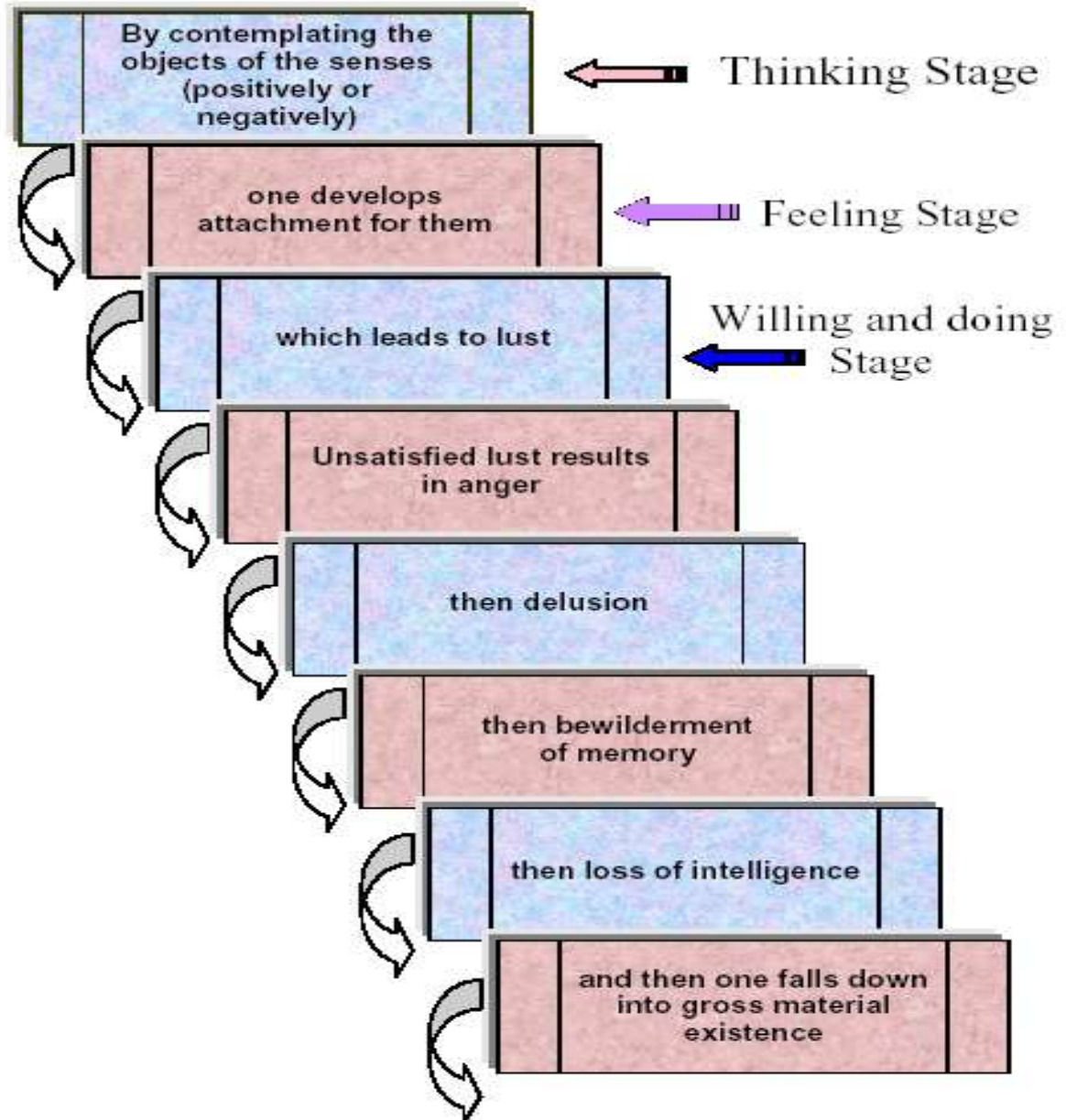




The Process of Spiritual Falldown



YOGA LADDER

Bhagavan Realization
The perfection

Paramatama Realization

Brahman Realization

Detached from fruits
but attached to the
work

Attached to fruits of
work and work itself

Regulated Sense
gratification

Unrestricted Sense
gratification

Transcendence

Bhakta
(The devotee)



BHAKTI
YOGA

Astanga
yoga

Paramatma vadi
(meditator)

Goodness

Jnana
yoga

Brahma vadi
(impersonalist)

Nishkama
Karma yoga

Karma
yoga

Passion

Sakama
Karma yoga

Karma
Kanda

Animal life

Ignorance

TEXT 14[b]

COMPLETE DEPENDENCE OF LIVING ENTITIES ON THE LORD

DEPEND ON



DEPEND ON



DEPEND ON



BORN OF



SOURCE OF



- Purpose of human life
- to please the Supreme Lord
- Best process to please the Supreme Lord
- unalloyed and undeviated devotional service
- Best yajna for this age of kali
- Sankirtan Yajna (chanting the holy name)
- Best mantra to be chanted
- Hare Krishna Mahamantra

THE ENEMY CALLED LUST

Changes into wrath

Burns like fire

Mind

- centre of sense activities
- reservoir of ideas of sense gratifications

Senses

Intelligence

covers and causes identification with false ego, mind and senses

TEXT 37

[b]

Love of God becomes transformed into lust

When lust is unsatisfied, it turns into wrath

Wrath is transformed into illusion

Illusion continues the material existence.

- If the mode of passion, instead of being degraded into the mode of ignorance, is elevated to the mode of goodness by the prescribed method of living and acting, then one can be saved from the degradation of wrath by spiritual attachment.
- Lust is more subtle than wrath. A man of lusty intentions may go undetected. An angry person, however is easily noticed.

FIRE COVERED BY SMOKE

- Indicates a thin covering because heat and light may still be usable.
- The fire of the living spark can be still perceived.
- He exhibits his Krishna Consciousness slightly.
- No overt manifestation of fire in the early stage – Beginning of Krishna Consciousness.
- **Compared to human being.**
- **The fire of spiritual life can be kindled in the human form of life. By careful handling of the smoke in the fire, fire can be made to blaze. Therefore the human form of life is a chance for the living entity to escape the entanglement of material existence.**

MIRROR COVERED BY DUST

- The covering is thicker. We cannot see the reflection but at least we can see the mirror.
- Refers to a cleansing process. Best process : Chanting
- Compared to birds and beasts.



EMBRYO COVERED BY WOMB

- The thickest covering is around the embryo.
- The child in the womb can neither move nor be seen.
- This analogy represents a helpless position – cannot move.
- This stage can be compared to trees – Void of all consciousness.

CONCLUSION

- In the human form of life, one can conquer the enemy, lust, by cultivation of Krishna consciousness under able guidance.

TEXT 40 (a)

- One who wants to conquer the enemy Lust may know where he can be found by this verse.

MIND

- Hears about sense Objects
- Becomes reservoir of all ideas of sense gratification
- RESULT: Mind & sense become repositories of lust

INTELLIGENCE

- Intelligence becomes the capital of such lustful Propensities
- Is the immediate next door neighbor of the spirit soul
- Lusty intelligence influences spirit soul to acquire false ego & identify with matter.

