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मच्चित्तः सर्वदुर्गाणि मत्प्रसादात्तरिष्यसि ।
अथ चेत्त्वमहङ्कारान्न श्रोष्यसि विनङ्क्ष्यसि ॥ 58 ॥
यदहङ्कारमाश्रित्य न योत्स्य इति मन्यसे ।
मिथ्यैष व्यवसायस्ते प्रकृतिस्त्वां नियोक्ष्यति ॥ 59 ॥

maccitta: sarva-durgāṇi
mat-prasādāt-tariṣyasi ।
atha cet-tvam-ahaṅkāraṇ-
na śroṣyasi vinaṅkṣyasi ॥ 58 ॥
yad-ahaṅkāram-āśritya
na yotsya iti manyase ।
mithyaiṣa vyavasāyaste
prakṛtistvām niyokṣyati ॥ 59 ॥

“With the mind resting on Me (the Supreme), you will surmount all hardships by My grace. But if egoistically you do not heed these words, you will be led to ruin.

Resorting to ego should you think ‘I will not fight’, your decision is in vain. For, Nature will compel you to fight.”

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