# Arjuna visha:da yo:gaha

Slokas: 1-47

### 1) dhruthara:shtra uva:cha

dharma kshe:thre: kurukshe:thre: samave:tha: yuyuthsavaha| ma:maka:h pa:ndava:s chaiva kim akurvatha sanjaya!||

#### Words

Dharma kshe:thre - Kurukshe:thre Samave:tha:h - Yuyuthsavaha Ma:maka:h - Pa:ndava:ha - cha - e:va kim - Akurvatha - Sanjaya

# **Meaning of the Words**

Sanjaya = Oh Sanjaya!

Ma:maka:h = my people

Pa:ndava:ha+cha+e:va = and also pa:ndavas

Samave:tha:h = assembled

Kurukshe:thre = at Kurukshetra

Dharma kshe:thre = a place that enriches righteousness

Yuyuthsavaha = longing to fight with each other

Kim = what

Akurvatha? = did they do?

### **Purport**

Oh Sanjaya!, the kurukshe:thra was a great place in enriching their own qualities, whoever go on to that. My people kauravas and Pa:ndu's children Pa:ndavas with their people assembled there to wage the war. What exactly did they do there?

#### 2) sanjaya uva:cha

drushtwa: thu pa:ndava:ni:kam vyu:ddam duryo:dhanas thada| a:cha:ryam upasngamya ra:ja: vachanam abravi:th||

#### Words

Drushtwa: - thu - Pa:ndava:ni:kam

Vyu:ddam - Duryo:dhanaha - Thada:

A:charyam - Upa sangamya

Ra:ja: - Vachanam - Abravi:th

# **Meaning of the Words**

Thada: = then

Duryo:dhanaha = suyo:dhana

Ra:ja: = (whom you consider as) the king

Drushtwa: thu = soon after seeing

Vyu:ddam = orderly arrayed

Pa:ndava+ani:kam = battalians of pa:ndavas

Upa sangamya = approached

A:charyam = his guru Dro:na:charya

Abravi:th = thus spoke

Vachanam = a few words

### **Purport**

Sanjaya started explaining to the King Dhruthara:shtra about the movements of his son Duryo:dhana. While doing so, he refered Duryo:dhana as "ra:ja:", because, his father likes that expression.

The teams of soldiers in pa:ndavas' army are well trained and highly disciplined. Though they are less in number, however, they have organized all their soldiers in a meticulous way, like that of 'padma, a Lotus', 'su:chi:, a needle', 'sakata, a cart' etc, to attack kauravas. Those patterns are called as 'vyu:has'. It seems, those Vyu:ha:s created a lot of fear in your son, Duryo:dhana. He became so nervous. And immediately he rushed close towards his guru, Dro:na:cha:rya, and started expressing his anguish in a few words.

He knows that when one is depressed or confused, had to approach a guru to get rid of that problem. But due to his own egotism , he started accusing Dro:na:charya, his own guru ".

# 3) (duryo:dhana says)

pasyaitha:m pa:ndu puthra:na:m a:charya! mahathi:m chamu:m| vyu:dda:m drupada puthre:na thava sishye:na dhi:matha:||

### Words

Pasya - E:tha:m - Pa:ndu puthra:na:m A:charya - Mahathi:m - Chamu:m Vyu:dda:m - Drupada puthre:na Thava - Sishye:na - Dhi:matha

### **Meaning of the Words**

A:charya = oh guru dro:na:charya!

Pasya = look

E:tha:m = at this

Mahathi:m = huge

Chamu:m = force of warriors

Pa:ndu puthra:na:m = belonging to the children of Late Pa:ndura:j

Vyu:dda:m = very well organized

Drupada puthre:na = by Dhrushta dyumna, the son of king Drupada

Dhi:matha = who is so bright

Sishye:na = disciple

Thava = of yours.

## **Purport**

Duryo:dhana was scared. He approached his guru Dro:na:cha:rya and said, "Oh A:cha:rya! Do you remember your old enemy the King Drupada? His only son, the mighty Dhrushta dyumna by name, who was born just to kill you, is the one commanding all the forces of Pa:ndavas. He was so smart and thus approached you to learn all the archery from you only.

You have ignored his very purpose of learning, and taught him that archery.

He was a smart student and that is why you have accepted him as your disciple. And because you have accepted him as your disciple, he became so bright.

Now, Look at these vast forces of Pa:ndavas! They appear like as if they are ready to fall on us. They have been organized into unbeatable arrays, Vyu:has, by your own clever disciple, that son of Drupada.

4) athra su:ra: mahe:shwa:sa:
bhi:ma:rjuna sama: yuddhi|
yuyudhano: vira:tas cha
drupadas cha maha:ratthaha||

### **Words**

Athra - Su:ra:ha - Mahe:shwa:sa: Bhi:ma:rjuna sama: - Yuddhi Yuyudha:naha - Vira:taha - cha Drupadaha - cha - Maha:ratthaha

# **Meaning of the Words**

Su:ra:ha = all these brave personalities

Bhi:ma + arjuna sama:ha = equally powerful with Bhi:ma and Arjuna

Maha + ishwa:sa:ha = well qualified in archery

Athra = are ready here

Yuddhi = in the war field, they are

Yuyudha:naha = Sa:tyaki (1)

Vira:taha cha = and the king Vira:ta (2)

Maha:ratthaha = one who is able to fight with 1000 archers alone is called a 'a

maha:rattha'.

Drupadaha cha = also the king, maha:rattha Drupada (3)

#### **Purport**

Everything looks fearful to a scared one. There are so many brave personalities present in Pa:ndavas army, ready to finish us. Every one appears to me like Bhi:mase:na in strength and great archer like Arjuna. I try to figure out a few of them.

- 1. Sa:tyaki, a companion of Sri Krushna and a great friend of Pa:ndavas, who was also the grandson of Yuddha:jit
- 2. The king Vira:ta, in whose kingdom Pa:ndavas were hiding for one long year during ajna:thava:sa
- 3. The king Drupada, a great charioteer, and father of Draupadi.
  - 5) dhrushta ke:thus che:kitha:nah ka:si:ra:jas cha vi:ryava:n| purujith kunthi bho:jas cha saibyas cha narapungavaha||

#### **Words**

Dhrushta ke:thuhu - Che:kitha:naha Ka:si:ra:jaha - cha - Vi:ryava:n Purujith - Kunthi bho:jaha - cha saibyaha - cha - Nara pungavaha

# **Meaning of the Words**

4. Dhrushta ke:thuhu = Dhrushtake:thu, the son of late Sisupa:la and the king

of City Che:di, who became a tributary king of the

Pa:ndavas

5. Che:kitha:naha = a great vrushni archer Che:kithana

6. Vi:ryava:n Ka:si:ra:jaha cha = also heroic king of Ka:si:

7. Purujith = the king Purujith, the cousin brother of Kunthi

8. Kunthi bho:jaha cha = and also Kunthi bho:ja, the borther of Purujith,

9. Nara pungavaha saibyaha cha = and a great personality Saibya, the king of Sibi kingdom

and the father-in-law of Yuddhishttira.

