

Chapter-17: Points to Ponder

- 1) What is Shraddha ?
- 2) What is the Bija Shloka (the seed shloka) for the 17th chapter, or in other words, what prompted Bhagavan to give the discourse on “The threefold division of faith (Sharaddha traya Vibhagha) ?
- 3) How is Chapter 17 organized ?
- 4) A person’s Shraddha can be inferred through the kind of worship he/she does. What are the three factors in the worship according to which one’s Sharaddha is determined ?
- 5) What are the 4 voluntary topics discussed by Krishna ?
- 6) Bhagavan does not explicitly tell the meaning of the mantra “Om Tat Sat” other than saying that it is the triple designation of Brahman. What is this triple designation (Shankaracharya and Swamiji elaborate this) ?
- 7) What is the significance of [shloka 17.28](#) ?