāro garvāḥ | mohas tv aviveko viparyayo vā | tābhyaṁ niṣkrāntā
nirmāna-mohāḥ | tau nirgatau yebhyas te vā | tathāhaṅkārāvivekābhyaṁ rahitā iti yāvat |
jita-saṅga-doṣāḥ priyāpriya-samividhāv api rāga-dveṣa-varjitā iti yāvat | adhyātma-nityāḥ
paramātma-svarūpa-lokcana-tat-parāḥ | vinivṛtta-kāmā višeṣeṇo niravašeṣeṇa nivṛttāḥ kāmā
viṣaya-bhogā yeṣām te | viveka-vairāgya-dvārā tyakta-sarva-karmāṇa ity arthaḥ | dvandvaiḥ
śītoṣṇādi-kṣut-pipāsādibhiḥ sukha-duḥkha-samjñaiḥ sukha-duḥkha-hetutvāt sukha-duḥkha-
nāmakaiḥ sukha-duḥkha-saṅgair iti pāṭhāntare sukha-duḥkhābhyaṁ saṅgah sambandho
yeṣām taiḥ sukha-duḥkha-saṅgair dvandvair vimuktāḥ parityaktāḥ | amūḍhā vedānta-
pramāṇa-samjñāta-samyag-jñāna-nivāritātmājñānāḥ tad avyayāṁ yathoktam padam
gacchānti ||5||

viśvanāthaḥ : tad-bhaktau satyām janāḥ kīdṛśā bhūtvā tām padam prāpnuvantīty apeksāyām
āha nirmāneti | adhyātma-nityā adhyātma-vicāro nitya-kartavyo yeṣām te
paramātmālocana-tat-parāḥ ||5||

baladevaḥ : tat-prapattau satyām kīdṛśāḥ santas tat padam prāpnuvantīty āha nirmāneti |
mānaḥ sat-kāra-janyo garvāḥ | moho mithyābhiniveśas tābhyaṁ nirgataḥ | jitaḥ saṅga-doṣāḥ
priya-bhāryādi-sneha-lakṣaṇo yais te | adhyātmarām sva-parātma-viṣayako vimarśaḥ sa nityo
nitya-kartavyo yeṣām te | sukhādi-hetutvāt tat-samjñair dvandvaiḥ śītoṣṇādibhir vimuktāḥ
tat-sahiṣṇavāḥ | amūḍhāḥ prapatti-vidhijñāḥ ||5||

Verse 6

न तद्रासयते सूर्यो न शशाङ्के न पावकः ।
यद्रूत्वा न निर्वर्तन्ते तद्राम परमं मम ॥६॥

na tad bhāsayate sūryo na śaśāṅko na pāvakaḥ |
yad gatvā na nivartante tad dhāma paramām mama ||6||

śrīdharaḥ : tad eva gantavyam padam viśinaṣṭi na tad iti | tat padam sūryādayo na prakāśayanti | yat prāpya na nivartante yoginah | tad dhāma svarūpam paramam mama | anena sūryādi-prakāśa-visayatvena jaḍatva-sītoṣṇādi-dosa-prasāṅgo nirastah ||6||

madhusūdanaḥ : tad eva gantavyam padam viśinaṣṭi na tad iti | yad vaiṣṇavam padam gatvā yogino na nivartante tat padam sarvāvabhāṣana-śaktimān api sūryo na bhāsayate | sūryāsta-maye’pi candro bhāsako dṛṣṭa ity āśāṅkyāha na śāśāṅkaḥ | sūryācandramasor ubhayor apy asta-maye’gnih prakāśako dṛṣṭa ity āśāṅkyāha na pāvakah | bhāsayata ity ubhayatrāpy anuṣajyate | kutah sūryādīnām tatra prakāśanāśamarthyam ity ata āha tad dhāma jyotiḥ svayam-prakāśam ādiyādi-sakala-jada-jyotir-avabhāṣakam paramam prakṛṣṭam mama viṣṇoh svarūpātmakam padam | na hi yo yad-bhāsyah sa svabhāṣakam tam bhāsayitum iṣṭe | tathā ca **śrutiḥ** –

na tatra sūryo bhāti na candra-tārakam
nemā vidyuto bhānti kuto’yam agnih |
tam eva bhāntam anubhāti sarvam
tasya bhāsā sarvam idam vibhāti || [KaṭhU 2.2.15] iti |

etenā tat padam vedyam na vā, ādye veda-bhinna-veditr-sāpekṣatvena dvaitāpattir dvitīye sva-puruṣārthatvāpattir ity apāstam | avedyatve saty api svayam aparokṣatvāt tatrāvedyatvam sūryādy-abhāṣyatvenātrotktam, sarva-bhāṣakatvena tu svayam aparokṣatvam yad āditya-gataṁ teja ity atra vakṣyati | evam ubhābhyaṁ ślokābhyaṁ śruter dalad-vacām vyākhyātam iti draṣṭavyam ||6||

viśvanāthaḥ : tat padam eva kīdr̄śam ity apekṣāyam āha na tad iti | auṣṇya-śaityādi-duḥkharahitam tat sva-prakāśam iti bhāvah | tan mama paramam dhāma sarvotkr̄ṣṭam ajāḍam atīndriyam tejaḥ sarva-prakāśakam | yad uktam **hari-varīṣe** --

tat paramam brahma sarvam vibhajate jagat |
mamaiva tad ghanam tejo jñātum arhasi bhārata || [HV 2.114.12] iti |

na tatra sūryo bhāti na candra-tārakam
nemā vidyuto bhānti kuto’yam agnih |
tam eva bhāntam anubhāti sarvam
tasya bhāsā sarvam idam vibhāti || iti [KaṭhU 2.2.15] śrutibhyaś ca ||6||

baladevaḥ : gantavyam padam viśiṣyāt paricāyayati na tad iti | prapannā yad gatvā yato na nivartante | tan mamaiva dhāma svarūpam paramam śrīmat | sarvāvabhāṣakā api sūryādayas tan na bhāṣayanti prakāśayanti | **na tatra sūryo bhāti** ity ādi-śruteś ca | sūryādibhir aprakāśyas teṣām prakāśakah sva-prakāśaka-cid-vigraho lakṣmīpatir aham eva pada-śabda-bodhyah prapannair labhya ity arthaḥ ||6||

Verse 7

मैवांशो जीवलोके जीवभूतः सनातनः ।
मनःषष्ठीन्द्रियाणि प्रकृतिस्थानि कर्षति ॥७॥

mamaivāṁśo jīva-loke jīva-bhūtaḥ sanātanaḥ |
manah-ṣaṭhānīndriyāṇi prakṛti-sthāni karṣati ||7||

śridharah : nanu ca tvadiyam dhāma prāptāḥ santo yadi na nivartante tarhi sati sampadya na viduh sati **sampadyāmahe** ity ādi **śruteḥ** suṣupti-pralaya-samaye tattva-prāptih sarveṣām astīti ko nāma samsārī syād ity āśāṅkyā samsāriṇām darśayati mamaiveti pañcabhiḥ | mamaivāṁśo yo’yam avidyayā jīva-bhūtaḥ sanātanaḥ sarvadā samsāritvena prasiddhaḥ | asau suṣupti-pralayayoh prakṛtau līnatayā sthitāni manah ṣaṭhāni yesām tānīndriyāṇi punar jīva-loke samsāropabhogārtham ākarṣati | etac ca karmendriyāṇām prāṇasya copalakṣaṇārtham | ayaṁ bhāvah saatyam suṣupti-pralayayor api mad-āṁśatvāt sarvasāpi jīva-mātrasya mayi layād asty eva mat-prāptih | tathāpy avidyāyāvṛtasya sānuśayasya sa-prakṛtike mayi layaḥ | na tu śuddhe | tad uktam -- avyaktād vyaktayah sarve prabhantīty ādinā | ataś ca punah samsārāya nirgacchan avidvān prakṛtau līnatayā sthitāni svopādhi-bhūtānīndriyāṇi ākarṣati | viduṣām tu śuddha-svarūpa-prāpter nāvṛttir iti ||7||

