

If you feel the world around you – you will see your experience is a cacophony of voices, thoughts and emotions. These voices, thoughts and emotions are all an outpouring of confusions of many different levels and states. With a much distorted perception of the current reality, these voices, thoughts and emotions are formed and expressed. When man is in this level of confusion, when he is subjugated by the misconceptions or the wrong perception of reality around him, the noise that he creates around himself, the pain and suffering that he creates for himself and the people around him and to all other life forms around



what is not attainable, then it will always tell you mediocre things as to what is possible.

We are always trying to create our life based on the current reality that exists around us at this moment. This moment whatever may be with us is not the point. Where we want to go tomorrow need not be connected to where we are right now. What we want as the highest in life, it need not have

Knowing Life - Here and Beyond



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him is very unfortunate.

With all the conveniences and facilities we have because of science and technology individual man and humanity has still remained an absolute confusion, an absolute mess. All the noises that he is making in the form of his thoughts and emotions, if you look at it, if you really are little sensitive to feel people's thoughts and emotions around you, you'll see it is an absolute mess, it is an absolute confusion.

That is the reality that you see today. There is no clarity in him. Nor any will or vision. Most people in the world live their lives without even understanding what is it that they really want for themselves. Or even if they know what they want, they neither have the will nor the vision to create what they want in their lives. Most of the time just settling for whatever is easy, whatever they term as attainable, whatever is within their reach, they settle for anything if they feel it is easy.

If something is easily attainable, people go for it. Not really seeing whether they really need it in their lives or not. Not really seeing whether that is what they really want in their lives. It is easily attainable, that is the whole thing. And at any given moment in life if we go by the experience of our past or in other words if you trust your mind – trust your logical mind to decide what is possible, what is not possible, what is attainable,

anything to do with our present situation. If we enslave our visions to current situations, then it is once again settling for what is attainable, what is easy, what you think is possible. It is not in terms of thinking what is possible or not possible. It is just in terms of seeing what is your vision, what is the highest that you can seek in your life.

If man has a vision of what he wishes to do with himself and the world around him, it is not beyond man's capacity to create it. It may happen in this lifetime, it may take a couple of lifetimes but what we want will definitely come. For that person, for whom his vision of life is clear to him and he just seeks it every moment of his life, for him, the highest things will come and fall at his feet. It is only because man is a bundle of confusion, it is only because man is most of the time seeking what he doesn't want – things that he really wants never come to him. This lack of vision and will in his life is fundamentally because of a distorted understanding of the world around us.

What you know as the highest, you just seek that. It doesn't matter whether it is going to happen or not going to happen, simply living with the vision itself is very elevating, is itself very liberating, is itself a very joyous process for any person. Whether it is going to happen tomorrow or after hundred years is not the point.

But you have a vision and you are not concerned about whether it is possible or not possible. You are not concerned whether it is easy or difficult, you are not concerned whether it is attainable or non-attainable, or in other words, you are not concerned about the result in the end. It is just that you have a vision and you give your life towards it. This is one of the easiest ways to attain the highest also. The whole Gita is just about this – to simply give yourself to what you want, not caring whether it is going to happen or not going to happen. It is a spiritual process by itself.

Vision is an important way of transcending limitations within and outside ourselves. If one wants to live here without any vision, without being burdened by visions, without being burdened by will, then that person should be absolutely innocent. Absolutely. Such a person can simply live here. He need not live with a vision. He does not need a vision. He does not have to have a will about anything, that is if he is absolutely egoless and childlike. And if it is not so, it is very important that man lives with a vision.

There have been many stories, many examples in the Indian culture. Certain sages and saints, once they willed, even gods had to come down and do things for

them. There are many stories like this. Lord Shiva cannot help it if a man sits here with complete will and vision that he wants Shiva to come down. He has to come down – he has no choice about it. There are many stories like this. So all these things demonstrate to you that if what you want is very clear to you and if you are set on it, what seems to be impossible today; tomorrow becomes a normal part of your life. Without any fuss it falls at your feet. But at every moment logically if you question this and think in terms of "Is it attainable or not attainable", then the confusion that you create in your mind, the confusions that you create in the world around you makes the world itself into a big confusion.

It is time to really create a vision within ourselves as to what is it that we really care for, not just for today. If you look deep enough your vision will be the universal vision. Really in terms of being a human being, what is the highest that you can seek and simply creating that vision. Whether everything else happens or doesn't happen on the way is not the point. Whatever you have known as the highest – simply seeking that with undivided attention – is a simple way of knowing life here and beyond.