SOUL

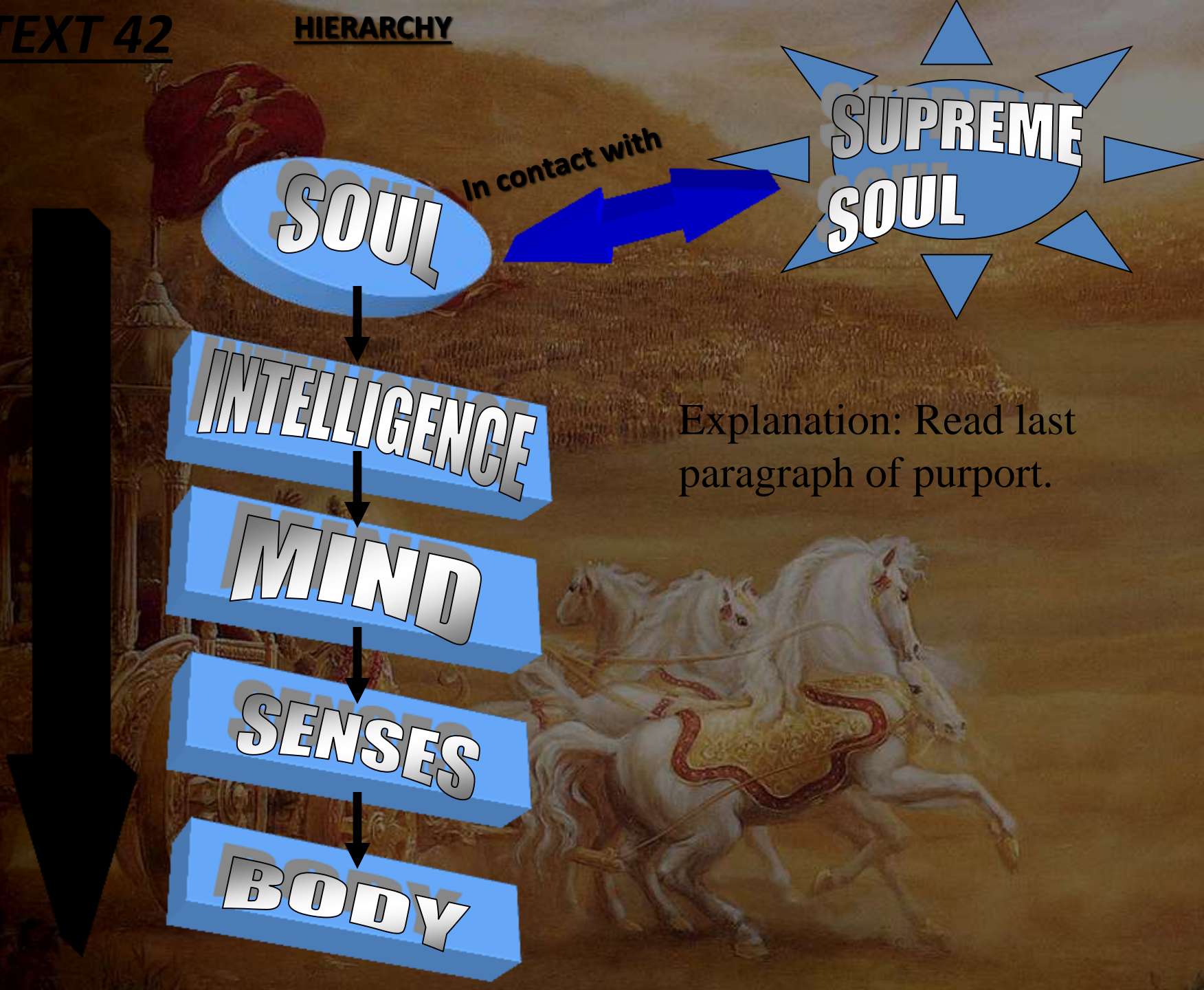
- Becomes addicted to enjoying the material senses & mistakes this to be true happiness

TEXT 41

- Of the senses, mind & intelligence, the senses are the goss-est and thus easiest to control.
- Krishna therefore recommends that we begin to bring lust under control by regulating the senses – Automatically done via *vaidhi-bhakti* process.

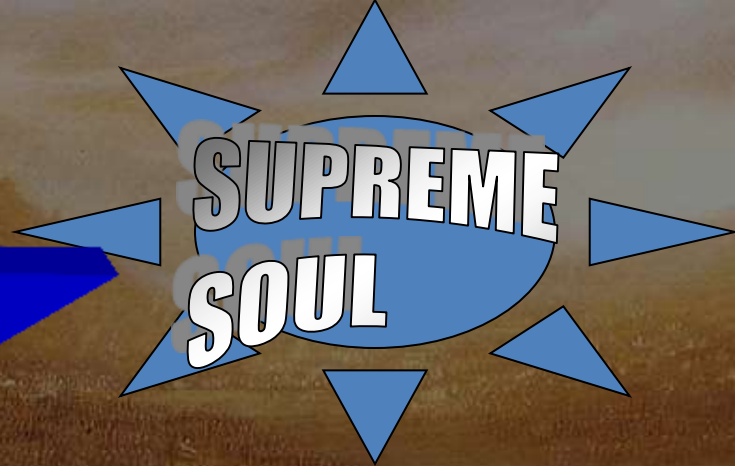
While controlling senses – Don't neglect the Intelligence