madhusūdanaḥ : jīvasya tu pāramārthikām svarūpām brahmaivety asakṛd āveditam | tad etat sarvām pratipādyata uttareṇa granthena | tatra jīvasya brahma-rūpatvād ajñāna-nivṛttiā tat-svarūpām prāptasya tato na pracyutir iti pratipādyate **mamaivāṁśa** [Gītā 15.7a] iti ślokārdhena | suṣuptau tu sarva-kārya-saṁskāra-sahitājñāna-sattvāt tataḥ punah samsāro jīvasyeti **manah-ṣaṭhāni** [Gītā 15.7b] iti ślokārdhena pratipādyate | tatas tasya vastuto’samsāriṇo’pi māyayā samsāram prāptasya manda-matibhir deha-tādātmayām prāpitasya dehād vyatirekah pratipādyate **śarīram** [Gītā 15.8] ity ādinā ślokārdhena | **śrotram cakṣur** [Gītā 15.9] ity ādinā tu yathāyathām sva-viṣayeṣ indriyāṇām pravartakasya tasya tebhyo vyatirekah pratipādyate | evam dehendriyādi-vilakṣaṇam utkrānty-ādi-samaye svātma-rūpatvāt kim iti sarve na paṣyantīty āśāṅkāyām viṣaya-vikṣipta-cittā darśana-yogyam api tam na paṣyantīty uttaram ucyate **utkrāmantam** [Gītā 15.10a] ity ādinā ślokena | tam jñāna-cakṣuṣaḥ paṣyantīti vivṛtam **yatanto yoginah** [Gītā 15.11a] iti ślokārdhena | **vimūḍhā nānupaśyanti** [Gītā 15.10b] ity etad vivṛtam **yatanto’pi** [Gītā 15.11b] iti ślokārdheneti pañcānām ślokānām saṅgatiḥ | idānīm akṣarāṇi vyākhyāsyāmo mameṭi |

mamaiva paramātmano’ṁśo niraṁśasyāpi māyayā kalpitaḥ sūryasyeva jale nabhasa iva ca ghaṭe mṛṣābhedavān arīśa ivāṁśo jīva-loke samsāre, sa ca prāṇa-dhāraṇopādhinā jīva-bhūtaḥ kartā bhoktā samsaratīti mṛṣaiva prasiddhim upāgataḥ sanātano nitya upādhi-paricchede’pi vastutaḥ paramātmatva-rūpatvāt | ato jñānādi-jñāna-nivṛttiā sva-svarūpam brahma prāpya tato na nivartanta iti yuktam |

evam-bhūto’pi suṣuptāt katham āvartata ity āha – manah ṣaṭhāni yeṣām tāni śrotra-tvak-cakṣū-rasana-ghrāṇākhyāni pañcendriyāīndrasavyātmano viṣayopalabdhi-karaṇatayā liṅgāni jāgrat-svapna-bhoga-janaka-karma-kṣaye prakṛti-sthāni prakṛtāvajñāne sūkṣma-rūpeṇa sthitāni punar-jāgrad-bhoga-janaka-karmodaye bhogārtham karṣati kūrmo’ṅgānīva prakṛter ajñānād ākarṣati viṣaya-grahaṇa-yogyatāvirbhāvayatīty arthaḥ | ato jñānād anāvṛttāv apy ajñānād āvṛttir nānupapanneti bhāvah ||7||

viśvanāthaḥ : tvad-bhaktyā samsāram atikrāmyan ta-pada-gāmī jīvaḥ ka ity apekṣāyām āha mamaivāṁśa iti | yad uktām vārāhe svāṁśāś cātha vibhinnāṁśa iti dvedhāyam iṣyate | vibhinnāṁśas tu jīvaḥ syāt iti | sanātano nityaḥ sa ca baddha-daśāyām manah eva ṣaṭhāni

yeśāṁ tānīndriyāṇi prakṛtāv upādhau sthitāni karṣati | mamaiva etānīti svīyatvābhimānena
grhītāṁ pādārgala-śrṅkhalāṁ iva karṣati ||7||

baladevaḥ : nanu tvat-prapattyā yas tat-padam yāti, sa jīvah ka ity apeksāyām āha mamaiveti | jīvah sarveśvarasya mamaivāṁśo, na tu brahma-rudrāder īśvarasya, sa ca sanātano nityo, na tu ghaṭākāśādivat kalpitah | sa ca jīva-loke prapañce sthito manah-ṣaṭhānīndriyāṇi śrotrādīni karṣati pādādi-śrṅkhalā iva vahati | tāni kīdr̄mśity āha prakṛti-sthāni prakṛti-vikāra-bhūtāhaṅkāra-kāryāṇīty arthaḥ | tatra manah sāttvikāhaṅkārasya śrotrādikam tu rājasāhaṅkārasya kāryam iti bodhyam | bhagavat-prapattyā prākṛta-karaṇa-hīno bhagaval-lokam gatas tu bhāgavatair deha-karaṇair vibhūṣaṇair iva viśiṣṭo bhagavantam samśrayan nivasatīti sūcyate -- **sa vā eṣa brahma-niṣṭha idam śarīram martyam atisṛjya brahmābhisaṁpadya brahmaṇā paśyati brahmaṇā śṛṇoti brahmaṇaivedam sarvam anubhavati iti mādhyandināyana-śruteḥ** | **vasanti yatra puruṣāḥ sarve vaikuṇṭha-mūrtayah** [BhP 3.15.14] ity ādi smṛteś ca | bhagavat-saṅkalpa-siddha-cid-vigrahas tatra bhavatīti |

yat tu ghaṭākāśavaj jalākāśavad vā jīve brahmano’ṁśo’ntah-karanenāvacchedat tasmin pratibimba-nāśād vā ghaṭa-jala-nāśe tat-tad-ākāśasya śuddhākāśatvavad antah-karaṇa-nāśe jīvāṁśasya śuddha-brahmatvam iti vadanti, na tat sāram, jīva-bhūtah, mamāṁśah, sanātanaḥ ity ukti-vyākopāt | paricchedādi-vāda-dvayasya **dehino’smin yathā** [Gītā 2.12] ity atra pratyākhyānāc ca | pratibimba-sādṛśyāt tu tattvam mantavyam ambuvad adhikaraṇa-vinirṇayāt | tasmāt brahmopasarjanatvam jīvasya brahmāṁśatvam vidhu-maṇḍalasya śatāṁśah śukra-maṇḍalam ity ādau dṛṣṭām cedam eka-vastv-eka-deśatvam cārīśatvam āhuḥ | brahma khalu śaktimad ekam vastu brahma-śaktih, **itas tv anyāṁ prakṛtiṁ viddhi me parāṁ jīva-bhūtām** [Gītā 7.5] iti pūrvokter atas tad eka-deśat tad-aṁśo jīvah ||7||

Verse 8

शरीरं यदवाप्नोति यच्चाप्युत्क्रामतीश्चः ।
गृहीत्वैतानि संयाति वायुर्गन्धान् इवाशयात् ॥८॥

śarīram yad avāpnoti yac cāpy utkrāmatīśvaraḥ |
grhītvaitāni samyāti vāyur gandhān ivāśayāt ||8||

śrīdharaḥ : tāny ākṛṣya kiṁ karotīti | atrāha śarīram iti | yad yadā śarīrāntaram karma-vaśād avāpnoti yataś ca śarīrād utkrāmatīśvaro dehādīnām svāmī tadā pūrvasmāt śarīrād etāni grhītvā tac-charīrāntaram samyag yāti | śarīre saty api indriya-grahaṇe dṛṣṭāntah | āśayāt sva-sthānāt kusumādeḥ sakāśāt gandhān gandhavataḥ sūkṣmān aṁśān grhītvā vāyur yathā gacchati tadvat ||8||

madhusūdanah : asmin kāle karṣatīty ucyate śarīram iti | yad yadotkrāmati bahir nirgacchatīśvaro dehendriya-saṅghātasya svāmī jīvas tadā yato dehād utkrāmati tato manah-ṣaṭhānīndriyāṇi karṣatīti dvitīya-pādasya prathamam anvaya utkramaṇottara-bhāvitvād gamanasya | na kevalam karṣaty eva, kintu yad yadā ca pūrvasmāc charīrāntaram avāpnoti tada itāni manah-ṣaṭhānīndriyāṇi grhītvā samyāty api samyak punar āgamana-rāhityena gacchaty api | śarīre saty evendriya-grahaṇe dṛṣṭāntah – āśayāt

kusumādeḥ sthānād gandhān gandhātmakān sūkṣmān amśān gr̄hītvā yathā vāyur vāti tadvat ||8||

viśvanāthah : tāny akṛṣya kim karotīty apekṣayām āha śarīram iti | yat sthūla-śarīraṁ karma-vaśād avāpnōti, yac ca yasmāc ca śarīrād utkrāmati niṣkrāmati, īśvaro dehendriyādi-svāmī jīvāḥ tasmāt tatra etānīndriyāṇi bhūta-sūkṣmāiḥ saha gr̄hītvāiva samyāti vāyur gandhāni iveti vāyur yathāśayād gandhāśrayāt srak-candanādeḥ sakāśāt sūkṣmāvayavaiḥ saha gandhān gr̄hītvānyatra yāti tadvad ity arthaḥ |

baladevah : jīva-loke sthita indriyāṇi karṣati ity uktam | tat pratipādayati śarīram iti | īśvaraḥ śarīrendriyāṇām svāmī jīvo yad yadā pūrva-śarīrād anyac charīram avāpnōti, yadā cāptāc charīrād utkrāmati, tadaitānīndriyāṇi bhūta-sūkṣmāiḥ saha gr̄hītvā yāty āśayāt puṣpa-kośād gandhān gr̄hītvā vāyur iva sa yathānyatra yāti tadvat ||8||