# **Purport**

The names are clear here.

6) yuddha:manyus cha vikra:nthaha uttamauja:s cha vi:ryava:n| saubhadro: draupade:ya:s cha sarva e:va maha:rattha:ha||

### **Words**

Yuddha:manyuhu - cha - Vikra:nthah

Uttamauja:ha - cha - Vi:ryava:n

Saubhadraha - Draupade:yaha - cha

Sarve: - e:va - Maha: rattha:ha

# **Meaning of the Words**

10. Vikra:nthaha Yuddha:manyuhu cha = a very aggressive Yuddha:manyu, the prince of

Pa:ncha:la and a body-guard of Arjuna

11. Vi:ryava:n Uttamauja:ha cha = and a ferocious Uttamaujas, the right wheel

guard of Arjunas chariot

12. Saubhadraha = the son of Subhadra, violent Abhimanyu

13. Draupade:yaha cha = the 5 sons of Draupadi, viz Prathivindya 14.

Srutha so:ma 15. Sruthaki:rthi' 16. Satha:ni:ka,

and 17. Srutha Se:na

Sarve: e:va = all these are

Maha: rattha:ha = Maha:rathas, who, individually are able to fight

with 1000 archers. Now, along with their

commander-inchief Dhrushtadyumna, I am able to count 18 great maha:ratthas, leave alone

Pa:ndavas.

# **Purport**

Here also the details in the sloka are very clear.

7) asma:kam thu visishta: ye:

tha:n nibo:dha dwijo:tthama!|

na:yaka: mama sainyasya

samjna:rttham tha:n bravi:mi the:||

# **Words**

Asma:kam - Thu - Visishta:ha - Ye:

Tha:n - Nibo:ddha - Dwijo:tthama

Na:yaka:ha - Mama - Sainyasya

Samjna:rttham - Tha:n - Bravi:mi - The:

# **Meaning of the Words**

Dwijo:tthama = Oh the greatest of the bramhins Dro:na:charya!

Nibo:ddha = please bear in mind

Tha:n = those

Ye: thu = who are available as

Visishta:ha = very exceptional

Na:yaka:ha = leaders

Sainyasya = to the military

Mama = of mine

Asma:kam = from among our warriors

Bravi:mi = I am explaining

Tha:n = about them

The: = to you

Samina:rttham = just for an identification

# **Purport**

Oh Dro:na:cha:rya the Great!, you are the greatest of all the bramhins. I am able to find out a very few leaders from among our warriors. Despite the fact that you know all of them well, I would like to name a few of them, just for you, to keep in mind.

8) bhava:n bhi:shmas cha karnas cha krupas cha samithinjayaha| aswattha:ma vikarnas cha saumadatthis thatthaiva cha||

### **Words**

Bhava:n - Bhi:shmaha - cha - Karnaha - cha

Krupaha - cha - Samithinjayaha

Aswattha:ma - Vikarnaha - cha

Saumadatthihi - Thattha - e:va - cha

# **Meaning of the Words**

1. Bhava:n = yourself

2. Bhi:shmaha cha = and Bhi:shma:cha:rya

3. Karnaha cha = also Karna

4. Samithinjayaha = the victorious

Krupaha cha = krupa:charya, our great teacher in archery

5. Aswattha:ma = an unbeatable son of yours, aswattha:ma

6. Vikarnaha cha = my brother Vikarna and

7. Saumadatthihi = the son of so:madattha, Bhu:risravas by name

Thattha e:va cha = and that is all.

#### **Purport**

Duryo:dhana has mentioned 7 names as great warriors with him in the war, and was not able to find any more. They are Dro:na:charya, Bhi:shma:cha:rya, Karna, Krupa:charya, Aswattha:ma, Vikarna and Saumadattha. That is all. He could not find any other prominent warrior in his army.

9) anye: cha bahavas su:ra:ha

madarthe: thyaktha ji:vitha:ha|

na:na: sasthra praharana:s sarve: yuddha visa:rada:ha||

# Words

Anye: - cha - Bahavaha - Su:raha

Madartthe: - Thyaktha ji:vithaha

Na:na: sasthra praharana:ha Sarve: - Yuddha visa:rada:ha

# **Meaning of the Words**

Bahavaha = there are so many

Anye: cha = others also

Su:raha = dynamic leaders

Thyaktha ji:vithaha = left their lives

Madartthe: = for me

Na:na: sasthra praharana:ha = and they are capable of using multiple weapons

Sarve: = all of them, no doubt

Yuddha visa:rada:ha = are reputed warriors

### **Purport**

Of course, there are several other warriors, who have good fame, in additions to the 7 warriors I have mentioned already. But it looks like that all of them have already left their lives for me. They may be of some use, of course. They seem to be capable of using many weapons, but not really dynamic experts in using any one of them effectively. They are, undoubtedly great in their own respect, to fight the war.

10) aparya:ptham thad asma:kam
balam bhi:shma:bhirakshitham|
parya:ptham thwidam e:the:sha:m
balam bhi:ma:bhirakshitham||

### Words

Aparya:ptham - Thath - Asma:kam

Balam - Bhi:shma:bhirakshitham

Aparya:ptham - Thu - Idam - E:the:sha:m

Balam - Bhi:ma:bhirakshitham

# **Meaning of the Words**

Thath = due to the above reasons

Asma:kam = our

Balam = army force

Bhi:shma +abhirakshitham = protected by Bhi:shma:cha:rya

Aparya:ptham = is proved incapable.

Idam = this

Balam = army

E:the:sha:m = of these pa:ndavas

Bhi:ma +abhirakshitham = gaurded by the mighty Bhi:maSe:na,

Parya:ptham = is capable of winning over us.

#### **Purport**

Summing up all the reasons I have explained, Oh Dro:na:cha:rya, I strongly feel that our army appears to be incapable of winning the war, though it is protected by Bhi:shma:cha:rya, the Great. On the other hand, the army gaured by Bhi:mase:na, is fit enough to defeat us.

A Note: Duryu:dhana took these names of Bhi:shma and Bhi:ma, from both the armies to compare. It looks so odd because, when Bhi:shma:cha:rya is taken as the protector to the forces of Kauravas, it is suitable for, as he was the chief of the army. But from Pa:ndava:s army why did he choose the name of Bhi:ma, in stead of Dhrushtadyumna, who was the chief?

Here is an interesting observation. Before commencement of the war, from Duryo:dhana's side, it was Bhi:shma:cha:rya, who declared that he will kill all the

forces except the Pa:ndavas, because they are not only his grand sons but also standing for righteousness. Duryo:dhana also agreed for this condition and made Bhi:shma:cha:rya as the Chief. Duryo:dhana thought that if Bhi:shma:cha:rya takes care of all the other warriors of Pa:ndavas, he along with his friends and brothers, can finish all the Pa:ndavas.

On the contrary, from the Pa:ndavas, it was Bhi:mase:na, who declared that he is not going to leave anyone of the kauravas, during the war. That is why Duryo:dhana used two typical words 'idam , e:the:sha:m', because he was feeling as if Pa:ndavas' forces are very near to him than that of his own forces, and are ready to pounce on him. Hence, Duryo:dhana was visualizing only two people from both the sides. Compassionate Bhi:shma:cha:rya and firm Bhi:mase:na. Nothing else he could see. So he took only those two characters as counterparts.

