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 - Sri Aurobindo's English Translation matched word-by-word with Padpātha

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At the Lotus Feet
of

Sri Aurobindo

Prologue

Companion to The Secret of the Veda is meant as an aid to the systematic study of The Secret of the Veda (Volume 15 – The Complete Works of Sri Aurobindo, Sri Aurobindo Ashram Publication Department, Pondicherry, 2013) for those interested in Sri Aurobindo's mystical interpretation of the Veda.

It provides the original Sanskrit verses (*Riks*) from the Rig Veda, in Devanagari (without accents), translated and cited by Sri Aurobindo in *The Secret of the Veda*. The compiler has provided the *Padpātha* under each verse in which all euphonic combinations (*sandhi*) are resolved into the original and separate words and even the components of compound words (*samās*) indicated; and matched each Sanskrit word in the verse with the corresponding English word in the Translation using superscripts.

Volume I (uploaded on June 22, 2019 on www.auro-ebooks) covered the verses from the Rig-veda translated and cited by Sri Aurobindo in Part I (Chapter VI-XXII) of *The Secret of the Veda*.

The present Volume II covers the remaining verses translated by Sri Aurobindo in Part II-IV of *The Secret of the Veda*.

In the Foreword to the first edition of *Hymns to the Mystic Fire*, (1946) Sri Aurobindo stated that "….to establish on a scholastic basis the conclusions of the hypothesis (mystical interpretation) it would have been necessary to prepare an edition of the Rig-veda or of a large part of it with a word by word construing in Sanskrit and English….."

This compilation series is a humble attempt in providing such 'word by word construing in Sanskrit and English' of selected verses of the Rig Veda.

The compiler has relied on Volume 16 *Hymns to the Mystic Fire* (HMF) and Volume 14 *Vedic and Philological Studies* (VPS) of the Complete Works of Sri Aurobindo (Sri Aurobindo Ashram Publication Department, Pondicherry, 2013) for enlightenment at every step.

The compiler is grateful for the elucidation provided by authoritative published works on *The Secret of the Veda* by Acharya Abhaydev Vidyalankar, Jagannath Vedalankar and Dharmaveer Vedalankar (*Ved Rahasya* - Hindi – Sri Aurobindo Ashram, 2014) and the *Rig Veda* by A.B. Purani (*Vedic Glossary*, Sri Aurobindo Asram, 1962) and T.V. Kapali Sastry (*Collected Works of T.V. Kapali Sastry*, Dipti Publications, 1981).

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Part Two

Selected Hymns

Ι

The Colloquy of Indra and Agastya

Rig Veda I.170

(15/253-6)

न नूनमस्ति नो श्वः कस्तद्वेद यदद्भुतं । अन्यस्य चित्तमभि संचरेण्यमुताधीतं वि नश्यति ॥१॥ न¹ नूनम्² अस्ति³ नो⁴ श्वः⁵ कः⁶ तत्⁷ वेद⁸ यत्⁹ अद्भुतम्¹⁰ । अन्यस्य¹¹ चित्तम¹² अभि¹³ समऽचरेण्यम¹⁴ उत¹⁵ आऽधीतम¹⁶ वि¹⁷ नश्यति¹⁸ ॥

Indra

1. ³It is ¹not ²now, ⁴nor ⁵is It tomorrow; ⁶who ⁸knoweth ⁷that ⁹which is ¹⁰Supreme and Wonderful? ¹⁴It has motion and action ¹³in ¹²the consciousness ¹¹of another, ¹⁵but ¹⁶when It is approached by the thought, ^{17,18}It vanishes.

किं न इन्द्र जिघांसिस भ्रातरो मरुतस्तव । तेभिः कल्पस्व साधुया मा नः समरणे वधीः ॥२॥ किम्¹ नः² इन्द्र³ जिघांसिस⁴ भ्रातरः⁵ मरुतः⁶ तव⁷ । तेभिः⁸ कल्पस्व⁹ साधुऽया¹⁰ मा¹¹ नः¹² सम्ऽअरणे¹³ वधीः¹⁴ ॥

Agastya

2. ¹Why ⁴dost thou seek to smite ²us, ³O Indra? ⁶The Maruts are 7thy ⁵brothers. ⁶By them 9accomplish ¹⁰perfection; ¹⁴slay ¹²us ¹¹not ¹³in our struggle.

किं नो भ्रातरगस्त्य सखा सन्नति मन्यसे । विद्मा हि ते यथा मनोऽस्मभ्यमिन्न दित्सिस ।।३।। किम्¹ नः² भ्रातः³ अगस्त्य⁴ सखा⁵ सन्⁶ अति⁷ मन्यसे⁸ । विद्म⁹ हि¹⁰ ते¹¹ यथा¹² मनः¹³ अस्मभ्यम¹⁴ इत¹⁵ न¹⁶ दित्सिस¹⁷ ॥ अरं कृण्वंतु वेदिं समग्निमिंधतां पुरः । तत्रामृतस्य चेतनं यज्ञं ते तनवावहै ॥ ४ ॥ अरम्। कृण्वन्तु² वेदिम्³ सम्⁴ अग्निम्⁵ इन्धताम्⁶ पुरः⁷ । तत्र⁸ अमृतस्य⁹ चेतनम्¹⁰ यज्ञम्¹¹ ते¹² तनवावहै¹³ ॥

Indra

- 3. ¹Why, ³O my brother ⁴Agastya, ⁶art thou my ⁵friend, ⁶yet ⁸settest thy thought ⁷beyond me? For ¹⁰well ⁰do I know ¹²how ¹⁴to us thou (¹⁵indeed) ¹⁻awillest ¹⁶not ¹¬¹bto give ¹¹thy ¹³mind.
- 4. ²Let them make ¹ready ³the altar, ^{6a}let them set ⁵Agni ^{4,6b}in blaze ⁷in front. ⁸It is there, ¹⁰the awakening of the consciousness ⁹to Immortality. ¹³Let us two extend ¹²for thee thy ¹¹effective sacrifice.

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त्वमीशिषे वसुपते वसूनां त्वं मित्राणां मित्रपते धेष्ठः ।
इंद्र त्वं मरुद्भिः सं वदस्वाध प्राशान ऋतुथा हवींषि ॥ ५ ॥
त्वम् <sup>1</sup> ईशिषे<sup>2</sup> वसुऽपते<sup>3</sup> वसूनाम्<sup>4</sup> त्वम्<sup>5</sup> मित्राणाम्<sup>6</sup> मित्रऽपते<sup>7</sup> धेष्ठः<sup>8</sup> ।
इन्द्र<sup>9</sup> त्वम् <sup>10</sup> मरुत्ऽभिः <sup>11</sup> सम् <sup>12</sup> वदस्व <sup>13</sup> अध <sup>14</sup> प्र <sup>15</sup> अशान <sup>16</sup> ऋतुऽथा <sup>17</sup> हवींषि <sup>18</sup> ॥
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Agastya

5. ³O Lord of substance ⁴over all substances of being, ¹thou ²art the master in force! ⁷O Lord of Love ⁶over the powers of love, ⁵thou ⁸art the strongest to hold in status! Do ¹⁰thou, ⁹O Indra, ^{12,13}agree ¹¹with the Maruts, ¹⁴then ^{15,16}enjoy ¹⁸the offerings ¹⁷in the ordered method of the Truth.

II

Indra, Giver of Light

Rig Veda I.4

(15/257-65)

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सुरूपकृत्नुमूतये सुद्धामिव गोदुहे ।
जुहूमिस द्यविद्यवि ॥१॥
सुरूपङकृत्नुम् अतये<sup>2</sup> सुदुधाम्ङइव<sup>3</sup> गोङदुहे<sup>4</sup> ।
जुहूमिस<sup>5</sup> द्यविङद्यवि<sup>6</sup> ॥
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1. ¹The fashioner of perfect forms, ³like a good yielder ⁴for the milker of the Herds, ⁵we call ²for increase ⁶from day to day.

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उप नः सवना गहि सोमस्य सोमपाः पिब ।
गोदा इद्रेवतो मदः ॥२॥
उप<sup>1</sup> नः<sup>2</sup> सवना<sup>3</sup> आ<sup>4</sup> गहि<sup>5</sup> सोमस्य<sup>6</sup> सोमऽपाः<sup>7</sup> पिब<sup>8</sup> ।
गोऽदाः<sup>9</sup> इत<sup>10</sup> रेवतः<sup>11</sup> मदः<sup>12</sup> ॥
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2. ^{1,4,5}Come to ²our ³Soma-offerings. ⁷O Soma-drinker, ⁸drink ⁶of the Soma-wine; ¹²the intoxication ¹¹of thy rapture ^{9a}gives ¹⁰indeed ^{9b}the Light.

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अथा ते अन्तमानां विद्याम सुमतीनां ।
मा नो अति ख्य आ गहि ॥३॥
अथ<sup>1</sup> ते<sup>2</sup> अन्तमानाम्<sup>3</sup> विद्याम<sup>4</sup> सुडमतीनाम्<sup>5</sup> ।
मा<sup>6</sup> नः<sup>7</sup> अति<sup>8</sup> ख्यः<sup>9</sup> आ<sup>10</sup> गहि<sup>11</sup> ॥
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3. ¹Then ⁴may we know ³somewhat ²of thy ⁵uttermost right thinkings. 9Show 6not 8beyond ⁷us, ¹0,1¹come.

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परेहि विग्रमस्तृतिमंद्रं पृच्छा विपश्चितं ।
यस्ते सिखभ्य आ वरं ॥४।।
परा¹ इहि² विग्रम्³ अस्तृतम्⁴ इन्द्रम्⁵ पृच्छ७ विपः७चितम्<sup>७</sup> ।
यः<sup>8</sup> ते<sup>9</sup> सिख७भ्यः¹<sup>0</sup> आ<sup>11</sup> वरम्¹<sup>2</sup> ॥
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4. ²Come ¹over, ⁶question ⁵Indra ⁷of the clear-seeing mind, ³the vigorous, ⁴the unoverthrown, ⁸who ⁹to thy ¹⁰comrades ¹¹has brought ¹²the highest good.

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उत ब्रुवंतु नो निदो निरन्यतिश्चदारत ।
दधाना इंद्र इद्दुवः ॥५॥
उत<sup>1</sup> ब्रुवन्तु<sup>2</sup> नः<sup>3</sup> निदः<sup>4</sup> निः<sup>5</sup> अन्यतः<sup>6</sup> चित्<sup>7</sup> आरत<sup>8</sup> ।
दधानाः<sup>9</sup> इन्द्रे<sup>10</sup> इत्<sup>11</sup> दुवः<sup>12</sup> ॥
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5. ¹And ^{2a}may ⁴the Restrainers (or Censurers) ^{2b}say ³to us, "^{5,8}Nay, forth and strive on ⁷even ⁶in other fields, ⁹reposing (¹¹indeed) ¹⁰on Indra ¹²your activity."

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उत नः सुभगाँ अरिवोंचेयुर्दस्म कृष्टयः ।
स्यामेदिंद्रस्य शर्मणि ।।६।।
उत<sup>1</sup> नः<sup>2</sup> सुभगान्<sup>3</sup> अरिः<sup>4</sup> वोचेयुः<sup>5</sup> दस्म<sup>6</sup> कृष्टयः<sup>7</sup> ।
स्याम<sup>8</sup> इत<sup>9</sup> इन्द्रस्य<sup>10</sup> शर्मणि<sup>11</sup> ॥
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6. ¹And ^{5a}may ⁴the fighters, ⁷doers of the work (or, the ⁴Aryan ⁷people or the ⁴warlike ⁷nation), ^{5b}declare ²us ³entirely blessed, ⁶O achiever; (⁹indeed,) ⁸may we abide ^{11a}in ¹⁰Indra's ^{11b}peace.

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एमाशुमाशवे भर यज्ञश्रियं नृमादनं ।
पतयन्मंदयत्सखं ॥७॥
आ<sup>1</sup> ईम्<sup>2</sup> आशुम्<sup>3</sup> आशवे<sup>4</sup> भर<sup>5</sup> यज्ञङश्रियम्<sup>6</sup> नृङमादनम्<sup>7</sup> ।
पतयत्<sup>8</sup> मन्दयत्ङसखम्<sup>9</sup> ॥
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7. ³Intense ⁴for the intense ^{1,5}bring thou this ⁶glory of the sacrifice ²that ⁷intoxicates the Man, ⁸carrying forward on the way Indra ⁹who gives joy to his friend.

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अस्य पीत्वा शतक्रतो घनो वृत्राणामभवः ।
प्रावो वाजेषु वाजिनं ॥८॥
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अस्य पीत्वा^2 शतङक्रतो^3 घनः^4 वृत्राणाम्^5 अभवः^6 । प्र^7 आवः^8 वाजेषु^9 वाजिनम्^{10} ॥
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8. ²When thou hadst drunk ¹of this, ³O thou of the hundred activities, ⁶thou becamest ⁴a slayer ⁵of the Coverers and ^{7,8}protectedst ¹⁰the rich mind ⁹in its riches.

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तं त्वा वाजेषु वाजिनं वाजयामः शतक्रतो ।
धनानामिद्र सातये ॥९॥
तम्<sup>1</sup> त्वा<sup>2</sup> वाजेषु<sup>3</sup> वाजिनम्<sup>4</sup> वाजयामः<sup>5</sup> शतङक्रतो<sup>6</sup> ।
धनानाम्<sup>7</sup> इन्द्र<sup>8</sup> सातये<sup>9</sup> ॥
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9. ²Thee ¹thus ⁴rich ³in thy riches ⁵we enrich again, ⁸O Indra, ⁶O thou of the hundred activities, ⁹for the safe enjoyment ⁷of our havings.

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यो रायोऽविनर्महान्त्सुपारः सुन्वतः सखा ।
तस्मा इंद्राय गायत ॥१०॥
यः । रायः अविनः अविनः महान् सुऽपारः सुन्वतः सखा ।
तस्मै इन्द्राय गायत ॥
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10. ¹He who in his ⁴vastness is ³a continent ²of bliss, — ⁷the friend ⁶of the Soma-giver and ⁵he carries him safely through, — ⁸to that ⁹Indra ¹⁰raise the chant.

III

Indra and the Thought-Forces

Rig Veda I.171

(15/266-75)

प्रति व एना नसमाहमेमि सूक्तेन भिक्षे सुमितं तुराणाम् । रराणता मरुतो वेद्याभिर्नि हेळो धत्त वि मुचध्वमश्वान् ॥१॥ प्रति¹ वः² एना³ नमसा⁴ अहम्⁵ एमि⁶ सुऽउक्तेन⁷ भिक्षे⁸ सुऽमितम्⁹ तुराणाम्¹⁰ । रराणता¹¹ मरुतः¹² वेद्याभिः¹³ नि¹⁴ हेळः¹⁵ धत्त¹⁶ वि¹⁷ मुचध्वम्¹⁸ अश्वान्¹⁹ ॥

1. ¹To ²you ⁵I ⁶come ³with this ⁴obeisance, ⁷by the perfect Word ⁸I seek ⁹right mentality ¹⁰from the swift in the passage. ¹¹Take delight, ¹²O Maruts, ¹³in the things of knowledge, ¹⁶lay ¹⁴aside ¹⁵your wrath, ^{17,18}unyoke ¹⁹your steeds.

एष वः स्तोमो मरुतो नमस्वान् हृदा तष्टो मनसा धायि देवाः । उपेमा यात मनसा जुषाणा यूयं हि ष्ठा नमस इद् वृधासः ॥२॥ एषः वः स्तोमः मरुतः 4 नमस्वान् हृदा 6 तष्टः मनसा 8 धायि 9 देवाः 10 । उप 11 ईम् 12 आ 13 यात 14 मनसा 15 जुषाणाः 16 यूयम् 17 हि 18 स्थ 19 नमसः 20 इ्त् 21 वृधासः 22 ॥

2. Lo, ^{3a}the hymn ²of your ^{3b}affirmation, ⁴O Maruts; ⁵it is fraught with my obeisance, ⁷it was framed ⁶by the heart, ⁹it was established ⁸by the mind, ¹⁰O ye gods. ^{11,13,14}Approach ¹²these my words and ¹⁶embrace them ¹⁵with the mind; for ²⁰of submission ¹⁹are ^{17,18}you (²¹indeed) ²²the increasers.

स्तुतासो नो मरुतो मृळयन्तूत स्तुतो मघवा शम्भविष्ठः । ऊर्ध्वा नः संतु कोम्या वनान्यहानि विश्वा मरुतो जिगीषा ॥३॥ स्तुतासः¹ नः² मरुतः³ मृळयन्तु⁴ उत⁵ स्तुतः⁶ मघ७वा⁷ शम्७भविष्ठः⁸ । ऊर्ध्वा⁹ नः¹⁰ सन्तु¹¹ कोम्या¹² वनानि¹³ अहानि¹⁴ विश्वा¹⁵ मरुतः¹⁶ जिगीषा¹⁷ ॥ 3. ¹Affirmed ^{4a}let ³the Maruts ^{4b}be benign ²to us, ⁶affirmed ⁷the lord of plenitude ⁸has become wholly creative of felicity. ⁹Upward ^{11a}may ¹⁰our ¹²desirable ¹³delights ^{11b}be uplifted, ¹⁶O Maruts, ⁹upward ¹⁵all ¹⁰our ¹⁴days ¹⁷by the will towards victory.