Verse 9

श्रेत्रं चक्षुः स्पर्शनं च रसनं घाणमेव च ।
अधिष्ठय मनश्चयं विषयान् उपसेवते ॥९॥

śrotram cakṣuh sparśanām ca rasanām ghrāṇam eva ca |
adhiṣṭhāya manaś cāyām viṣayān upasevate ||9||

śridharah : tāny evendriyāṇi darśayan yad arthaṁ gr̄hītvā gacchati tad āha śrotram iti | śrotrādīni bāhyendriyāṇi manaś cāntahkaraṇām, tāny adhiṣṭāyāśritya śabdādīn viṣayān ayām jīva upabhuṅkte ||9||

madhusūdanah : tāny evendriyāṇi darśayan yad arthaṁ gr̄hītvā gacchati tad āha śrotram iti | śrotram cakṣuh sparśanām ca rasanām ghrāṇam eva ca | ca-kārāt karmendriyāṇi prāṇām ca manaś ca ṣaṣṭham adhiṣṭhāyaivāśrityaiva viṣayān śabdādīn ayām jīva upasevate bhuṅkte ||9||

viśvanāthah : tatra gatvā kim karotīty ata āha śrotram iti | śrotrādīnīndriyāṇi manaś cādhiṣṭhāyāśritya viṣayān śabdādīn upabhuṅkte ||9||

baladevah : tāni gr̄hītvā kim arthaṁ yāti | tatrāha śrotram iti | śrotrādīni samanaskāny adhiṣṭhāyāśrityāyam jīvo viṣayān śabdādīn upabhuṅkte | tad arthaṁ tad-grahaṇam ity arthaḥ | ca-śabdāt karmendriyāṇi ca pañca prāṇāṁś cādhiṣṭhāye ty avagamyam ||9||

Verse 10

उत्कामन्तं स्थितं वापि भुज्ञानं वा गुणान्वितम् ।
विमूढा नानुपश्यन्ति पश्यन्ति ज्ञानचक्षुषः ॥१०॥

utkrāmantam sthitam vāpi bhuñjānam vā guṇānvitam |
vimūḍhā nānupaśyanti paśyanti jñāna-cakṣuṣah ||10||

śrīdharaḥ : nanu kārya-kāraṇa-saṅghāta-vyatirekeṇa evambhūtam ātmānam sarve’pi kim na paśyanti | tatrāha utkrāmantam iti | utkrāmantam dehād dehāntaram gacchantam tasminn eva dehe sthitam vā viṣayān bhuñjānam vā guṇānvitam indriyādi-yuktam jīvam vimūḍhā nānupaśyanti nālokayanti | jñānam eva cakṣur yeṣām te vivekinaḥ paśyanti ||10||

madhusūdanaḥ : evam deha-gataṁ darśana-yogayam api dehāt utkrāmantam iti | utkrāmantam dehāntaram gacchantam pūrvasmāt, sthitam vāpi tasminn eva dehe, bhuñjānam vā śabdādīn viṣayān | guṇānvitam sukha-duḥkha-mohātmakair guṇair anvitam | evam sarvāsv avasthāsu darśana-yogyam apy enam vimūḍhā drṣṭādrṛṣṭa-viṣaya-bhoga-vāsanākṛṣṭa-cetastayātmānātma-vivekāyogyā nānupaśyanti | aho kaṣṭam vartata ity ajñān anukrośati bhagavān | ye tu pramāṇa-janita-jñāna-cakṣuṣo vivekinas ta eva paśyanti ||10||

viśvanāthaḥ : nanu yamād dehān niṣkrāmati yasmin dehe vā tiṣṭhati tatra sthitvā vā yathā bhogān bhunkte ity evam višeṣam nopalabhāmahe | tatrāha utkrāmantam dehānn niṣkrāmantam, sthitam dehāntare vartamānam ca viṣayān bhuñjānam ca guṇānvitam indriyādi-sahitam vimūḍhā avivekinah jñāna-cakṣuṣo vivekinah ||10||

baladevaḥ : evam śārīrasthatvenānubhavayogyam avivekinas tam ātmānam nānubhavantīty āha ud iti | śārīrād utkrāmantam tatraiva sthitam vā sthitvā viṣayān bhuñjānam vā guṇānvitam sukha-duḥkha-mohair indiryādibhir vānvitam yuktaṁ anubhava-yogyam apy ātmānam vimūḍhās cirantana-jñāna-cakṣuṣo viveka-jñāna-netrās tu tam paśyanti | śārīrādi-viviktam anubhavanti ||10||

Verse 11

यतन्तो योगिनश्चैमं पश्यन्त्यात्मन्यवस्थितम् ।
यतन्तोऽप्यकृतात्मानो नैनं पश्यन्त्यचेतसः ॥११॥

yatanto yogināś cainaṁ paśyanty ātmāny avasthitam |
yatanto’py akṛtātmāno nainam paśyanty acetasaḥ ||11||

śrīdharaḥ : durjñeyaś cāyam yato vivekiṣv api kecit paśyanti kecin na paśyantīty āha yatanta iti | yatanto dhyānādibhiḥ prayatamānā yogināḥ kecid enam ātmānam ātmani dehe’vasthitam viviktaṁ paśyanti | śāstrābhyaśādibhiḥ prayatnam kurvāṇā apy akṛtātmāno’viśuddha-cittā ata evācetaso manda-mataya enam na paśyanti ||11||

madhusūdanaḥ : paśyanti jñāna-cakṣuṣa ity etad vivṛṇoti yatanta iti | ātmani sva-buddhāv avasthitam pratiphalitam enam ātmānam yatanto dhyānādibhiḥ prayatamānā yogina eva paśyanti | co’vadhāraṇe | yatamānā apy akṛtātmāno yajñādibhir aśodhitāntaḥ-karaṇā ata evācetaso viveka-śūnyā nainam paśyantīti vimūḍhā nānupaśyantīty etad vivaraṇam ||11||

viśvanāthaḥ : te ca vivekino yatamānā yogina evety āha yatanta iti | akṛtātmāno’śuddha-cittāḥ ||11||

baladevaḥ : jñāna-cakṣuṣaḥ paśyanti ity etad vivṛṇvan durjñānatām tasyāḥ yatanta iti | kecid yogino yatamānāḥ śravaṇādy-upāyān anutīṣṭhanta ātmani śārīre’vasthitam enam ātmānam

paśyanti | kecid yatamānā apy akṛtātmāno’nirmala-cittā ato’vacetaso’nudita-viveka-jñānā
enaṁ na paśyantīti durjñeyam ātma-tattvam ity arthaḥ ||11||

Verse 12

यदादित्यगतं तेजो जगद्वासयतेऽखिलम् ।
यच्चन्द्रमसि यच्चाग्नौ तत्तेजो विद्धि मामकम् ॥१२॥

yad āditya-gataṁ tejo jagad bhāsayate’khilam |
yac candramasi yac cāgnau tat tejo viddhi māmakam ||12||

