



## Teachings of the Eastern Masters

"Knowledge and ignorance are both states of mind that give rise to illusions and errors. As one thorn is pulled out by another thorn, so remove the one with the other.

"Dispel ignorance by knowledge. However, the highest purpose of human existence is to go beyond knowledge and ignorance and merge in the Pure Self."

### Commentary

I find that this passage creates such ease because it takes the pressure off our performance-oriented minds. Realizing our ultimate potential of union with God is not the product of intellectual prowess or collecting a prerequisite amount of spiritual or metaphysical information. Shirdi Sai acknowledges that knowledge and the ability to make clear discriminations are very important and useful in the "blue", however He also reminds us that we remember our true identity and unity through being receptive to and merging with God.

Today's quotation is from the Shri Sai Satcharita, p.123, v.68-69.

Love,

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