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अस्मादहं तिवषादीषमाण इंद्राद् भिया मरुतो रेजमानः ।
युष्मभ्यं हव्या निशितान्यासन् तान्यारे चकृमा मृळता नः ॥४॥
अस्मात् अहम् तिवषात् ईषमाणः इन्द्रात् भिया मरुतः रेजमानः ।
युष्मभ्यम् हव्या निशितानि आसन् विवास असन् विवास चकृमा मृळत विवास विवास
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4. ²I, ⁴mastered ¹by this ³mighty one, ⁸trembling ⁶with the fear ⁵of Indra, ⁷O Maruts, ^{14,15}put far away ¹⁰the offerings ¹³that ⁹for you ¹²had been ¹¹made intense. ¹⁶Let your grace be ¹⁷upon us.

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येन मानासश्चितयन्त उस्रा व्युष्टिषु शवसा शश्वतीनाम् ।
स नो मरुद्भिर्वृषभ श्रवो धा उग्र उग्रेभिः स्थविरः सहोदाः ॥५॥
येन<sup>1</sup> मानासः<sup>2</sup> चितयन्ते<sup>3</sup> उस्राः<sup>4</sup> वि७उष्टिषु<sup>5</sup> शवसा<sup>6</sup> शश्वतीनाम्<sup>7</sup> ।
सः<sup>8</sup> नः<sup>9</sup> मरुत्७भिः<sup>10</sup> वृषभ<sup>11</sup> श्रवः<sup>12</sup> धाः<sup>13</sup> उग्रः<sup>14</sup> उग्रेभिः<sup>15</sup> स्थविरः<sup>16</sup> सहः७दाः<sup>17</sup> ॥
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5. ¹Thou by whom ²the movements of the mind ³grow conscient and ⁴brilliant ⁵in our mornings 6through the bright power 7of the continuous Dawns, ¹¹O Bull of the herd, ¹³establish ¹⁰by the Maruts ¹²inspired knowledge 9in us — ¹⁵by them in their energy ¹⁴thou energetic, ¹6steadfast, ¹7a giver of might.

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त्वं पाहीन्द्र सहीयसो नॄन् भवा मरुद्भिरवयातहेळाः ।
सुप्रकेतेभिः सासहिर्दधानो विद्यामेषं वृजनं जीरदानुम् ॥६॥
त्वम्¹ पाहि² इन्द्र³ सहीयसः⁴ नॄन्⁵ भव॰ मरुत्५भिः<sup>7</sup> अवयात५हेळाः<sup>8</sup> ।
सु५प्रकेतेभिः<sup>9</sup> ससहिः¹<sup>0</sup> दधानः¹¹ विद्याम¹² इषम्¹³ वृजनम्¹⁴ जीर५दानुम्¹⁵ ॥
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6. Do ¹thou, ³O Indra, ²protect ⁵the Powers ⁴in their increased might; ^{6,8}put away thy wrath ⁷against the Maruts, ^{9a}by them ¹⁰in thy forcefulness ¹¹upheld, ^{9b}who have right perceptions. ¹²May we find ¹⁴the strong ¹³impulsion ¹⁵that shall break swiftly through.

IV

Agni, the Illumined Will

Rig Veda I.77

(15/276-84)

कथा दाशेमाग्नये कास्मै देवजुष्टोच्यते भामिने गीः । यो मर्त्येष्वमृत ऋतावा होता यजिष्ठ इत् कृणोति देवान् ॥१॥ कथा¹ दाशेम² अग्नये³ का⁴ अस्मै⁵ देवञ्जुष्टा⁵ उच्यते⁶ भामिने⁷ गीः⁸ । यः⁹ मर्त्येष् ¹⁰ अमृतः¹¹ ऋतञ्वा¹² होता¹³ यजिष्ठः¹⁴ इत्¹⁵ कृणोति¹⁶ देवान्¹⁷ ॥

1. ¹How ²shall we give ³to Agni? ⁵For him ⁴what ⁸Word ⁵accepted by the Gods ⁵is spoken, ⁷for the lord of the brilliant flame? ⁵For him ⁹who [¹⁵indeed] ¹⁰in mortals, ¹¹immortal, ¹²possessed of the Truth, ¹³priest of the oblation ¹⁴strongest for sacrifice, ¹⁶creates ¹⁻the gods?

यो अध्वरेषु शंतम ऋतावा होता तमू नमोभिरा कृणुध्वम् । अग्निर्यद् वेर्मर्ताय देवान्त्स चा बोधाति मनसा यजाति ॥२॥ यः¹ अध्वरेषु² शम्ऽतमः³ ऋतऽवा⁴ होता⁵ तम्⁶ ऊं⁷ नमःऽभिः⁸ आ⁹ कृणुध्वम्¹⁰ । अग्निः¹¹ यत्¹² वेः¹³ मर्ताय¹⁴ देवान्¹⁵ सः¹⁶ च¹⁷ बोधाति¹⁸ मनसा¹⁹ यजाति²⁰ ॥

2. ¹He who ²in the sacrifices is ⁵the priest of the offering, ³full of peace, ⁴full of the Truth, ⁶him ⁷verily ^{9,10}form in you ⁸by your surrenderings; ¹²when ¹¹Agni ¹³manifests (or, ¹³enters ¹⁵into the gods) ¹⁴for the mortals ¹⁵the gods, ¹⁶he ¹⁷also ¹⁸has perception of them and ¹⁹by the mind ²⁰offers to them the sacrifice.

स हि क्रतुः स मर्यः स साधुर्मित्रो न भूदद्भुतस्य रथीः । तं मेधेषु प्रथमं देवयन्तीर्विश उप ब्रुवते दस्ममारीः ।।३।। सः १ हि² क्रतुः ३ सः ४ मर्यः ५ सः ६ साधुः ७ मित्रः ६ न १ भूत् १० अद्भुतस्य ११ रथीः १२ । तम् १३ मेधेषु १४ प्रथमम् १५ देवङयन्तीः १६ विशः १७ उप १८ ब्रुवते १० दस्मम् २० आरीः २१ ॥ 3. ²For ¹he is ³the will, ⁴he is ⁵the Strength, ⁶he is ⁷the effecter of perfection, even ⁹as ⁸Mitra ¹⁰he becomes ¹²the charioteer ¹¹of the Supreme. ¹³To him, ¹⁵the first, ¹⁴in the rich-offerings ¹⁷the people ¹⁶seeking the godhead ^{18,19}utter the word, ²¹the Aryan people ²⁰to the fulfiller.

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स नो नृणां नृतमो रिशादा अग्निर्गिरोऽवसा वेतु धीतिम् ।
तना च ये मघवानः शविष्ठा वाजप्रसूता इषयन्त मन्म ॥४॥
सः¹ नः² नृणाम्³ नृऽतमः⁴ रिशादाः⁵ अग्निः⁴ गिरः७ अवसा<sup>8</sup> वेतु<sup>9</sup> धीतिम्¹० ।
तना¹¹ च¹² ये¹³ मघऽवानः¹⁴ शविष्ठाः¹⁵ वाजऽप्रसूताः¹६ इषयन्त¹७ मन्म¹8 ॥
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4. ^{9a}May (⁶Agni,) ¹this ⁴strongest ³of the Powers and ⁵devourer of the destroyers ^{9b}manifest ⁸by his presence the ⁷Words and ¹⁰their understanding (or ^{9-b}enter ⁷into the words and ¹⁰the thinking), ¹²and ^{17a}may ¹³they who ¹¹in their extension ¹⁴are lords of plenitude ¹⁵brightest in energy ¹⁶pour forth their plenty [become pourers of plenty] and ^{17b}give their impulsion ¹⁸to the thought.

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एवाग्निर्गोतमेभिर्ऋतावा विप्रेभिरस्तोष्ट जातवेदाः ।
स एषु द्युम्नं पीपयत्स वाजं स पुष्टिं याति जोषमा चिकित्वान् ।।५।।
एव¹ अग्निः² गोतमेभिः³ ऋतङवा⁴ विप्रेभिः⁵ अस्तोष्ट6 जातङवेदाः<sup>7</sup> ।
सः<sup>8</sup> एषु<sup>9</sup> द्युम्नम्¹<sup>10</sup> पीपयत्¹¹ सः¹² वाजम्¹³ सः¹⁴ पुष्टिम्¹⁵ याति¹६ जोषम्¹<sup>7</sup> आ¹<sup>8</sup> चिकित्वान्¹<sup>9</sup> ॥
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5. ¹Thus ^{6a}has ²Agni ⁴possessed of the Truth ^{6b}been affirmed ³by the masters of light, ⁷the knower of the worlds ⁵by clarified minds. ⁸He ¹¹shall foster ⁹in them ¹⁰the force of illumination, ¹²he too ¹³the plenty; ¹⁴he ^{18,16}shall attain ¹⁵to increase and ¹⁷to harmony ¹⁹by his perceptions.

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Surya Savitri, Creator and Increaser

Rig Veda V.81

(15/285-92)

युञ्जते मन उत युञ्जते धियो विप्रा विप्रस्य बृहतो विपश्चितः । वि होत्रा दधे वयुनाविदेक इन्मही देवस्य सवितुः परिष्टुतिः ॥१॥ युञ्जते¹ मनः² उत³ युञ्जते⁴ धियः⁵ विप्राः⁶ विप्रस्य⁷ बृहतः⁸ विपः७चितः⁹ । वि¹⁰ होत्राः¹¹ दधे¹² वयुन७वित्¹³ एकः¹⁴ इत्¹⁵ मही¹⁶ देवस्य¹⁷ सवितुः¹⁸ परि७स्तुतिः¹⁹ ॥

1. ⁶Men illumined ¹yoke ²their mind ³and ⁴they yoke ⁵their thoughts ⁷to him who is illumination and ⁸largeness and ⁹clear perceiving. ¹³Knowing all phenomena ^{10,12}he orders, ¹⁴sole [¹⁵indeed], ¹¹the Energies of the sacrifice. ¹⁶Vast ¹⁹is the affirmation in all things ^{17,18}of Savitri, the divine Creator.

विश्वा रूपाणि प्रति मुञ्चते कविः प्रासावीद् भद्रं द्विपदे चतुष्पदे । वि नाकमख्यत् सविता वरेण्योङनु प्रयाणमुषसो वि राजित ॥२॥ विश्वा¹ रूपाणि² प्रति³ मुञ्चते⁴ कविः⁵ प्र⁶ असावीत्⁷ भद्रम्⁸ द्विङपदे⁹ चतुःङपदे¹० । वि¹¹ नाकम्¹² अख्यत्¹³ सविता¹⁴ वरेण्यः¹⁵ अनु¹⁶ प्रङयानम्¹⁷ उषसः¹⁸ वि¹⁹ राजित²० ॥

2. ¹All ²forms ^{3,4}he takes unto himself, ⁵the Seer, and ^{6,7}he creates from them ⁸good ⁹for the twofold existence and ¹⁰the fourfold. ¹⁴The Creator, ¹⁵the supreme Good, ¹³manifests ¹²Heaven ¹¹wholly and ^{19,20}his light pervades all ¹⁶as he follows ¹⁷the march ¹⁸of the Dawn.

यस्य प्रयाणमन्वन्य इद् ययुर्देवा देवस्य महिमानमोजसा । यः पार्थिवानि विममे स एतशो रजांसि देवः सविता महित्वना ।।३।। यस्य प्रठयानम्² अनु³ अन्ये⁴ इत्⁵ ययुः⁶ देवाः⁷ देवस्य⁸ महिमानम्⁹ ओजसा¹⁰ । यः¹¹ पार्थिवानि¹² विठममे¹³ सः¹⁴ एतशः¹⁵ रजांसि¹⁶ देवः¹⁷ सविता¹⁸ महिठत्वना¹⁹ ॥ 3. ³In the wake of ¹his [whose] ²march ⁴the other ⁷gods ⁵also ⁶reach ¹⁰by his force ⁹to the greatness ⁸of the Divinity. ¹⁴He ¹³has mapped out ¹²the realms of earthly ¹⁶light ¹⁹by his mightiness, — ¹⁵the brilliant one, ¹⁷the divine ¹⁸Creator.

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उत यासि सवितस्त्रीणि रोचनोत सूर्यस्य रिश्मिभः समुच्यसि । उत रात्रीमुभयतः परीयस उत मित्रो भवसि देव धर्मिभः ।।४।। उत्त¹ यासि² सवितः ^3 त्रीणि⁴ रोचना^5 उत्त^6 सूर्यस्य^7 रिश्मि^6भः सम्^9 उच्यसि^{10}। उत^{11} रात्रीम्^{12} उभयतः ^{13} परि^{14} ईयसे ^{15} उत^{16} मित्रः ^{17} भवसि^{18} देव^{19} धर्म^6भिः ^{20}॥
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4. ¹And ²thou reachest, ³O Savitri, ⁴to the three ⁵luminous heavens; ⁶and ¹⁰athou art ⁹utterly ¹⁰bexpressed ⁸by the rays ⁷of the Sun; ¹¹and ^{14,15}thou encompassest ¹²the Night ¹³upon either side; ¹⁶and ¹⁸thou becomest ²⁰by the law of thy actions ¹⁷the lord of Love [Mitra], ¹⁹O God.

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उतेशिषे प्रसवस्य त्वमेक इदुत पूषा भविस देव यामिभः । उतेदं विश्वं भुवनं वि राजिस श्यावाश्वस्ते सिवतः स्तोममानशे ॥५॥ उत¹ ईशिषे² प्रठसवस्य³ त्वम्⁴ एकः^5 इत्^6 उत^7 पूषा^8 भविस^9 देव^{10} यामठिभः^{11} । उत^{12} इदम्^{13} विश्वम्^{14} भुवनम्^{15} वि^{16} राजिस^{17} श्यावठअश्वः^{18} ते^{19} सिवतः^{20} स्तोमम्^{21} आनशे^{22} ॥
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5. ¹And ⁴thou ²art powerful ³for every creation; ⁷and ⁴thou [⁵alone ⁶indeed] ⁹becomest ⁸the Increaser [Pushan], ¹⁰O God, ¹¹by thy movings; ¹²and ¹7thou illuminest ¹⁶utterly ¹⁴all ¹³this ¹⁵world of becomings. ¹8Shyavashwa ²¹has attained ²¹to the affirmation ¹⁰of thee, ²⁰O Savitri.

VI

The Divine Dawn

Rig Veda III.61

(15/293-98)

उषो वाजेन वाजिनि प्रचेताः स्तोमं जुषस्य गृणतो मघोनि । पुराणी देवि युवतिः पुरंधिरनु व्रतं चरिस विश्ववारे ॥१।। उषः वाजेन² वाजिनि³ प्रञ्चेताः स्तोमम् जुषस्य गृणतः मघोनि । पुराणी देवि युवतिः । पुरम् धः अनु । व्रतम् । चरिस । विश्वञ्वारे । ॥

1. ¹Dawn, ³richly stored ²with substance, ⁴conscious ⁶cleave ⁵to the affirmation 7of him who expresses thee, ⁶O thou of the plenitudes. ¹⁰Goddess, ⁴ancient, ¹¹yet ever young ¹⁵thou movest ¹²many-thoughted ¹³following ¹⁴the law of thy activities, ¹⁶O bearer of every boon.

उषो देव्यमर्त्या वि भाहि चन्द्ररथा सूनृता ईरयन्ती । आ त्वा वहन्तु सुयमासो अश्वा हिरण्यवर्णां पृथुपाजसो ये ॥२॥ उषः देवि² अमर्त्या³ वि⁴ भाहि⁵ चन्द्र७रथा⁶ सूनृताः⁷ ईरयन्ती⁸ । आ⁹ त्वा¹⁰ वहन्तु ¹¹ सु७यमासः ¹² अश्वाः ¹³ हिरण्य७वर्णाम् ¹⁴ पृथु७पाजसः ¹⁵ ये ¹⁶ ॥

2. ¹Dawn ²divine, ⁵shine ⁴out ³immortal ⁶in thy car of happy light ⁵sending forth ⁷the pleasant voices of the Truth. ¹¹aMay ¹³steeds ¹²well-guided ¹¹¹bbear ¹⁰thee ⁶here ¹⁶who are ¹⁴golden brilliant of hue and ¹⁵wide their might.