śrīdharaḥ : tad evam na tad bhāsayate sūrya ity ādinā pārameśvaram param dhāmoktam | tat-prāptānāṁ cāpunar-āvṛttir uktā | tatra ca saṁsāriṇo’bhāvam āśaṅkyā saṁsāri-svarūpāṁ dehādi-vyatirkītāṁ darśitām | idānīm tad eva pārameśvarām rūpam ananta-śaktitvena nirūpayati yad ity ādi-caturbhiḥ | ādiyādiṣu sthitām yad aneka-prakāraṁ tejo viśvam prakāśayati tat sarvam tejo madīyam eva jānīhi ||12||

madhusūdanaḥ : idānīm yad padam sarvāvabhāsana-kṣamā apy ādityādayo bhāsayitum na kṣamante yat-prāptāś ca mumukṣavah punah saṁsārāya nāvartante yasya ca padasyopādi-bhedam anu vidhīyamānā jīvā ghaṭākāśādaya ivākāśasya kalpitāṁśā mr̄ṣaiva saṁsāram anubhavanti tasya padasya sarvātmatva-sarva-vyavahārāspadatva-pradarśanena **brahmaṇo hi pratiṣṭhāham** [Gītā 14.27] iti prāg uktam vivarītum caturbhiḥ ślokair ātmano vibhūti-samkṣepam āha bhagavān yad iti | **na tatra sūryo bhāti na candra-tārakāṁ nemā vidyuto bhānti kuto’yam agnih** [KaṭhU 2.2.15] ity ādinā | **tam eva bhāntam anubhāti sarvam tasya bhāsā sarvam idam vibhāti** [KaṭhU 2.2.15] iti śruty-artham anena vyākhyāyate | yad āditya-gataṁ tejaś caitnyātmakam jyotir yac candramasi yac cāgnau sthitām tejo jagad akhilam avabhāsayate tat tejo māmakam madīyam viddhi | yadyapi sthāvara-jaṅgameśu samānam caitanyātmakam jyotis tathāpi sattvotkarṣeṇādityādīnām utkarṣat tatraivāvistarām caitanya-jyotir iti tair viśeṣyate yad āditya-gataṁ ity ādi | yathā tulye’pi mukha-saṁnidhāne kāṣṭha-kuḍyādau na mukham āvirbhavati | ādarśādau ca svacche svacchatare ca tāratamyenāvirbhavati tadvad yad āditya-gataṁ teja ity uktvā punas tat tejo viddhi māmakam iti tejo-grahaṇād yad ādityādi-gataṁ tejah prakāśah para-prakāśa-samarthanam sita-bhāsvaraṁ rūpām jagad akhilām rūpavat vastu avabhāsayate | evam yac candramasi yac cāgnau jagad-avabhāsakam tejas tan māmakam viddhīti vibhūti-kathanāya dvitīyo’py artho draṣṭavyaḥ | anyathā tan māmakam viddhīty etāvad brūyāt tejo-grahaṇam antareṇaiveti bhāvah ||12||

viśvanāthaḥ : tad evam jīvasya baddhāvasthāyām yat yat prāpya-vastu tatrāham eva sūrya-candrādy-ātmakah sann upakaromīty āha yad iti tribhiḥ | āditya-sthitām teja eva udaya-parvate prātar uditya jīvasya dṛṣṭādṛṣṭa-bhoga-sādhana-karma-pravartanārthaṁ jagad bhāsayata evam ca yac candramasi aganau ca tat tad akhilām māmakam eva | sūryādi-samjño’ham eva bhavāmīty arthaḥ | tat tejasa eva tat-tad-vibhūtir iti bhāvah ||12||

baladevaḥ : atha mad-ariśasya jīvasya saṁsāra-raktasya mumukṣoś ca bhoga-mokṣa-sādhanam aham eveti bhāvenāha yad iti caturbhiḥ | āditye sthitām yat tejo yac candre’gnau ca sthitām sat sarvam jagat prakāśayati, tat tejo māmakam madīyam viddhi | uditena sūryeṇa

jvalitena ca vahninādṛṣṭa-bhoga-sādhanāni karmāṇi nispadyante | timira-jādy-a-nāśādayaś ca sukha-hetavo bhavanti | uditena candreṇa cauṣadhi-poṣa-tāpa-śānti-jyotsnāvihārāś tathābhūtā bhavantīti teṣām tat-tat-sādhakam tejo mat-tejo-vibhūtir ity arthaḥ ||12||

Verse 13

गामाविश्य च भूतानि धारयाम्यहमोजसा ।
पुष्णामि चौषधीः सर्वाः सोमो भूत्वा रसात्मकः ॥१३॥

gām āviśya ca bhūtāni dhārayāmy aham ojasā |
puṣṇāmi cauṣadhiḥ sarvāḥ somo bhūtvā rasātmakah ||13||

śrīdharaḥ : kiṁ ca gām iti | gām pṛthvīm ojasā balenādhiṣṭhāyāham eva carācarāṇi bhūtāni dhārayāmi | aham eva rasamayaḥ somo bhūtvā brīhy-ādy-auṣadhiḥ sarvāḥ samvardhayāmi ||13||

madhusūdanah : kiṁ ca, gām pṛthivīm pṛthivī-devatā-rūpeṇāviśaujasā nijena balena pṛthivīm dhūli-muṣṭi-tulyām dṛḍhikṛtya bhūtāni pṛthivīyādheyāni vastūny aham eva dhārayāmi | anyathā pṛthivī sikatā-muṣṭivad viśīryatādho nimajjed vā | **yena dyaur ugrā pṛthivī ca dṛḍhā** [YajuḥK 1.8.5, TaittS 4.1.8] iti **mantra-varṇāt** | **sa dādhāra pṛthivīm** [Rk 8.7.3.1] iti ca hiraṇyagarbha-bhāvāpannatā bhagavantam evāha | kiṁ ca, rasātmakah sarva-rasa-svabhāvah somo bhūtvauṣadhiḥ sarvā brīhi-yavādyāḥ pṛthivīyām jātā aham eva puṣṇāmi puṣṭimatī rasa-svādumatiś ca karomi ||13||

viśvanāthah : gām pṛthvīm ojasā sva-śaktyāviśyādhiṣṭhāyāham eva carācarāṇi bhūtāni dhārayāmi | tathāham evāmrta-rasamayaḥ somo bhūtvā brīhy-ādy-auṣadhiḥ sarvāḥ samvardhayāmi ||13||

baladevah : gām iti pāṁśu-muṣṭi-tulyām gām pṛthivīm ojasā sva-śaktyāviśya dṛḍhikṛtya bhūtāni sthira-carāṇi dhārayāmi | **mantra-varṇāś** caivam āha -- **yena dyaur ugrā pṛthivī ca dṛḍhā** [Rk 8.7.3.1] iti | anyathāsau sikatā-muṣṭivad-viśīryeṇa nimajjed veti bhāvah | tathāham eva rasātmakah somo mṛtamayaś candro bhūtvā sarvā auṣadhiḥ nikhilā brīhy-ādyāḥ puṣṇāmi | svādu-vividha-rasa-pūrṇāḥ karomi | tathā ca bhūmiloke sthitasya jīvasya vividha-prāśāda-bāṭikā-tadāgādi-kriḍā-sthānāni nirmāya nānā-rasān bhuñjānasya tat-tat-sādhanam aham eveti ||13||

Verse 14

अहं वैश्वारो भूत्वा प्राणिनां देहमाश्रितः ।
प्राणापानसमायुक्तः पचाम्यत्रं चतुर्विधम् ॥१४॥

aham vaiśvāaro bhūtvā prāṇinām deham āśritah |
prāṇapāna-samāyuktaḥ pacāmy annām catur-vidham ||14||

śrīdharaḥ : kiṁ ca aham iti | aham īvara eva vaiśvāaro jaṭharāgnir bhūtvā prāṇinām dehasyāntah praviśya prāṇapānābhyām ca tad-uddīpaka-bhyām sahitah prāṇibhir bhuktam bhakṣyam bhojyām lehyām coṣyām ceti caturvidham annām pacāmi | tatra yad dantair avakhaṇḍyāvakaṇḍya bhakṣyate pūpādi tad bhakṣyam | yat tu kevalam jihvayā vilodya

nigīryate pāyasādi tad bhojyam | yaj jihvāyām nikṣipya rasāsvādena kramaśo nigīryate
dravībhūtam guḍādi tal lehyam | yat tu dāṁstrādibhir niṣpīḍya sārāṁśam nigīryāvaśiṣṭam
tyajyata iksu-dandādi tac coṣyam iti caturvidho’sya bhedah ||14||