# 11) (duryo:dhana says)

ayane:shu cha sarve:shu yattha:bha:gam avastthitha:ha| bhi:shmam e:va:bhirakshanthu bhavanthas sarva e:va hi||

# Words

Ayane:shu - cha - Sarve:shu yattha:bha:gam - Avastthitha:ha Bhi:shmam - e:va - Abhirakshanthu Bhavanthaha - Sarve: - e:va - hi

#### **Meaning of the Words**

Avastthitha:ha = positioned

yattha:bha:gam = according to the need

Sarve:shu = in all

Ayane:shu cha = strategic points

Sarve: = all

Bhavanthaha e:va = of you only

Abhirakshanthu hi = should shield from all around

Bhi:shmam e:va = our Bhi:shm:cha:rya only

Oh A:cha:rya! our Chief Bhi:shma:cha:rya promised to kill rest of the warriors except Pa:ndavas. Taking this leniency, Pa:ndavas might upset Bhi:shma:cha:rya in different ways. Therefore, all of you must be extra vigilant in safegaurding our Chief from all around, while he was fighting with other battalians. If our Chief is supported like that, he will do the rest of the job and then, we all are anyway here to finish 5 Pa:ndavas. That is not a big job for us.

So, be careful in identifying all the key positions from where they might attack on Bhishma:cha:rya, you must keep an eye in appointing suitable hands. This is my order.

# 12) sanjaya uva:cha

thasya samjanayan harsham kuru vruddhah pitha:mahaha| simhana:dam vinadyo: chhais sankham dadhmau pratha:pava:n||

#### Words

Thasya - Samjanayan - Harsham Kuruvruddhaha - Pitha:mahaha Simha na:dam - Vinadya - Uchhaihi Sankham - Dadhmau - Pratha:pava:n

#### **Meaning of the Words**

Pratha:pava:n = dynamic and

Pitha:mahaha = grandfather

Kuruvruddhaha = the senior most of all the kauravas

Samjanayan = generating

Harsham = cheerfulness

Thasya = to that sorrow-stricken Duryo:dhana

Vinadya = roared

Simha na:dam = like a lion

Uchhaihi = aloud

Dadhmau = blew

Sankham = a conch

#### **Purport**

Sanjaya said to the king. "Oh my beloved Majesty! Your son became so depressed that he had lost all his courage. Our Chief of the war forces, Bhi:shma:cha:rya the embodiment of power, decided to fill Duryo:dhana with some vigor. Thus, he made a huge sound like 'Hurray' and blew his conch with a high pitch.

13) thathas sankha:s cha bhe:ryas cha panava:naka go:mukha:ha| sahasaiva:bhyahanyantha sa sabdas thumulo:bhavath||

# **Words**

Thathaha - Sankha:ha - cha - Bhe:ryaha - cha Panavaa:nakago:mukhaha Sahasa - e:va - Abhyahanyantha saha - Sabdaha - Thumulaha - Abhavath

# **Meaning of the Words**

Thathaha = there after

Sahasa e:va = right away

Sankha:ha = conches

Bhe:ryaha cha = also drums

Panava+a:naka+go:mukhaha = blowers, beats and horns etc., instruments

Abhyahanyantha = stated banging

Saha Sabdaha = that sound

Abhavath = became

Thumulaha = awkward

#### **Purport**

Look at this indisciplined nature, among our people! When Bhi:shma:cha:rya blew his own chonch to encourage your son, and also as an indication to start the war, reciprocating that, all your warriors should also blow their conches one after another.

But it is other way round. All blew their instruments together, not indicating their own presence. That sound became messy.

14) thathas swe:thair hayair yukthe:

mahathi syandane: stthithau| ma:dhavah pa:ndavas chaiva

divyau sankhau pradadhmathuhu||

### Words

Thathaha - Swe:thaihi - Hayaihi - Yukthe:

Mahathi - Syandane: - Stthithau

Ma:dhavaha - Pa:ndavaha - cha - e:va

Divyau - Sankhau - Pradadhmathuhu

# **Meaning of the Words**

Thathaha = then

Ma:dhavaha = the spouse of Maha: Lakshmi, Lord Krushna

Pa:ndavaha cha e:va = and also the son of Pa:ndu, Arjuna

Stthithau = standing

Syandane: = amidst the chariot

Mahathi = which is undefeatable,

Yukthe: = attached with

Swe:thaihi = white coloured

Hayaihi = horses

Pradadhmathuhu = both blew

Sankhau = two conches

Divyau = which are divine.

#### **Purport**

When Kauravas cooled down slowly, Lord Krushna, the Spouse of Maha: Lakshmi, and Arjuna, the son of Late king Pa:ndu, also blew their own conches. Those conches are divine. Their chariot is so great that it can win over all the three worlds. It is lead by 4 white horses.

15) pa:nchajanyam hrushi:ke:so:

de:va dattham dhanamjayaha|

paundram daddhmau maha: sankham

bhi:ma krama: vruko:daraha||

# Words

Pa:nchajanyam - Hrushi:ke:shaha

De:vadattham - Dhanamjayaha

Paundram - Daddhmau - Maha: sankham

Bhi:ma karma: - Vruko:daraha

# Meaning of the Words

Hrushi:ke:shaha = the controller of the senses of all the souls, Lord Krushna

Pa:nchajanyam = His conch called Pa:nchajanya, got out of a bone of a demon called

Panchajina.

Dhanamjayaha = Arjuna, who can possess any wealth

De:vadattham = blew his conch named after De:vadattham, because it was presented to

him by Indra, when he was protecting the fire-god, when Forest

Kha:ndava caught fire.

Vruko:daraha = Bhi:mase:na, in whose stomach a fire calld 'vruka' is present

Bhi:ma karma: = and whose activities are magnificient & terrific

Daddhmau = blew

Maha: sankham = a very powerful conch

Paundram = called Paundram, name also is so Heavy

#### **Purport**

The reciprocation started from the Pa:ndavas side, in a highly disciplined manner. It was the Lord Krushna who blew His conch first. Then followed Arjuna. After that Bhi:mase:na blew his conch.

16) anantha vijayam ra:ja:
kunti:puthro: yuddhishttiraha|
nakulas sahade:vas cha
sugho:sha manipushpakau||

### **Words**

Anantha vijayam - Ra:ja:

Kunti: puthraha - Yuddhishttiraha

Nakulaha - Saha de:vaha - cha

Sugho:sha manipushpakau

# **Meaning of the Words**

Yuddhishttiraha = Dharma Ra:ja, who is very much committed to his duty,

even if it is a war

Kunti: puthraha = the son of Mother Kunthi

Ra:ja: = who entertains everybody

Anantha vijayam = blew his conch named after 'anantha vijayam', the sound

of which seemingly gives infinitevictory

Nakulaha = 4th brother in pandavas, Nakula

Saha de:vaha cha = and also 5th brother of pandavaa,Saha De:va both

Sugho:sha + mani pushpakau = blew their both conches called Sugho:sh, which releases

melodious sound and the other one appears really beautiful, where at the end, hanging gems as cluster.

