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By means of vows one obtains consecration, by consecration one obtains favor, by favor one obtains faith, by faith one obtains truth.--Yajur Veda 19.30.

Borne along and defiled by the stream of qualities, unsteady, wavering, bewildered, full of desire, distracted, one goes on into the state of self-conceit. In thinking, "This is I" and "That is mine" one binds himself with himself, as does a bird with a snare.--Krishna Yajur Veda, Maitrayiya Upanishad 3.2

The Gods, led by the spirit, honor faith in their worship. Faith is composed of the heart's intention. Light comes through faith. Through faith men come to prayer, faith in the morning, faith at noon and at the setting of the sun. O faith, give us faith! --Rig Veda Samhita 8.31.8

The ancient, effulgent being, the indwelling Spirit, subtle, deep, hidden in the lotus of the heart, is hard to know. But the wise man, following the path of meditation, knows Him, and is freed alike from pleasure and from pain.-- Katha Upanishad

You must not use your God-given body for killing God's

creatures, whether they are human, animal or whatever.--Yajur Veda Samhita 12.32

To She who Destroys Confusion, to the Grantor of Enjoyment and Liberation, who resides within, Giver of Victory, without flaw or imperfection, the True Competent Refuge, Bestower of Welfare, and the Energy of Infinite Goodness, to that Goddess we continually bow down.--Chandi Path 8.18

Find a quiet retreat for the practice of yoga, sheltered from the wind, level and clean, free from rubbish, smoldering fires and ugliness, and where the sound of waters and the beauty of the place help thought and contemplation.--Krishna Yajur

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The disciple who desires to see the guru happy should not visit him empty-handed, since the guru is a person to be adored like a king. Hence, fruits, flowers and betel leaves should be offered first to the guru at the time of worship. --Chandrajnana Saivagama, Kriyapada 2.31-2

The disciple may be a virtuous worshiper and a learned knower of the scriptures, and he may belong to the cultured family, yet he should unhesitatingly bow down to the guru. -- Chandrajnana Saivagama, Kriyapada 2.33

Of all the etiquettes, two are praised the most. One is sweet words, and the other is bowing down. All other etiquettes are considered meaningless. --Chandrajnana Saivagama, Kriyapada 2.34

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