madhusūdanah : kiṁ ca aham iti | aham īśvara eva vaiśvānaro jaṭharo’gnir bhūtvā **ayam agnir vaiśvānaro yo’yam antah puruṣe yenedam annam pacyate yad idam adyate** [BAU 5.9.1] ity ādi śruti-pratipāditah san prāṇinām sarveśām deham āśrito’ntah pravīṣṭah prāṇāpānābhyām tad-uddīpakābhyām samyuktaḥ saṁdhukṣitah san pacāmi prāṇibhir bhuktam annam caturvidham bhakṣyam bhojyam lehyam coṣyam ceti | tatra yad dantair avakhaṇḍyāvakhaṇḍya bhakṣyate pūpādi tad bhakṣyam | yat tu kevalam jihvayā vilodya nigīryate sūpaudanādi tad bhojyam | yaj jihvāyām nikṣipya rasāsvādena nigīryate kiṁcid dravībhūtam guḍa-rasālā-śikhariny-ādi tal lehyam | yat tu dantair niṣpīḍya rasāṁśam nigīryāvaśiṣṭam tyajyate yathekṣu-dandādi tac coṣyam iti bhedah | bhoktā yah so’gnri vaiśvānaro yad bhojyam annam sa somas tad etad ubhayam agniṣomau sarvam iti dhyāyato’nna-doṣa-lepo na bhavatīty api draṣṭavyam ||14||

viśvanāthaḥ : vaiśvānaro jaṭharānalah prāṇāpānābhyām tad uddīpakābhyām sahitāś caturvidham bhakṣyam bhojyam lehyam coṣyam | bhakṣyam danta-cchedyam bhṛṣṭa-canakādi bhojyam modakādi | lehyam guḍādi | coṣyam iksu-dandādi ||14||

baladevah : bhogyanām annādinām pāka-hetuś cāham evety āha aham iti | vaiśvānaro jaṭharāgnis tac-charīrako bhūtvā prāṇinām sarveśām deham udaram āśritah prāṇāpānābhyām tad-uddīpakābhyām samāyuktaś ca sann ahan tair bhuktam caturvidham annam pacāmi pākam nayāmi | śrutiś caivam āha ayam agnir vaiśvānaro yo’yam antah puruṣe yenedam annam pacyate ity ādinā | tathā cāham eva jaṭharāgni-śarīras tad-upakārity evam āha sūtrakāraḥ -- śabdādibhyo’ntah pratiṣṭhānāc ca ity ādinā | annasya cāturvidhyam ca bhakṣyam bhojyam lehyam cūṣyam ceti bhedat | danta-cchedyam caṅaka-pūpādi | bhakṣyam carvyam iti cocyate | modakaudana-sūpādi bhojyam | pāyasa-guḍa-madhv-ādi lehyam | pakvāṁrekṣu-dandādi cūṣyam | soma-vaiśvānarayoḥ svābhedenoktiḥ sva-vyāpyatvād iti bodhyam ||14||

Verse 15

सर्वस्य चाहं हृदि संनिविष्टे
मत्तः स्मृतिर्ज्ञानमपोहनं च ।
वेदैश्च सर्वैः रहमेव वेद्यो
वेदान्तकुट्टेदविदेव चाहम् ॥१५॥

sarvasya cāham hṛdi samniviṣṭo
mattaḥ smṛtir jñānam apohanam ca |
vedaiś ca sarvair aham eva vedyo
vedānta-kṛd veda-vid eva cāham ||15||

śridharah : kiṁ ca sarvasya prāṇi-jātasya hṛdi samyag-antaryāmi-rūpeṇa praviṣṭo’ham | ataś ca matta eva hetoh prāṇi-mātrasya pūrvānbhūtartha-visayā smṛtir bhavati | jñānam ca viṣayendndriya-samyogajam bhavati | āpohanam ca tayoḥ pramoṣo bhavati | vedaiś ca sarvais

tat-tad-devatādi-rūpeṇāham eva vedyah | vedānta-kṛt tat-sampradāya-pravartakaś ca | jñānado gurur aham ity arthaḥ | veda-vid eva ca vedārtha-vid apy aham eva ||15||

madhusūdanaḥ : kiṁ ca, sarvasya brahmādi-sthāvarāntasya prāṇi-jātasyāham ātmā san hṛdi buddhau sannivisṭah **sa esa iha praviṣṭah** [BAU 1.4.7] iti **śruteḥ** | **anena jīvenātmanānupraviśya nāma-rūpe vyākaravāṇi** [ChāU 6.3.2] iti ca | ato matta ātmana eva hetoh prāṇi-jātasya yathānurūpam smṛtir etaj janmani pūrvānubhūtārtha-viṣayā vṛttir yoginām ca janmāntarānubhūtārtha-viṣayāpi | tathā matta eva jñānam viṣayendriya-saṁyogajam bhavati | yoginām ca deśa-kāla-viprakṛṣṭa-viṣayam api | evam kāma-krodha-sokādi-vyākula-cetasām apohanam ca smṛti-jñānayor apāyaś ca matta eva bhavati |

evam svasya jīva-rūpatām uktvā brahma-rūpatām āha – vedaiś ca sarvair īndrādi-devatā-prakāśakair api aham eva vedyah sarvātmatvāt |

**indram mitram varuṇam agnim āhur
atho divyah sa suparno garutmān |
ekam sad viprā bahudhā vadanti
agnim yamam mātariśvānam āhuḥ** || [Rk 2.3.22.6] iti **mantra-varṇāt** |

esa u hy eva sarve devāḥ iti ca śruteḥ | vedānta-kṛd vedāntārtha-sampradāya-pravartako veda-vyāsādi-rūpeṇa | na kevalam etāvad eva veda-vid eva cāham karma-kāṇḍopāsanā-kāṇḍa-jñāna-kāṇḍātmaka-mantra-brāhmaṇa-rūpa-sarva-vedārtha-vic cāham eva | ataḥ sādhūktam **brahmaṇo hi pratiṣṭhāham** [Gītā 14.27] ity ādi ||15||

viśvanāthaḥ : yathaiva jaṭhare jaṭharāgnir aham tathaiva sarvasya carācarasya hṛdi sannivisṭo buddhi-tattva-rūpo’ham eva | yato matto buddhi-tattvād eva pūrvānubhūtārtha-viṣayānusmṛtir bhavati | tathā viṣayendriya-yogajam jñānam ca apohanam smṛti-jñānayor apagamaś ca bhavatī | jīvaya bandhāvasthāyām svasyopakārakatvam uktvā moksāvasthāyām yat prāpyam tatrāpy upakāratvam āha vedair iti | veda-vyāsa-dvārā vedānta-kṛd aham eva yato vedavid vedārtha-tattva-jño’ham eva matto’nyo vedārthatām na jānātīty arthaḥ ||15||

baladevah : prāṇinām jñānājñāna-hetuś cāham evety āha sarvasya ceti | tayoḥ soma-vaiśvānarayoh sarvasya ca prāṇi-vṛṇdasya hṛdi nikhilā-pravṛtti-hetū-jñānodaya-dehe’ham eva niyāmakatvena sannivisṭah | **antah-praviṣṭah sāstā janānām** [TaittA 3.11] | ity ādi-**śravaṇāt** | ato matta eva sarvasya smṛtih pūrvānubhūta-vastu-viṣayānusandhi-jñānam ca viṣayendriya-sannikarṣa-janyam jāyate | taylor apohanam pramośaś ca matto bhavati | evam uktam uddhavena tvatto jñānam hi jīvānām pramośas tatra śaktitah iti |

evam sāṁsārika-bhoga-sādhanatām svasyoktvā mokṣa-sādhanatām āha vedaiś ceti | sarvair nikhilair vedair aham eva sarveśvaraḥ sarva-śaktimān kṛṣṇo vedyah | yo’sau sarvair vedair gīyate iti śruteḥ | atra karma-kāṇḍena paramparayā jñāna-kāṇḍena tu sākṣād iti bodhyam | katham evam pratyetavyam iti cet tatrāha vedānta-kṛd aham eveti | vedānām anto’rtha-nirṇayas tat-kṛd aham eva bādarāyanātmanā | evam āha **sūtra-kāraḥ** -- **ta tu samanvayāt** [Vs 1.1.4] ity ādibhiḥ | nanv anye vedārtham anyathā vyācakṣyate | tatrāha vedavid eva cāham ity aham eva vedavid iti | bādarāyanāḥ san yam artham aham niraṇaiśam sa eva vedārthas tato’nyathā tu bhrānti-vijṛmbhita iti | tathā ca mokṣa-pradasya sarveśvara-tattvasya vedair abodhanād aham eva mokṣa-sādhanam ||15||

Verse 16

द्वाविमौ पुरुषौ लोके क्षरश्चक्षर एव च ।
क्षरः सर्वाणि भूतानि कूटस्थोऽक्षर उच्यते ॥१६॥

dvāv imau puruṣau loke kṣaraś cākṣara eva ca |
kṣarāḥ sarvāṇi bhūtāni kūṭastho’kṣara ucyate ||16||

