CHAPTER FORTY

1. All whatsoever exists in this universe, is pervaded by God supreme. Enjoy it, knowing full well that it will have to be renounced. Do not be greedy. To whom do the riches belong? (1)

2. Let one desire to live a hundred years in this world only actively engaged in his work. For you, there is no other way. And as such, the deeds do not cling to man. (1)

3. There are demoniac worlds enwrapped in blinding darkness. To those worlds proceed the men, even after death, who kill their self. (1)

4. That one, though absolutely motionless, is swifter than mind. The gods could not overtake it, when it sped before them. Though standing still, it outstrips all the others running fast. Even the vehement wind concedes its supremacy. (1)

5. It moves, but still it moves not. It is far away, even then it is very close. It is within all; it encompasses all this universe on the outer side as well. (1)

6. He, who realizes all the beings in the Supreme Self itself, and the Supreme Self in all the beings, suffers not from doubts whatsoever, thereafter. (1)

7. For the man, for whom, after realization, all the creatures have become Universal Self itself, what infatuation or what sorrow can there be, as he sees the oneness in all? (1)

8. He attains the bodiless, uninjurable, sinewless, pure and sinless bright one. He the Supreme Self far-sighted, wise, surpassing all, and self-existent, creates the objects in all propriety for all times to come. (1)

9. Those, who glorify the destructive impulse, fall in the blinding gloom. But those, who run after the creative impulse alone, fall in the gloom darker still. (1)

10. Different is the fruit of the creative impulse and the fruit of the distructive one is different. Thus we have been hearing from the sages, who instruct us in these matters. (1)

11. He, who pursues the creative impulse as well as the destructive one side by side, overcomes death by the destructive impulse and gains immortality through the creative one. (1)

12. Those who pursue worldly knowledge alone fall in the blinding gloom. Those, who pursue spiritual knowledge only, sink into gloom darker still. (1)

13. Different is the fruit of worldly knowledge, and the fruit of spiritual knowledge is different. Thus we have been hearing from the sages, who instruct us in these matters. (1)

14. But he, who pursues worldly knowledge and the spiritual one side by side, overcomes death by worldly knowledge and gains immortality through the spiritual one. (1)

15 Breaths go out to mix with the elemental air; the soul is immortal and the body is to end in ashes. Om. Now O sacrificer, think; think of the world full of enjoyments and think of the deeds you have done. (1)

16. O adorable Lord, lead us to richness by comfortable and painless paths. O God, you know all our actions. Remove our sin that leads us astray. We bow to you with reverence again and again. (1)

17. The face of the Ultimate is hidden by a golden cover. The cosmic Man, who is there in the sun, that I am Myself, i.e. Om, the abstract, the Divine Supreme. (1)