## **Scriptural Quotes**

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The powerful man should give to one in straits; let him consider the road that lies ahead! Riches revolve just like a chariot's wheels, coming to one man now, then to another. Rig Veda 10.117.5.

One acharya excels ten upadhyayas in glory; a father excels a hundred acharyas in glory; but a mother excels even a thousand fathers in glory. -Manu Smritis 2.145

The rites of oblation, O lovers of truth, which the sages divined from the sacred verses, were variously expounded in the threefold Veda. Perform them with constant care. This is your path to the world of holy action. Atharva Veda, Mundaka Upanishad 1.2.1

The Self within the body, pure and resplendent, is attained through the cultivation of truth, austerity, right knowledge and chastity. When their impurities dwindle, the ascetics behold Him. Atharva Veda, Mundaka Upanishad 3.1.5

With maya, His power of wonder, He made all things, and by maya the human soul is bound. Know, therefore, that nature is maya, but that God is the ruler of maya and that all beings in our universe are parts of His infinite splendor. Krishna Yajur Veda 4.9-10

Even as the radiance of the sun enlightens all regions, above, below, and slantwise, so does God, glorious and worthy of worship, rule over all His creation.

Krishna Yajur Veda, Svetasvatara Upanishad 5.4

A girl should be brought up and educated with great effort and care." -Mahanirvana Tantra 8.47

Girded by the wind, they have donned ocher mud for a garment. So soon as the Gods have entered within them, they follow the wings of the wind, these silent ascetics. Rig Veda Samhita 10.136.2

Without regard for themselves, without urges and efforts, absorbed in contemplation and established in the higher Self, they endeavor to remove evil deeds and surrender their bodies by renunciation. Such is a paramahamsa, such indeed is a paramahamsa! Shukla Yajur Veda, Jabala Upanishad 6

The Self resides within the lotus of the heart. Knowing this, consecrated to the Self, the sage enters daily that holy sanctuary. Absorbed in the Self, the sage is freed from identity with the body and lives in blissful consciousness. Sama Veda, Chandogya Upanishad 8.33-4

Whatever you may fail to guard, guard well your tongue; for flawed speech unfailingly invokes anguish and affliction. -Tirukural Verse 127

What has learning profited a man, if it has not led him to worship the good feet of Him who is pure knowledge itself? They alone dispel the mind's distress who take refuge to the feet of the Incomparable One. Tirukkural 2.7