

**Reflections from Shrimad Bhagavadgita– Part 86: Chapter 10, Verses 04-08**

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**TRANSLITERATION**

बुद्धिर्ज्ञानमसम्मोहः क्षमा सत्यं दमः शमः ।

*buddhir jñānam asammohaḥ kṣhamā satyaṁ damaḥ  
śhamaḥ*

सुखं दुःखं भवोऽभावो भयं चाभयमेव च ॥ १०-४ ॥

*sukhaṁ duḥkhaṁ bhavo 'bhāvo bhayaṁ chābhayameva cha*

अहिंसा समता तुष्टिस्तपो दानं यशोऽयशः ।

*ahinsā samatā tuṣṭiḥ tapo dānaṁ yaśho 'yaśhaḥ*

भवन्ति भावा भूतानां मत्त एव पृथग्विधाः ॥ १०-५ ॥

*bhavanti bhāvā bhūtānām matta eva pṛithag-vidhāḥ*

महर्षयः सप्त पूर्वे चत्वारो मनवस्तथा ।

*maharṣhayaḥ sapta pūrve chatvāro manavas tathā*

मद्भावा मानसा जाता येषां लोक इमाः प्रजाः ॥ १०-६ ॥

*mad-bhāvā mānasā jātā yeṣhām loka imāḥ prajāḥ*

एतां विभूतिं योगं च मम यो वेत्ति तत्त्वतः ।

*etāṁ vibhūtiṁ yogaṁ cha mama yo vetti tattvataḥ*

सोऽविकम्पेन योगेन युज्यते नात्र संशयः ॥ १०-७ ॥

*so 'vikampena yogena yujyate nātra sanśhayaḥ*

अहं सर्वस्य प्रभवो मत्तः सर्वं प्रवर्तते ।

*ahaṁ sarvasya prabhavo mattaḥ sarvaṁ  
pravartate*

इति मत्वा भजन्ते मां बुधा भावसमन्विताः ॥ १०-८ ॥

*iti matvā bhajante mām budhā bhāva-samanvitāḥ*

## TRANSLATION

- (04)** From me alone arise the varieties in the qualities amongst humans, such as  
+ intellect, knowledge, clarity of thought, forgiveness, truthfulness, control over the senses and mind, joy and sorrow, birth and death, fear and courage, non-violence,
- (05)** equanimity, contentment, austerity, charity, fame, and infamy.
- (06)** The seven great Sages, the four great Saints before them, and the fourteen Manus, are all born from my mind. From them, all the people in the world have descended.
- (07)** Those who know in truth my glories and divine powers become united with me through unwavering *bhakti yog*. Of this there is no doubt.
- (08)** I am the origin of all creation. Everything proceeds from me. The wise who know this perfectly worship me with great faith and devotion.

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## Chapter 10

### Verses 04 + 05:

Lord Krishna continues to confirm His Supreme Lordship and absolute dominion over all that exists in creation in these two verses. He says that the various moods, temperaments and dispositions of mankind all emanate from Him for He is the one who bestows them according to each individual's merit. 1) *buddhi* is the power of the mind to discriminate between what is real and what is unreal. 2) *jnanam* is the power of discrimination regarding the *atma* or eternal soul and the temporary physical *body*. 3) *asammohah* is the absence of illusion about the spiritual goal. 4) *kshama* is tolerance even in situations where agitation is natural. 5) *satyam* is having the veracity to stand up and declare truth for the good of all beings. 6) *damah* is restraining the external organs from sense gratification. 7) *samah* is the control of mind keeping it away from unproductive unrighteous thinking and having it focused on the Supreme Lord. 8) *sukham* is experiencing happiness and delightful emotions. 9) *duhkham* is experiencing affliction and unhappy emotions. 10) *bhavah* is birth of the blissful glow arising from a happy experience. 11) *abhavam* is the dire sorrow one feels which an unpleasant experience engenders. 12) *bhayam* is the dreadful fear one has in anticipation of some impending misfortune. 13) *abhayam* is the absence of fear for whatever may be impending. 14) *ahimsa* is non-violence to any being by thought, word, or deed. 15) *samata* is equanimity in whatever situation one finds oneself whether good or bad. 16) *tushtis* is contentment and amiability with all. 17) *tapo* is bodily austerities such as fasting for spiritual benefit according to the Vedas. 18) *daanam* is beneficence or the giving in charity to one who is worthy. 19) *yasho* is fame for possessing excellent qualities. 20) *ayashah* is infamy and notoriety for possessing bad qualities. The Lord says that all these variegated qualities of all living entities originate from Him alone.