SOUL

In contact with



INTELLIGENCE

MIND

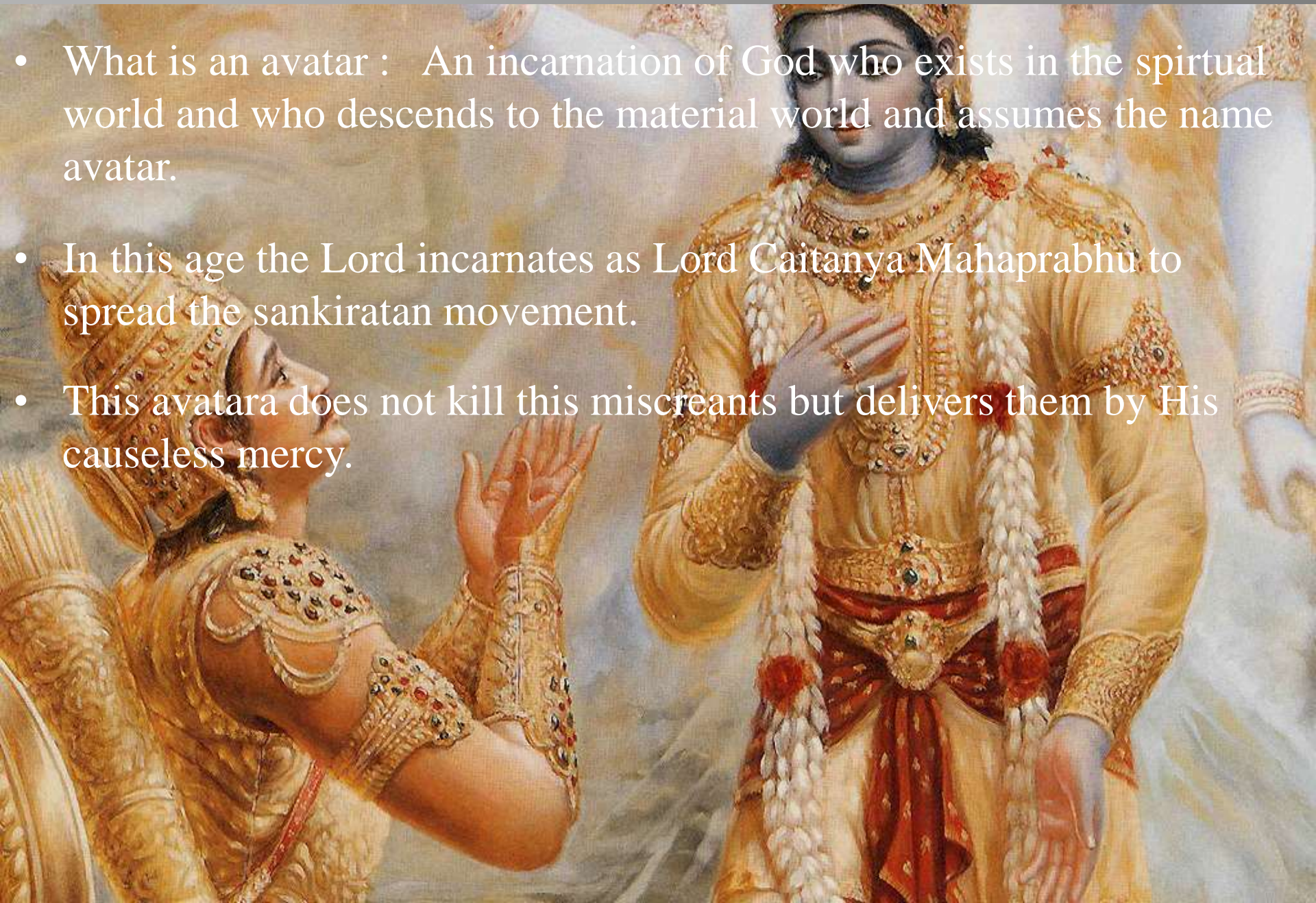
SENSES

BODY

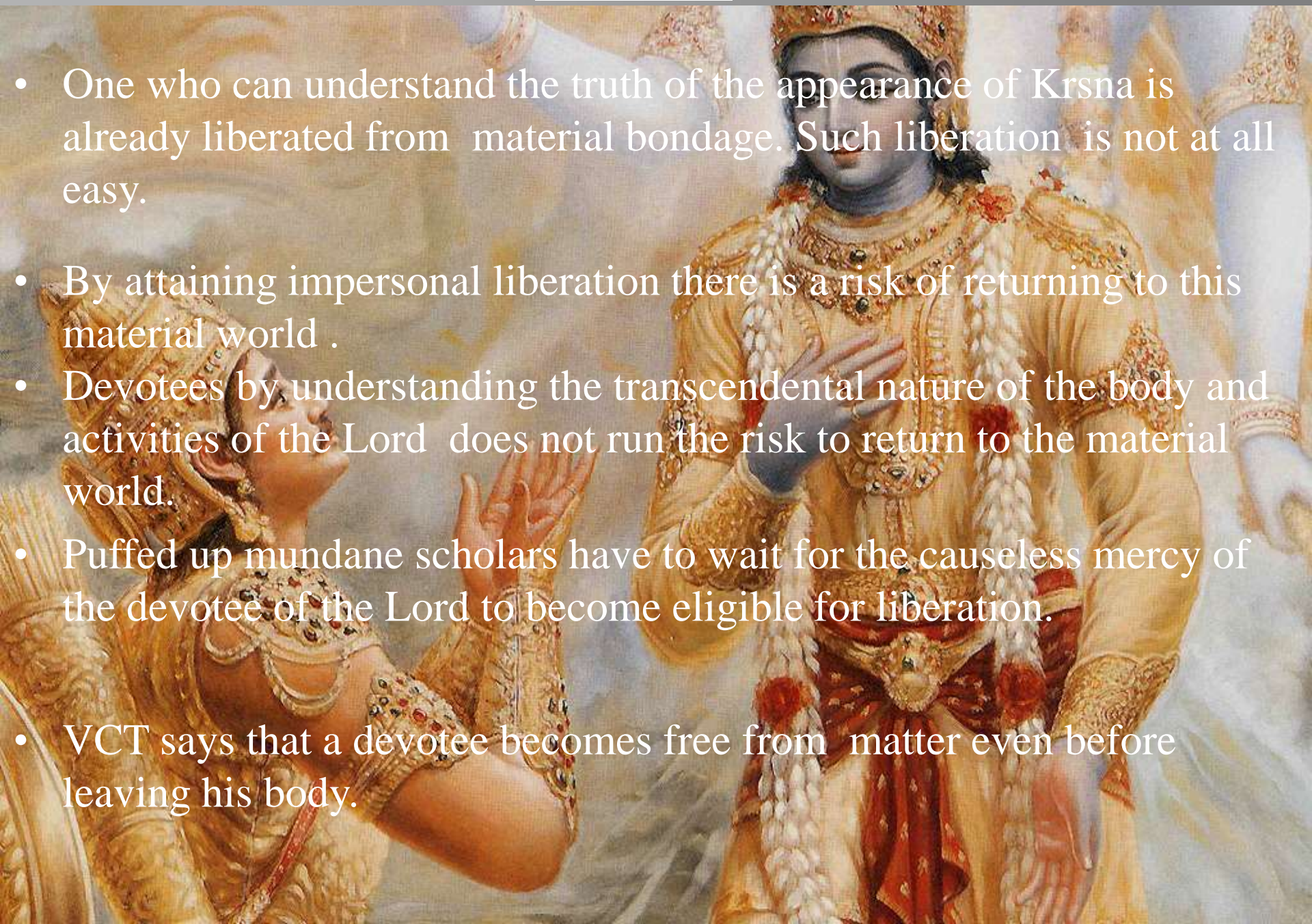
Explanation: Read last paragraph of purport.



- What is an avatar : An incarnation of God who exists in the spiritual world and who descends to the material world and assumes the name avatar.
- In this age the Lord incarnates as Lord Caitanya Mahaprabhu to spread the sankiratan movement.
- This avatara does not kill this miscreants but delivers them by His causeless mercy.



- One who can understand the truth of the appearance of Krsna is already liberated from material bondage. Such liberation is not at all easy.
- By attaining impersonal liberation there is a risk of returning to this material world .
- Devotees by understanding the transcendental nature of the body and activities of the Lord does not run the risk to return to the material world.
- Puffed up mundane scholars have to wait for the causeless mercy of the devotee of the Lord to become eligible for liberation.
- VCT says that a devotee becomes free from matter even before leaving his body.

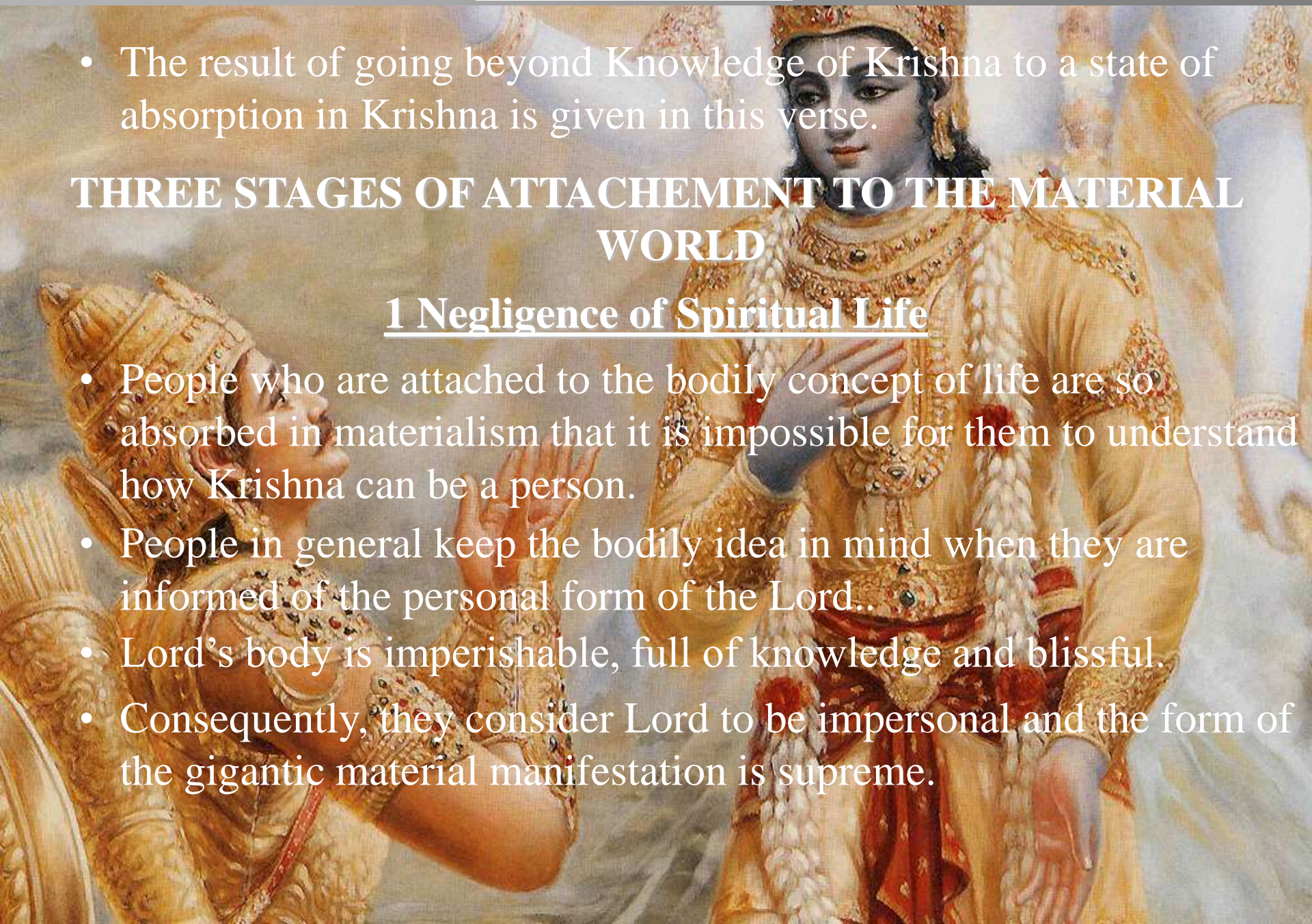


- The result of going beyond Knowledge of Krishna to a state of absorption in Krishna is given in this verse.

THREE STAGES OF ATTACHEMENT TO THE MATERIAL WORLD

1 Negligence of Spiritual Life

- People who are attached to the bodily concept of life are so absorbed in materialism that it is impossible for them to understand how Krishna can be a person.
- People in general keep the bodily idea in mind when they are informed of the personal form of the Lord..
- Lord's body is imperishable, full of knowledge and blissful.
- Consequently, they consider Lord to be impersonal and the form of the gigantic material manifestation is supreme.