### **Purport**

Those sounds of conches are reminding the characteristics of the persons blowing them and thus filling up the fear among the kauravas. Here, Yuddhishttira's conch gives a victorious sound. Nakula's conch was melodious. Sahade:va likes fashions. So he decorated his conch with a cluster of gems.

17) ka:syas cha parame:shwa:sas sikhandi: cha maha:ratthaha| dhrushtadyumno: vira:tas cha sa:tyakis cha:para:jithaha||

#### Words

Ka:syaha - cha - Paramaishwa:saha

Sikhandi: - cha - Maha:ratthaha

Dhrushtadyumnaha - Vira:taha - cha

Sa:tyakihi - cha - Apara:jithaha

# **Meaning of the Words**

Parama + ishwa:saha cha = and the great archer

Ka:syaha cha = the king of Ka:si,

Maha:ratthaha cha = another great charioteer

Sikhandi: = sikhandi:, who is reincarnation of Amba & participating in the

war just to kill Bhi:shma,

Dhrushtadyumnaha = the Chief of Pa:ndavas Army, Dhrushtadyumna

Vira:taha cha = also Vira:ta, the King

Apara:jithaha cha = and an indomitable

Sa:tyakihi = Sa:tyaki, the great well wisher of Pa:ndavas and close

companion of Lord Krushna

# **Purport**

Names are clear

18) ka:syas cha parame:shwa:sas sikhandi: cha maha:ratthaha| dhrushtadyumno: vira:tas cha sa:tyakis cha:para:jithaha||

#### Words

Ka:syaha - cha - Paramaishwa:saha

Sikhandi: - cha - Maha:ratthaha

Dhrushtadyumnaha - Vira:taha - cha

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# **Purport**

Names are clear.

19) sa gho:sho: dharthara:shtra:na:m hrudaya:ni vyada:rayath| nabhas cha prutthivi:m chaiva thumulo:pyanuna:dayan||

#### Words

sa - Gho:shaha - Dha:rthara:shtra:na:m

Hrudaya:ni - Vyada:rayath

Sabdaha - cha - Prutthivi:m - cha - e:va

Thumulaha - api - Anu na:dayan

# **Meaning of the Words**

Saha = that huge

Gho:shaha = resonance

Thumulaha api = though identical

Anu na:dayan e:va = it was reverberating along

Prutthivi:m cha = the whole Earth

Nabhaha cha = and the sky

Vyada:rayath = pierced

Hrudaya:ni = the hearts

Dha:rthara:shtra:na:m = of all your sons, Oh Dhruthara:shtra

# **Purport**

The blowing sound of all the conches was though apears one and the same, but it was echoing all through the Earth and Space. Not able to bear with those frightening sounds of conches, the hearts of all your people were broken to pieces. I can suggest you that your people have absolutely no chance of winning the war anymore.

20) attha vyavastthitha:n drushtwa:

dha:rthara:shtra:n kapidhwajaha| pravrutthe: sasthra sampa:the:

dhanur udyamya pa:ndavaha||

#### Words

Attha - Vyavastthitha:n - Drushtwa:

Dha:rthara:shtra:n - Kapi dhwajaha

Pravrutthe: - Sasthra sampa: the

Dhanuhu - Udhyamya - Pa:ndavaha

#### Meaning of the Words

Attha = there after

Pa:ndavaha = the son of Pa:ndu, Arjuna

Kapi dhwajaha = on whose chariot there is a flag with Hanuma:n on it,

Drushtwa: = after glancing

Vyavastthitha:n = all the arrayed

Dha:rthara:shtra:n = people of Dhruthara:shtra

Udhyamya = hoisting

Dhanuhu = his bow, the Ga:ndi:vam

Sasthra sampa:the = when the firing of the weapons

Pravrutthe: = was about to commence......

At this juncture, the son of Pa:ndu, Arjuna lifted his bow. All the warriors are preparing their weapons to shoot at each other. On the flag of Arjuna's chariot, the mighty Hanuma:n was waving. The Arjuna glanced once at all the Kauravas.

## 21) sanjaya uva:cha

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hrushi:ke:sam thada: va:kyam idam a:ha mahi:pathe: !|
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### Words

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Hrushi:ke:sam - Thada: - Va:kyam
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Idam - A:ha - Mahi:pathe:

# **Meaning of the Words**

Mahi:pathe: = oh the King!

Thada: = then

A:ha = Arjuna spoke

Idam Va:kyam = this statement

Hrushi:ke:sam = with the ruler of the senses, Lord Krushna

#### **Purport**

Oh the king Dhruthara:shtra! At this juncture, the Arjuna spoke with Lord Krushna with these words. Suddenly, Arjuna's feeling started changing. First of all, he desired to see all the forces. It was the Lord Krushna, who is making the changes in the mind of Arjuna, to speak all these words, for The Lord Himself is the controller of the senses of all the Souls.

### 21.1) arjuna uva: cha

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se:nayo:r ubhayor maddhye:
rattham sttha:paya me:chyutha !||
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### Words

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Se:nayo:ho - Ubhayo:ho - Madhye:
Rattham - Sttha:paya - me: - Achyutha
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### **Meaning of the Words**

Achyutha = oh the Lord, you never leave your devotees

Sttha:paya = lead and stop

Me: = my

Rattham = chariot

Madhye: = amidst

Ubhayo:ho = both

Se:nayo:ho = the armies

### **Purport**

Oh Lord Krushna, you are named as Achyutha. It means, you won't leave your devotees astray. And also you never allow your devotees to drop out from you also. That is how you are helping me out Take my chariot amidst both the armies and stop there!

22) ya:vad e:tha:n niri:kshe:ham
yo:ddhuka:man avastthitha:n|
kair maya: saha yo:ddhavyam
asmin rana samudyame:||

#### Words

Ya:vath - E:tha:n - Niri:kshe: - Aham

Yo:ddhu ka:ma:n - Avastthitha:n

Kaihi - Maya - saha - Yo:ddhavyam

Asmin - Rana samudyame:

# **Meaning of the Words**

Ya:vath = as

Aham Niri:kshe: = I could see

E:tha:n = these

Avastthitha:n = assembled supporting

Yo:ddhu ka:ma:n = warriors

Kaihi = taking whom

Maya: saha = with me

Yo:ddhavyam = I should proceed to fight

Asmin = in this

Rana samudyame: = challenging war

# **Purport**

Stop my chariot at a place, from where, I can see all my supporters, whoever gathered here. I want to see all these warriors once from whom I can choose suitable persons for my help, whenever it is needed during this tough war.

