CHAPTER THIRTY-TWO

1. He Himself is the adorable (and hence known as Agni); He is the Lord Infinite and without parts (Āditya); He is pervading and vital (Vāyu) as well as the blissful delight (Candramas). He is the bright, the primeval seed (Śukram). He is the Lord supreme (Brahma). He is the permeating one (Āpaḥ) and the Lord of the creation (Prajāpati) is He. (1)

2. All the time factors have sprung from that blazing Cosmic Man. No one comprehends Him existing above, below, or in the middle. (1)

3. There is no image to compare with Him, who is the greatest glory and who is mentioned in the Vedic verses beginning with Hiraṇyagarbhaḥ (XXV. 10), and Mā mā hiṁsīt (XII. 102) and Yasmānna jātaḥ (VIII. 36). (1)

4. Surely this very Lord pervades all the regions. He was born before all, yet He is in the womb still. He is what has been born; also He is what shall be born hereafter. Having faces all around, He stands facing each and every person. (1)

5. Prior to whom nothing whatsoever is born and who is manifest in all the worlds; that Creator, having sixteen refinements (i.e. perfect in every respect), takes pleasure in His offerings and bears three lights. (1)

6. He who makes the sky blazing and the earth steady; who supports the realm of light and the heaven; and who is the measurer of the regions in the mid-space; to that Lord we offer our oblations. (1)

7. Whom heaven and earth, being supported with rain and food, look at with a thrilling heart, and in whom the rising sun shines; that Lord, we adore with our oblations. The verses beginning with Āpo ha yad bṛhatī (Yv. XXVII. 25) and Yaśchidāpaḥ (Yv. XXVII.26) also mention Him. (1)

8. The wise beholds Him, as if placed in a secret cave, in whom all this world finds a common nest. All this unites in Him and springs forth from Him. That omnipresent Lord is woven like warp and woof in all the creatures. (1)

9. Let the enlightened scholar, who knows, discourse in detail about the Immortal one, who is, as if in a secret cave, divided in different forms. Three of His feet are hidden in the cave. He, who knows them, is the father's father. (1)

10. He is our brother, father and our creator. He knows all the places and all the worlds, where the enlightened ones reside in the third abode (heaven) enjoying immortality. (1)

11. Having pervaded all the creatures, encompassing all the worlds, all the quarters and mid-quarters, and approaching the first daughter of Eternity, He entered directly by His self in Himself. (1)

12. Quickly going around the earth and heaven, around the worlds, around the quarters and around the realm of light, and having woven the well-spread threads of truth, He sees it, becomes it, and still is it. (1)

13. I beg to the Lord of sacrifice, that He may bestow on me the wealth of wisdom, which is dear to the resplendent Lord and is worth desiring. (1)

14. O adorable Lord, make me wise today by bestowing upon me that wisdom, which the learned and elders so keenly desire. Svāhā. (1)

15. May the Lord of justice bestow wisdom on me; may the adorable Lord and the Lord of all creatures bless me with the wisdom; may the resplendent Lord and the Creator grant me wisdom. Svāhā. (1)

16. May this intellect and this valour of mine, both achieve glory. May the enlightened ones bestow finest glory on me. To you O glory, hail. (1)