उषः प्रतीची भुवनानि विश्वोर्ध्यां तिष्ठस्यमृतस्य केतुः । समानमर्थं चरणीयमाना चक्रमिव नव्यस्या ववृत्स्व ॥३॥ उषः प्रतीची² भुवनानि³ विश्वा⁴ ऊर्ध्या⁵ तिष्ठसि⁶ अमृतस्य⁷ केतुः⁸ । समानम्⁹ अर्थम्¹⁰ चरणीयमाना¹¹ चक्रम्७इव¹² नव्यसि¹³ आ¹⁴ ववृत्स्व¹⁵ ॥ 3. ¹Dawn, ²confronting ⁴all ³the worlds ⁶thou standest ⁵high-uplifted and ⁸art their perception ⁷of Immortality; ¹⁵do thou move ¹⁴over them ¹²like a wheel, ¹³O new Day, ¹¹travelling ¹⁴over ⁹an equal ¹⁰field.

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अव स्यूमेव चिन्वती मघोन्युषा याति स्वसरस्य पत्नी ।
स्वर्जनन्ती सुभगा सुदंसा आन्ताद्दिवः पप्रथ आ पृथिव्याः ॥४॥
अव¹ स्यूम² इव³ चिन्वती⁴ मघोनी⁵ उषाः6 याति<sup>7</sup> स्वसरस्य<sup>8</sup> पत्नी९ ।
स्वः¹0 जनन्ती¹¹ सुङभगा¹² सुङदंसाः¹³ आ¹⁴ अन्तात्¹⁵ दिवः¹6 पप्रथे¹<sup>7</sup> आ¹8 पृथिव्याः¹९ ॥
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4. ⁶Dawn ⁵in her plenitude ³like ^{1,4}one that lets fall from her ²a sewn robe ⁷moves, ⁹the bride ⁸of the Bliss; ¹¹creating ¹⁰Swar, ¹³perfect in her working, ¹²perfect in her enjoying, ¹⁷she widens ¹⁴from ¹⁵the extremity ¹⁶of Heaven ¹⁸over ¹⁹the earth.

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अच्छा वो देवीमुषसं विभातीं प्र वो भरध्वं नमसा सुवृक्तिम् ।
ऊर्ध्वं मधुधा दिवि पाजो अश्रेत् प्र रोचना रुरुचे रण्वसंदृक् ॥५॥
अच्छ<sup>1</sup> वः<sup>2</sup> देवीम्<sup>3</sup> उषसम्<sup>4</sup> विभातीम्<sup>5</sup> प्र<sup>6</sup> वः<sup>7</sup> भरध्वम्<sup>8</sup> नमसा<sup>9</sup> सुअवृक्तिम्<sup>10</sup> ।
ऊर्ध्वम्<sup>11</sup> मधुधा<sup>12</sup> दिवि<sup>13</sup> पाजः<sup>14</sup> अश्रेत्<sup>15</sup> प्र<sup>16</sup> रोचना<sup>17</sup> रुरुचे<sup>18</sup> रण्वअसन्दृक्<sup>19</sup> ॥
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5. Meet ye ⁴the Dawn ⁵as she shines wide ¹towards ²you and ⁹with surrender ⁸bring ⁶forward ⁷your ¹⁰complete energy. ¹¹Exalted ¹³in heaven is ¹⁴the force to which ¹⁵she rises ¹²establishing the sweetness; she ^{18a}makes ¹⁷the luminous worlds ^{18b}to shine ¹⁶forth and is ¹⁹a vision of felicity.

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ऋतावरी दिवो अर्केरबोध्या रेवती रोदसी चित्रमस्थात् ।
आयतीमग्न उषसं विभातीं वाममेषि द्रविणं भिक्षमाणः ।।६।।
ऋतङवरी<sup>1</sup> दिवः<sup>2</sup> अर्केः<sup>3</sup> अबोधि<sup>4</sup> आ<sup>5</sup> रेवती<sup>6</sup> रोदसी<sup>7</sup> चित्रम्<sup>8</sup> अस्थात्<sup>9</sup> ।
आङयतीम्<sup>10</sup> अग्ने<sup>11</sup> उषसम्<sup>12</sup> विङभातीम्<sup>13</sup> वामम्<sup>14</sup> एषि<sup>15</sup> द्रविणम्<sup>16</sup> भिक्षमाणः<sup>17</sup> ॥
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6. ²By heaven's ³illuminings ⁴one perceives her ¹a bearer of the Truth and ⁶rapturous ⁹she comes ⁸with its varied light ⁵into ⁷the two firmaments. ¹²From Dawn ¹⁰as she approaches ¹³shining out ¹¹on thee, O Agni, ¹⁷thou seekest and ¹⁵attainest ¹⁶to the substance ¹⁴of delight.

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ऋतस्य बुध्न उषसामिषण्यन् वृषा मही रोदसी आ विवेश ।
मही मित्रस्य वरुणस्य माया चन्द्रेव भानुं वि दधे पुरुत्रा ॥७।।
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7. ⁴Putting forth his impulsions ²in the foundation ¹of the Truth, ²in the foundation ³of the Dawns, ⁵their Lord ^{8,9}enters ⁶the Vastness ⁷of the firmaments. ¹⁰Vast ¹³the wisdom ¹²of Varuna, ¹¹of Mitra, ¹⁴as in a happy brightness, ^{16,17}orders ¹⁸multitudinously ¹⁵the Light.

VII

To Bhaga Savitri, the Enjoyer

Rig Veda V.82

(15/299-305)

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तत्सवितुर्वृणीमहे वयं देवस्य भोजनम् ।
श्रेष्ठं सर्वधातमं तुरं भगस्य धीमहि।।१।।
तत्<sup>1</sup> सवितुः<sup>2</sup> वृणीमहे<sup>3</sup> वयम्<sup>4</sup> देवस्य<sup>5</sup> भोजनम्<sup>6</sup> ।
श्रेष्ठम्<sup>7</sup> सर्व५धातमम्<sup>8</sup> तुरम्<sup>9</sup> भगस्य<sup>10</sup> धीमहि<sup>11</sup> ॥
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1. ²Of Savitri ⁵divine ⁴we ³embrace ¹that ⁶enjoying, ⁷that which is the best, ⁸rightly disposes all, ⁹reaches the goal, ¹⁰even Bhaga's, ¹¹we hold by the thought.

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अस्य हि स्वयशस्तरं सवितुः कच्चन प्रियं ।
न मिनन्ति स्वराज्यम् ॥२॥
अस्य<sup>1</sup> हि<sup>2</sup> स्वयशःऽतरम्<sup>3</sup> सवितुः<sup>4</sup> कत्<sup>5</sup> चन<sup>6</sup> प्रियम्<sup>7</sup> ।
न<sup>8</sup> मिनन्ति<sup>9</sup> स्वऽराज्यम्<sup>10</sup> ॥
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2. ²For ¹of him (⁴of Savitri) ⁸no ⁷pleasure ^{5,6}in things ⁹can they diminish, ³for too self-victorious is it, ⁸nor [⁹diminish] ¹⁰the self-empire of this Enjoyer.

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स हि रत्नानि दाशुषे सुवाति सविता भगः । तं भागं चित्रमीमहे ॥३॥ सः ^1 हि^2 रत्नानि^3 दाशुषे^4 सुवाति^5 सविता^6 भगः ^7 । तम्^8 भागम्^9 चित्रम्^{10} ईमहे^{11} ॥
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3. ²'Tis ¹he [⁷Bhaga] ⁵that sends forth ³the delights ⁴on the giver, ⁶the god who is the bringer forth of things (Savita); ⁸that ¹⁰varied richness ⁹of his enjoyment ¹¹we seek.

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अद्या नो देव सवितः प्रजावत्सावीः सौभगम् ।
परा दुःष्वप्न्यं सुव ॥४॥
अद्य<sup>1</sup> नः<sup>2</sup> देव<sup>3</sup> सवितः<sup>4</sup> प्रजाऽवत्<sup>5</sup> सावीः<sup>6</sup> सौभगम्<sup>7</sup> ।
परा<sup>8</sup> दुःऽस्वप्न्यम्<sup>9</sup> सुव<sup>10</sup> ॥
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4. ¹Today, ³O divine ⁴Producer, ⁶send forth ²on us ⁵fruitful ¹felicity, ^{8,10}dismiss ⁹what belongs to the evil dream.

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विश्वानि देव सवितर्दुरितानि परा सुव ।
यद् भद्रं तन्न आ सुव ॥५॥
विश्वानि वेव² सवितः दुः ५ इतानि परा सुव ।
यत् भद्रम् १ तत् १ नः १० आ । सुव १२ ॥
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5. ¹All ⁴evils, ²O divine ³Producer, ^{5,6}dismiss; ⁷what is ⁸good, ⁹that ^{11,12}send forth ¹⁰on us.

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अनागसो अदितये देवस्य सिवतुः सवे ।
विश्वा वामानि धीमिह।।६।।
अनागसः अदितये देवस्य सिवतुः सवे ।
विश्वा वामानि धीमिहि ॥
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6. ¹Blameless ²for infinite being ⁵in the outpouring ³of the divine ⁴Producer, ⁸we hold by the thought ⁶all ⁷things of delight.

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आ विश्वदेवं सत्पितं सूक्तैरद्या वृणीमहे ।
सत्यसवं सवितारम् ॥७॥
आ¹ विश्व७देवम्² सत्५पतिम्³ सु७उक्तैः⁴ अद्य⁵ वृणीमहे<sup>6</sup> ।
सत्य७सवम्<sup>7</sup> सवितारम्8 ॥
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7. ²The universal godhead and ³master of being ^{1,6}we accept into ourselves ⁴by perfect words ⁵today, ⁸the Producer ⁷whose production is of the truth —

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य इमे उभे अहनी पुर एत्यप्रयुच्छन् ।
स्वाधीर्देवः सविता।।८॥
यः<sup>1</sup> इमे<sup>2</sup> उभे<sup>3</sup> अहनी<sup>4</sup> पुरः<sup>5</sup> एति<sup>6</sup> अप्रञ्युच्छन्<sup>7</sup> ।
सुङआधीः<sup>8</sup> देवः<sup>9</sup> सविता<sup>10</sup> ॥
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8. ¹He who ⁶goes ⁵in front ³of both ²this ⁴day and night ⁷never faltering, ⁸placing rightly his thought, ⁹the divine ¹⁰Producer —

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य इमा विश्वा जातान्याश्रावयति श्लोकेन ।
प्र च सुवाति सविता । । ९ । ।
यः <sup>1</sup> इमा<sup>2</sup> विश्वा<sup>3</sup> जातानि <sup>4</sup> आ  श्रावयति <sup>5</sup> श्लोकेन <sup>6</sup> ।
प्र<sup>7</sup> च<sup>8</sup> सुवाति <sup>9</sup> सविता <sup>10</sup> ॥
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9. ¹He who ⁶by the rhythm ⁵makes heard of the knowledge ³all (²these) ⁴births ⁹and ^{7,9}produces them, ¹⁰the divine Producer.

VIII

Vayu, the Master of the Life Energies

Rig Veda IV.48

(15/306-14)

विहि होत्रा अवीता विपो न रायो अर्यः । वायवा चन्द्रेण रथेन याहि सुतस्य पीतये ॥१॥ विहि¹ होत्रा² अवीताः³ विपः⁴ न⁵ रायः⁶ अर्यः⁷ । वायो⁸ आ⁹ चन्द्रेण¹⁰ रथेन¹¹ याहि¹² सुतस्य¹³ पीतये¹⁴ ॥

1. ¹Do thou manifest ²the sacrificial energies ³that are unmanifested, ⁵even as ⁴a revealer 6of felicity and 7doer of the work; 8O Vayu, 9,12come ¹¹in thy car ¹0of happy light ¹⁴to the drinking ¹³of the Soma wine.

निर्युवाणो अशस्तीर्नियुत्वाँ इन्द्रसारिथः । वायवा चन्द्रेण रथेन याहि सुतस्य पीतये ॥२॥ निः ७युवानः । अशस्तीः ² नियुत्वान् ³ इन्द्र ७सारिथः ⁴ । वायो ⁵ आ ⁶ चन्द्रेण ⁷ रथेन ⁸ याहि ⁹ सुतस्य ¹⁰ पीतये ¹¹ ॥

2. ¹Put[tting] away from thee ²all denials of expression and ³with thy steeds of the yoking, ⁴with Indra for thy charioteer ^{6,9}come, ⁵O Vayu, ⁸in thy car ⁷of happy light ¹¹to the drinking ¹⁰of the Soma wine.

अनु कृष्णे वसुधिती येमाते विश्वपेशसा । वायवा चन्द्रेण रथेन याहि सुतस्य पीतये ॥३॥ अनु¹ कृष्णे² वसुऽधिती³ येमाते⁴ विश्वऽपेशसा⁵ । वायो6 आ७ चन्द्रेण8 रथेन9 याहि10 सुतस्य11 पीतये12 ॥ 3. ²The two that, dark, ³yet hold all substances, ^{1,4}shall observe thee in their labour, ⁵they in whom are all forms. ⁶O Vayu, ^{7,10}come ⁹in thy car ⁸of happy light ¹²to the drinking ¹¹of the Soma wine.

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वहन्तु त्वा मनोयुजो युक्तासो नवतिर्नव ।
वायवा चन्द्रेण रथेन याहि सुतस्य पीतये ॥४॥
वहन्तु¹ त्वा² मनःऽयुजः³ युक्तासः⁴ नवतिः⁵ नव<sup>6</sup> ।
वायो<sup>7</sup> आ<sup>8</sup> चन्द्रेण<sup>9</sup> रथेन¹<sup>0</sup> याहि¹¹ सुतस्य¹² पीतये¹³ ॥
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4. ⁴Yoked ^{1a}let ⁵the ninety and ⁶nine ^{1b}bear ²thee, ³they who are yoked by the mind. ⁷O Vayu, ^{8,11}come ¹⁰in thy car ⁹of happy light ¹³to the drinking ¹²of the Soma wine.

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वायो शतं हरीणां युवस्व पोष्याणाम् ।
उत वा ते सहस्रिणो रथ आ यातु पाजसा ।।५।।
वायो<sup>1</sup> शतम्<sup>2</sup> हरीणाम्<sup>3</sup> युवस्व<sup>4</sup> पोष्याणाम्<sup>5</sup> ।
उत<sup>6</sup> वा<sup>7</sup> ते<sup>8</sup> सहस्रिणः<sup>9</sup> रथः<sup>10</sup> आ<sup>11</sup> यातु<sup>12</sup> पाजसा<sup>13</sup> ॥
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5. ⁴Yoke, ¹O Vayu, thy ²hundred ³brilliant steeds ⁵that shall increase, ^{6,7}or else ⁸with thy ⁹thousand ^{12a}let ⁸thy ¹⁰chariot ^{11,12b}arrive ¹³in the mass of its force.

IX

Brihaspati, Power of the Soul

Rig Veda IV.50

(15/315-25)

यस्तस्तम्भ सहसा वि ज्मो अन्तान् बृहस्पतिस्त्रिषधस्थो रवेण । तं प्रत्नास ऋषयो दीध्यानाः पुरो विप्रा दिधरे मन्द्रजिह्वम् ॥१॥ यः¹ तस्तम्भ² सहसा³ वि⁴ ज्मः⁵ अन्तान्⁶ बृहस्पतिः⁷ त्रिष्ठसधस्थः⁸ रवेण⁹ । तम्¹⁰ प्रत्नासः¹¹ ऋषयः¹² दीध्यानाः¹³ पुरः¹⁴ विप्राः¹⁵ दिधरे¹⁶ मन्द्रष्ठजिह्वम्¹⁷ ॥

1. ¹He ^{4,2}who established ³in his might ⁶the extremities ⁵of the earth, ⁷Brihaspati, ⁸in the triple world of our fulfilment, ⁹by his cry, ¹⁰on him ¹¹the pristine (ancient) ¹²sages ¹³meditated and, ¹⁵illumined, ¹⁶set him ¹⁴in their front ¹⁷with his tongue of ecstasy.

धुनेतयः सुप्रकेतं मदन्तो बृहस्पते अभि ये नस्ततस्रे । पृषन्तं सृप्रमदब्धमूर्वं बृहस्पते रक्षतादस्य योनिम् ॥२॥ धुनङ्इतयः¹ सुङप्रकेतम्² मदन्तः³ बृहस्पते⁴ अभि⁵ ये⁶ नः⁷ ततस्रे⁸ । पृषन्तम्⁹ सृप्रम्¹⁰ अदब्धम्¹¹ ऊर्वम्¹² बृहस्पते¹³ रक्षतात्¹⁴ अस्य¹⁵ योनिम्¹⁶ ॥

2. ⁶They, ⁴O Brihaspati, ¹vibrating with the impulse of their movement, ³rejoicing ²in perfected consciousness ^{5,8}wove ⁷for us ⁹abundant, ¹⁰rapid, ¹¹invincible, ¹²wide, ¹⁶the world from which this being was born. ¹⁵That ¹⁴do thou protect, ¹³O Brihaspati.

