Bhagavad Gita

Vedic Society Hindu Temple, Southampton

Todays class starts at 8pm



Prarthana

Aum Aum Aum
Aum Vasudevasutam Devam, Kansa Chanura Mardanam
Devaki Paramanandam, Krushnam Vande Jagadguru

Guru Brahma Guru Vishnu, Guru Devo Maheshvarah Guru Sakshat Parabrahma, Tasmai Shri Gurave Namah

Aum Saha Navavatu Saha Nau Bhunaktu Saha Viryam Karavavahai Tejasvina Vadhi Tamastu Maa Vidvishavahai Aum Shanti Shanti Shantihi

Chapter 3

Karma Yoga

The Path of Action

Matrix of Spiritual Practice (Vedanta)

Problem	Solution	Method
Agyana - Ignorance	Gyana - Knowledge	Shravanam - Hear Mananam - Contemplate Nidhidhyasana - Meditate
Vikshepa – Unfocused	Ekagrata - Focus	<i>Upasana</i> – Meditate
Chitta Mala – Impure Mind	Chitta Sudhi – Purity of Mind	Karma Yoga – Path of Action

Based on Swami Sarvapriyananda talks

Chapter 3 - Karma Yoga

• Law of Yagna since the creation of the Universe.

Circle of Action

• Lok Sangraham. Welfare of the people.

• Actions are Prakriti (BMI) working amidst Prakriti (world).

Chapter 3 - Karma Yoga

- Dedicate all action to the Supreme
- Mind centred on the Self
- Free from desire
- Free from attachment and
- Free from mental fever

• Do your prescribed duty (fight).

Chapter 3 - Karma Yoga

Svadharma – prescribed duties

Role in family, society and occupation

Svabhava – character Vasanas, likes & dislikes

ICT - Purification of Antakarana

Intellect (Buddhi) in Knowledge

Likes & Dislikes

Right & Wrong

Mind (*Manas*)
Thought - Desire

Actions

Senses
Likes & Dislikes

Vasanas (Character - *Svabhava*)

Ego (*Ahankara*) Memory (*Chitta*)

Choice in Action

Character (Svabhava)

Vasanas Desires Likes & Dislikes



Prescribed Duty (Svadharma)

Right action Right attitude



arjuna uvaca
atha kena prayukto 'yam
papam carati purusah
anicchann api varsneya
balad iva niyojitah

V3.36

Arjuna said: O descendant of Vrsni, by what is one impelled to sinful acts, even unwillingly, as if engaged by force?



sri-bhagavan uvaca kama esa krodha esa rajo-guna-samudbhavah mahasano maha-papma viddhy enam iha vairinam

V3.37

The Blessed Lord said: It is craving (intense desire), Arjuna, which is born of rajas guna (the material mode of passion) and later transformed into anger, and which is voracious. It produces great sin and it is the enemy.



dhumenavriyate vahnir yathadarso malena ca yatholbenavrto garbhas tatha tenedam avrtam

V3.38

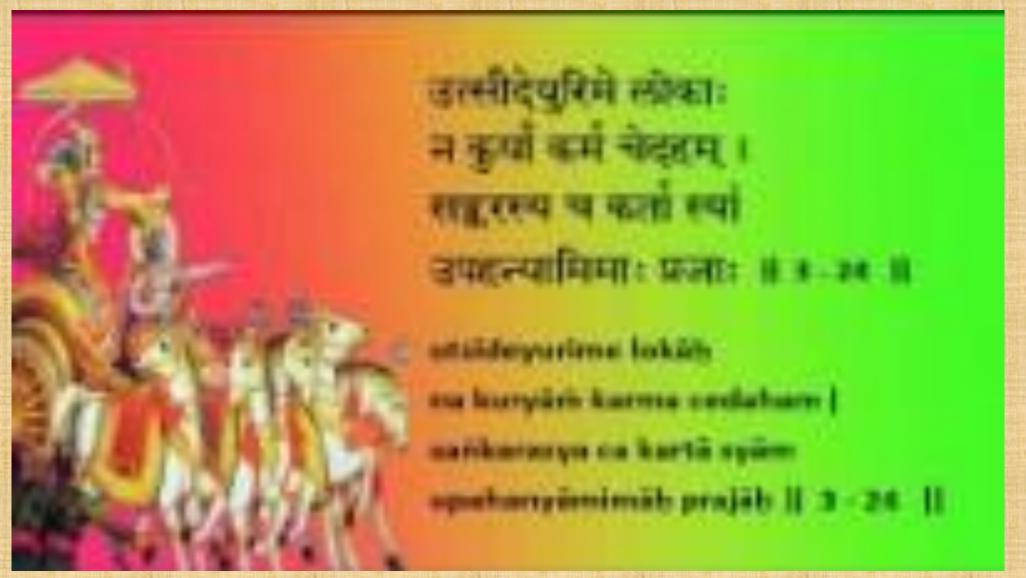
As fire is covered by smoke, as a mirror is covered by dust, or as the embryo is covered by the womb, similarly this (Wisdom) is covered by different degrees of this desire.



avrtam jnanam etena jnanino nitya-vairina kama-rupena kaunteya duspurenanalena ca

V3.39

Thus, a person's wisdom (Knowledge) is covered by his eternal enemy in the form of intense desire, which is never satisfied and which burns like fire.



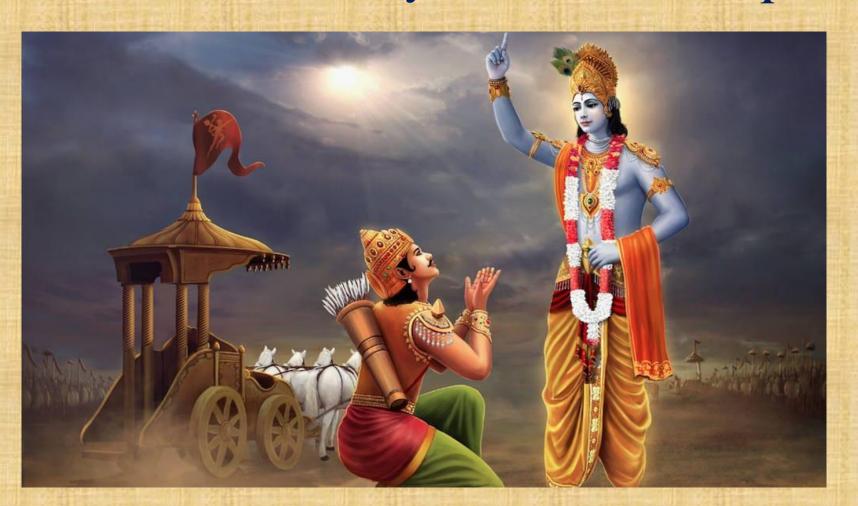
indriyani mano buddhir asyadhisthanam ucyate etair vimohayaty esa jnanam avrtya dehinam

V3.40
The senses, the mind and the intelligence are said to be the seat of this desire;
Through these it deludes the embodied, by veiling their wisdom.

Bhagavad Gita Questions & Comments



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Closing Prarthana

Aum Sarve Bhavantu Sukhina, Sarve Santu Niramaya Sarve Bhadrani Pashyantu, Ma Kashchid Dukha Bhak Bhavet

Asato Ma Sat Gamaya Tamaso Ma Jyotir Gamaya Mrityor Ma Amritam Gamaya

Aum Poornam-adah Poornam-idam, Poornat Poornam Udachyate, Poornasya Poornam-adaya, Poornam-eva Vashisyate. Aum Shanti Shanti Shantihi