23) yo:thsyama:na:n ave:kshe:ham
ya e:the:thra sama:gatha:ha|
dha:rthara:shtrasya durbuddhe:r
yuddhe: priya chiki:rshavaha||

#### **Words**

Yo:thsyama:na:n - Ave:kshe: - Aham

Ye: - E:the: - Athra - Sama:gatha:ha

Dha:rthara:shtrasya - Durbuddhe:he

Yuddhe: - Priya chiki:rshavaha

# **Meaning of the Words**

Aham = I

Ave:kshe: = should see

E:the: = these

Yo:thsyama:na:n = war mongers

Ye: = whoever

Sama:gatha:ha = assembled

Athra Yuddhe: = here in great war

Priya chiki:rshavaha = interested in doing a favour

Durbuddhe:he = to the wicked

Dha:rthara:shtrasya = Duryo:dhana

Oh Lord Krushna! Keep my chariot at that place, from where, I can also see all those warriors, whoever have assembled here to help the crooked Duryo:dhana, the beloved son of blind Dhruthara:shtra. When they are supporting a crooked one, they are also considered as the same. I have to prioritize them, with whom I should fight.

# 24) sanjaya uva:cha

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e:vam uktho: hrushi:ke:so:
guda:ke:se:na bha:ratha !|
se:nayo:r ubhayo:r madhye:
sttha:payitwa: rattho:thhamam||
```

#### Words

E:vam - - Hrushi:ke:saha Guda:ke:se:na - Bha:ratha! Se:nayo:ho - Ubhayo:ho - Madhye:

Sttha:payitwa: - Rattho:thhamam

# **Meaning of the Words**

Bha:ratha! = Oh the king from Bharatha lineage!

E:vam = thus

Ukthaha = asked

Guda:ke:se:na = by the Arjuna , who controlled his sleep & laziness

Hrushi:ke:saha = Lord Krushna, who controls the senses of all creatures

Sttha:payitwa: = after placing

Rattho:thhamam = the best of all the chariots, Nanda gho:sha by name

Madhye: = in the middle of

Ubhayo:ho Se:nayo:ho = both the armies...

After receiving the instructions from Arjuna, The Guda:ke:sa, Lord Krushna, who is none else than The Hrushi:ke:sa, kept the chariot in the middle of both the armies.

25) bhi:shma dro:na pramukhathas sarve:sha:m cha mahi:kshitha:m| uva:cha pa:rttha! pasyaitha:n samave:tha:n kuru:n ithi||

# Words

Bhi:shma dro:na pramukha

Sarve:sha:m - cha - Mahi:kshitha:m

Uva:cha - Pa:rttha - Pasya - E:tha:n

Samave:tha:n - Kuru:n - Ithi

# **Meaning of the Words**

Ithi = thus

Uva:cha = Lord Krushna spoke

Bhi:shma + dro:na +pramukhathaha = in front of Bhi:shma the Great and Dro:na:cha:rya

Sarve:sha:m = while many

Mahi:kshitha:m cha = many other kings were also watching,

Pa:rttha = Oh son of Mother Pruttha!

Pasya = watch carefully

E:tha:n = all these

Kuru:n = kauravas

Samave:tha:n = assembled here

The Supreme Lord of this Universe, Krushna, became benevolent and a charioteer for Arjuna. In addition, He started following all the instructions of Arjuna, meticulously. How compassionate the Lord is, towards His devotees!

Entire world could witness that. That Supreme Lord did not feel any shy, rather did not want to care anybody in the world to prove Himself like that. This shows His accessibility, par excellence. And now, that compassionate Lord spoke with Arjuna, 'Oh Pa:rttha, the beloved son of Pruttha:! Look at all these assembled and arrayed warriors of Kuru dynasty'.

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26) thathra:pasyath stthitha:n pa:rtthah
pithru:n attha pitha:maha:n|
a:cha:rya:n ma:thula:n bhra:thru:n
puthra:n pauthra:n sakhi:msthattha:||
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#### Words

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Thathra - Apasyath - Stthitha:n - Pa:rtthaha
Pithru:n - Attha - Pitha:maha:n
A:charya:n - Ma:thula:n - Bhra:thru:n
Puthra:n - Pauthra:n - Sakhi:n - Thattha
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#### **Meaning of the Words**

Attha = later

Pa:rtthaha = Arjuna

Apasyath = saw

Pithru:n = fathers

Pitha:maha:n = grand fathers

A:charya:n = gurus

Ma:thula:n = uncles

Bhra:thru:n = brothers

Puthra:n = children

Pauthra:n = grand children

Sakhi:n = friends

Stthitha:n = who assembled

Thathra = there in the war field

Thattha = to fight

#### **Purport**

Till now, Arjuna was looking at these warriors from his army and also from the army of Kauravas, as warriors only, ready to fight. But now, when Lord Krushna asked him to "see once ", the whole scenario was changed. He started looking at these warriors as friends and relatives.

27, 28) swasura:n suhrudas chaiva

se:nayo:r ubhayo:r api|

tha:n sami:kshya sa kaunthe:yas

sarva:n bandhu:n avastthitha:n||

krupaya: paraya:vishto:

vishi:dan idam abravi:th|

# **Words**

Swasura:n - Suhrudaha - cha - e:va

Se:nayo:ho - Ubhayo:ho - api

Tha:n - Sami:kshya - Saha - Kaunthe:yaha

Sarva:n - Bandhu:n - Avastthitha:n

Krupaya: - Paraya: - A:vishtaha

Vishi:dan - Idam - Abravi:th

# **Meaning of the Words**

Saha = that

Kaunthe:yaha = son of Kunthi, Arjuna

Sami:kshya = observed well

Sarva:n = all

Tha:n = those

Avastthitha:n = assembled

Bandhu:n = relatives

Swasura:n = fathers-in-law

Suhrudaha cha e:va = and also well-wishers

Ubhayo:ho = belonging to both

Se:nayo:ho api = the armies

A:vishtaha = Arjuna was imposed

Paraya: = by boundless

Krupaya: = compassion

Vishi:dan = filled up with sorrow

Abravi:th = said

Idam = this

### **Purport**

Arjuna was overwhelmed with compassion. He was not able to see the enemity now. He was observing only the relationship and friendship among the warriors of both sides.

Arjuna, thus, was over whelmed with compassion. It turned to sorrow . with that state of mind he started speaking with the Lord Krushna.

# 29) arjuna uva: cha

drustve:mam swajanam krushna! yuyuthsum samupastthitham||

si:danthi mama ga:thra:ni mukham cha parisushyathi| ve:patthus cha sari:re: me: ro:ma harshas cha ja:yathe:||

## **Words**

Drushtwa: - Imam - Swajanam - Krushna

Yuyuthsum - Samupastthitham

Si:danthi - Mama - Ga:thra:ni

Mukham - cha - Pari sushyathi

Ve:patthuhu - cha - Sari:re: - me:

Ro:ma harshaha - cha - Ja:yathe:

# **Meaning of the Words**

Krushna = Oh Lord Krushna!

Drushtwa: = after seeing

Imam = this

Swajanam = kith and kin

Samupastthitham = joined unitedly

Yuyuthsum = aspiring to fight,

Ga:thra:ni = all limbs

Mama = of mine

Si:danthi = are getting slackened

Mukham cha = also my mouth

Pari sushyathi = getting dried

Ve:patthuhu cha = shivering too

Ro:ma harshaha cha = along with standing hair

Ja:yathe: = is emerging

me: = in

Sari:re: = my body