THREE STAGES OF ATTACHEMENT TO THE MATERIAL WORLD

2 Fear of Personal Spiritual Identity

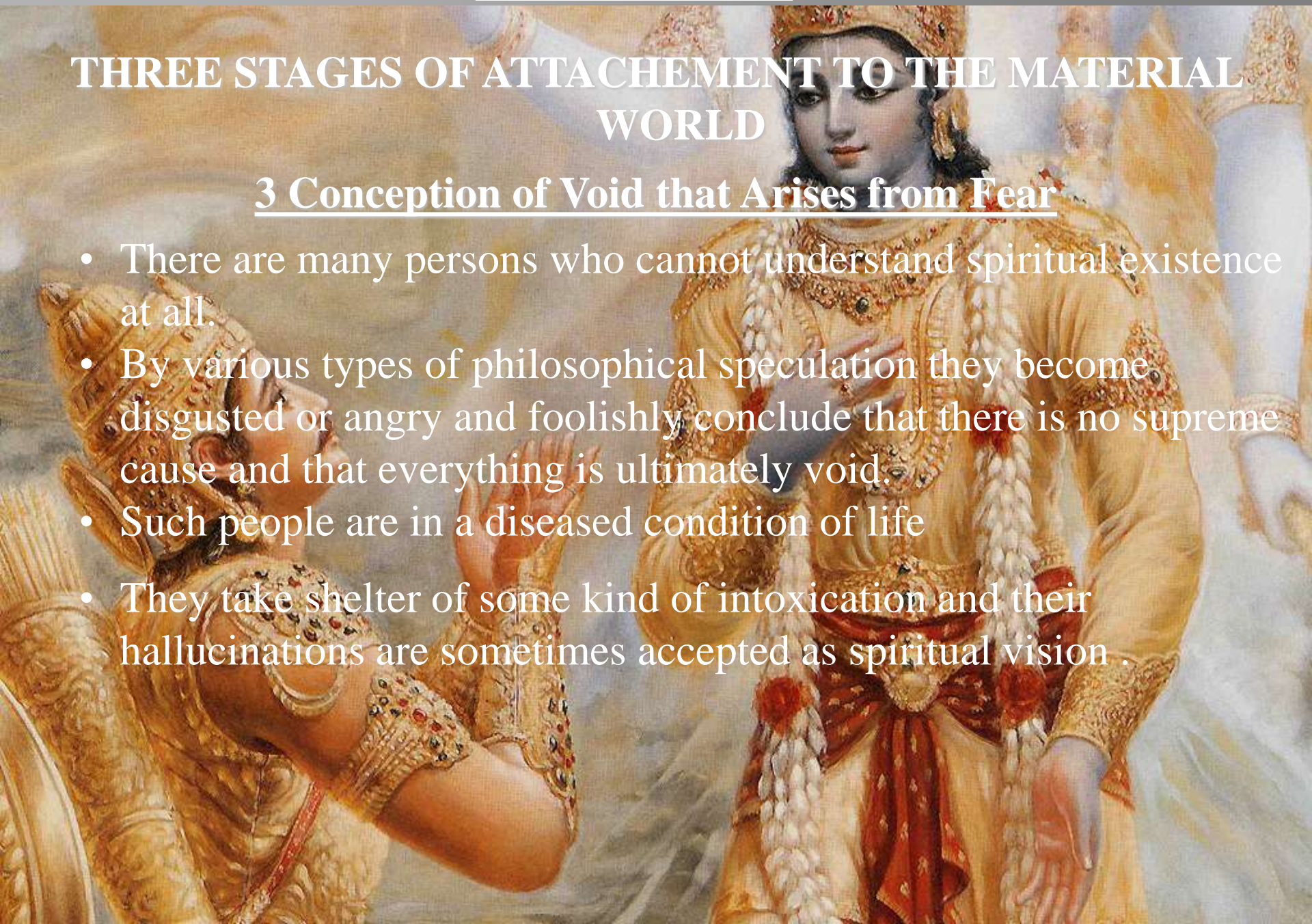
- Being materially absorbed and the conception of retaining personality after liberation from matter frightens them.
- They become afraid to become persons again.
- They naturally prefer a kind of merging into the impersonal void.

