



CLASS THREE: THE QUALITIES OF A TEACHER (BhG 10.1-11; 10.18-19; 10.39-42)

भूय एव महाबाहो शृणु मे परमं वचः ।

bhūya eva mahābāho śṛṇu me paramaṁ vacaḥ ।

यत्तेऽहं प्रीयमाणाय वक्ष्यामि हितकाम्यया ॥

yatte'haṁ prīyamāṇāya vakṣyāmi hitakāmyayā ॥

Arjuna, once again hear My highest teaching, which I will speak to you, My beloved, out of a desire for your welfare. (10.1)

न मे विदुः सुरगणाः प्रभवं न महर्षयः ।

na me viduḥ suragaṇāḥ prabhavaṁ na maharṣayaḥ ।

अहमादिर्हि देवानां महर्षीणां च सर्वशः ॥

ahamādirhi devānāṁ maharṣīṇāṁ ca sarvaśaḥ ॥

Neither the host of gods nor the great sages know My origins. I am indeed the very source of all the gods and the great sages. (10.2)

यो मामजमनादिं च वेत्ति लोकमहेश्वरम् ।

yo māmajamanādiṁ ca vetti lokamaheśvaram ।

असम्मूढः स मर्त्येषु सर्वपापैः प्रमुच्यते ॥ १०-३ ॥

asammūḍhaḥ sa martyeṣu sarvapāpaiḥ pramucyate ॥ 10-3 ॥

He who knows Me, the Great Lord of the World, to be unborn and without beginning, is undeluded among all mortals and is freed from all negativity. (10.3)



बुद्धिर्ज्ञानमसम्मोहः क्षमा सत्यं दमः शमः ।

buddhirjñānamasammohaḥ kṣamā satyaṁ damaḥ śamaḥ ।

सुखं दुःखं भवोऽभावो भयं चाभयमेव च ॥

sukhaṁ duḥkhaṁ bhavo'bhāvo bhayaṁ cābhayameva ca ॥

Intelligence, wisdom, non-delusion, patience, truth, self-control, tranquility, happiness and suffering, being and non-being, fear and fearlessness, (10.4)

अहिंसा समता तुष्टिस्तपो दानं यशोऽयशः ।

ahimsā samatā tuṣṭistapo dānaṁ yaśo'yaśaḥ ।

भवन्ति भावा भूतानां मत्त एव पृथग्विधाः ॥

bhavanti bhāvā bhūtānām matta eva pṛthagvidhāḥ ॥

Non-violence, equanimity, contentment, austerity, generosity, fame and disrepute – these manifold modalities among living beings arise only from Me. (10.5)

महर्षयः सप्त पूर्वे चत्वारो मनवस्तथा ।

maharṣayaḥ sapta pūrve catvāro manavastathā ।

मद्भावा मानसा जाता येषां लोक इमाः प्रजाः ॥

madbhāvā mānasā jātā yeṣāṁ loka imāḥ prajāḥ ॥

The seven great sages of old, and also the four progenitors of humankind from whom all the world's progeny derive, come from Me, born from My mind. (10.6)



एतां विभूतिं योगं च मम यो वेत्ति तत्त्वतः ।

etām vibhūtiṁ yogam ca mama yo veti tattvataḥ ।

सोऽविकम्पेन योगेन युज्यते नात्र संशयः ॥

so'vikampena yogena yujyate nātra saṁśayaḥ ॥

He who truly knows this supernatural power and yoga of mine is conjoined to an unwavering yoga – of this there is no doubt. (10.7)

अहं सर्वस्य प्रभवो मत्तः सर्वं प्रवर्तते ।

ahaṁ sarvasya prabhavo mattaḥ sarvaṁ pravartate ।

इति मत्वा भजन्ते मां बुधा भावसमन्विताः ॥

iti matvā bhajante mām budhā bhāvasamanvitāḥ ॥

I am the origin of all and everything comes from Me. The wise ones who understand this worship Me and are endowed with My Being. (10.8)