#### **Purport**

Oh Lord Krushna! When I am seeing all my nearest and dearest, came united to fight with each other in this great war, I lost all my control over me. My heart bleeds for these people. All parts of my body are becoming fragile. I am getting di-hydrated. My body is trembling and a chill runs up my spine.

30)ga:ndi:vam sramsathe: hastha:th

thwak chaiva paridahyathe:

na cha sakno:myavatthathum

bhramathi:va cha me: manaha||

# **Words**

Ga:ndi:vam - Sramsathe: - Hastha:th

Twak - cha - e:va - Pari dahyathe:

Na - cha - sakno:mi - Avastthathum

Bhramathi - iva - cha - me: - Manaha

# **Meaning of the Words**

Ga:ndi:vam = my powerful bow, Ga:ndi:vam

Sramsathe: = is slipping out

Hastha:th = of my hand

Twak cha = my skin also

Pari dahyathe: e:va = heated up with high temperature

Na sakno:mi = I am totally incapable

Avastthathum cha = even to stand on my own

Me: = my

Manaha cha = mind also

Bhramathi iva = looks like revolving

# **Purport**

The Ga:ndi:vam, my beloved and worshippable bow is sliding down my hands. My temperature is rising immensely. I am unable to stand on my own. I feel that the whole world around me is spinning too fast.

### 31)arjuna uva:cha

nimittani cha pasya:mi

vipari:tha:ni ke:sava!|

na cha sre:yo:nupasya:mi

hatwa: swajanam a:have:||

#### **Words**

Nimittani - cha - Pasya:mi

Vipari:tha:ni - Ke:sava

Na - cha - Sre:yaha - anupasya:mi

Hathwa: - Swajanam - A:have:

# **Meaning of the Words**

Ke:sava = Oh The Slayer of demon Ke:si,

Pasya:mi ch = I am also noticing

Vipari:tha:ni = unwanted

Nimittani = omens

Na anupasya:mi cha = I am not at all able to make out

Sre:yaha = benefit

Hathwa: = by killing

Swajanam = my kith and kin

A:have: = in the war

#### **Purport**

O Lord Krushna! You killed only the demons like Ke:si, but not your relatives. But now I am forced to kill my dearest and nearest. It looks odd to me. I am perceiving many bad omens. I do not find any gain out of killing all my relatives and friends in the war.

32)na ka:mkshe: vijayam krushna! na cha ra:jyam sukha:ni cha|

kim no: ra:jye:na go:vinda!

kim bho:gair ji:vithe:na va:||

# **Words**

Na - ka:mkshe: - Vijayam - Krushna

Na - cha - Ra:jyam - Sukha:ni - cha

Kim - Na - Ra:jye:na - Go:vinda

Kim - Bho:gaihi - Ji:vithe:na - va

Krushna = Oh bestower of joy! Lord krushna!

Na ka:mkshe: = I do not want

Vijayam = victory

Ra:jyam cha = and kingdom

Sukha:ni cha = comfort also

Na = I don't want

Go:vinda = oh savior of cows and cowherds!

Kim = so what

Ra:jye:na = with the kingdom

Bho:gaihi = entertainments

Kim va: = and what

Ji:vithe:na = even with the life itself

Naha = to us

### **Purport**

My Lord Krushna! You shower joy to all your devotees, even if they are down-trodden like cowherds, Go:pikas or even the innocent animals like cows. When you are my savior, you should lead me towards joy and not sorrow. During this war, if I kill all these people, what am I going to get? Joy? No, not for

Then, this sort of victory, kingdom, comforts etc., are not of my choice. I cannot cherish this sort of kingdom or entertainments or even my own life.

33) ye:sha:m artthe: ka:mkshitham no:

ra:jyam bho:ga:s sukha:ni cha|

tha ime:vastthitha: yuddhe:

pra:nams thyakthwa: dhana:ni cha||

#### Words

Ye:sha:m - Artthe: - Ka:mkshitham - Naha

Ra:jyam - Bho:ga:ha - Sukha:ni cha - cha

The: - Ime: - Avastthitha:ha - Yuddhe:

Pra:na:ni - Tyaktwa: - Dhana:ni - cha

The: Ime: = such these

Avastthitha:ha = joined

Yuddhe: = in the war field

Tyaktwa: = disowning

Pra:na:ni = their lives

Dhana:ni cha = and also possessions

Ye:sha:m = for whose

Artthe: = benefit

Ra:jyam = kingdom

Bho:ga:ha = entertainments

Sukha:ni cha = and comforts

Ka:mkshitham = were aspired for

Naha = by us

# **Purport**

All these people of mine, have renunciated their properties and lives and joined the war here. In fact, we are desiring to acquire all this wealth, the kingdom and every comfort, for these very people only.

34) a:cha:rya:h pitharah puthra:s thatthaiva cha pitha:maha:ha| ma:thula:s swasura:h pauthra:s sya:la:s sambandhinas thattha:||

# **Words**

A:cha:rya:ha - Pitharaha - Puthra:ha Thattha - eva - cha - Pitha:maha:ha Ma:thula:ha - Swasura:ha - Pauthra:ha Sya:la:ha - Sambandhinaha - Thattha

A:cha:rya:ha = gurus

Pitharaha = fathers

Puthra:ha = sons

Pitha:maha:ha = grandfathers

Ma:thula:ha = uncles

Swasura:ha = fathers-in-law

Pauthra:ha = grand children

Sya:la:ha = brothers-in-law

Thattha = similarly

Sambandhinaha = relatives

# **Purport**

All these are my dearest and nearest.

35) e:tha:n na hanthum iccha:mi ghnatho:pi madhusu:dana!| api thrailo:kya ra:jyasya he:tho:h kim nu mahi:kruthe:||

### **Words**

e:tha:n - hanthum - icchami ghnathaha - api - Madhu su:dana api - Thrai lo:kya ra:jyasya He:tho:ho - Kim - nu - mahi:kruthe:

# **Meaning of the Words**

Madhu su:dana! = oh slayer of demon Madhu

He:tho:ho = for the sake of

Thrai lo:kya ra:jyasya api = even the kingdom of all the 3 worlds

Na icchami = I do not wish

hanthum = to kill

e:tha:n = these people

ghnathaha api = even if I am killed

mahi:kruthe: = just for the sake of this small kingdom

kim nu? = should I do this worst act?

#### **Purport**

Oh Krushna, the slayer of a demon Madhu! You kill only demons and save devotees? Why should I do this evil act of killing my own people?

I won't do such a painful act even if all the three worlds were offered to me, let alone this small kingdom. Not even if I were to be slaughtered by them.

36) nihathya dha:rthara:shtran nah

ka: pri:this sya:th jana:rdana!|

pa:pame:va:sraye:d asma:n

hathwaitha:n a:thatha:yinaha||

# Words

Nihathya - Dha:rthara:shtra:n - Naha

Ka: - Pri:thihi - Sya:th - Jana:rdana!

Pa:pam e:va - eva - A:sraye:th - Thasma:n

Hathwa: - E:tha:n - A:thathayinaha

#### Meaning of the Words

Jana:rdana! = Oh punisher of enemies!

Nihathya = after killing

Dha:rthara:shtra:n = all the supporters of Dhruthara:shtra

Ka: Pri:thihi = what joy

Sya:th = will be there?

Pa:pam e:va = only sin

A:sraye:th = will catch

Asma:n = us

Hathwa: = after killing

E:tha:n = these

A:thathayinaha = ruthless criminals

# **Purport**

These kauravas are 'a:thatha:yi:s'. An A:thatha:yi, is the one,

- 1. who sets others' houses on fire.