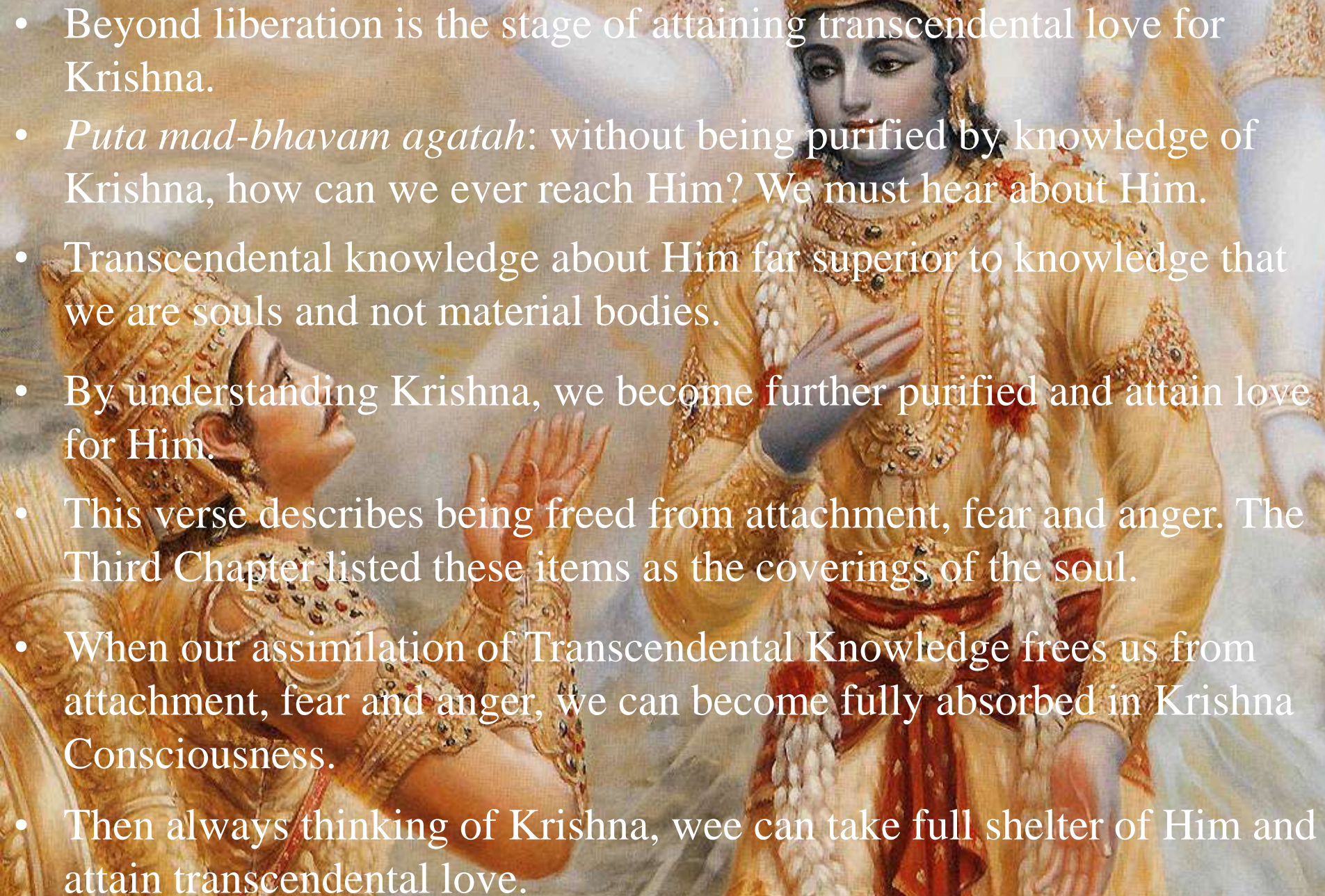


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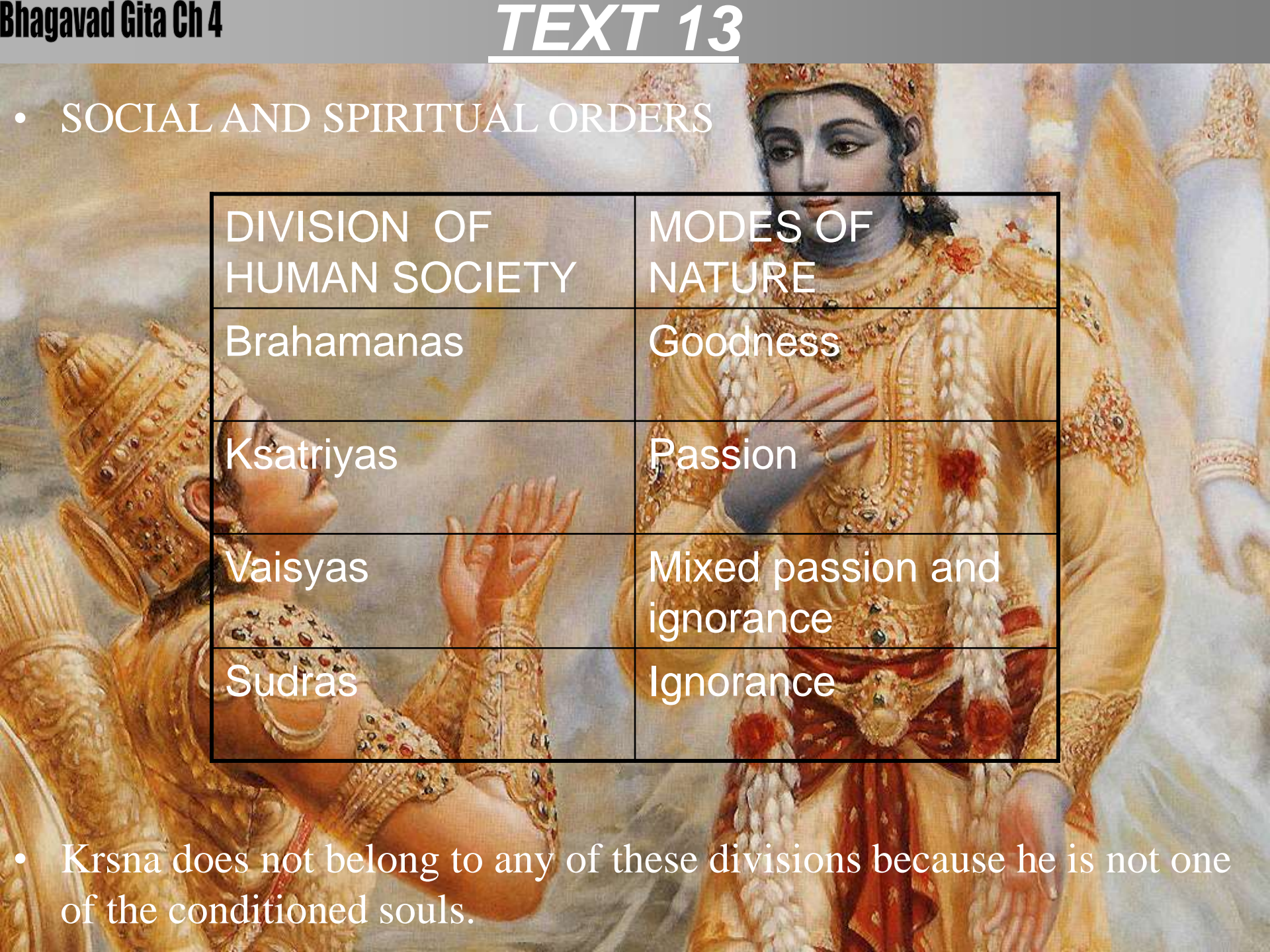
3 Conception of Void that Arises from Fear

- There are many persons who cannot understand spiritual existence at all.
- By various types of philosophical speculation they become disgusted or angry and foolishly conclude that there is no supreme cause and that everything is ultimately void.
- Such people are in a diseased condition of life
- They take shelter of some kind of intoxication and their hallucinations are sometimes accepted as spiritual vision .



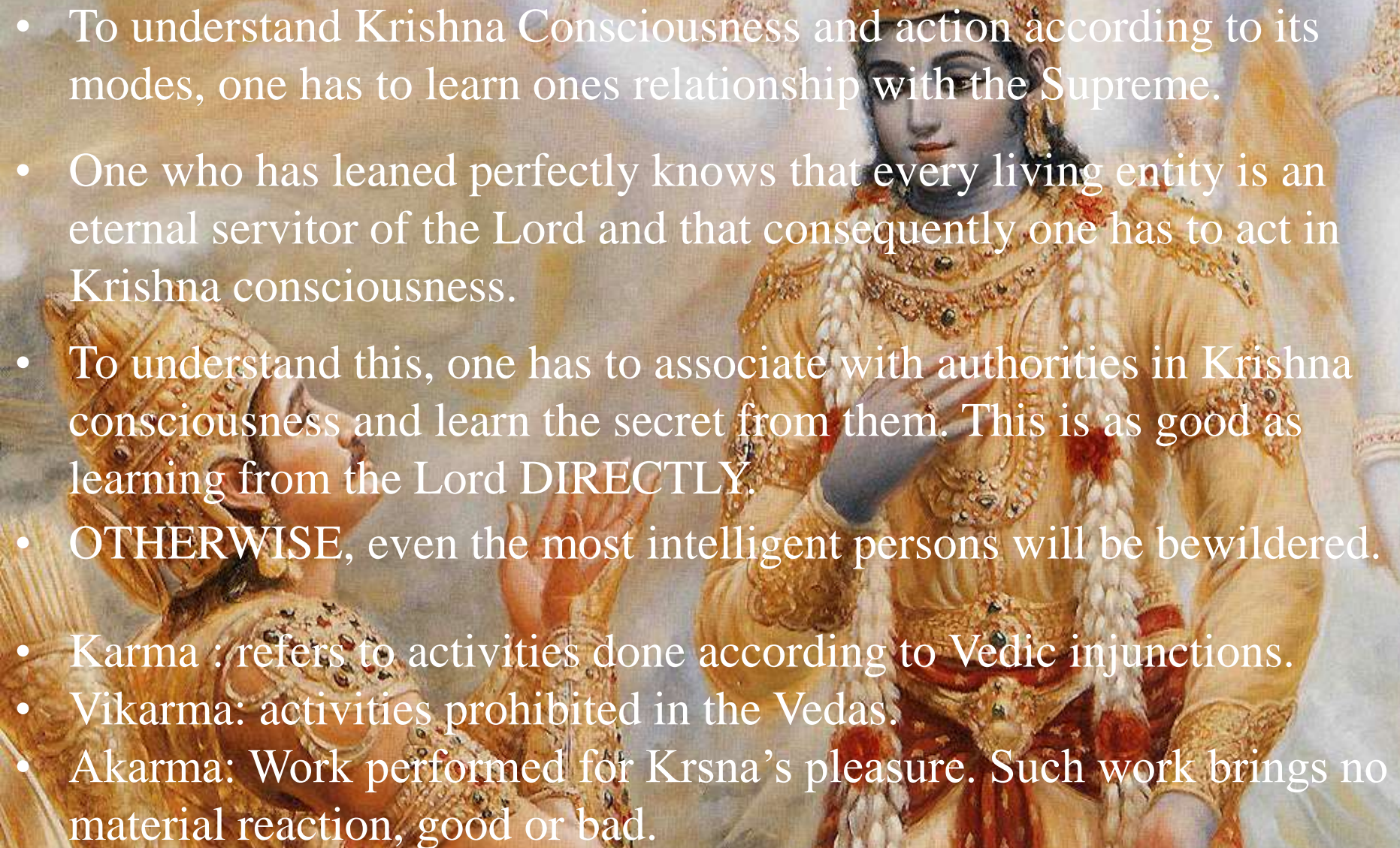
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- Beyond liberation is the stage of attaining transcendental love for Krishna.
 - *Putā mad-bhavam agatah*: without being purified by knowledge of Krishna, how can we ever reach Him? We must hear about Him.
 - Transcendental knowledge about Him far superior to knowledge that we are souls and not material bodies.
 - By understanding Krishna, we become further purified and attain love for Him.
 - This verse describes being freed from attachment, fear and anger. The Third Chapter listed these items as the coverings of the soul.
 - When our assimilation of Transcendental Knowledge frees us from attachment, fear and anger, we can become fully absorbed in Krishna Consciousness.
 - Then always thinking of Krishna, we can take full shelter of Him and attain transcendental love.