śrīdharaḥ : idānīm tad dhāma paramāṁ mame tī yad uktāṁ svakīyāṁ sarvottama-svarūpam
tad darśayati dvāv iti tribhiḥ | kṣaraś cākṣaraś ceti dvāv imau puruṣau loke prasiddhau | tāv
evāha tatra kṣarāḥ puruṣo nāma sarvāṇi bhūtāni brahmādi-sthāvarāntāni śarīrāṇi | aviveki-
lokasya śarīreṣv eva puruṣatva-prasiddheḥ | kuto rāsiḥ śilā-rāsiḥ | parvata iva deheṣu naśyatsv
api nirvikāratayā tiṣṭhatīti kūṭashtaś cetano bhoktā | sa tv akṣarāḥ puruṣa ity ucyate
vivekibhiḥ ||16||

madhusūdanah : evam sopādhikam ātmānam uktvā kṣarākṣara-śabda-vācya-kārya-
kāraṇopādhi-dvaya-viyogena nirupādhikam śuddham ātmānam pratipādayati kṛpayā
bhagavān arjunāya dvāv imāv iti tribhiḥ ślokaiḥ | dvāv imau pṛthag-rāsi-kṛtau puruṣau
puruṣopādhitvena purusa-śabda-vyapadeśyau loke saṁsāre | kau tau ? ity āha kṣarākṣara eva
ca kṣaratīti kṣaro vināśī kārya-rāśir ekaḥ puruṣaḥ | na kṣaratīty akṣaro vināśa-rahitāḥ
kṣarākhyasya puruṣasyotpatti-bijam bhagavato māyā-śaktir dvitīyah puruṣaḥ | tau puruṣau
vyācaṣte svayam eva bhagavān kṣarāḥ sarvāṇi bhūtāni samastām kārya-jātam ity arthaḥ |
kūṭasthāḥ kūṭo yathārtha-vastv-ācchādanenāyathārtha-vastu-prakāśanām vañcanām māyety
anarthāntaram | tenāvaraṇa-vikṣepa-śakti-dvaya-rūpeṇa sthitāḥ kūṭastho bhagavān māyā-
śakti-rūpāḥ kāraṇopādhiḥ saṁsāra-bijatvenānāntyād akṣara ucyate |

kecit tu kṣara-śabdenācetana-vargam uktvā kūṭastho’kṣara ucyata ity anena jīvam āhuḥ | tan
na samyak | kṣetrajñasyaiveha puruṣottamatvena pratipādyatvā | tasmāt kṣarākṣara-
śabdābhyaṁ kārya-kāraṇopādhi ubhāv api jaḍāv evocete ity eva yuktam ||16||

viśvanāthah : yasmād aham eva vedavit tasmāt sarva-vedārtha-niṣkarṣam saṅkṣepeṇa bravīmi
śrīnu ity āha dvāv imāv iti tribhiḥ | loke caturdaśa-bhuvanātmake jaḍa-prapañce imau dvau
puruṣau cetanau stah | kau tāv ata āha kṣaram sva-svarūpāt kṣarati vicyuto bhavatīti kṣaro
jīvah | sva-svarūpān na kṣaratīty akṣara brahmaiva | etad vai tad akṣaram gārgi brāhmaṇā
vividīṣanti | iti śruteḥ | akṣaram brahma paramam iti smṛteś ca akṣara-śabdo brahma-vācaka
eva drṣṭah | kṣarākṣarayor arthaṁ punar viśadayati sarvāṇi bhūtāni eko jīva eva anādy-
avidyayā svarūpa-vicyutah san karma-paratantrah samaṣṭy-ātmako brahmādi-sthāvarāntāni
bhūtāni bhavatīty arthaḥ | jātyā vā ekavacanam | dvitīya-puruṣo’kṣaras tu kūṭastha ekenaiva
svarūpeṇavicyutimatā sarva-kāla-vyāpī | ekarūpatayā tu yaḥ kāla-vyāpī sa kūṭasthāḥ ity
amaraḥ ||16||

baladevah : bādarāyaṇātmanā nirṇītam vedārtham saṅkṣipyāha dvāv iti | lokyate tattvam
anena iti vyutpatter loke vede | dvau puruṣau prathitau imāv iti pramāṇa-siddhatā sūcyate |
tau kāv ity āha kṣaraś ceti | śarīra-kṣaraṇāt kṣaro’nekaṁvastho baddho’cit-saṁsargaika-dharma-
sambandhād ekatvena nirdiṣṭah | akṣaras tad-abhāvād ekāvastho mukto’cid-viyogaika-
dharma-sambandhād ekatvena nirdiṣṭah | kṣarākṣarau sphuṭayati sarvāṇi brahmādi-

stambāntāni bhūtāni kṣaraḥ | kūtasthaḥ sadiakāvastho muktas tv akṣaraḥ | ekatva-nirdeśah
prāg-ukta-yukter bodhyah | bahavo jñāna-tapasā ity ādeḥ | idam jñānam upāśritya ity ādeś ca
bahutva-saṅkhyākah sah ||16||

Verse 17

उत्तमः पुरुषस्त्वन्यः परमात्मेत्युदाहृतः ।
यो लोकत्रयमाविश्य बिभर्त्यव्यय ईशः ॥१७॥

uttamah puruṣas tv anyah paramātmety udāhṛtaḥ |
yo loka-trayam āviśya bibharty avyaya īśvaraḥ ||17||

śrīdharaḥ : yad artham etau lakṣitau tam āha uttama iti | etābhyaṁ kṣarāksarābhyaṁ anyo
vilakṣaṇas tu uttamah puruṣah | vailakṣaṇyam evāha paramaś cāśāv ātmā cetu udāhṛtaḥ
uktaḥ śrutibhiḥ | ātmatvena kṣarād acetanād vilakṣaṇah | paramatvenākṣarāc cetanād
bhoktur vilakṣaṇa ity arthaḥ | paramātmavām darśayati yo loka-trayam iti | ya īśvara īśana-
śilo’vyayaś ca nirvikāra eva san loka-trayam kṛṣṇam āviśya bibharti pālayati ||17||

madhusūdanah : ābhyaṁ kṣarāksarābhyaṁ vilakṣaṇah kṣarāksaropādhi-dvaya-doṣenāsprsto
nitya-śuddha-buddha-mukta-svabhāvah uttama iti | uttama utkr̄ṣṭatamah puruṣas tv anyonya
evātyanta-vilakṣaṇa ābhyaṁ kṣarāksarābhyaṁ jaḍa-rāśibhyām ubhaya-bhāsakas tṛtīyaś
cetana-rāśir ity arthaḥ | paramātmety udāhṛto’nna-maya-prāṇa-maya-mano-maya-jñāna-
mayānanda-mayebhyah pañcabhyo’vidyā-kalpitātmabhyah paramah prakṛṣṭo’kalpito brahma
pucchaṁ pratiṣṭhet y ukta ātmā ca sarva-bhūtānām pratyak-cetana ity atah paramātmety
uktao vedānteṣu | yaḥ paramātmā loka-trayam bhūr-bhuvaḥ-svar-ākhyām sarvari jagad iti
yāvat | āviśya svakiyayā māyā-śaktyādhiṣṭhāya bibharti sattā-sphūrti-pradānena dhārayati
poṣayati ca | kīdrśah ? avyayaḥ sarva-vikāra-śūnya īśvaraḥ sarvasya niyantā nārāyaṇah sa
uttamah puruṣah paramātmety udāhṛta ity anvayaḥ | **sa uttamah puruṣa iti śruteḥ** ||17||

viśvanāthaḥ : jñānibhir upāsyam brahmoktvā yogibhir upāsyam paramātmānam āha uttama
iti | tu-śabdah pūrva-vaiśiṣṭyād dyotakah | jñānibhyaś cādhiko yogīty upāsaka-vaiśiṣṭyād
evopāsy-a vaiśiṣṭyam ca labhyate | paramātmā-tattvam eva darśayati ya īśvara īśana-śilo’vyayo
nirvikāra eva san loka-trayam kṛṣṇam āviśya bibharti dhārayati pālayati ca ||17||

baladevah : yad artham dvau puruṣau nirūpitau tam āha uttama iti | anyah kṣarāksarābhyaṁ
na tu taylor evaikaḥ saṅkalpa iti bhāvah | tatra śruti-sammātim āha paramātmēti | uttamata-
prayojakām dharmam āha yo loketi | na caitaj jagad-vidhāraṇa-pālana-rūpam īśanām
baddhasya jīvasya karmāsambhavāt | na ca muktasya jagad-vyāpāra-varjam iti pratiṣedhāc ca
||17||