- 2. Who tries to kill others with poison,
- 3. Who kills unarmed warriors
- 4. Who loots the wealth of others
- 5. Who grabs the land of others and
- 6. Who assaults women in public.

The Kauravas committed all these sins on us. Even taking the name of such a:thatha:yis, adds great sin to us. Yet, they are our own cousins. How can there be joy in killing such kith and kin?

They certainly are ruthless criminals. And, such people should not be left alone. But that doesn't mean we should dirt our hands by killing such sinners. Their own sins will reciprocate on time with suitable punishment. If at all we kill these sinners, who are my own cousins, that sin will haunt us forever.

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37) thasma:n na:rha: vayam hanthum
dha:rthara:shtra:n saba:ndhava:n|
svajanam hi kattham hathva:
sukhinas sya:ma ma:dhava!||
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#### Words

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Thasma:th - na - arha:ha - Vayam - Hanthum
Dha:rthara:shtra:n - Saba:ndhava:n
Swajanam - hi - Kattham - Hathva:
Sukhinaha - Sya:ma - Ma:dhava
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Thasma:th = hence

Vayam = we

Na arha:ha = unfit

Hanthum = to kill

Saba:ndhava:n = near and dear

Dha:rthara:shtra:n = who are supporting Dhruthara:shtra

Ma:dhava = Oh The spouse of Maha:lakshmi, Krushna!

Kattham Sya:ma = how can we be

Sukhinaha = happy

Hathva: = by killing

Swajanam = our own people?

Hi = it is absurd

# **Purport**

Although they are supporting Dhruthara:shtra, after all, they are our relatives only. Hence, killing Kauravas is unsuitable. Oh Krushna, the divine spouse of goddess Lakhsmi! If we kill all our relatives and friends, there will be no one left to share our joy and sorrow. Then how can we spend the rest of our lives peacefully?

38) yadyapye:the: na pasyanthi lo:bho:pahatha che:thasaha| kula kshaya krutham do:sham mithra dro:he: cha pa:thakam||

#### Words

Yadi - api - E:the: - Na - pasyanthi

Lo:bhaupahatha che:thasaha

Kula kshaya krutham - Do:sham

Mithra dro:he: - cha - Pa:thakam

Yadi api = even if

E:the: = these kauravas

Na pasyanthi = are not able to see

Do:sham = blunder

Kula kshaya krutham = in destroying the social order

Pa:thakam cha = and sin

Mithra dro:he: = in betrayal towards friends

Lo:bha+upahatha+che:thasaha = as their minds are rotten with covetousness

# **Purport**

Duryodhana lost his sense of being a good relative. His mind got polluted due to his excessive greed for the throne. Though his supporters like Bhi:shma, Dro:na etc., were pure by nature, their very support to the unjust, pushed them into the same basket.

Undoubtedly the war takes away lives of many young and energetic warriors, who are our friends and realtives. Many families and clans will be rooted out. Great sin will haunt them, whoever are responsible for such a crime. It is sad, these kauravas are not able to realize that fact.

39) kattham na jne:yam asma:bhih pa:pa:d asma:th nivarthithum| kulakshaya krutham do:sham prapasyadbhir jana:rdana!||

#### Words

Kattham - Na - Jne:yam - Asma:bhihi Pa:pa:th - Asma:th - Nivarthithum Kula kshaya krutham - Do:sham Prapasyadbhihi - Jana:rdana

#### Meaning of the Words

Jana:rdana = Oh Lord Krushna,

Nivarthithum = to withdraw

Asma:th = from this

Pa:pa:th = sin

Kattham = how

Na jne:yam = it is ignored

Asma:bhihi = by us

Prapasyadbhihi = who are envisioning

Do:sham = mistake

Kula kshaya krutham = of eradicating the Social Order

### **Purport**

Let alone kauravas, atleast we should realize that if this war is fought, the whole lineage will be eradicated. O Krushna, you've got the name Jana:rdana because you protect your relatives. Why shouldn't you encourage us to protect our relatives? Even after knowing all this, why aren't you preventing us from committing such a devastating crime?

40)kula kshaye: pranasyanthi

kula dharma:s sana:thana:ha|

dharme: nashte: kulam kruthsnam

adharmo: bhibhavath yutha||

# Words

Kula kshaye: - Pranasyanthi

Kula dharama:ha - Sana:thana:ha

Dharme: - Nashte: - Kulam - Kruthsnam

Adharmaha - Abhibhayathi - Utha

### **Meaning of the Words**

Sana:thana:ha = eternal

Kula dharama:ha = usages and customs followed by the Social Order

Pranasyanthi = will disappear in total

Kula kshaye: = when the clan is broken

Utha = alas!

Adharmaha = unrighteousness

Abhibhavathi = swallows up

Kruthsnam = entire

Kulam = Social Order

Dharme: = when dharma

Nashte: = disappears

#### **Purport**

Every social system has its own usages and customs. They are followed for many genarations meticulously. They are called eternal traditions, i.e., sana:thana dharma. This war will swallow those persons who protect those traditions. Their absence will create a void in the society as well. In the absense of strict followers of such sacred traditions, usages and customs, unrighteous practices will creep up into their succesors and damage the Order of the Society itself.

# 41) arjuna uva:cha

adharma: bhibhava:th krushna! pradushyanthi kula sthriyaha| sthri:shu dushta:su va:rshne:ya! ja:yathe: varna sankaraha||

#### Words

Adharma:bhibhava:th - Krushna Pradushyanthi - Kula sthriyaha Sthri:shu - Dushta:su - Va:rshne:ya

Ja:yathe: - Varna sankaraha

#### Meaning of the Words

Krushna = Oh Lord Krushna!

Adharma+abhibhava:th = by the domination of unrighteousness

Kula sthriyaha = pious ladies

Pradushyanthi = will be corrupted

Va:rshne:ya = Oh the protecter of the Vrushni dynasty

Varna sankaraha = adultration among the races

Ja:yathe: = will occur when

Sthri:shu = pious ladies

Dushta:su = become fraudulent

#### **Purport**

When malpractices dominate, women will be addicted to those bad habits. Once women cross their limits, all kinds of adultration will occur among the races. That collapses the immunity of those races. Therefore, races should not get corrupted. Oh Krushna, the one who glorified the Vrushni Order, how can you ask us to fight this war which will corrupt all the well preserved systems of the society?

42) sankaro: naraka:yaiva

kulaghna:na:m kulasya cha| pathanthi pitharo: hy e:sha:m luptha pindo:daka kriya:ha||

### **Words**

Sankaraha - Naraka:ya - e:va