बृहस्पते या परमा परावदत आ त ऋतस्पृशो नि षेदुः । तुभ्यं खाता अवता अद्रिदुग्धा मध्यः श्चोतन्त्यिभतो विरप्शम् ॥३॥ बृहस्पते¹ या² परमा³ पराठवत्⁴ अतः⁵ आ⁶ ते⁷ ऋतठस्पृशः⁸ नि⁹ सेदुः¹⁰ । तुभ्यम्¹¹ खाताः¹² अवताः¹³ अद्रिडदृग्धाः¹⁴ मध्यः¹⁵ श्चोतन्ति¹⁶ अभितः¹⁷ विठरप्शम्¹⁸ ॥ 3. ¹O Brihaspati, ²that which is ³the highest ⁴supreme of existence, thither ⁵from this world ^{6,7}they attain and ^{9,10}take their seat ⁸who touch the Truth. ¹¹For thee ¹²are dug ¹³the wells of honey ¹⁴which drain this hill and ¹⁵their sweetnesses ¹⁶stream out ¹⁷on every side and ¹⁸break into overflowing.

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बृहस्पतिः प्रथमं जायमानो महो ज्योतिषः परमे व्योमन् ।
सप्तास्यस्तुविजातो रवेण वि सप्तरिश्मरधमत् तमांसि ॥४॥
बृहस्पतिः । प्रथमम् <sup>2</sup> जायमानः <sup>3</sup> महः <sup>4</sup> ज्योतिषः <sup>5</sup> परमे <sup>6</sup> विङओमन् <sup>7</sup> ।
सप्तङआस्यः <sup>8</sup> तृविङजातः <sup>9</sup> रवेण <sup>10</sup> वि <sup>11</sup> सप्तङरिशमः <sup>12</sup> अधमतु <sup>13</sup> तमांसि <sup>14</sup> ॥
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4. ¹Brihaspati ²first ³in his birth ⁴from the vast ⁵light, ⁶in the highest ⁷heavenly space, ⁸with his seven fronts, ¹²with his seven rays, ⁹with his many births, ^{11,13}drives utterly away ¹⁴the darknesses that encompass us ¹⁰with his cry.

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स सुष्टुभा स ऋक्वता गणेन वलं रुरोज फिलगं रवेण ।
बृहस्पतिरुस्रिया हव्यसूदः किनक्रदद् वावशतीरुदाजत् ॥५॥
सः<sup>1</sup> सुङस्तुभा<sup>2</sup> सः<sup>3</sup> ऋक्वता<sup>4</sup> गणेन<sup>5</sup> वलम्<sup>6</sup> रुरोज<sup>7</sup> फिलिङगम्<sup>8</sup> रवेण<sup>9</sup> ।
बृहस्पतिः<sup>10</sup> उस्रियाः<sup>11</sup> हव्यङसूदः<sup>12</sup> किनक्रदत्<sup>13</sup> वावशतीः<sup>14</sup> उत्<sup>15</sup> आजत्<sup>16</sup> ॥
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5. ¹He ⁵with his cohort ²of the rhythm that affirms, ⁴of the chant that illumines ^{7a}has broken ⁶Vala ^{7b}into pieces ⁹with his cry. ¹⁰Brihaspati ¹⁶drives ¹⁵upward ¹¹the Bright Ones [cows] ¹²who speed our offerings; ¹³he shouts aloud as he leads them, ¹⁴lowing they reply.

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एवा पित्रे विश्वदेवाय वृष्णे यज्ञैर्विधेम नमसा हविर्भिः ।
बृहस्पते सुप्रजा वीरवन्तो वयं स्याम पतयो रयीणाम् ॥।।६।।
एव<sup>1</sup> पित्रे<sup>2</sup> विश्व७देवाय<sup>3</sup> वृष्णे<sup>4</sup> यज्ञैः<sup>5</sup> विधेम<sup>6</sup> नमसा<sup>7</sup> हविः७भिः<sup>8</sup> ।
बृहस्पते<sup>9</sup> सु७प्रजाः<sup>10</sup> वीर७वन्तः<sup>11</sup> वयम्<sup>12</sup> स्याम<sup>13</sup> पतयः<sup>14</sup> रयीणाम्<sup>15</sup> ॥
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6. ¹Thus ²to the Father, ³the universal Godhead, ⁴the Bull of the herds, ⁶may we dispose [may we worship with] ⁵our sacrifices and ⁷submission and ⁸oblations; ⁹O Brihaspati, ¹¹full of energy and ¹⁰rich in offspring ^{13a}may ¹²we ^{13b}become ¹⁴masters ¹⁵of the felicities.

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स इद् राजा प्रतिजन्यानि विश्वा शुष्मेण तस्थाविभ वीर्येण ।
बृहस्पतिं यः सुभृतं बिभर्ति वल्गूयति वन्दते पूर्वभाजम् ॥७॥
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सः^1 इत्^2 राजा^3 प्रतिङजन्यानि^4 विश्वा^5 शुष्मेण^6 तस्थौ^7 अभि^8 वीर्येण^9 । बृहस्पतिम्^{10} यः^{11} सुङभृतम्^{12} बिभर्ति^{13} वल्गुङयित^{14} वन्दते^{15} पूर्वङभाजम्^{16} ॥
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7. ²Verily is ¹he ³King and ^{8,7}conquers ⁶by his energy, ⁹by his heroic force ⁵all that is ⁴in the worlds that confront him, ¹¹who ¹³bears ¹⁰Brihaspati in him ¹²well-contained and ¹⁴has the exultant dance and ¹⁵adores and ¹⁶gives him the first fruits of his enjoyment.

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स इत् क्षेति सुधित ओकिस स्वे तस्मा इळा पिन्वते विश्वदानीम् ।
तस्मै विशः स्वयमेवा नमन्ते यस्मिन् ब्रह्मा राजिन पूर्व एति ॥८॥
सः<sup>1</sup> इत्<sup>2</sup> क्षेति<sup>3</sup> सुऽधितः<sup>4</sup> ओकिस<sup>5</sup> स्वे<sup>6</sup> तस्मै<sup>7</sup> इळा<sup>8</sup> पिन्वते<sup>9</sup> विश्वऽदानीम्<sup>10</sup> ।
तस्मै<sup>11</sup> विशः<sup>12</sup> स्वयम्<sup>13</sup> एव<sup>14</sup> नमन्ते<sup>15</sup> यस्मिन्<sup>16</sup> ब्रह्मा<sup>17</sup> राजिन<sup>18</sup> पूर्वः<sup>19</sup> एति<sup>20</sup> ॥
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8. ²Yea, ¹he ³dwells ⁴firmly seated ⁶in his ⁵proper home and ⁷for him ⁸Ila ¹⁰at all times ⁹grows in richness. ¹¹To him ¹²all creatures ^{13,14}of themselves ¹⁵submit, ¹⁸the King, ¹⁶he in whom ¹⁷the Soul-Power ²⁰goes ¹⁹in front.

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अप्रतीतो जयित सं धनानि प्रतिजन्यान्युत या सजन्या ।
अवस्यवे यो वरिवः कृणोति ब्रह्मणे राजा तमवन्ति देवाः ॥९॥
अप्रतिञ्ज्ञतः जयित<sup>2</sup> सम्<sup>3</sup> धनानि<sup>4</sup> प्रतिञ्जन्यानि<sup>5</sup> उत<sup>6</sup> या<sup>7</sup> सञ्जन्या<sup>8</sup> ।
अवस्यवे<sup>9</sup> यः <sup>10</sup> वरिवः <sup>11</sup> कृणोति <sup>12</sup> ब्रह्मणे <sup>13</sup> राजा <sup>14</sup> तम् <sup>15</sup> अवन्ति <sup>16</sup> देवाः <sup>17</sup> ॥
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9. ¹None can assail him, ²he conquers ³utterly ⁴all the riches ⁵of the worlds which confront him ⁶and ⁸the world in which he dwells; ¹⁰he who ¹³for the Soul-Power ⁹that seeks its manifestation ¹²creates in himself ¹¹that highest good, ¹⁶is cherished ¹⁷by the gods.

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इंद्रश्च सोमं पिबतं बृहस्पते७स्मिन् यज्ञे मन्दसाना वृषण्वसू ।
आ वां विशन्त्विन्दवः स्वाभुवो७स्मे रियं सर्ववीरं नि यच्छतम् ॥।।१०।।
इन्द्रः च² सोमम्³ पिबतम्⁴ बृहस्पते⁵ अस्मिन्6 यज्ञे<sup>7</sup> मन्दसाना<sup>8</sup> वृषण्७वसू<sup>9</sup> ।
आ¹० वाम्¹¹ विशन्तु¹² इन्दवः¹³ सु७आभुवः¹⁴ अस्मे¹⁵ रियम्¹6 सर्व७वीरम्¹<sup>7</sup> नि¹<sup>8</sup> यच्छतम्¹<sup>9</sup> ॥
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10. Thou, ⁵O Brihaspati, ²and ¹Indra, ⁴drink ³the Soma-wine ⁸rejoicing ⁶in this ⁷sacrifice, ⁹lavishing substance. ^{12a}Let ¹³the powers of its delight ^{10,12b}enter ¹¹into you and ¹⁴take perfect form, ^{18,19}control ¹⁵in us ¹⁶a felicity ¹⁷full of every energy.

बृहस्पत इन्द्र वर्धतं नः सचा सा वां सुमितर्भूत्वस्मे । अविष्टं धियो जिगृतं पुरन्धीर्जजस्तमर्यो वनुषामरातीः ॥११॥ बृहस्पते¹ इन्द्र² वर्धतम्³ नः⁴ सचा⁵ सा⁶ वाम्⁷ सुङमितः⁸ भूतु⁹ अस्मे¹⁰ । अविष्टम्¹¹ धियः¹² जिगृतम्¹³ पुरम्ङधीः¹⁴ जजस्तम्¹⁵ अर्यः¹⁶ वनुषाम्¹⁷ अरातीः¹⁸ ॥

11. ¹O Brihaspati, ²O Indra, ³increase ⁴in us ⁵together and ^{9a}may ⁶that ⁷your ⁸perfection of mind ^{9b}be created ¹⁰in us; ¹¹foster ¹²the thoughts, ¹³bring out ¹⁴the mind's multiple powers; ¹⁵destroy ¹⁸all poverties ¹⁷that they bring who seek to conquer ¹⁵the Aryan.

X

The Ashwins, Lords of Bliss

Rig Veda IV.45

(15/326-35)

एष स्य भानुरुदियर्ति युज्यते रथः परिज्मा दिवो अस्य सानवि ।
पृक्षासो अस्मिन्मिथुना अधि त्रयो दृतिस्तुरीयो मधुनो वि रप्शते ॥१॥
एषः १ स्यः भानुः उत् ५ इयर्ति ५ युज्यते ६ रथः ७ परिङज्मा ६ दिवः ९ अस्य १० सानवि १ ॥
पृक्षासः १ अस्मिन् १ मिथुनाः १ अधि १ त्रयः १ तुरीयः १ सधुनः १ वि वे १ प्रश्तो १ ॥

1. Lo, ¹that ³Light ²is ⁵rising ⁴up and 8the all-pervading ⁷car ⁶is being yoked ¹¹on the high level ¹¹of this ⁹Heaven; there are placed ¹²satisfying delights ¹⁵in ¹³their ¹⁶triple ¹⁴pairs and ¹8the fourth ¹¹skin [leather bag] ¹⁰of honey ²⁰,²¹overflows.

उद् वां पृक्षासो मधुमन्त ईरते रथा अश्वास उषसो व्युष्टिषु । अपोर्णुवन्तस्तम आ परीवृतं स्वर्ण शुक्रं तन्वन्त आ रजः ॥२॥ उत्¹ वाम्² पृक्षासः³ मधुङमन्तः⁴ ईरते⁵ रथाः⁶ अश्वासः⁷ उषसः⁸ विङउष्टिषु⁹ । अपङऊर्णुवन्तः¹⁰ तमः¹¹ आ¹² परिङवृतम्¹³ स्वः¹⁴ न¹⁵ शुक्रम्¹⁶ तन्वन्तः¹⁷ आ¹⁸ रजः¹⁹ ॥

2. ⁴Full of honey ¹upward ⁵rise ³the delights; ¹upward ⁷horses and ⁶cars ⁹in the wide-shinings ⁸of the Dawn and ¹⁰they roll aside ¹¹the veil of darkness ^{12,13}that encompassed on every side and ^{18,17}they extend ¹⁹the lower world into ¹⁶a shining form ¹⁵like ¹⁴that of the luminous heaven.

मध्वः पिबतं मधुपेभिरासभिरुत प्रियं मधुने युञ्जाथां रथम् । आ वर्तिनं मधुना जिन्वथस्पथो दृतिं वहेथे मधुमन्तमश्विना ॥३॥ मध्वः¹ पिबतम्² मधुऽपेभिः³ आसऽभिः⁴ उत⁵ प्रियम्⁶ मधुने⁷ युञ्जाथाम्⁸ रथम्⁹ । आ¹⁰ वर्तिनम्¹¹ मधुना¹² जिन्वथः¹³ पथः¹⁴ दृतिम्¹⁵ वहेथे¹⁶ मधुऽमन्तम्¹⁷ अश्विना¹⁸ ॥ 3. ²Drink ¹of the honey ³with your honey-drinking ⁴mouths, (⁵and) ⁷for the honey ⁸yoke ⁹your car ⁶beloved. ¹²With the honey ^{10,13}you gladden ¹¹the movement and ¹⁴its paths; ¹⁷full of honey, ¹⁸O Ashwins, is ¹⁵the skin [leather bag] ¹⁶that you bear.

हंसासो ये वां मधुमन्तो अस्त्रिधो हिरण्यपर्णा उहुव उषर्बुधः । उदप्रुतो मन्दिनो मन्दिनिस्पृशो मध्यो न मक्षः सवनानि गच्छथः ॥४॥ हंसासः ये वाम् मधुङमन्तः अस्त्रिधः हिरण्यङपर्णाः उहुवः उषः उषः उब्रुधः ॥ उदङप्रतः मन्दिनः १० मन्दिङिनस्पृशः ॥ मध्यः १२ न १३ मक्षः १४ सवनानि १५ गच्छथः १॥

4. ⁴Full of the honey are ¹the swans ²that ⁷bear ³you, ⁶golden-winged, ⁸waking with the Dawn, and ⁵they come not to hurt; ⁹they rain forth the waters, ¹⁰they are full of rapture and ¹¹touch that which holds the Rapture. ¹³Like ¹⁴bees ¹⁵to pourings ¹²of honey ¹⁶you come [go] ¹⁵to the Soma-offerings.

स्वध्वरासो मधुमन्तो अग्नय उस्रा जरन्ते प्रति वस्तोरिश्वना । यन्निक्तहस्तस्तरणिर्विचक्षणः सोमं सुषाव मधुमन्तमद्रिभिः ॥५॥ सुऽअध्वरासः¹ मधुऽमन्तः² अग्नयः³ उस्रा⁴ जरन्ते⁵ प्रति⁶ वस्तोः⁷ अश्विना⁸ । यत्⁹ निक्तऽहस्तः¹⁰ तरणिः¹¹ विऽचक्षणः¹² सोमम्¹³ सुसाव¹⁴ मधुऽमन्तम्¹⁵ अद्रिऽभिः¹⁶ ॥

5. ²Full of the honey ³the fires ¹lead well the sacrifice and ⁵they woo ⁴your brightness, ⁸O Ashwins, ^{6,7}day by day, ⁹when ¹⁰one with purified hands, ¹²with a perfect vision, ¹¹with power to go through to the goal ¹⁴has pressed out ¹⁶with the pressing-stones ¹⁵the honeyed ¹³Soma-wine.

आकेनिपासो अहभिर्दविध्वतः स्वर्ण शुक्रं तन्वन्त आ रजः । सूरश्चिदश्वान् युयुजानः ईयते विश्वाँ अनु स्वधया चेतथस्पथः ॥६॥ आकेऽनिपासः¹ अहऽभिः² दविध्वतः³ स्वः⁴ न⁵ शुक्रम्⁴ तन्वन्तः^७ आ⁸ रजः९ । सूरः¹० चित्¹¹ अश्वान्¹² युयुजानः¹³ ईयते¹⁴ विश्वान्¹⁵ अनु¹६ स्वधया¹^७ चेतथः¹⁸ पथः¹९ ॥

6. ¹Drinking the wine near them (²through the days – X.7.4), the fires ³ride and run and ⁷extend ⁹the lower world ⁸into ⁶a shining form ⁵like ⁴that of the luminous heaven. ¹⁰The Sun ¹¹too ¹⁴goes ¹³yoking ¹²his steeds; ¹⁷by force of Nature's self-arranging ^{16,18} you move consciously along ¹⁵all ¹⁹paths.