Verse 18

यस्मात्क्षरमतीतोऽहमक्षरादपि चोत्तमः ।
अतोऽस्मि लोके वेदे च प्रथितः पुरुषोत्तमः ॥१८॥

yasmāt kṣaram atīto’ham akṣarād api cottamah |

ato’smi loke vede ca prathitah puruṣottamah ||18||

śrīdharaḥ : evam uktam puruṣottamatvam ātmano nāma-nirvacanena darśayati yasmādi it | yasmāt kṣaram jāda-vargam atikrānto’ham nityam uktatvāt | akṣarāc cetana-vargād apy uttamaś ca niyantrtvāt | ato loke vede ca puruṣottama iti prathitah prakhyāto’smi | tathā ca śrutiḥ – sa eva sarvasyeśānah sarvasyādhipatih sarvam idam praśāstity ādi ||18||

madhusūdanaḥ : idānīm yathā-vyākhyāteśvarasya kṣarākṣara-vilakṣaṇasya puruṣottama ity etat prasiddha-nāma-nirvacanenedṛśah parameśvaro’ham evety ātmānam darśayati bhagavān brahmaṇo hi pratiṣṭhānam [Gītā 14.27] tad dhāma paramāṇ mama [Gītā 15.6] ityādi prāg-ukta-nija-mahima-nirdhāraṇāya yasmād iti | yasmāt kṣaram kāryatvena vināśinam māyāmayam samsāra-vṛkṣam aśvatthākhyam atīto’tikrānto’ham parameśvaro’kṣarād api māyākhyād avyākṛtād akṣarāt parataḥ para iti pañcamy-antākṣara-padena pratipāditāt samsāra-vṛkṣa-bīja-bhūtāt sarva-kāraṇād api cottama utkṛṣṭatamah | ataḥ kṣarākṣarābhyaṁ puruṣotpādhibhyām adhyāsenā puruṣa-pada-vyapadśyābhyaṁ uttamavād asmi bhavāmi loke vede ca prathitah prakhyātaḥ puruṣottama iti sa uttamah puruṣa iti veda udāhṛta eva loke ca kavi-kāvyādau harir yathaikah puruṣottamah smṛtah ity ādi prasiddham |

kāruṇyato naravad ācarataḥ parārthān
pārthāya bodhitavato nijam iśvaratvam |
sac-cit-ukhaika-vapusah puruṣottamasya
nārāyaṇasya mahimā na hi mānam eti ||

kecin nigṛhya karaṇāni visṛjya bhogam
āsthāya yogam amalātma-dhiyo yatante |
nārāyaṇasya mahimānam ananta-pāram
āsvādayann amṛta-sāram aham tu muktaḥ ||18||

viśvanāthaḥ : yogibhir upāsyam paramātmānam uktvā bhaktair upāsyam bhagavantam vadān bhagavattve’pi svasya kṛṣṇa-svarūpasya puruṣottama iti nāma vyācakṣāṇah sarvotkarṣam āha yasmād iti | kṣaram puruṣam jīvātmānam atītaḥ akṣarāt puruṣat brahmata uttamād avikārāt paramātmānah puruṣād apy uttamah |

yoginām api sarvesām
mad-gatenāntarātmanā |
śraddhāvān bhajate yo māṁ
sa me yuktatamo mataḥ || [Gītā 6.47] iti |

upāsaka-vaiśiṣṭyād evopāsya-vaiśiṣṭya-lābhāt | ca-kārād bhagavato vaikuṇṭha-nāthādeḥ sakāśād api ete cāṁśa-kalāḥ puruṣaḥ kṛṣṇas tu bhagavān svayam iti sūtokter aham uttamah |

atra yadyapy ekam eva sac-cid-ānanda-svarūpam vastu brahma-paramātmā-bhagavat-śabdair ucyate na tu vastutah svarūpataḥ ko’pi bhedo’sti svarūpa-dvayābhāvāt (BhP 6.9.35) iti ṣaṣṭha-skandhokteḥ | tad api tat-tad-upāsakānām sādhanataḥ phalataś ca bheda-darśanāt bheda iva vyavahriyate | tathā hi brahma-paramātmā-bhagavat-upāsakānām krameṇa tat-tat-prāpti-sādhanām jñānam yogo bhaktiś ca | phalam ca jñāna-yogayor vastuto mokṣa eva, bhaktes tu premavat-pārśadatvam ca | tatra bhaktyā vinā jñāna-yogābhyaṁ naiskarmyam apy acyuta-

bhāva-varjitaṁ na śobhate [BhP 1.5.12] iti | pureha bhūman bahavo’pi yoginah [BhP 10.14.5] ity ādi-darśanāt na mokṣa iti |

brahmopāsakaiḥ paramātmopāsakaiḥ sva-sādhya-phala-siddhy-arthaṁ bhagavato bhaktir avaśyaṁ kartavyaiva | bhagavad-upāsakas tu sva-sādhya-phala-siddhy-arthaṁ na brahmopāsanāpi paramātmopāsanā kriyate | na jñānaṁ na ca vairāgyaṁ prāyah śreyo bhaved iha [BhP 11.20.31] iti, yat karmabhir yat tapasā jñāna-vairāgyataś ca yat [BhP 11.20.32] ity ādau –

sarvam mad-bhakti-yogena
mad-bhakto labhate’ñjasā |
svargāpavargaṁ mad-dhāma
kathañcid yadi vāñchati || iti [BhP 11.20.33] |

yā vai sādhana-sampattiḥ
puruṣārtha-catuṣṭaye |
tayā vinā tad āpnoti
naro nārāyaṇāśrayaḥ || ity ādi vacanebhyah ||

ataeva bhagavad-upāsanayā svargāpavarga-premādīni sarva-phalāny eva labdhūm śakyante | brahma-paramātmopāsanayā tu na premādīnity ata eva brahma-paramātmābhyaṁ bhagavad-utkarṣaḥ khalu abhede’py ucyate | yathā tejastvenābhede’pi jyotir dīpāgni-puñjeṣu madhye śītādy-ārti-ksayād dhetor agni-puñja eva śreṣṭha ucyate | tatrāpi bhagavataḥ śrī-kṛṣṇasya tu parama evotkarṣaḥ | yathā agni-puñjād api sūryasya, yena brahmopāsanā-paripākato labhyo nirvāṇa-mokṣaḥ sva-dveṣṭrbhyo’py agha-bak-jarāsandhādibhyo mahā-pāpibhyo datta iti | ataeva brahmaṇo hi pratiṣṭhāham ity atra yathāvad eva vyākhyātaṁ śrī-svāmi-caraṇaiḥ |

śrī-madhusūdana-sarasvatī-pādair api --

cid-ānandākāraṁ jalada-ruci-sāraṁ śruti-girāṁ
vraja-strīnāṁ hāraṁ bhava-jaladhi-pāraṁ kṛta-dhiyāṁ |
vihantum bhūbhāraṁ vidadhāt-avatāraṁ muhur aho
tato vāraṁ vāraṁ bhajata kuśalārambha-kṛtinaḥ || iti |

vamśī-vvibhūṣita-karān nava-nīradābhāt
pītāmbarād aruṇa-bimba-phalādharausṭhāt |
pūrṇendu-sundara-mukhād aravinda-neutrāt
kṛṣṇāt param kim api tattvam ahaṁ na jāne || iti |

pramāṇato’pi nirṇīyam
kṛṣṇa-māhātmyam adbhitam |
na śaknuvanti ye sodhum
te mūḍhā nirayam gataḥ ||

ity uktavadbhiḥ kṛṣṇe sarvotkarṣa eva vyavasthāpita ity atah dvāv imau ity ādi śloka-trayasyāya vyākhyāyām asyām abhyasūyā nāviṣkartavyā | namo’stu kevala-vidbhyaḥ ||18||

baladevah : atha puruṣottama-nāma-nirvacanam svasya tattvam āha yasmād iti uttama utkṛṣṭatamah | loke pauruseyāgame lokyate vedārtho’nena iti nirukteḥ | vede tāvad eṣa samprasādo’smāc charīrāt samutthāya param jyotīrūpaṁ sampadya svena rūpeṇābhiniśpadyate, sa uttamaḥ puruṣaḥ ity ādau prathitah yat param jyotiḥ samprasādenopasampannam sa uttamaḥ puruṣaḥ paramātmetiy arthaḥ | loke ca –

tair vijñāpita-kāryas tu
bhagavān puruṣottamah |
avatīrṇo mahā-yogī
satyavatyām parāśarāt || [SkandaP] ity ādau prathitah ||18||

