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He who dwells in the light, yet is other than the light, whom the light does not know, whose body is the light, who controls the light from within-He is the atman within you. Shukla Yajur Veda, Brihadaranyaka Upanishad 3.7.14

If he should desire, "Let me be born here again," in whatever family he directs his attention, either the family of a brahmin or the family of a king, into that he will be born. Sama Veda, Jaiminiya Upanishad 3.28.3-4

Higher and other than the world-tree, time and forms is He from whom this expanse proceeds-the bringer of dharma, the remover of evil, the lord of prosperity. Know Him as in one's own Self, as the immortal abode of all. Krishna Yajur Veda, Svetasvatara Upanishad 6.6

So let my star be the sun or the moon, Mars, or Mercury or Jupiter; let it be Venus, or Saturn or the the two snakes! All the planets and stars are good stars for us, all bring good luck to Siva's devotees. Rig Veda Samhita 7.2.8.

The knower, the author of time, the possessor of qualities and all knowledge, it is He who envelopes the universe. Controlled by Him, this work of creation unfolds itself-that which is regarded as earth, water, fire, air and ether. Krishna Yajur Veda, Svetasvatara Upanishad 6.2

This universe is a tree eternally existing, its root aloft, its branches spread below. The pure root of the tree is Brahman, the immortal, in whom the three

worlds have their being, whom none can transcend, who is verily the Self. Krishna Yajur Veda, Katha Upanishad 6.1

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, Maitreya Upanishad 3.2

Being overcome by the fruits of his action, he enters a good or an evil womb, so that his course is downward or upward, and he wanders around, overcome by the pairs of opposites. Krishna Yajur Veda, Maitreya Upanishad 3.2

Through the ripening of the fruits of his actions he does not attain any rest, like a worm caught within a whirlpool. The desire for liberation arises in human beings at the end of many births, through the ripening of their past virtuous conduct. Sukla Yajur Veda, Paingala Upanishad 2.11

Behold the universe in the glory of God: and all that lives and moves on earth. Leaving the transient, find joy in the Eternal. Set not your heart on another's possession. Shukla Yajur Veda, Isa Upanishad 1

Truly, God is One; there can be no second. He alone governs these worlds with His powers. He stands facing beings. He, the herdsman, after bringing forth all worlds, reabsorbs them at the end of time. Krishna Yajur Veda, Svetasvatara Upanishad 3.2

A physician takes various roots, mixes them together into one medicine and with it cures the disease. Likewise, the great All-Knowing Physician, by giving to the soul its body, faculties, the world and all its experiences, cures its disease and establishes it in the bliss of liberation. Sage Yogaswami, Natchintanai

When an exalted soul realizes that all sentient beings are one in relation to the

Supreme -i.e. that all beings are the infinitesimal parts of the One-how shall he have any more delusion and what grief will come to him? Ishopanishad 8