- SOCIAL AND SPIRITUAL ORDERS

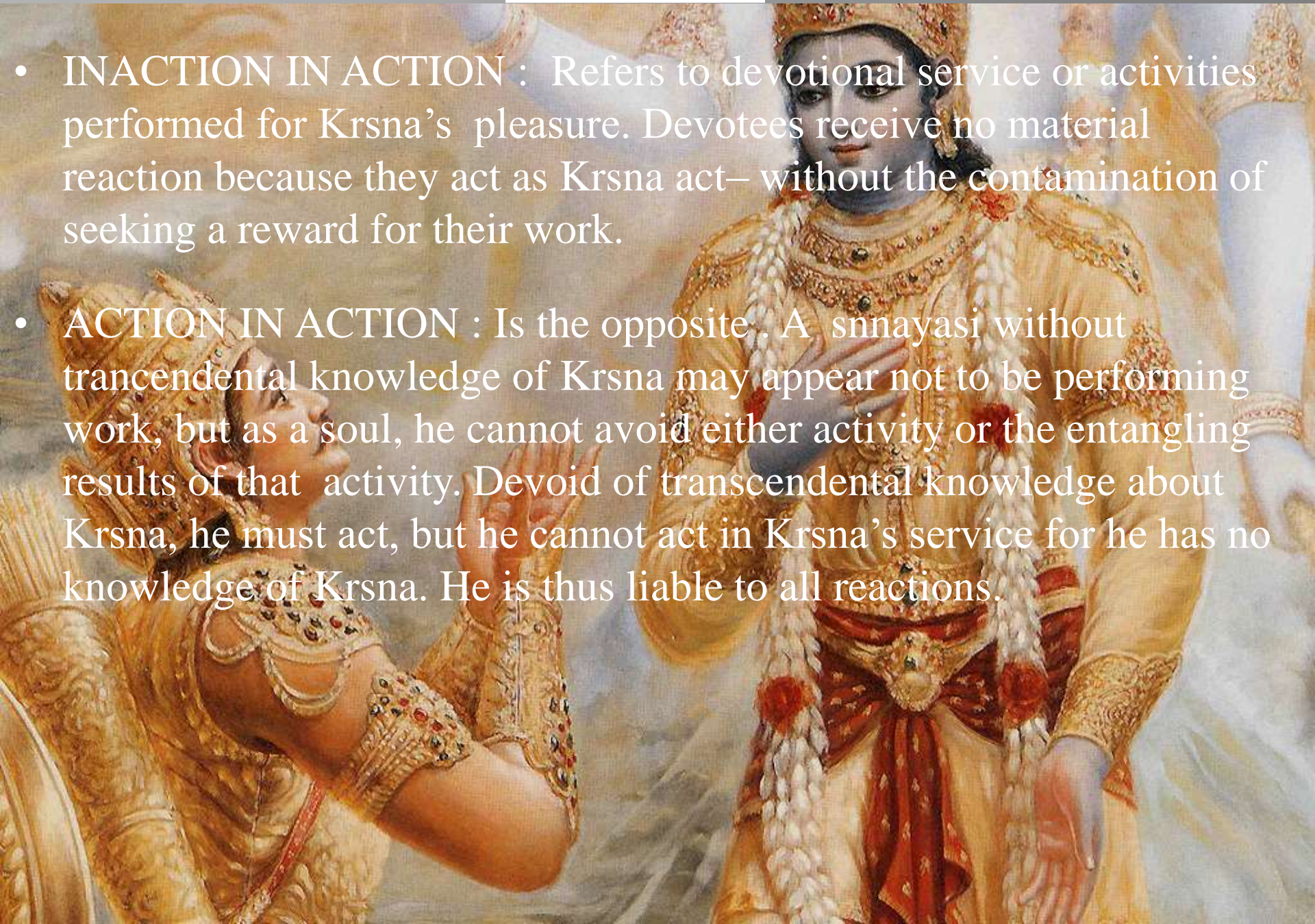


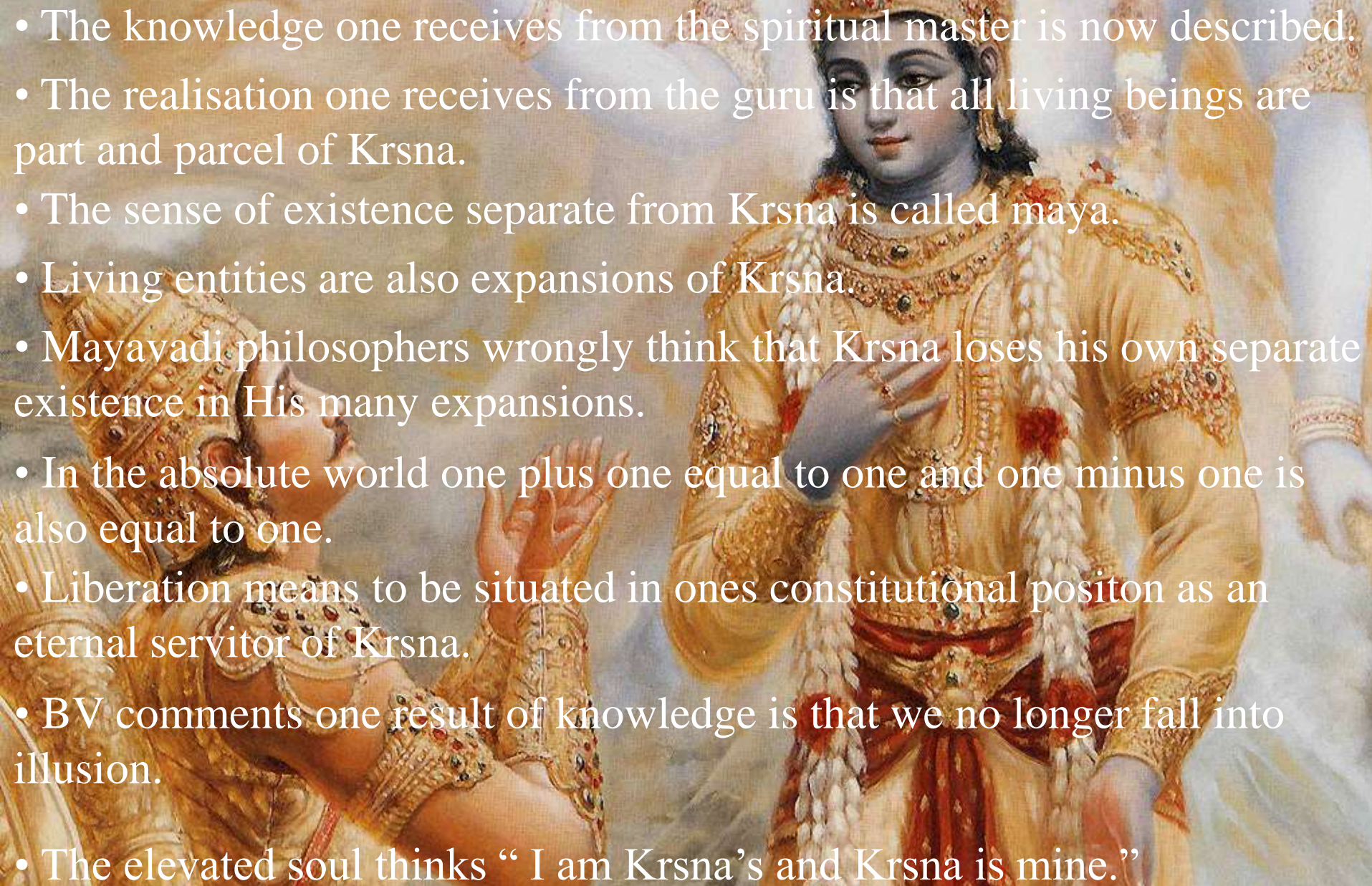
DIVISION OF HUMAN SOCIETY	MODES OF NATURE
Brahmanas	Goodness
Ksatriyas	Passion
Vaisyas	Mixed passion and ignorance
Sudras	Ignorance

- Krsna does not belong to any of these divisions because he is not one of the conditioned souls.