प्र वामवोचमश्विना धियंधा रथः स्वश्वो अजरो यो अस्ति । येन सद्यः परि रजांसि याथो हविष्मन्तं तर्राणं भोजमच्छ ॥७॥ प्र¹ वाम्² अवोचम्³ अश्विना⁴ धियम्ङधाः⁵ रथः 6 सुङअश्वः 7 अजरः 8 यः 9 अस्ति 10 । येन 11 सद्यः 12 परि 13 रजांसि 14 याथः 15 हविष्मन्तम् 16 तरिणम् 17 भोजम् 18 अच्छ 19 ॥

7. ^{1,3}I have declared, ⁴O Ashwins, ⁵holding the Thought in me, ²your ⁶car ⁹that ¹⁰is ⁸undecaying and ⁷drawn by perfect steeds, — ²your ⁶car ¹¹by which ¹⁵you move ¹²at once ¹³over ¹⁴all the worlds ¹⁹towards ¹⁸the enjoyment ¹⁶rich in offerings ¹⁷that makes through to the goal.

XI

The Ribhus, Artisans of Immortality

Rig Veda I.20

(15/336-42)

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अयं देवाय जन्मने स्तोमो विप्रेभिरासया ।
अकारि रत्नधातमः ॥१॥
अयम्<sup>1</sup> देवाय<sup>2</sup> जन्मने<sup>3</sup> स्तोमः<sup>4</sup> विप्रेभिः<sup>5</sup> आसया<sup>6</sup> ।
अकारि<sup>7</sup> रत्नऽधातमः<sup>8</sup> ॥
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1. Lo, the [¹this] ⁴affirmation 7made ²for the divine ³Birth 6with the breath of the mouth ⁵by illumined minds, 8that gives perfectly the bliss.

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य इन्द्राय वचोयुजा ततक्षुर्मनसा हरी ।
शमीभिर्यज्ञमाशत।।२।।
ये<sup>1</sup> इन्द्राय<sup>2</sup> वचः७युजा<sup>3</sup> ततक्षुः<sup>4</sup> मनसा<sup>5</sup> हरी<sup>6</sup> ।
शमीभिः<sup>7</sup> यज्ञम्<sup>8</sup> आशत<sup>9</sup> ॥
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2. Even ¹they who ⁴fashioned ⁵by the mind ²for Indra ⁶his two bright steeds ³that are yoked by Speech, and ⁰they enjoy ⁶the sacrifice ⁻by their accomplishings of the work.

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तक्षन्नासत्याभ्यां परिज्मानं सुखं रथम् ।
तक्षन्धेनुं सबर्दुघाम्।।३।।
तक्षन्¹ नासत्याभ्याम्² परिञ्ज्मानम्³ सुञ्खम्⁴ रथम्⁵ ।
तक्षन्⁰ धेनुम्<sup>7</sup> सबःञ्दुघाम्<sup>8</sup> ॥
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3. ¹They fashioned ²for the twin lords of the voyage [Ashwins] ⁴their happy ⁵car ³of the all-pervading movement, ⁶they fashioned ⁵the fostering cow ⁶that yields the sweet milk.

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युवाना पितरा पुनः सत्यमन्त्रा ऋजूयवः ।
ऋभवो विष्ट्यक्रत ॥४॥
युवाना¹ पितरा² पुनः³ सत्यञ्मन्त्राः⁴ ऋजुञ्यवः⁵ ।
ऋभवः<sup>6</sup> विष्टी<sup>7</sup> अक्रत<sup>8</sup> ॥
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4. ⁶O Ribhus, ⁷in your pervasion ⁸you made ¹young ³again ²the Parents, ⁵you who seek the straight path and ⁴have the Truth in your mentalisings.

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सं वो मदासो अग्मतेन्द्रेण च मरुत्वता ।
आदित्येभिश्च राजभिः।।५॥
सम्<sup>1</sup> वः<sup>2</sup> मदासः<sup>3</sup> अग्मत<sup>4</sup> इन्द्रेण<sup>5</sup> च<sup>6</sup> मरुत्वता<sup>7</sup> ।
आदित्येभिः<sup>8</sup> च<sup>9</sup> राजङ्भिः<sup>10</sup> ॥
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5. ³The raptures of the wine ^{1,4}come to you entirely, ²to you ⁵with Indra ⁷companioned by the Maruts ⁹and ¹⁰with the Kings, ⁸the sons of Aditi.

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उत त्यं चमसं नवं त्वष्टुर्देवस्य निष्कृतम् ।
अकर्त चतुरः पुनः ॥।।६॥
उत<sup>1</sup> त्यम्<sup>2</sup> चमसम्<sup>3</sup> नवम्<sup>4</sup> त्वष्टुः<sup>5</sup> देवस्य<sup>6</sup> निः ७कृतम्<sup>7</sup> ।
अकर्त<sup>8</sup> चतुरः<sup>9</sup> पुनः<sup>10</sup> ॥
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6. ¹And ²this ³bowl ⁵of (⁶Divine) Twashtri ⁴new and ⁷perfected ⁸you made ¹⁰again ⁹into four [bowls].

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ते नो रत्नानि धत्तन त्रिरा साप्तानि सुन्वते ।
एकमेकं सुशस्तिभिः।।७।।
ते<sup>1</sup> नः<sup>2</sup> रत्नानि<sup>3</sup> धत्तन<sup>4</sup> त्रिः<sup>5</sup> आ<sup>6</sup> साप्तानि<sup>7</sup> सुन्वते<sup>8</sup> ।
एकम्७एकम्<sup>9</sup> सुशस्ति७भिः<sup>10</sup> ॥
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7. So [¹You] ^{6,4}establish ²for us (8who press the wine) the ⁵thrice ⁷seven ³ecstasies, ⁹each separately ¹⁰by perfect expressings of them.

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अधारयन्त वहनयोऽभजन्त सुकृत्यया ।
भागं देवेषु यज्ञियम् ॥।।८।।
अधारयन्त<sup>1</sup> वहनयः<sup>2</sup> अभजन्त<sup>3</sup> सुऽकृत्यया<sup>4</sup> ।
भागम<sup>5</sup> देवेष्<sup>6</sup> यज्ञियम<sup>7</sup> ॥
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8. T	They [2the carriers - Ribhus] 1sustained and held [the ecstacies] in them, 3they
d	ivided ⁴ by perfection in their works ⁷ the sacrificial ⁵ share of the enjoyment
⁶ 2	among the Gods.

XII

Vishnu, the All-Pervading Godhead

Rig Veda I.154

(15/343-51)

विष्णोर्नु कं वीर्याणि प्र वोचं यः पार्थिवानि विममे रजांसि । यो अस्कभायदुत्तरं सधस्थं विचक्रमाणस्त्रेधोरुगायः ॥१॥ विष्णोः नु² कम्³ वीर्याणि⁴ प्र⁵ वोचम्६ यः⁷ पार्थिवानि⁸ विडममे⁹ रजांसि¹⁰ । यः¹¹ अस्कभायत्¹² उत्डतरम्¹³ सधङस्थम्¹⁴ विडचक्रमाणः¹⁵ त्रेधा¹⁶ उरुङगायः¹⁷ ॥

1. ¹Of Vishnu ²now ⁵,6I declare ⁴the mighty ³works, ⁷who ⁹has measured out ⁸the earthly ¹0worlds and ¹³that higher ¹⁴seat of our self-accomplishing ¹¹he ¹²supports, ¹¹he ¹¹7the wide-moving, ¹6in the threefold steps ¹⁵of his universal movement.

प्र तिद्धष्णुः स्तवते वीर्येण मृगो न भीमः कुचरो गिरिष्ठाः । यस्योरुषु त्रिषु विक्रमणेष्वधिक्षियन्ति भुवनानि विश्वा ॥२॥ प्र¹ तत्² विष्णुः³ स्तवते⁴ वीर्येण⁵ मृगः⁶ न⁷ भीमः⁸ कुचरः⁹ गिरिङस्थाः¹⁰ । यस्य¹¹ उरुषु¹² त्रिषु¹³ विङक्रमणेषु¹⁴ अधिङक्षियन्ति¹⁵ भुवनानि¹⁶ विश्वा¹⁷ ॥

2. ²That ³Vishnu ^{1,4}affirms on high ⁵by his mightiness and he is ⁷like ⁸a terrible ⁶lion ⁹that ranges in the difficult places, yea, ¹⁰his lair is on the mountain-tops, ¹¹he in whose ¹³three ¹²wide ¹⁴movements ¹⁷all ¹⁶the worlds ¹⁵find their dwelling-place.

प्र विष्णवे शूषमेतु मन्म गिरिक्षित उरुगायाय वृष्णे । य इदं दीर्घं प्रयतं सधस्थमेको विममे त्रिभिरित्पदेभिः।।३।। प्र¹ विष्णवे² शूषम्³ एतु⁴ मन्म⁵ गिरिङक्षिते⁶ उरुङगायाय⁷ वृष्णे⁸ । यः⁹ इदम्¹⁰ दीर्घम्¹¹ प्रङयतम्¹² सधङस्थम्¹³ एकः¹⁴ विङममे¹⁵ त्रिङभिः¹⁶ इत्¹⁷ पदेङभिः¹⁸ ॥ 3. ^{4a}Let ³our Strength and ⁵our thought ^{1,4b}go forward ²to Vishnu ⁷the all-pervading, the wide-moving ⁸Bull ⁶whose dwelling-place is on the mountain, ⁹he who ¹⁴being One ¹⁵has measured ¹⁰all this ¹¹long and ¹²far-extending ¹³seat of our self-accomplishing ¹⁷by only ¹⁶three ¹⁸of his strides.

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यस्य त्री पूर्णा मधुना पदान्यक्षीयमाणा स्वधया मदन्ति ।
य उ त्रिधातु पृथिवीमृत द्यामेको दाधार भुवनानि विश्वा ।।४।।
यस्य<sup>1</sup> त्री<sup>2</sup> पूर्णा<sup>3</sup> मधुना<sup>4</sup> पदानि<sup>5</sup> अक्षीयमाणा<sup>6</sup> स्वधया<sup>7</sup> मदन्ति<sup>8</sup> ।
यः<sup>9</sup> कं<sup>10</sup> त्रिडधातु<sup>11</sup> पृथिवीम्<sup>12</sup> उत<sup>13</sup> द्याम्<sup>14</sup> एकः<sup>15</sup> दाधार<sup>16</sup> भुवनानि<sup>17</sup> विश्वा<sup>18</sup> ॥
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4. ¹He whose ²three ⁵steps ³are full ⁴of the honey-wine and ⁶they perish not but ⁸have ecstasy ⁷by the self-harmony of their nature; ¹⁰yea, ⁹he ¹⁵being One ¹⁶holds ¹¹the triple principle and ¹²earth and ¹⁴heaven ¹³also, even ¹⁸all ¹⁷the worlds.

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तदस्य प्रियमभि पाथो अश्यां नरो यत्र देवयवो मदन्ति ।
उरुक्रमस्य स हि बन्धुरित्था विष्णोः पदे परमे मध्य उत्सः ॥५॥
तत् <sup>1</sup> अस्य<sup>2</sup> प्रियम् <sup>3</sup> अभि<sup>4</sup> पाथः <sup>5</sup> अश्याम् <sup>6</sup> नरः <sup>7</sup> यत्र<sup>8</sup> देवऽयवः <sup>9</sup> मदन्ति <sup>10</sup> ।
उरुऽक्रमस्य <sup>11</sup> सः <sup>12</sup> हि <sup>13</sup> बन्धुः <sup>14</sup> इत्था <sup>15</sup> विष्णोः <sup>16</sup> पदे <sup>17</sup> परमे <sup>18</sup> मध्यः <sup>19</sup> उत्सः <sup>20</sup> ॥
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5. ^{4,6}May I attain to and enjoy ¹that goal of ²his ⁵movement, ³the Delight, ⁸where ⁷souls ⁹that seek the godhead ¹0</sup>have the rapture; ¹³for there ¹8in that highest ¹7step ¹¹of the wide-moving ¹6Vishnu is ¹⁵[truly] that ¹⁴Friend of men ²0who is the fount ¹9of the sweetness.

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ता वां वास्तून्युश्मिस गमध्यै यत्र गावो भूरिशृङ्गाः अयासः ।
अत्राह तदुरुगायस्य वृष्णः परमं पदमव भाति भूरि ॥६॥
ता<sup>1</sup> वाम्<sup>2</sup> वास्तूनि<sup>3</sup> उश्मिस्<sup>4</sup> गमध्यै<sup>5</sup> यत्र<sup>6</sup> गावः<sup>7</sup> भूरिङशृङ्गाः<sup>8</sup> अयासः<sup>9</sup> ।
अत्र<sup>10</sup> अह<sup>11</sup> तत्<sup>12</sup> उरुङगायस्य<sup>13</sup> वृष्णः<sup>14</sup> परमम्<sup>15</sup> पदम्<sup>16</sup> अव<sup>17</sup> भाति<sup>18</sup> भूरि<sup>19</sup> ॥
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6. ¹Those are ³the dwelling-places ²of ye twain ⁴which we desire ⁵as the goal of our journey ⁶where ⁵the many-horned ħerds of Light ¹go travelling; ¹⁵the highest ¹⁶step ¹³of wide-moving Vishnu [¹⁴the Bull] ¹७,18 shines down on us ¹⁰here ¹¹9 in its manifold vastness.

XIII

Soma, Lord of Delight and Immortality

Rig Veda IX.83

(15/351-60)

पवित्रं ते विततं ब्रह्मणस्पते प्रभुर्गात्राणि पर्येषि विश्वतः । अतप्ततनूर्न तदामो अश्नुते शृतास इद्घहन्तस्तत्समाशत ॥१॥ पवित्रम् ते विञ्चततम् ब्रह्मणः पते प्रञ्भुः गात्राणि परि एषि विश्वतः ॥ अतप्तञ्जनूः न न तत् अमः अश्नुते ॥ शृतासः इत् वहन्तः तत् वहन्तः सम् अश्नुते ॥

1. ³Wide spread out ²for thee ¹is the sieve of thy purifying, ⁵O Master ⁴of the soul; ⁶becoming in the creature ^{8,9}thou pervadest ⁷his members ¹⁰all through. ¹⁵He tastes ¹²not ¹³that delight ¹⁴who is unripe and ¹¹whose body has not suffered in the heat of the fire; ¹⁷they alone ¹⁸are able to bear ¹⁹that and ^{20,21}enjoy ¹⁹it ¹⁶who have been prepared by the flame.

तपोष्पवित्रं विततं दिवस्पदे शोचन्तो अस्य तन्तवो व्यस्थिरन् । अवन्त्यस्य पवीतारमाशवो दिवस्पृष्ठमधि तिष्ठन्ति चेतसा ॥२॥ तपोः¹ पवित्रम्² विऽततम्³ दिवः⁴ पदे⁵ शोचन्तः⁶ अस्य⁷ तन्तवः⁸ वि⁹ अस्थिरन्¹⁰ । अवन्ति¹¹ अस्य¹² पवितारम्¹³ आशवः¹⁴ दिवः¹⁵ पृष्ठम्¹⁶ अधि¹⁷ तिष्ठन्ति¹⁸ चेतसा¹⁹ ॥

2. ^{2a}The strainer through which ¹the heat of him ^{2b}is purified ³is spread out ⁵in the seat ⁴of Heaven; ⁷its ⁸threads ⁶shine out and ^{9,10}stand extended. ¹²His ¹⁴swift ecstasies ¹¹foster ¹³the soul that purifies him; ^{17,18}he ascends to ¹⁶the high level ¹⁵of Heaven ¹⁹by the conscious heart.

अरूरुचदुषसः पृश्निरग्रिय उक्षा बिभर्ति भुवनानि वाजयुः । मायाविनो मिमरे अस्य मायया नृचक्षसः पितरो गर्भमा दधुः ॥३॥

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अरूरुचत्<sup>1</sup> उषसः² पृश्निः³ अग्रियः⁴ उक्षा⁵ बिभर्ति<sup>6</sup> भुवनानि<sup>7</sup> वाज७युः<sup>8</sup> ।
माया७विनः<sup>9</sup> मिमरे<sup>10</sup> अस्य<sup>11</sup> मायया<sup>12</sup> नृ७चक्षसः<sup>13</sup> पितरः<sup>14</sup> गर्भम्<sup>15</sup> आ<sup>16</sup> दधुः<sup>17</sup> ॥
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3. This is ⁴the supreme ³dappled Bull ^{1a}that makes ²the Dawns ^{1b}to shine out, ⁵the Male ⁶that bears ⁷the worlds of the becoming and ⁸seeks the plenitude; ¹⁴the Fathers ⁹who had the forming knowledge ¹⁰made a form of him ¹²by that power of knowledge ¹¹which is his; ¹³strong in vision ^{16,17}they set him within ¹⁵as a child to be born.