मच्चित्ता मद्गतप्राणा बोधयन्तः परस्परम् ।

maccittā madgataprāṇā bodhayantaḥ parasparam ।

कथयन्तश्च मां नित्यं तुष्यन्ति च रमन्ति च ॥

kathayantaśca mām nityaṁ tuṣyanti ca ramanti ca ॥

Those whose minds are fixed on me, whose very lives are wholly given up to me, enlightening one another and constantly talking about Me – they are contented and joyful. (10.9)



तेषां सततयुक्तानां भजतां प्रीतिपूर्वकम् ।

teṣāṃ satatayuktānāṃ bhajatāṃ prītipūrvakam ।

ददामि बुद्धियोगं तं येन मामुपयान्ति ते ॥

dadāmi buddhiyogaṃ taṃ yena māmupayānti te ॥

To those who are steadfast in their worship, endowed with love, I give the yoga of the intellect by which they reach Me. (10.10)

तेषामेवानुकम्पार्थम्हमज्ञानजं तमः ।

teṣāmevānukampārthamhamajñānajaṃ tamaḥ ।

नशयाम्यात्मभावस्थो ज्ञानदीपेन भास्वता ॥

naśayāmyātmabhāvastho jñānadīpena bhāsvatā ॥

I, dwelling within their own selves and out of compassion for them, destroy the darkness born of ignorance with the bright lamp of wisdom. (10.11)

विस्तरेणात्मनो योगं विभूतिं च जनार्दन ।

vistareṇātmano yogaṃ vibhūtiṃ ca janārdana ।

भूयः कथय तृप्तिर्हि शृण्वतो नास्ति मेऽमृतम् ॥

bhūyaḥ kathaya tṛptirhi śṛṇvato nāsti me'amṛtam ॥

Tell me further and extensively of your supernatural power and yoga, Krishna. I am not yet satiated with the nectar of hearing about it! (10.18)

श्रीभगवानुवाच ।

śribhagavānuvāca ।

हन्त ते कथयिष्यामि दिव्या ह्यात्मविभूतयः ।

hanta te kathayiṣyāmi divyā hyātmavibhūtayaḥ ।

प्राधान्यतः कुरुश्रेष्ठ नास्त्यन्तो विस्तरस्य मे ॥ १०-१९ ॥

prādhānyataḥ kuruśreṣṭha nāstyanto vistarasya me ॥ 10-19 ॥

The Lord said:

Alright then! I will tell you about my divine supernatural powers. There is no end to the extent of Me, Arjuna. (10.19)

यच्चापि सर्वभूतानां बीजं तदहमर्जुन ।

yaccāpi sarvabhūtānām bījaṁ tadahamarjuna ।

न तदस्ति विना यत्स्यान्मया भूतं चराचरम् ॥ १०-३९ ॥

na tadasti vinā yatsyānmayā bhūtaṁ carācaram ॥ 10-39 ॥

I am the essence of all living beings, Arjuna. Without Me, nothing – animate or stationary – could exist. (10.39)

नान्तोऽस्ति मम दिव्यानां विभूतीनां परन्तप ।

nānto'sti mama divyānām vibhūtinām parantapa ।

एष तूद्देशतः प्रोक्तो विभूतेर्विस्तरो मया ॥

eṣa tūddeśataḥ prokto vibhūtervistaro mayā ॥

There is no end to My divine supernatural powers, Arjuna. I've told you this as an example of the extent of My supernatural powers. (10.40)



यद्यद्विभूतिमत्सत्त्वं श्रीमदूर्जितमेव वा ।

yadyadvibhūtimatsattvaṁ śrīmadūrjitameva vā ।

तत्तदेवावगच्छ त्वं मम तेजोशसम्भवम् ॥

tattadevāvagaccha tvaṁ mama tejośasambhavam ॥

Understand that whatever there is that possesses supernatural powers, that is in the nature of goodness, that is glorious and powerful, originates from just a fraction of my fiery energy. (10.41)

अथवा बहुनैतेन किं ज्ञातेन तवार्जुन ।

athavā bahunaitena kiṁ jñātena tavārjuna ।

विष्टभ्याहमिदं कृत्स्नमेकांशेन स्थितो जगत् ॥

viṣṭabhyāhamidaṁ kṛtsnamekāṁśena sthito jagat ॥

But what use is all this detailed wisdom to you, Ajuna? I continually support this whole world with just a fraction of myself. (10.42)