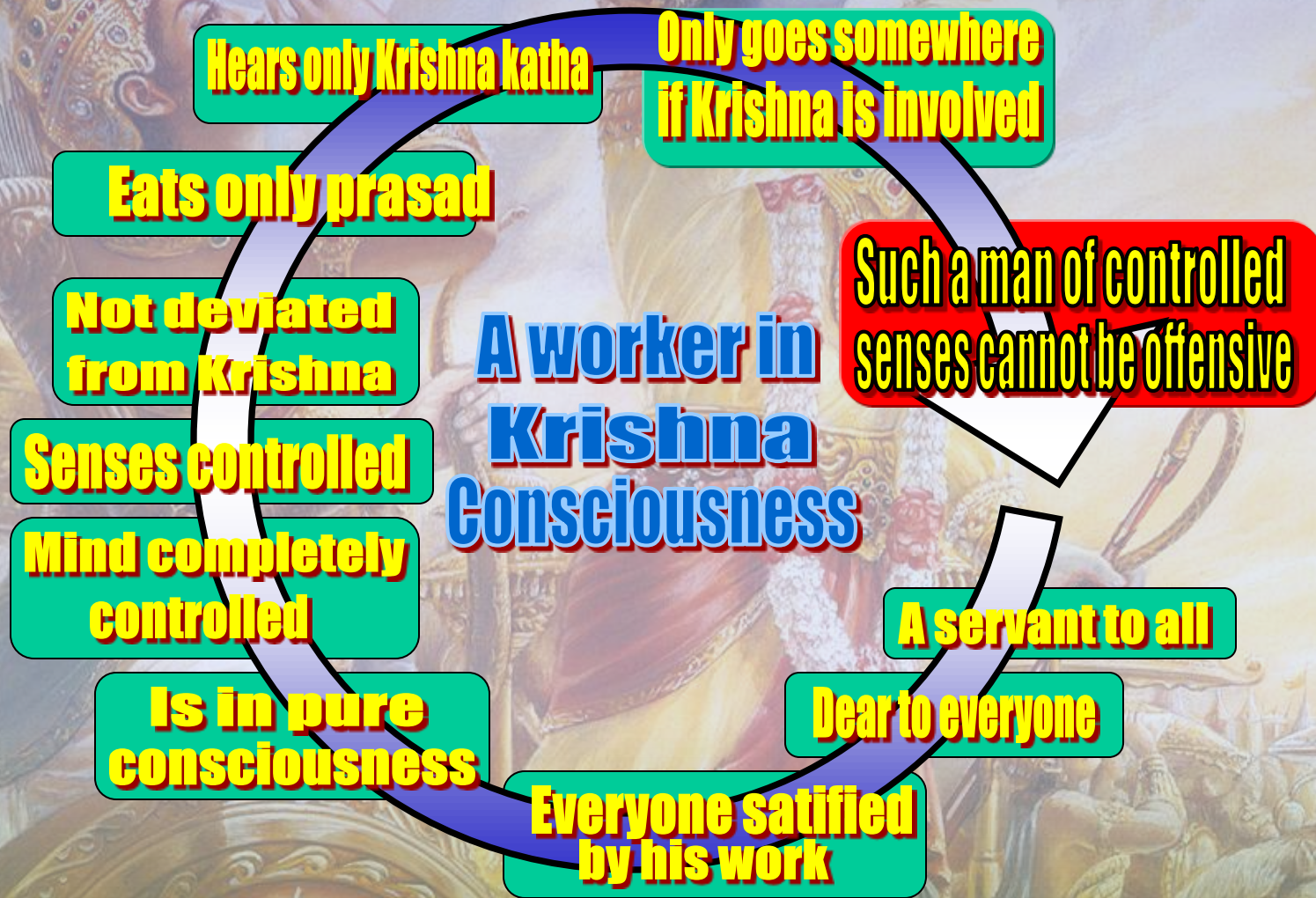
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- To understand Krishna Consciousness and action according to its modes, one has to learn ones relationship with the Supreme.
 - One who has leaned perfectly knows that every living entity is an eternal servitor of the Lord and that consequently one has to act in Krishna consciousness.
 - To understand this, one has to associate with authorities in Krishna consciousness and learn the secret from them. This is as good as learning from the Lord DIRECTLY.
 - OTHERWISE, even the most intelligent persons will be bewildered.
 - Karma : refers to activities done according to Vedic injunctions.
 - Vikarma: activities prohibited in the Vedas.
 - Akarma: Work performed for Krsna's pleasure. Such work brings no material reaction, good or bad.

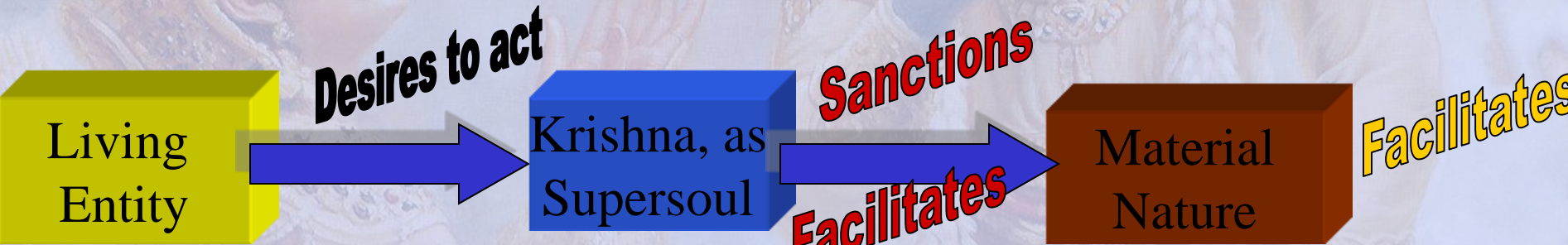
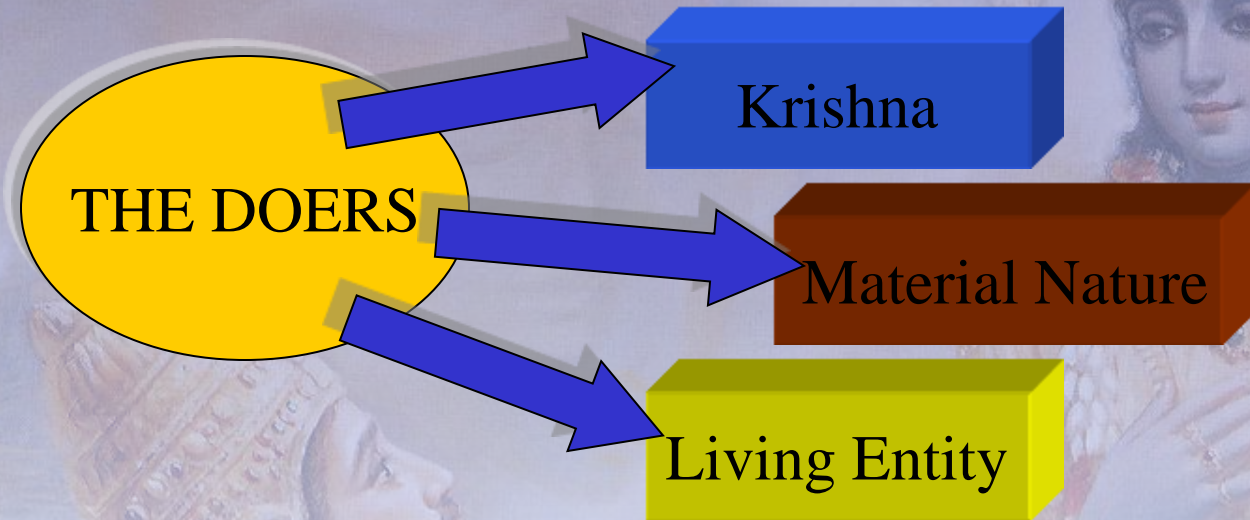
- **INACTION IN ACTION** : Refers to devotional service or activities performed for Krsna's pleasure. Devotees receive no material reaction because they act as Krsna act— without the contamination of seeking a reward for their work.
- **ACTION IN ACTION** : Is the opposite. A sannyasi without transcendental knowledge of Krsna may appear not to be performing work, but as a soul, he cannot avoid either activity or the entangling results of that activity. Devoid of transcendental knowledge about Krsna, he must act, but he cannot act in Krsna's service for he has no knowledge of Krsna. He is thus liable to all reactions.



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- The knowledge one receives from the spiritual master is now described.
 - The realisation one receives from the guru is that all living beings are part and parcel of Krsna.
 - The sense of existence separate from Krsna is called maya.
 - Living entities are also expansions of Krsna.
 - Mayavadi philosophers wrongly think that Krsna loses his own separate existence in His many expansions.
 - In the absolute world one plus one equal to one and one minus one is also equal to one.
 - Liberation means to be situated in ones constitutional position as an eternal servitor of Krsna.
 - BV comments one result of knowledge is that we no longer fall into illusion.
 - The elevated soul thinks “ I am Krsna’s and Krsna is mine.”

- ◆ One on path of liberation by Krishna Consciousness is very dear to everyone and everyone is dear to him.
- ◆ Such a person cannot think of anything separate from Krishna.





Weight of responsibility rests on Living entity

Neutral

Neutral

SMALL BOY

Attempts to lift weight

FATHER

Desires to lift weight after seeing father

Cannot succeed

Sees son's desire

Does actual lifting out of affection

But cannot be considered only lifter. Why?

Living entity becomes bewildered by **false ego** & **pride** considers himself the doer. But no independent ability to act.