Verse 19

यो मामेवमसंमूढो जानाति पुरुषोत्तमम् ।
स सर्वविद्वज्ञति मां सर्वभावेन भारत ॥१९॥

yo mām evam asammūḍho jānāti puruṣottamam |
sa sarva-vid bhajati mām sarva-bhāvena bhārata ||19||

śridharaḥ : evambhūteśvarasya jñātuḥ phalam āha ya iti | evam ukta-prakāreṇāsammūḍho niścita-matiḥ san yo mām puruṣottamam jānāti sa sarva-bhāvena sarva-prakāreṇa mām eva bhajati | tataś ca sarvavit sarvajño bhavati ||19||

madhusūdanaḥ : evam nāma-nirvacana-jñāne phalam āha yo mām iti | yo mām īsvaram evam yathokta-nāma-nirvacanenāsaṁmūḍho manusya evāyam kaścit kṛṣṇa iti saṁmohavarjito jānāty ayam īsvara eveti puruṣottamam prāg vyākhyātam sa mām bhajati sevate sarvavin mām sarvātmānam vettīti sa eva sarvajñah sarva-bhāvena prema-lakṣaṇena bhakti-yogena he bhārata | ato yad uktam –

mām ca yo’vyabhicāreṇa bhakti-yogena sevate |
sa guṇān samatītyaitān brahma-bhūyāya kalpate || [Gītā 14.26] iti tad upapannam |

yathoktaṁ brahmaṇo hi pratiṣṭhāham iti tad apy upapannataram |

cid-ānandākāram jalada-ruci-sāram śruti-girām
vraja-strīṇām hāram bhava-jaladhi-pāram kṛta-dhiyām |
vihantūn bhūbhāram vidadhad-avatāram muhur aho
tato vāram vāram bhajata kuśalārambha-kṛtinah ||19||

viśvanāthaḥ : nanv etasmīm tvayā vyavasthāpīte’py arthe vādino vivadanta eva, tatra vivadantām te man-māyā-mohitah sādhus tu na muhyatīty āha yo mām iti | asammūḍho vādinām vādiar aprāpta-saṁmohah | sa eva sarvavid anadhīta-sāstre’pi sa sarva-sāstrārtha-tattva-jñah | tad-anyah kilādhītādhyāsīta-sarva-sāstre’pi saṁmūḍhaḥ samyañ-mūrkha eveti bhāvah | tathā ya evam jānāti sa eva mām sarvato-bhāvena bhajati | tad anye bhajann api na mām bhajatīty arthaḥ ||19||

baladevah : tātparya-dyotanāya puruṣottamatva-vettuh phalam āha yo mām iti | evam mad-ukta-niruktyā na tv aśva-karṇādīvat saṁjñā-mātratvena | yo mām puruṣottamam jānāty asaṁmūḍhaḥ | prokte puruṣottamatve saṁsaya-sūnyah san, sa śloka-trayasyaivārtham jānan sarva-vit | nikhilasya vedasya tatraiva tātparyat | puruṣottamatvajño mām sarva-bhāvena sarva-prakāreṇa bhajaty upāste | sarva-vedārtha-vettari sarva-bhakty-aṅgānuṣṭhātari ca yo me prasādaḥ sa tasmin bhaved iti me puruṣottamatve sandihānas tv adhīta-sarva-vedo’py ajñāḥ | sarvathā bhajann apy abhakta iti bhāvah ||19||

Verse 20

इति गुह्यतमं शास्त्रमिदमुक्तं मयानध ।
एतद्वद्ध्व बुद्धिमान् स्यात्कृतकृत्यश्च भारत ॥२०॥

iti guhyatamam śāstram idam uktam mayānagha |
etad buddhvā buddhimān syāt kṛta-kṛtyaś ca bhārata ||20||

śrīdharaḥ : adhyāyārtham upasamharati itīti | ity anena samkṣepa-prakāreṇa guhyatamam atirahasyam sampūrṇam śāstram eva mayoktam | na tu punar viṁśati-ślokam adhyāyāmātram he anagha vyasana-sūnya | ata etan mad-uktam śāstram buddhyā buddhimān samyag jñānī syāt | rta-kṛtyaś ca syāt | yo’pi ko’pi he bhārata tvam kṛta-kṛtyo’siti kim vaktavyam iti bhāvah ||20||

saṁsāra-śākhinam chittvā spaṣṭam pañcadaše vibhuḥ |
puruṣottama-yogākhye param padam upādiśat ||

iti śrī-śrīdhara-svāmi-kṛtāyām bhagavad-gītā-tīkāyām subodhinyām
puruṣottama-yogo nāma pañcadaśo’dhyāyah
||15||

madhusūdanaḥ : idānīm adhyāyārtham stuvann upasamharati itīti | iti anena prakāreṇa guhyatamam rahasyatamam sampūrṇam śāstram eva samkṣepenedam asminn adhyāye mayoktam he’naghāvyasana | etad buddhvānyo’pi yah kaścid buddhimān ātma-jñānavān syāt kṛtam sarvam kṛtyam yena na punah kṛtyāntaram yasyāsti sa kṛtakṛtyaś ca syāt | viśiṣṭa-janma-prasūtena brāhmaṇena yat kartavyam tat sarvam bhagavat-tattve vidite kṛtam bhavet na tv anyathā kartavyam parisamāpyate kasyacid ity abhiprāyah | he bhārata tvam tu mahākula-prasūtah svayam ca vyasana-rahita iti kula-guṇena sva-guṇena caitad buddhvā kṛta-kṛtyo bhaviṣyasīti kim u vaktavyam ity abhiprāyah ||20||

varṇī-vibhūṣita-karān nava-nīradābhāt
pītāmbarād aruṇa-bimba-phalādharoṣṭhāt |
pūrnendu-sundara-mukhād aravinda-neutrāt
krishnat param kim api tattvam aham na jāne ||1||

sadā sadānanda-pade nimagnam mano manobhāvam apākaroti |
gatāgatāyāsam apāsyā sadyaḥ parāparātītam upaiti tattvam ||2||
śaivāḥ saurāś ca gāneśā vaiśṇavāḥ śakti-pūjakāḥ |

bhavanti yan-mayāḥ sarve so’ham asmi paraḥ śivah ||3||
 pramāṇato’pi nirṇiyam kṛṣṇa-māhātmyam adbhitam |
 na śaknuvanti ye soḍhum te mūḍhā nirayam gatāḥ ||4||

iti śrīmat-paramahaṁsa-parivrājakācārya-śrī-viśveśvara-sarasvatī-pāda-śiṣya-
śrī-madhusūdana-sarasvatī-viracitāyām śrīmad-bhagavad-gītā-gūḍhārtha-
dīpikāyām puruṣottam-yogo nāma ṣodaśo’dhyāyah
 ||15||

viśvanāthah : adhyāyārtham upasamharati itīti | vimśatyā ślokair ebhir atirahasyam sāstram
 eva sampūrṇam mayoktam ||20||

jada-caitanya-vargāṇām vivṛtaṁ kurvatā kṛtam |
 kṛṣṇa eva mahotkarṣa ity adhyāyārtha īritāḥ ||
 iti sārārtha-varṣṇyām harṣṇyām bhakta-cetasām |
 gītāsv ayam pañcadaśaḥ saṅgataḥ saṅgataḥ satām ||
 ||15||

baladevah : athaitad apātreṣv aprakāsyam iti bhāvenāha itīti | ity evam samkṣepa-rūpam
 puruṣottamatva-nirūpakam idam triślokī-sāstram tubhyām parama-bhaktāya mayoktam | he
 anagha, tvaāpy apātreṣu naitat prakāsyam iti bhāvah | etad buddhvā buddhimān parokṣa-
 jñānī syāt | kṛtakṛtyo’parokṣa-jñānī ceti puruṣottamatva-jñānam abhyarcyate ||20||

baddhān muktāc ca yaḥ pumso bhinnas tad-bhṛt tad-uttamah |
 sa pumān harir eveti prāptam pañcadaśād atah ||

iti śrīmad-bhagavad-gītopaniṣad-bhāṣye pañcadaśo’dhyāyah
 ||15||

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