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गन्धर्व इत्था पदमस्य रक्षति पाति देवानां जिनमान्यद्भुतः ।
गृभ्णाति रिपुं निधया निधापितः सुकृत्तमा मधुनो भक्षमाशत।।४।।
गन्धर्वः । इत्था<sup>2</sup> पदम् <sup>3</sup> अस्य <sup>4</sup> रक्षति <sup>5</sup> पाति <sup>6</sup> देवानाम् <sup>7</sup> जिनमानि <sup>8</sup> अद्भुतः <sup>9</sup> ।
गृभ्णाति <sup>10</sup> रिपुम् <sup>11</sup> निष्धया <sup>12</sup> निधाष्ठपितः <sup>13</sup> सुकृत्ष्ठतमाः <sup>14</sup> मधुनः <sup>15</sup> भक्षम् <sup>16</sup> आशत <sup>17</sup> ॥
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4. ¹As the Gandharva ⁵he guards ²his true ³seat; ⁹as the supreme and wonderful One ⁶he keeps ⁸the births ⁷of the gods; ¹³Lord of the inner setting, ¹²by the inner setting ¹⁰he seizes ¹¹the enemy. ¹⁴Those who are utterly perfected in works ¹⁷taste ¹⁶the enjoyment ¹⁵of his honey-sweetness.

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हविर्हिविष्मो मिह सद्म दैव्यं नभो वसानः परि यास्यध्वरम् ।
राजा पवित्ररथो वाजमारुहः सहस्रभृष्टिर्जयिस श्रवो बृहत् ।।५।।
हविः¹ हविष्मः² मिह³ सद्म⁴ दैव्यम्⁵ नभः६ वसानः७ परि८ यासि९ अध्वरम्¹० ।
राजा¹¹ पवित्र७रथः¹² वाजम्¹³ आ¹⁴ अरुहः¹5 सहस्र७भृष्टिः¹६ जयसि¹७ श्रवः¹८ बृहत्¹९ ॥
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5. ²O Thou in whom is the food, ¹thou art that divine food, ³thou art the vast, ⁵the divine ⁴home; ^{7a}wearing ⁶heaven ^{7b}as a robe ^{8,9}thou encompassest ¹⁰the march of the sacrifice. ¹¹King ¹²with the sieve of thy purifying for thy chariot ^{14,15}thou ascendest ¹³to the plenitude; ¹⁶with thy thousand burning brilliances ¹⁷thou conquerest ¹⁹the vast ¹⁸knowledge.

Part Three Hymns of the Atris

Hymns to Agni

Rig Veda V.1 - 28

(15/393-470)

The First Hymn to Agni

A HYMN OF THE MORNING SACRIFICE

Rig Veda V.1

(15/393-96)

अबोध्यग्निः सिमधा जनानां प्रति धेनुमिवायतीमुषासम् । यह्वा इव प्र वयामुज्जिहानाः प्र भानवः सिस्रते नाकमच्छ ॥१॥ अबोधि¹ अग्निः² सम्७इधा³ जनानाम्⁴ प्रति⁵ धेनुम्⁶ इव⁷ आ७यतीम्⁸ उषसम्⁹ । यह्वाः¹⁰ इव¹¹ प्र¹² वयाम्¹³ उत्७जिहानाः¹⁴ प्र¹⁵ भानवः¹⁶ सिस्रते¹⁷ नाकम्¹⁸ अच्छ¹⁹ ॥

1. ²Strength (Fire) ¹is awake ³by kindling ⁴of the peoples and ⁵he fronts ⁹the Dawn ⁸that comes to him ⁷as ⁶the Cow that fosters; ¹¹like ¹⁰mightinesses ^{12,14}that rush upward ¹³to their expanding ¹⁶his lustres ^{15,17}advancing mount ¹⁹towards ¹⁸the heavenly level.

अबोधि होता यजथाय देवानूर्ध्वो अग्निः सुमनाः प्रातरस्थात् । समिद्धस्य रुशददर्शि पाजो महान् देवस्तमसो निरमोचि ॥२॥ अबोधि¹ होता² यजथाय³ देवान्⁴ ऊर्ध्वः⁵ अग्निः⁶ सु७मनाः⁷ प्रातः⁸ अस्थात्⁹ । सम्७इद्धस्य¹⁰ रुशत्¹¹ अदर्शि¹² पाजः¹³ महान्¹⁴ देवः¹⁵ तमसः¹⁶ निः¹⁷ अमोचि¹⁸ ॥

2. ²The Priest of our oblation ¹has awakened ³for sacrifice ⁴to the gods; ⁷with right mentality in him ⁶Strength (Fire) ⁹stands up ⁵exalted ⁸in our mornings; ¹⁰he is entirely kindled, ¹¹red-flushing ¹³the mass of him ¹²is seen; ¹⁴a great ¹⁵godhead ^{17,18}has been delivered ¹⁶out of the darkness.

यदीं गणस्य रशनामजीगः शुचिरङ्क्ते शुचिभिर्गोभिरग्निः । आद् दक्षिणा युज्यते वाजयन्त्युत्तानामूर्ध्वो अधयज्जुहूभिः ॥३॥ यत्¹ ईम्² गणस्य³ रशनाम्⁴ अजीगः⁵ शुचिः⁶ अङ्क्ते⁷ शुचिङ्भिः⁸ गोभिः⁹ अग्निः¹⁰ । आत्¹¹ दक्षिणा¹² युज्यते¹³ वाजङ्यन्ती¹⁴ उत्तानाम्¹⁵ ऊर्ध्वः¹⁶ अधयत्¹⁷ जुहूभिः¹⁸ ॥ 3. ¹When ²he ⁵has uncoiled ⁴the long cord ³of his hosts, ¹⁰Strength (Fire) ¬shines 6pure ⁰by the pure ⁰herd of the radiances (the Cows of the Dawn). ¹¹For ¹²the goddess who discerns ¹⁴grows in plenitude and ¹³is yoked to her works; ¹⁶he exalted, ¹⁵she extended supine, ¹¬he feeds on her ¹⁰with his flames of the offering.

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अग्निमच्छा देवयतां मनांसि चक्षूंषीव सूर्ये सं चरन्ति ।
यदीं सुवाते उषसा विरूपे श्वेतो वाजी जायते अग्रे अहनाम् ।।४।।
अग्निम् अच्छ<sup>2</sup> देवडयताम्<sup>3</sup> मनांसि<sup>4</sup> चक्षूंषि<sup>5</sup> इव<sup>6</sup> सूर्ये<sup>7</sup> सम्<sup>8</sup> चरन्ति<sup>9</sup> ।
यत्<sup>10</sup> ईम्<sup>11</sup> सुवाते<sup>12</sup> उषसा<sup>13</sup> विरूपे<sup>14</sup> श्वेतः<sup>15</sup> वाजी<sup>16</sup> जायते<sup>17</sup> अग्रे<sup>18</sup> अहनाम्<sup>19</sup> ॥
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4. ⁴The minds ³of men who grow in the godhead ^{8,9}move entirely (converge) ²towards ¹the flame of Will ⁶even as ⁵all their seeings ^{8,9}converge ⁷in the Sun that illumines. ¹⁰When ¹³two Dawns (Day and Night) ¹⁴of opposite forms ¹²are delivered ¹¹of him, ¹⁷he is born ¹⁵as the White ¹⁶Steed ¹⁸in front ¹⁹of the days.

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जनिष्ट हि जेन्यो अग्रे अह्नां हितो हितेष्वरुषो वनेषु ।
दमेदमे सप्त रत्ना दधानोङग्निर्होता नि षसादा यजीयान् ॥५॥
जनिष्ट¹ हि² जेन्यः³ अग्रे⁴ अह्नाम्⁵ हितः⁶ हितेषु³ अरुषः८ वनेषु९ ।
दमेङदमे¹० सप्त¹¹ रत्ना¹² दधानः¹³ अग्निः¹⁴ होता¹ऽ नि¹६ ससाद¹७ यजीयान्¹८ ॥
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5. ²Yea, ¹he is born ³victorious ⁴in the front ⁵of the days, ⁸a ruddy worker ⁶established ⁷in the established ⁹delights of things; ¹³upholding ¹⁰in house after house ¹¹the seven ¹²ecstasies ¹⁴Strength (Fire) ^{16,17}has taken his seat ¹⁵as the Priest of the offering ¹⁸mighty for sacrifice.

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अग्निर्होता न्यसीदद् यजीयानुपस्थे मातुः सुरभा उ लोके ।
युवा कविः पुरुनिष्ठ ऋतावा धर्ता कृष्टीनामुत मध्य इद्धः ॥६॥
अग्निः होता<sup>2</sup> नि<sup>3</sup> असीदत्<sup>4</sup> यजीयान् <sup>5</sup> उप७स्थे<sup>6</sup> मातुः <sup>7</sup> सुरभौ<sup>8</sup> ऊं<sup>9</sup> लोके<sup>10</sup> ।
युवा<sup>11</sup> कविः<sup>12</sup> पुरुनिः ७स्थः<sup>13</sup> ऋत७वा<sup>14</sup> धर्ता<sup>15</sup> कृष्टीनाम् <sup>16</sup> उत<sup>17</sup> मध्ये<sup>18</sup> इद्धः<sup>19</sup> ॥
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6. ¹Strength (Fire) ^{3,4}has taken his seat ²as the Priest of the offering ⁵mighty for sacrifice ⁶in the lap ⁷of the Mother (Earth) and ⁸in that rapturous ⁹other ¹⁰world (supramental existence), ¹¹young and ¹²a seer, ¹³standing out in his multitudes, ¹⁴possessed of the Truth, ¹⁵the upholder ¹⁶of those that do the work; ¹⁷and also ¹⁸in between (vital and emotional being) ¹⁹he is kindled.

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प्र णु त्यं विप्रमध्वरेषु साधुमिनं होतारमीळते नमोभिः ।
आ यस्ततान रोदसी ऋतेन नित्यं मृजन्ति वाजिनं घृतेन ।।७।।
प्र<sup>1</sup> नु<sup>2</sup> त्यम्<sup>3</sup> विप्रम्<sup>4</sup> अध्वरेषु<sup>5</sup> साधुम्<sup>6</sup> अग्निम्<sup>7</sup> होतारम्<sup>8</sup> ईळते<sup>9</sup> नमः५िभः<sup>10</sup> ।
आ<sup>11</sup> यः<sup>12</sup> ततान<sup>13</sup> रोदसी<sup>14</sup> ऋतेन<sup>15</sup> नित्यम्<sup>16</sup> मृजन्ति<sup>17</sup> वाजिनम्<sup>18</sup> घृतेन<sup>19</sup> ॥
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7. ^{1,9,2}Men seek ¹⁰with their obeisances of submission ³this ⁴illumined ⁷Strength (Fire) ⁶that achieves our perfection ⁵in the progressing sacrifices and ⁸is the priest of their oblation, because ¹²he ^{11,13}shapes ¹⁵in the power of the Truth ¹⁴both firmaments of our being. Him ¹⁷they press into brightness ¹⁹by the clarity (yield of the Cow of Light), ¹⁶the eternal ¹⁸steed of life's plenitude.

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मार्जाल्यो मृज्यते स्वे दमूनाः कविप्रशस्तो अतिथिः शिवो नः ।
सहस्रशृङ्गो वृषभस्तदोजा विश्वाँ अग्ने सहसा प्रास्यन्यान् ॥८॥
मार्जाल्यः मृज्यते<sup>2</sup> स्वे<sup>3</sup> दमूनाः कविञ्प्रशस्तः अतिथिः शिवः नः ॥
सहस्रञ्शृङ्गः वृषभः <sup>10</sup> तत्ञओजाः <sup>11</sup> विश्वान् <sup>12</sup> अग्ने <sup>13</sup> सहसा <sup>14</sup> प्र<sup>15</sup> असि <sup>16</sup> अन्यान् <sup>17</sup> ॥
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8. ¹Bright, ²he is rubbed bright, ⁵expressed by the seer, ^{4a}domiciled ³in his own ^{4b}home (plane of the Truth) and ⁸our ⁷beneficent ⁶guest. ¹⁰The bull ⁹of the thousand horns, ¹¹because thou hast that force (force of the Truth), ¹³O Strength (Fire), ^{15,16}thou precedest ¹⁴in thy puissance ¹²all ¹⁷others.

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प्र सद्यो अग्ने अत्येष्यन्यानाविर्यस्मै चारुतमो बभूथ ।
ईळेन्यो वपुष्यो विभावा प्रियो विशामतिथिर्मानुषीणाम् ॥९॥
प्र<sup>1</sup> सद्यः<sup>2</sup> अग्ने<sup>3</sup> अति<sup>4</sup> एषि<sup>5</sup> अन्यान्<sup>6</sup> आविः<sup>7</sup> यस्मै<sup>8</sup> चारुऽतमः<sup>9</sup> बभूथ<sup>10</sup> ।
ईळेन्यः<sup>11</sup> वपुष्यः<sup>12</sup> विभाऽवा<sup>13</sup> प्रियः<sup>14</sup> विशाम्<sup>15</sup> अतिथिः<sup>16</sup> मानुषीणाम्<sup>17</sup> ॥
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9. ²At once, ³O Strength (Fire), thou ^{1,4,5}outstrippest ⁶all others, ⁸in whomsoever ¹⁰thou art ⁷manifested ⁹in all the glory of thy beauty, ¹¹desirable, ¹²full of body, ¹³extended in light, ¹⁴the beloved ¹⁶guest ¹⁷of the human ¹⁵peoples.

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तुभ्यं भरन्ति क्षितयो यविष्ठ बलिमग्ने अन्तित ओत दूरात् ।
आ भन्दिष्ठस्य सुमितं चिकिद्धि बृहत् ते अग्ने मिह शर्म भद्रम् ॥१०॥
तुभ्यम् भरन्ति<sup>2</sup> क्षितयः<sup>3</sup> यविष्ठ<sup>4</sup> बलिम्<sup>5</sup> अग्ने<sup>6</sup> अन्तितः<sup>7</sup> आ<sup>8</sup> उत<sup>9</sup> दूरात्<sup>10</sup> ।
आ<sup>11</sup> भन्दिष्ठस्य<sup>12</sup> सुङमितम्<sup>13</sup> चिकिद्धि<sup>14</sup> बृहत्<sup>15</sup> ते<sup>16</sup> अग्ने<sup>17</sup> मिह<sup>18</sup> शर्म<sup>19</sup> भद्रम्<sup>20</sup> ॥
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10. ¹To thee, ⁶O Strength (Fire), ⁴O youngest vigour, ³all the worlds and their peoples ^{8,2}bring ⁷from near ⁹and ^{8,2}bring ¹⁰from afar ⁵their offering. ^{11,14}Awake in a man's knowledge ¹³to that right-mindedness ¹²of his happiest state. ¹⁵A vastness, ¹⁷O Strength (Fire), ¹⁸is the great and ²⁰blissful ¹⁹peace ¹⁶of thee.

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आद्य रथं भानुमो भानुमन्तमग्ने तिष्ठ यजतेभिः समन्तम् ।
विद्वान्पथीनामुर्वन्तिरक्षमेह देवान् हविरद्याय विक्ष ॥११॥
आ¹ अद्य² रथम्³ भानुङमः⁴ भानुङमन्तम्⁵ अग्ने॰ तिष्ठ<sup>7</sup> यजतेभिः<sup>8</sup> सम्ङअन्तम्<sup>9</sup> ।
विद्वान्¹<sup>0</sup> पथीनाम्¹¹ उरु¹² अन्तरिक्षम्¹³ आ¹⁴ इह¹⁵ देवान्¹<sup>6</sup> हविःङअद्याय¹<sup>7</sup> विक्षां³ ॥
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11. ^{1,7}Mount ²today ⁹with ⁸the lords of the sacrifice, ⁴O luminous ⁶Will, ⁵thy luminous complete ³car! ¹⁰Thou who knowest ¹²the wide ¹³middle world (the vital or nervous plane) ¹¹in all its (many but intricate and tangled) paths, ^{14,18}bring ¹⁵hither ¹⁶the gods ¹⁷to eat of our oblation.

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अवोचाम कवये मेध्याय वचो वन्दारु वृषभाय वृष्णे ।
गविष्ठिरो नमसा स्तोममग्नौ दिवीव रुक्ममुरुव्यञ्चमश्रेत् ॥१२॥
अवोचाम<sup>1</sup> कवये<sup>2</sup> मेध्याय<sup>3</sup> वचः<sup>4</sup> वन्दारु<sup>5</sup> वृषभाय<sup>6</sup> वृष्णे<sup>7</sup> ।
गविष्ठिरः<sup>8</sup> नमसा<sup>9</sup> स्तोमम्<sup>10</sup> अग्नौ<sup>11</sup> दिविऽइव<sup>12</sup> रुक्मम्<sup>13</sup> उरुऽव्यञ्चम्<sup>14</sup> अश्रेत्<sup>15</sup> ॥
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12. ²To the Seer, ³to the Intelligence ¹we have uttered today ⁴the word ⁵of our adoration, ⁶to the Bull ⁷that fertilises the herds; ⁸the Steadfast in the Light ⁹by his surrender ¹⁵rises ¹¹in the flame of Will ¹²as in the heavens ¹³to a golden ¹⁰Affirmation ¹⁴manifesting a vastness.

