

Swami Sudherananda's Talk on ICAI Motto Song

The motto of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India is "Ye Yesu Suptesu Jagrati". This is a mantra from Kathopanishad.

Sri Swami Sudherananda addressed study circle meeting of the Coimbatore Branch of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) on the evening of the 1st December 2011 evening. He spoke on the topic "Meaning of ICAI Motto Song".

CA N. Avinashilingam presided over the meeting. CA S.D. Balasubramanyam introduced the speaker.

Sri Swami Sudherananda said that only a person following a life of dharma can understand the meaning of ICAI motto song. As this is a Upanishad mantra only a qualified student can understand its profound meaning.

It is rare to get a human birth. It is still rare to be a mumukshu. It is most rare to get a Sadguru. It only happens due to previous punya and Ishwara's grace.

All jivas have desire. It leads to action. Action results in punya and papa. To get the results of punya and papa one gets rebirth. In that birth also desires are there and the cycle of rebirth continues.

This cycle of rebirth will end only when a jiva understands that it is not the body, mind, sense complex but the atma. Until



then the jiva believes that it is small and insignificant and struggles to fulfil its desires. But the jiva is really the atma. This can be understood only from the scriptures taught by a Sadguru.

Kathopanishad reveals the atma jnana through a dialogue between the Teacher, Lord Yama and the student Nachiketas. It teaches that atma is existence, consciousness and unlimitedness. Atma is the one that exists in the three states of waking, dream and deep sleep.

The meaning of ICAI motto song is, atma is the one that exist during waking, dream and deep sleep.

CA C.R. Krishan gave a memento to the speaker.

The meeting concluded with vote of thanks.

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