The desire was expressed and attempt made by child

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◆ **A Krsna conscious person does not make any distinction between species or castes.**

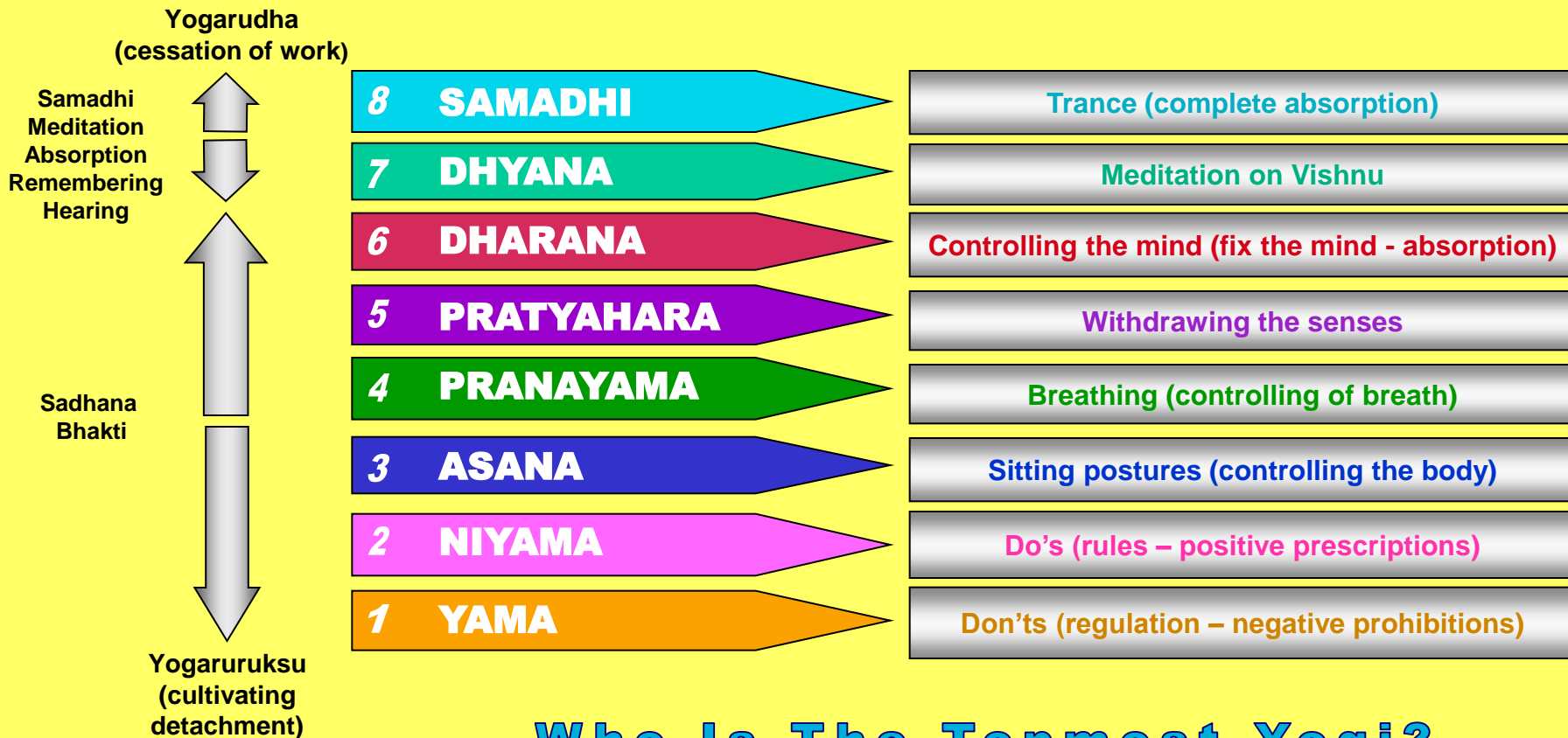
◆ The Lord is equally kind to everyone because He treats every living being as a friend yet maintains Himself as Paramātmā regardless of the circumstances of the living entities.

◆ The Lord as Paramātmā is present both in the outcaste and in the brāhmana, although the body of a brāhmana and that of an outcaste are not the same.

◆ A learned person has full knowledge that the individual soul is present in his own body and the Supersoul is present in all bodies and that makes him a truly learned person with equal vision.

ASTANGA YOGA PROCESS

AS GIVEN BY PATANJALI (EIGHT-FOLD PROCESS)

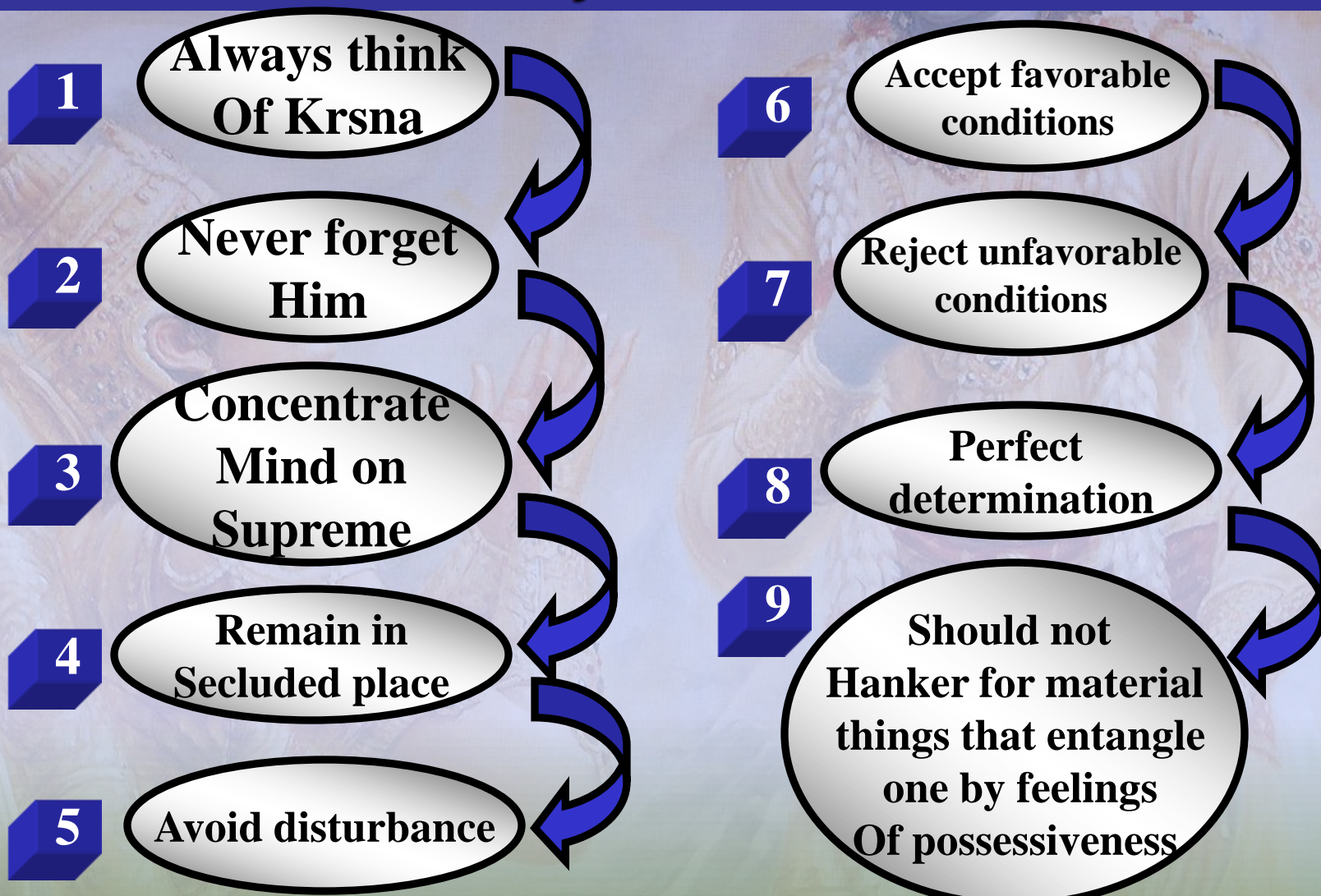


Who Is The Topmost Yogi?

And of all yogis, the one with great faith who always abides in Me, thinks of Me within himself, and renders transcendental loving service to Me – he is most intimately united with Me in yoga and is the highest of all. That is My opinion.

BG 6.47

The first business of a transcendentalist is to keep the mind always on Krsna as follows:



- ◆ **Yoga actually means bhakti-yoga; all other yogas are progressions toward the destination of bhakti-yoga.**

The Highest Yogi.

Concentrates his attention on Krsna, who is called Syamasundara.

- **who is as beautifully colored as a cloud,**
- **whose lotuslike face is as effulgent as the sun**
- **whose dress is brilliant with jewels and whose body is flower-garlanded.**
- **Illuminating all sides is His gorgeous luster, which is called the brahmajyoti. .**
- **He incarnates in different forms such as Rama, Nrsimaha, Varaha and Krsna,**