The Second Hymn to Agni

A HYMN OF THE LIBERATION OF THE DIVINE FORCE

Rig Veda V.2

(15/397-400)

कुमारं माता युवितः समुब्धं गुहा बिभिर्ति न ददाति पित्रे । अनीकमस्य न मिनज्जनासः पुरः पश्यन्ति निहितमरतौ ॥१॥ कुमारम्¹ माता² युवितः³ सम्७उब्धम्⁴ गुहा⁵ बिभिर्ति⁶ न⁷ ददाति⁸ पित्रे⁹ । अनीकम्¹⁰ अस्य¹¹ न¹² मिनत्¹³ जनासः¹⁴ पुरः¹⁵ पश्यन्ति¹⁶ निऽहितम्¹⁷ अरतौ¹⁸ ॥

1. ³The young ²Mother (Nature or material being) ⁶bears ¹the Boy ⁴pressed down ⁵in her secret being and ⁸gives him ⁷not ⁹to the Father (Soul or pure mental being); but ¹¹his ¹⁰force ¹²is not ¹³diminished, ¹⁴the peoples ¹⁶behold ¹⁷him established ¹⁵in front (as the Purohit) ¹⁸in the upward working of things.

कमेतं त्वं युवते कुमारं पेषी बिभर्षि महिषी जजान । पूर्वीर्हि गर्भः शरदो ववर्धापश्यं जातं यदसूत माता ॥२॥ कम्¹ एतम्² त्वम्³ युवते⁴ कुमारम्⁵ पेषी⁶ बिभर्षि⁷ महिषी⁸ जजान⁹ । पूर्वीः¹⁰ हि¹¹ गर्भः¹² शरदः¹³ ववर्ध¹⁴ अपश्यम्¹⁵ जातम्¹⁶ यत्¹⁷ असूत¹⁸ माता¹⁹ ॥

2. (⁴O Young mother) ¹Who is ²this ⁵Boy whom ³thou ⁷bearest in thyself ⁶when thou art compressed into form, ⁸but thy vastness ⁹gives him birth? ¹¹For ¹⁰many ¹³seasons ^{12a}the Child ¹⁴grew ^{12b}in the womb; ¹⁵I saw him ¹⁶born ¹⁷when ¹⁹the Mother ¹⁸brought him forth.

हिरण्यदन्तं शुचिवर्णमारात्क्षेत्रादपश्यमायुधा मिमानं । ददानो अस्मा अमृतं विपृक्वित्कं मामिनंद्राः कृणवन्ननुक्थाः ॥३॥ हिरण्यञ्दन्तम् । शुचिञ्चर्णम् आरात् असेत्रात् अपश्यम् आयुधा मिमानम् । ददानः अस्मै अमृतम् विपृक्वत् । किम् 12 माम् 13 अनिन्द्राः 14 कृणवन् 15 अनुक्थाः 16 ॥ 3. ⁵I saw ³far off ⁴in the field of being one ¹tusked with golden light and ²pure bright of hue ⁷who was shaping ⁶the weapons of his war. ⁸I give ⁹to him ¹⁰the immortality in me (Soma) ¹¹in all my separate parts (the mind, life and body) and ¹²what ¹⁵shall they do ¹³to me ¹⁶who have not the Word (which expresses that which is unexpressed) and ¹⁴the God-Mind (Indra) is not in them?

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क्षेत्रादपश्यं सनुतश्चरंतं सुमद्यूथं न पुरु शोभमानं ।
न ता अगृभ्रन्नजनिष्ट हिषः पलिक्नीरिद्युवतयो भवंति ॥४॥
क्षेत्रात् अपश्यम् सनुतः चरन्तम् सुङमत् यूथम् न पुरु शोभमानम् ।
न ताः अगृभ्रन् अजनिष्ट । हिष् सः । 5 पलिक्नीः । इत्। 7 युवतयः । 8 भवन्ति । ॥
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4. ²I saw ¹in the field ⁷as though a ⁵happy ⁶herd that ⁴ranged ³continuously ⁸in many forms ⁹of luminous beauty. ¹⁰None ¹²could seize ¹¹on them, ¹⁴for ¹⁵he [Agni] ¹³was born; ¹⁷even ¹⁶they that were old (grey) among them, ¹⁹grow ¹⁸young once more.

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के मे मर्यकं वि यवंत गोभिर्न येषां गोपा अरणश्चिदास ।
य ईं जगृभुरव ते सृजंत्वाजाति पश्व उप नश्चिकित्वान् ।।५।।
के<sup>1</sup> मे<sup>2</sup> मर्यकम्<sup>3</sup> वि<sup>4</sup> यवन्त<sup>5</sup> गोभिः<sup>6</sup> न<sup>7</sup> येषाम्<sup>8</sup> गोपाः<sup>9</sup> अरणः<sup>10</sup> चित्<sup>11</sup> आस<sup>12</sup> ।
ये<sup>13</sup> ईम्<sup>14</sup> जगृभुः<sup>15</sup> अव<sup>16</sup> ते<sup>17</sup> सृजन्तु<sup>18</sup> आ<sup>19</sup> अजाति<sup>20</sup> पश्वः<sup>21</sup> उप<sup>22</sup> नः<sup>23</sup> चिकित्वान्<sup>24</sup> ॥
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5. ¹Who were they that ⁴,⁵divorced ²my ³strength ⁶from the herds of Light? ⁶Against them ¹²there was ¹no ⁰protector ¬,¹¹nor ¹⁰any worker in this war. ¹8aLet ¹³those that ¹5atook ¹⁴them ¹5bfrom me, ¹6,¹8brelease them to me again; ²⁴for he with his conscious perceptions ²2,¹9,20comes driving to us ²³our ²¹lost herds of the radiance.

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वसां राजानं वसितं जनानामरातयो नि दधुर्मर्त्येषु ।
ब्रह्माण्यत्रेरव तं सृजंतु निंदितारो निंद्यासो भवंतु ।।६।।
वसाम्<sup>1</sup> राजानम्<sup>2</sup> वसितम्<sup>3</sup> जनानाम्<sup>4</sup> अरातयः<sup>5</sup> नि<sup>6</sup> दधुः<sup>7</sup> मर्त्येषु<sup>8</sup> ।
ब्रह्माणि<sup>9</sup> अत्रेः<sup>10</sup> अव<sup>11</sup> तम्<sup>12</sup> सृजन्तु<sup>13</sup> निन्दितारः<sup>14</sup> निन्द्यासः<sup>15</sup> भवन्तु<sup>16</sup> ॥
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6. ²The king ¹of those who dwell ⁴in creatures, ³he in whom all creatures dwell, ^{6,7}is hidden ⁸within mortals ⁵by hostile powers; ^{13a}let ⁹the soul-thoughts ¹⁰of the Eater of things (Atri) ^{11,13b}release ¹²him, ^{16a}let ¹⁴the confiners ^{16b}be ¹⁵themselves confined.

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शुनश्चिच्छेपं निदितं सहस्राद्यूपादमुंचो अशमिष्ट हि षः ।
एवास्मदग्ने वि मुमुग्धि पाशान्होतश्चिकित्व इह तू निषद्य ।।७ ।।
शुनः वित्<sup>2</sup> शेपम् निष्ठिदतम् सहस्रात् यूपात् अमुञ्चः अशमिष्ट हि सः <sup>10</sup> ।
एव<sup>11</sup> अस्मत् <sup>12</sup> अग्ने <sup>13</sup> वि<sup>14</sup> मुमुग्धि <sup>15</sup> पाशान् <sup>16</sup> होत: <sup>17</sup> चिकित्वः <sup>18</sup> इह <sup>19</sup> तु <sup>20</sup> निष्ठसद्य <sup>21</sup> ॥
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7. ^{1,3}Shunahshepa ²too, ^{1,3}head of delight, ⁴was bound ⁵to the thousand-fold ⁶post of the sacrifice; ⁷him thou didst release, — ⁹yea, ¹⁰he ⁸accomplished perfection by his works; ¹¹so ²¹do thou take thy seat ¹⁹here in us, ¹⁸O conscious seeing ¹³Flame, ¹⁷O Priest of our sacrifice, and ^{14,15}loose ¹²from us ¹⁶the cords of our bondage.

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हणीयमानो अप हि मदैयेः प्र मे देवानां व्रतपा उवाच ।
इंद्रो विद्वाँ अनु हि त्वा चचक्ष तेनाहमग्ने अनुशिष्ट आगां ।।८।।
हणीयमानः । अप<sup>2</sup> हि<sup>3</sup> मत्<sup>4</sup> ऐयेः <sup>5</sup> प्र<sup>6</sup> मे<sup>7</sup> देवानाम् <sup>8</sup> व्रतऽपाः <sup>9</sup> उवाच <sup>10</sup> ।
इन्द्रः <sup>11</sup> विद्वान् <sup>12</sup> अनु <sup>13</sup> हि<sup>14</sup> त्वा <sup>15</sup> चचक्ष <sup>16</sup> तेन <sup>17</sup> अहम् <sup>18</sup> अग्ने <sup>19</sup> अनु ऽशिष्टः <sup>20</sup> आ<sup>21</sup> अगाम् <sup>22</sup> ॥
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8. ¹Mayst thou not grow wroth and ^{2,5}depart ⁴from me! ⁹He who guards the law of action ⁸of the godheads, ^{6,10}told ⁷me of thee; ¹¹Indra ¹²knew and ¹³sought after ¹⁴and ¹⁶saw ¹⁵thee, and ^{20a}taught ¹⁷by him ^{20b}his knowledge, ¹⁹O Flame, ¹⁸I ^{21,22}came to thee.

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वि ज्योतिषा बृहता भात्यिग्नराविर्विश्वानि कृणुते महित्वा ।
प्रादेवीर्मायाः सहते दुरेवाः शिशीते शृंगे रक्षसे विनिक्षे ॥९॥
वि<sup>1</sup> ज्योतिषा<sup>2</sup> बृहता<sup>3</sup> भाति<sup>4</sup> अग्निः<sup>5</sup> आविः<sup>6</sup> विश्वानि<sup>7</sup> कृणुते<sup>8</sup> महिङत्वा<sup>9</sup> ।
प्र<sup>10</sup> अदेवीः<sup>11</sup> मायाः<sup>12</sup> सहते<sup>13</sup> दुःङएवाः<sup>14</sup> शिशीते<sup>15</sup> शृङ्गे<sup>16</sup> रक्षसे<sup>17</sup> विङिनक्षे<sup>18</sup> ॥
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9. ⁵This Flame of Will ^{1,4}shines out ³with the vast ²light of Truth and ⁸makes ⁷all things ⁶manifest ⁹by the greatness of him. ^{10,13}He overpowers ¹²the formations of knowledge ¹¹that are undivine and ¹⁴of an evil movement; ¹⁵he sharpens ¹⁶his horns ¹⁸to gore ¹⁷the Rakshasa.

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उत स्वानासो दिवि षंत्वग्नेस्तिग्मायुधा रक्षसे हंतवा उ ।
मदे चिदस्य प्र रुजंति भामा न वरंते परिबाधो अदेवीः ॥१०॥
उत्त स्वानासः दिवि<sup>3</sup> सन्तु <sup>4</sup> अग्नेः तिग्मऽआयुधाः रक्षसे हन्तवै <sup>8</sup> ऊं ।
मदे <sup>10</sup> चित<sup>11</sup> अस्य <sup>12</sup> प्र <sup>13</sup> रुजन्ति <sup>14</sup> भामाः <sup>15</sup> न <sup>16</sup> वरन्ते <sup>17</sup> परिऽबाधः <sup>18</sup> अदेवीः <sup>19</sup> ॥
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10. ^{4a}May ²the voices ⁵of the Flame ³in our heavens ^{4b}be ⁶sharp-weaponed ⁸to slay ⁷the Rakshasa! ¹⁰In his ecstasy ¹²his ¹⁵angry lustres ^{13,14}break all that opposes his advance; ¹⁹the energies undivine ¹⁸that obstruct us from every side ¹⁶cannot ¹⁷pen him in.

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एतं ते स्तोमं तुविजात विप्रो रथं न धीरः स्वपा अतक्षं ।
यदीदग्ने प्रति त्वं देव हर्याः स्वर्वतीरप एना जयेम ॥११॥
एतम्<sup>1</sup> ते<sup>2</sup> स्तोमम्<sup>3</sup> तुविङजात<sup>4</sup> विप्रः<sup>5</sup> रथम्<sup>6</sup> न<sup>7</sup> धीरः<sup>8</sup> सुङअपाः<sup>9</sup> अतक्षम्<sup>10</sup> ।
यदि<sup>11</sup> इत्<sup>12</sup> अग्ने<sup>13</sup> प्रति<sup>14</sup> त्वम्<sup>15</sup> देव<sup>16</sup> हर्याः<sup>17</sup> स्वःङवतीः<sup>18</sup> अपः<sup>19</sup> एन<sup>20</sup> जयेम<sup>21</sup> ॥
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11. ⁴O thou who art born in many forms, ^{10a}I ⁵illumined in mind, ⁸accomplished in understanding, ⁹perfect in works, ^{10b}have fashioned ²for thee ¹this ³song of thy affirming ⁷to be as if ⁶thy chariot. ¹¹If ¹⁵thou, ¹³O Strength (Fire), ^{17a}take ¹⁴an answering ^{17b}delight ¹²in it, ²⁰by this ²¹we may conquer ¹⁹the waters ¹⁸that carry the light of the luminous heaven.

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तुविग्रीवो वृषभो वावृधानोऽशर्त्वर्यः समजाति वेदः । इतीममग्निममृता अवोचन्बर्हिष्मते मनवे शर्म यंसद्धविष्मते मनवे शर्म यंसत् ।।१२।। तुविङग्रीवः¹ वृषभः² ववृधानः³ अशत्रु⁴ अर्यः⁵ सम्६ अजाति<sup>7</sup> वेदः८ । इति९ इमम्¹० अग्निम्¹¹ अमृताः¹² अवोचन्¹³ बर्हिष्मते¹⁴ मनवे¹⁵ शर्म¹६ यंसत्¹७ । हिवष्मते¹८ मनवे¹० शर्म²० यंसत्²¹॥
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12. ¹The strong-necked (or, many-necked) ²Bull [⁴without any enemy] ³increases in us and ^{6,7}drives to us ⁸the treasure of knowledge (the wealth of the luminous herds) ⁵that was withheld by our enemy; ⁴nor is there any [enemy] to destroy it. ⁹For so ¹³ahave ¹²the Powers Immortal ¹³bspoken ¹⁰to the [this] ¹¹Strength (Fire) ⁹that ¹⁵he work out ¹⁶peace ¹⁵for the man ¹⁴who enlarges the seat of sacrifice, ⁹that ²¹he work out ²⁰peace ¹⁵for the man ¹³who carries in his hand the oblation.

The Third Hymn to Agni

THE DIVINE FORCE, CONQUEROR OF THE SUPREME GOOD

Rig Veda V.3

(15/401-04)

त्वमग्ने वरुणो जायसे यत्त्वं मित्रो भवसि यत्सिमिद्धः । त्वे विश्वे सहसस्युत्र देवास्त्विमंद्रो दाशुषे मर्त्याय ।।१।। त्वम् अग्ने वरुणः जायसे 4 यत् त्वम् मित्रः भवसि 8 यत् सम् ५ इन्द्रः 10 । त्वे 11 विश्वे 12 सहसः 13 पुत्र 14 देवाः 15 त्वम् 16 इन्द्रः 17 दाशुषे 18 मर्त्याय 19 ॥

1. ¹Thou art ³he of the Wideness (Varuna), ²O Will, ⁵when ⁴thou art born; ⁶thou ²becomest 7the Lord of Love (Mitra) 9when ¹⁰thou art entirely kindled. ¹¹In thee are ¹²all ¹⁵the gods, ¹⁴O son ¹³of Force; ¹⁶thou ¹⁻art the Power-in-Mind (Indra) ¹⁰for the mortal ¹²who gives the offering.

त्वमर्यमा भविस यत्कनीनां नाम स्वधावन्गुह्यं बिभिष । अंजंति मित्रं सुधितं न गोभिर्यद्दंपती समनसा कृणोषि ॥२॥ त्वम्¹ अर्यमा² भविस³ यत्⁴ कनीनाम्⁵ नाम⁶ स्वधाऽवन्⁷ गुह्यम्⁸ बिभिषे । अञ्जन्ति¹⁰ मित्रम्¹¹ सुऽधितम्¹² न¹³ गोभिः¹⁴ यत्¹⁵ दम्पती¹⁶ सऽमनसा¹⁷ कृणोषि¹⁸ ॥

2. ⁷O thou who possessest self-ordering Nature, ¹thou ³becomest ²the might of the Aspirer (Aryaman) ⁴when ⁹thou bearest ⁸the secret ⁶Name ⁵of the Virgins (the unripe Radiances). ¹⁰They brighten thee ¹⁴with the Light in her rays ¹³as ¹¹Love (Mitra) ¹²perfectly founded ¹⁵when ¹⁸thou makest ¹⁷of one mind ¹⁶the Lord and his Spouse (Soul and Nature) in their mansion (human body).