Kulaghna:na:m - Kulasya - cha

Pathanthi - Pitharaha - hi - E:sha:m

Luptha pindaudaka kriya:ha

# **Meaning of the Words**

Sankaraha = adultration

Naraka:ya e:va = leads to Hell only

Kulasya = to all, whoever are in that particular clan or Social Order

Kulaghna:na:m cha = and also those who ruin those traditions

Pitharaha = the departed souls of forefathers

E:sha:m = of those destroyers & also destroyed

Pathanthi hi = fall down from the heavens

Luptha+pinda+udaka+kriya:ha = deprived of ritualistic offerings like rice (pinda), water (

udaka) etc.

The destroyers, because of whom, the Order of the Society or the clan got affected, and also the destroyed clans will certainly fall in the Purgatory or Hell. Added to this, the souls of fore-fathers, who might have gone to heaven, will also fall down deprived of the sacrificial offerings like food and water, to them. Because, those celestial beings cannot accept any offerings done by such sinners.

43) do:shair e:thaih kulaghna:na:m
varna sankara ka:rakaihi|
uthsa:dyanthe: ja:thi dharma:h
kula dharma:s cha sa:svatha:ha||

#### Words

Do:shaihi - E:thaihi - Kulaghna:na:m

Varnasankara ka:rakaihi

Uthsa:dyanthe: - Ja:thi dharma:h

Kula dharmaha - cha - Sa:swatha:ha

# **Meaning of the Words**

E:thaihi = with these

Do:shaihi = adultrated practices

Kulaghna:na:m = of destroyers of traditions of the clans,

Varna+ sankara+ka:rakaihi = which lead to racial corruption,

Ja:thi dharma:h = essential charectaristics of the races

Sa:swatha:ha cha = also age old

Kula dharmaha = usages & customs of the the clans

Uthsa:dyanthe: = will be rooted out

#### **Purport**

The age old practices of different kulas, the clans and many ja:this, the races, are well established in the society. They safegaurd the order of the general public. Such order should not be disturbed for satisfying individual interests. This war is taking place due to the arrogance of a single person, Duryo:dhana.

Our aim is to curb his arrogance and protect the society from such vested interests. But this war might lead to severe unrest in the society, as a whole because, the very structure of the society itself gets collapsed. And the qualitative practices of a variety of kulas and jathis will either be vanished or totally adultrated in many ways.

In stead of creating such a huge damage, it is better to tolerate the arrogance of Duryo:dhana, by not waging the war.

44) uthsanna kula dharma:na:m manushyana:m jana:rdana!| narake: niyatham va:so: bhavathi: thy anu susruma||

#### Words

Utsanna+kula+dharma:na:m Manushya:na:m - Jana:rdana! Narake: - Aniyatham - Va:saha Bhayathi - Ithi - Anususruma

### **Meaning of the Words**

Jana:rdana! = Oh Lord Krushna!

Ithi = thus

Anususruma = we heard

Va:saha = dwelling

Narake: = in Hell

Bhavathi = is for sure

Niyatham = and also permanent

Manushya:na:m = to those whoever

Utsanna+kula+dharma:na:m = are responsible in rooting out the traditions of the clans

### **Purport**

My Lord Krushna! The place for people, whoever will cause great damage in the structure of the society, like that of corrupting the systems of the Kulas and Ja:this etc., will be a permanent Hell. We heard so. And now, we are going to become a part of that great sin, by controlling Duryo:dhana. Alas!

45) aho: batha! mahath pa:pam
karthum vyavasitha: vayam|
yad ra:jya sukha lo:bhe:na
hanthum svajanam udyatha:ha||

### **Words**

Aho: - batha - MahathPa:pam

Karthum - Vyavasitha:ha - Vayam

Yath - Ra:jyasukhalo:bhe:na

Hanthum - Swajanam - Udyatha:ha

# **Meaning of the Words**

Aho: batha = It is absurd!

Yath = that

Ra:jya+sukha+lo:bhe:na = by the greed over royal luxuries

Vayam = we

Udyatha:ha = made attempt

Hanthum = to kill

Swajanam = our kith & kin and

Vyavasitha:ha = have determined

Karthum = to commit

Mahath = a great

Pa:pam = sin

#### **Purport**

Though we are educated and righteous in all aspects, made a wrong decision. We have decided to fight this war just for the sake of possessing the kingdom and enjoying the royal luxuries in it. We are going to kill our own kith and kin during the war. And we are also disturbing the Order of the Society by allowing the adultration in the righteous practices. All this is a great blunder and sinful. This is really painful and illogical. So, I don't feel like fighting the war at all.

46) yadi mam aprathi:ka:ram

asasthram sasthra pa:nayaha|

dha:rthara:stra: rane: hanyus

than me: kshematharam bhave:th||

# **Words**

Yadi - Ma:m - Aprathi:ka:ram

Asasthram - Sasthra pa:nayaha

Dha:rthara:shtra:ha - Rane: - Hanyuhu

Thath - Me: - Kshe:mataram - Bhave:th

# **Meaning of the Words**

Me: = to me

Thath = that

Bhave:th = becomes

Kshe:makaram = a better option

Yadi = even if

Sasthra pa:nayaha = armed

Dha:rthara:shtra:ha = forces of Dhruthara:shtra

Hanyuhu = slay

Ma:m = me

Aprathi:ka:ram = an unreciprocative

Asasthram = and unarmed one

Rane: = in the battleground

#### **Purport**

Well, the Kaurava forces then might capture and kill me with all their weapons very brutally in the war field. Even then, I will remain unarmed and I will not retaliate at all. This is, in my opinion, a better option for me.

#### 47) sanjaya uva:cha

e:vam ukth va:rjunas sankhye: rattho:pasttha upa:visath| visrujya sasaram cha:pam so:ka samvigna ma:nasaha||

#### Words

E:vam - Ukthva - Arjunaha - Sankhye:

Ratthaupastthe: - Upa:visath Visrujya - Sa saram - Cha:pam

So:kasamvignama:nasaha

# Meaning of the Words

Ukthva = having spoken

E:vam = like this

Sankhye: = in the war field

So:ka + samvigna + ma:nasaha = disheartened with sorrow

Visrujya = after dropping

Cha:pam = bow

Sa saram = along with arrows

Arjunaha = The Arjuna

Upa:visath = settled down

Rattha+upastthe: = in the middle of the chariot

#### **Purport**

Sanjaya narrated to Dhruthara:shtra thus, "Oh My King! The Arjuna was sorrow stiken. He was totally confused. Though, The Divine Lord Krushna, the protecter of righteousness, was standing guard with him, Arjuna broke down with sorrow, sat down in the middle of the chariot, just dropping his bow and arrows down, helplessly."

ithi sri:mad bhagavadgitha:su upanishathsu bramha vidya:ya:m yo:gasa:sthre: sri: krushna:rjuna samva:de: arjuna visha:da yo:go: na:ma pratthamo:dhya:yaha