### Verse 06:

In this verse, Lord Krishna gives a genealogical synopsis of the Universe that is born of Him. If we interpret this verse in the context of other Vedic scriptures on this subject, the creation of the Universe can be graphically represented as shown in the Chart below. Accordingly, Lord Krishna (Brahman or Paramaatman) created Brahma out of His *Hiranya Garbha* energy. Brahma, in turn, created the *Four Kumars or Great Saints* simply out of mind. Brahma later created the *Seven Great Sages*, also out of mind. Still later, Brahma created 14 Manus. They were empowered with the task of procreation of the human population as well as for the administration of humankind from the celestial abodes, and for the establishment and protection of *Vedic Dharma*. We are presently in the era of the seventh Manu, who is called *Vaivasvat* Manu. This era is thus called *Vaivasvat Manvantar*. In the present *Kalpa* (half a day of Brahma), there will be seven more Manus.

**LORD KRISHNA**

**(Brahman or Paramaatman)**

↓ **Hiranya Garbha Energy**

**LORD BRAHMA**

**Four Kumars or Saints**

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**Sanak Sanandan Sanat Sanatan**

**All Created Out of Mind (No Mothers)**  
**All Created Out of Mind (No Mothers)**

**Seven Great Sages**

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**Marichi Atri Angiras Pulastya**

**Seven Great Sages**

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**Pulaha Kratu Vasishtha**

**14 Manus (All Created Out of Mind)**

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**Svayambhuva, Swarochisha, Uttam, Tamas, Raivat, Chakshusha, Vaivasvat, Savarni, Dakshasavarni, Brahmasavarni, Dharmasavarni, Rudra-putra, Rochya, Bhautyaka.**

The Current Manvantara

**Born Out Of Womb**

**RISHIS (GOTRAS) → Human Population**

**Verse 07:**

Here, Lord Krishna speaks on the benefits of knowing Him in reality as the Supreme transcendental majestic Lord of all. This is stated with the words *yo vetti tattvatah* meaning those who know in truth, regarding His transcendental potencies and divine opulence and how they manifest, direct and sustain the whole creation, such ones like the great sages, will undoubtedly become established in undeviating *yoga* or the science of the individual consciousness attaining

communion with the Ultimate Consciousness of the Supreme Lord. The word *vibhuti* means transcendental potencies of majestic opulence such as those displayed in all of the phenomenal activities manifest in creation, preservation and sustenance and all of the wondrous workings of unlimited universes. The word *yogam* or the science of the individual consciousness attaining communion with the ultimate consciousness, denotes the consensus of all glorious attributes. Whosoever comprehensively understands the preceding and realizes the Supreme Lord Krishna through these two components of His character, being *vibhuti* and *yoga*, will succeed in acquiring unwavering and rapt *bhakti* or exclusive loving devotion. This means that the knowledge of respecting and honoring His *vibhuti* and *yoga* by observing, pondering and reflecting how they manifest and operate as phenomenal material activities and divine attributes will assist and facilitate the awakening of *bhakti* and this can be practically experienced by all who think of Lord Krishna in this way. In short, proper knowledge of God enhances devotion toward him. Thus, having described God's majestic splendors that manifest in the wondrous workings of unlimited universes, Shree Krishna states that those who become situated in this knowledge naturally become united with him through unflinching *bhakti*.

### ***Verse 08:***

This verse confirms that Lord Krishna is the generating cause and origin of all the wonderful, marvelous and fascinatingly phenomenal displays of activity found abounding in all creation comprised of intelligent and non-intelligent beings and objects. He alone energizes all of creation and manifests the impulses required for all actions. The spiritually intelligent are the *mahatmanas* or great illuminated beings who *matva* or realize His Supreme Absolute position as the ultimate controller of all existence and who possess all illustrious attributes such as compassion, affection, reciprocity, friendship, etc. These great beings are *bhava-samanvitah* or are endowed with a wonderful way of serving Lord Krishna in *bhakti* or exclusive loving devotion according to their internal mood. The spiritually intelligent cultivate their minds in such a way as to acquire this mood and deeply immerse themselves in it. Everything is manifested, energized and activated because of Lord Krishna's desire alone and the spiritually intelligent realizing this continuously worship Him fully with devotion and love.