

CHAPTER II

THE DENIAL OF THE MATERIALIST

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Chapter 1 -- Human Aspiration

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The earliest formula of Wisdom promises to be the last – God, Light, Freedom, Immortality.

- Contradictions are Nature's profoundest method
- Contradictions are complements
- All problems are problems of Harmony
- The world is a progressive evolution
- Man and Mind are not the last stage
- The Divine Life is humanity's destiny. It is inevitable

Divine Life means

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- Total Freedom
- Complete knowledge of everything
- Infinite power for accomplishment
- Infinite beauty and delight
- Immortality

Mother's Life for devotees means

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- Abundant Accomplishment
- Perfect Harmony
- Life is a Sunlit Path
- Every moment is a Marvel of wonder & delight

Chapter 2 – Denial of the Materialist

- Divine Life is only possible if Matter and Spirit can be reconciled
- Matter and Spirit are the ultimate contradiction in terms
- A compromise is not sufficient
- Life and mind must also be reconciled and harmonized
- The key to reconciliation and transformation is a change of view

What is the materialist's denial?

- Knowledge of the Senses is true knowledge
- Everything is determined by Chance & Necessity
- The outer determines the inner
- Life has no purpose
- Time is irreversible
- Matter is the only reality

Premises of materialism are arbitrary

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- Our senses do not perceive all material phenomena
- Our senses do not perceive supraphysical phenomena
- Life and consciousness are not accidents

Materialism has done great service

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- Materialism has helped eradicate superstition
- Materialism has helped develop a disciplined intellect
- Error is the handmaiden of truth
- Soul of materialism is the search for knowledge
- Science and Spirituality arrive at the same conclusion

Knowledge by whatever path tends to become one

The Unknown is not the Unknowable

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- Unknowable comes to us in life as values
- It is possible to exaggerate the unknowableness of the Unknowable
- Wherever there is an unknown there is a faculty in the universe and in Man that can know it

Materialist attitude toward Money

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- Money is a physical thing
- It cannot be created. It can only be found outside.
- Money comes by physical effort
- Bargaining is necessary to avoid getting cheated
- The more I spend, the less I have
- Financial opportunity comes by luck or chance
- I cannot pay my debts because I have no money

Money is created in many ways

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- Physically by work -- production
- Vitally by human Interaction & relationship -- trade
- Socially by organization -- banking
- Mentally by thinking & knowledge -- software
- Spiritually by values – faith, trust, honor, goodwill
- Individuality creates money by being

We can create infinite Money

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- Money responds to attention
- Cleanliness
- Accurate accounts
- Selfishness prevents money coming
- More you give, more you get
- Goodwill & generosity attracts money

Health

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- Materialist believes that health is purely physical
- Faith in allopathic medicine – craze for operations
- Mother says doctors create the disease by naming it
- Placebo Effects -- disease & cure are not physical
- Spirit heals

Matter & Spirit are reconciled in Cosmic Consciousness

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- Life Divine requires reconciliation between spirit and matter

We must arrive at the ultimate unity without denying the multiplicity

- Energy that builds the world is a Conscious Force, a Will
- Spiritual individual is the key to that reconciliation
- Life and Matter reveal Spirit when we change our view
- Our goal is Abundant Accomplishment by the power of Spirit