तव श्रिये मरुतो मर्जयंत रुद्र यत्ते जिनम चारु चित्रं । पदं यद्धिष्णोरुपमं निधायि तेन पासि गुह्यं नाम गोनां ।।३।। तव¹ श्रिये² मरुतः³ मर्जयन्त⁴ रुद्र⁵ यत्६ ते७ जिनम⁸ चारु९ चित्रम्¹० । पदम्¹¹ यत्¹² विष्णोः¹³ उप७मम्¹⁴ नि७धायि¹⁵ तेन¹६ पासि¹७ गुह्यम्¹8 नाम¹९ गोनाम्²० ॥ 3. ²For the glory ¹of thee, ⁵O Violent One (Rudra), ³the Thought-Powers (Marut) ⁴make to shine out by their pressure ⁶that which is ⁷thy ¹⁰rich and ⁹beautiful ⁸birth (the supreme world of Light). ¹²When that ¹⁴highest ¹¹stride ¹³of Vishnu ¹⁵has been established within, ¹⁷thou protectest ¹⁶by it ¹⁸the secret ¹⁹Name ²⁰of the herds of the Radiance.

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तव श्रिया सुदृशो देव देवाः पुरू दधाना अमृतं सपंत ।
होतारमग्नि मनुषो नि षेदुर्दशस्यंत उशिजः शंसमायोः ॥४॥
तव¹ श्रिया² सुङदृशः³ देव⁴ देवाः⁵ पुरु<sup>6</sup> दधानाः<sup>7</sup> अमृतम्<sup>8</sup> सपन्त<sup>9</sup> ।
होतारम्<sup>10</sup> अग्निम्<sup>11</sup> मनुषः<sup>12</sup> नि<sup>13</sup> सेदुः<sup>14</sup> दशस्यन्तः<sup>15</sup> उशिजः<sup>16</sup> शंसम्<sup>17</sup> आयोः<sup>18</sup> ॥
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4. ²By the glory ¹of thee ³because thou hast right vision, ⁴O god-head, ⁵the gods ⁷holding ⁶all that multiple existence ⁹taste (or, touch) ⁸immortality and ¹²men ^{13,14}take their seat ¹¹in the Force ¹⁰that offers the oblation and, ¹⁶desiring, ¹⁵they distribute to the godheads ¹⁷the self-expression ¹⁸of the being.

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न त्वब्द्वोता पूर्वो अग्ने यजीयान्न काव्यैः परो अस्ति स्वधावः ।
विशश्च यस्या अतिथिर्भवासि स यज्ञेन वनवद्देव मर्तान् ॥५॥
न¹ त्वत्² होता³ पूर्वः⁴ अग्ने⁵ यजीयान्६ न² काव्यैः८ परः९ अस्ति¹० स्वधाऽवः¹¹ ।
विशः¹² च¹³ यस्याः¹⁴ अतिथिः¹⁵ भवासि¹६ सः¹² यज्ञेन¹८ वनवत्¹९ देव²० मर्तान्²¹ ॥
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5. ¹There is none ⁴that precedeth ²thee ³as the priest of the oblation 7nor 6any mightier for sacrifice; ⁵O Flame, 7none ¹⁰is 9supreme over thee 8in the things of the Wisdom, ¹¹thou who possessest the self-ordering power of Nature. ¹7,1²The creature ¹⁴of whom ¹6thou becomest ¹5the guest, ²⁰O godhead, ¹9prevails ¹8by sacrifice ²¹over all that belong to the mortality.

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वयमग्ने वनुयाम त्वोता वसूयवो हविषा बुध्यमानाः ।
वयं समर्ये विदथेष्वह्नां वयं राया सहसस्पुत्र मर्तान् ॥६॥
वयम् अग्ने वनुयाम त्वाञ्जताः वसुञ्यवः हविषा बुध्यमानाः ।
वयम् सञ्मर्ये विदथेषु १० अह्नाम् ११ वयम् १२ राया १३ सहसः १४ पुत्र १५ मर्तान् १॥
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6. ^{3a}May ¹we, ²O Flame, ⁴fostered by thee and ⁷awakened, ⁵seekers of the substance, ^{3b}prevail ⁶by the offering, — ⁸we ⁹in the great struggle, ⁸we ¹⁰in the comings of knowledge ¹¹in our days (periods of Light visiting the soul), ¹²we ¹³by the felicity, ¹⁵O son ¹⁴of Force, ³overcome ¹⁶all that are mortal.

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यो न आगो अभ्येनो भरात्यधीदघमघशंसे दधात ।
जही चिकित्वो अभिशस्तिमेतामग्ने यो नो मर्चयति द्वयेन ।।७ ।।
यः<sup>1</sup> नः<sup>2</sup> आगः<sup>3</sup> अभि<sup>4</sup> एनः<sup>5</sup> भराति<sup>6</sup> अधि<sup>7</sup> इत्<sup>8</sup> अघम्<sup>9</sup> अघ७शंसे<sup>10</sup> दधात<sup>11</sup> ।
जिह<sup>12</sup> चिकित्वः<sup>13</sup> अभि७शस्तिम्<sup>14</sup> एताम्<sup>15</sup> अग्ने<sup>16</sup> यः<sup>17</sup> नः<sup>18</sup> मर्चयति<sup>19</sup> द्वयेन<sup>20</sup> ॥
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7. The expresser of evil ¹who ⁴,6seeks to bring ⁵sin and ³transgression ²into us, ⁵his own evil ⁻,1¹do thou return upon his head [¹⁰upon the expresser of evil]; ¹²slay, ¹³O conscious knower, (¹6O Agni,) ¹⁵this ¹⁴hostile self-expression of him ¹¬who ¹9oppresses ¹8us ²⁰with the duality.

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त्वामस्या व्युषि देव पूर्वे दूतं कृण्वाना अयजंत हव्यैः ।
संस्थे यदग्न ईयसे रयीणां देवो मर्तैर्वसुभिरिध्यमानः ।८।।
त्वाम् अस्याः विञ्जषि देव पूर्वे दूतम् कृण्वानाः अयजन्त हव्यैः ।
सम्ञस्थे 10 यत् 11 अग्ने 12 ईयसे 13 रयीणाम् 14 देवः 15 मर्तैः 16 वसुङ्भिः 17 इध्यमानः 18 ॥
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8. ¹Thee, ⁴O Godhead, ³in the dawning ²of this our Night ⁵the Ancients (the ancient seers who discovered the wisdom) ⁷made ⁶their messenger and ⁸through thee sacrificed ⁹by their offerings because ¹⁵thou art the godhead ¹¹that ¹⁸is being kindled ¹⁶by the mortal ¹⁷dwellers in this substance and [¹²O Agni!] ¹³thou movest ¹⁰to the meeting-place (the supreme world of Truth and Bliss) ¹⁴of all felicities.

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अव स्पृधि पितरं योधि विद्वान्पुत्रो यस्ते सहसः सून ऊहे ।
कदा चिकित्वो अभि चक्षसे नोङग्ने कदाँ ऋतचिद्यातयासे ॥९॥
अव¹ स्पृधि² पितरम्³ योधि⁴ विद्वान्⁵ पुत्रः<sup>6</sup> यः<sup>7</sup> ते<sup>8</sup> सहसः<sup>9</sup> सूनो¹⁰ ऊहे¹¹ ।
कदा¹² चिकित्वः¹³ अभि¹⁴ चक्षसे¹⁵ नः¹⁶ अग्ने¹<sup>7</sup> कदा¹<sup>8</sup> ऋतङचित्¹<sup>9</sup> यातयासे²⁰ ॥
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9. ^{1,2}Deliver ³the Father and ⁵in thy knowledge ⁴put away evil ⁷from him who ¹¹is borne in us ⁸as thy ⁶son, ¹⁰O child ⁹of Force. ¹²When ^{14,15}wilt thou have that vision ¹⁶for us, ¹³O conscious knower? ¹²when ^{20a}wilt thou, ¹⁹O Truth-Conscious Will (¹⁷O Agni), ^{20b}impel us to the journey?

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भूरि नाम वंदमानो दधाति पिता वसो यदि तज्जोषयासे । कुविदेवस्य सहसा चकानः सुम्नमग्निर्वनते वावृधानः ॥१०॥ भूरि^1 नाम^2 वन्दमानः^3 दधाति^4 पिता^5 वसो^6 यदि^7 तत्^8 जोषयासे^9 । कुवित्^{10} देवस्य^{11} सहसा^{12} चकानः^{13} सुम्नम्^{14} अग्निः^{15} वनते^{16} ववृधानः^{17} ॥
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10. Then indeed ⁵the Father ³adores and ⁴holds, ⁶O Dweller in the substance, ¹the vast ²Name (the world of vast Truth) ⁷when ^{8,9}thou makest him to accept and cleave to it. ¹⁵Will in us ¹³desires ¹⁴the bliss and, ¹⁷increasing, ¹⁶wins it ¹⁰entirely (once and again) ¹²by the force ¹¹of the Godhead (the Deva, the supreme Deity of whom all the gods are different Names and Powers).

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त्वमंग जरितारं यविष्ठ विश्वान्यग्ने दुरिताति पर्षि ।
स्तेना अदृश्रद्रिपवो जनासोऽज्ञातकेता वृजिना अभूवन् ॥११॥
त्वम्<sup>1</sup> अङ्ग<sup>2</sup> जरितारम्<sup>3</sup> यविष्ठ<sup>4</sup> विश्वानि<sup>5</sup> अग्ने<sup>6</sup> दुःऽइता<sup>7</sup> अति<sup>8</sup> पर्षि<sup>9</sup> ।
स्तेनाः<sup>10</sup> अदृश्रन्<sup>11</sup> रिपवः<sup>12</sup> जनासः<sup>13</sup> अज्ञातऽकेताः<sup>14</sup> वृजिनाः<sup>15</sup> अभूवन्<sup>16</sup> ॥
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11. ¹Thou, 6O Will, 4O youngest vigour, 9carriest ³thy adorer 8beyond ⁵all 7stumblings into grief and evil; for ¹³the creatures ¹¹are seen of [by] thee ¹²who would do hurt to us and ¹⁰are thieves in their hearts, — ¹⁴they whose perceptions are void of the knowledge and therefore ¹⁶they have fallen ¹⁵into the crookedness [¹⁶they have become ¹⁵crooks].

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इमे यामासस्त्वद्रिगभूवन्वसवे वा तिददागो अवाचि । नाहायमग्निरिभशस्तये नो न रीषते वावृधानः परा दात् ॥१२॥ इमे¹ यामासः² त्वद्रिक्³ अभूवन्⁴ वसवे⁵ वा^6 तत्^7 इत्^8 आगः^9 अवाचि^{10} । ^{11} अह^{12} अयम्^{13} अग्निः^{14} अभिङशस्तये^{15} नः^{16} न^{17} रिषते^{18} ववृधानः^{19} परा^{20} दात्^{21} ॥
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12. Lo, all ¹these ²movements of our journeying ⁴have turned ³their faces towards thee, ⁶and ^{7,8}for that ⁹evil in us, ¹⁰it is declared ⁵to the Dweller in our being (to the Shining One). O ¹¹¹,¹²never can ¹³this ¹⁴Will ¹⁰in his increasing ²⁰,²¹betray us ¹⁵to the hurter of our self-expression; ¹⁵he will not ²⁰,²¹deliver ¹⁶us ¹³into the hands of our enemy!

The Fourth Hymn to Agni

THE DIVINE WILL, PRIEST, WARRIOR AND LEADER OF OUR JOURNEY

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त्वामग्ने वसुपतिं वसूनामभि प्र मंदे अध्वरेषु राजन् । त्वया वाजं वाजयंतो जयेमाभि ष्याम पृत्सुतीर्मर्त्यानां ॥१॥ त्वाम् अग्ने वसुङ्पतिम् वसूनाम् अभि प्र मन्दे अध्वरेषु राजन् । त्वया वाजम् वाजङ्यन्तः वसूनाम् अभि प्र स्याम प्र पृत्सुतीः मर्त्यानाम् ॥

1. ²Strength (Fire), ³master ⁴over the lords of substance, ⁵towards ¹thee ^{6,7}I direct my delight ⁸in the march of my sacrifices. ⁹O King, ¹⁰by thee, ¹²increasing thy plenitudes, ¹³may we conquer ¹¹our plenty and ^{14,15}overcome ¹⁶the embattled assaults ¹⁷of mortal powers.

हव्यवाळग्निरजरः पिता नो विभुर्विभावा सुदृशीको अस्मे । सुगार्हपत्याः सिमषो दिदीह्यस्मद्र्यक्सं मिमीहि श्रवांसि ॥२॥ हव्य७वाट् अग्निः अजरः पिता नः वि७भुः विभा७वा सु७दृशीकः अस्मे । सु७गार्हपत्याः सम् ११ इषः १२ दिदीहि १३ अस्मद्र्यक् १४ सम् १५ मिमीहि १६ श्रवांसि १७ ॥

2. ²Strength (Fire) ³unaging ¹that bears the oblation ⁴is the Father ⁵of us, he ⁹in us ⁶pervades in being and ⁷is extended in light and ⁸is perfect in vision. ¹³Kindle ¹¹altogether ¹²thy strengths of impulsion ¹⁰that belong perfectly to the Master in our dwelling (Agni), ¹⁶form ¹⁵altogether ¹⁷thy inspirations of knowledge and ¹⁴turn them towards us.

विशां किं विश्पितं मानुषीणां शुचिं पावकं घृतपृष्ठमिंन । नि होतारं विश्वविदं दिधध्वे स देवेषु वनते वार्याणि ॥३॥ विशाम् किवम् विश्पितम् मानुषीणाम् शुचिम् पावकम् घृतङपृष्ठम् अग्निम् ॥ नि होतारम् विश्वङविदम् विश्वध्वे स् देवेषु सः । ३ देवेषु । ४ वनते । ५ वार्याणि । ॥ 3. ⁸Will that is ²the Seer and ³Lord ¹of the creature ⁴in the human peoples, that is ⁵pure and ⁶purifies, ⁷with his surface of the mind's clarities. ⁸Will ¹¹omniscient ^{9,12}hold in you ¹⁰as the priest of your oblations, ¹³for this is he that ¹⁵wins for you ¹⁶your desirable boons ¹⁴in the godheads.

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जुषस्वाग्न इळया सजोषा यतमानो रश्मिभिः सूर्यस्य ।
जुषस्व नः सिमधं जातवेद आ च देवान्हविरद्याय विक्ष ।।४।।
जुषस्व¹ अग्ने² इळया³ सङजोषाः⁴ यतमानः⁵ रश्मिङभिः७ सूर्यस्य<sup>7</sup> ।
जुषस्व<sup>8</sup> नः<sup>9</sup> सम्ङइधम्¹० जातङवेदः¹¹ आ¹² च¹³ देवान्¹⁴ हविःङअद्याय¹⁵ विक्षि¹७ ॥
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4. ⁴Becoming of one heart ³with the goddess of Truth-vision (IIa), ⁵labouring ⁶by the rays ⁷of the Sun of Light, ¹cleave to us with love, ²O Strength (Fire): ⁸accept in heart ¹⁰thy fuel ⁹in us, ¹¹O Knower of the Births, ¹³and ^{12,16}bring to us ¹⁴the gods ¹⁵that they may eat of our offering.

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जुष्टो दमूना अतिथिर्दुरोण इमं नो यज्ञमुप याहि विद्वान् ।
विश्वा अग्ने अभियुजो विहत्या शत्रूयतामा भरा भोजनानि ॥५॥
जुष्टः दमूनाः अतिथिः दुरोणे इमम् नः वज्ञम् उप<sup>8</sup> याहि विद्वान् ।
विश्वा अग्ने अभिञ्युजः विञ्हत्य १ शत्रुञ्यताम् । आ विश्वा स्व
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5. ²Domiciled ⁴in our gated dwelling, ³the Guest ¹loved and accepted, ^{8,9}come ⁵to this ⁶our ⁷sacrifice ¹⁰in all thy knowledge (as the knower); ¹¹all these ^{13a}energies ¹⁴slay ^{13b}that set themselves to attack us and ^{16,17}bring to us ¹⁸their enjoyments ¹⁵who make themselves our enemies.

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वधेन दस्युं प्र हि चातयस्य वयः कृण्वानस्तन्वे स्वायै ।
पिपर्षि यत्सहसस्युत्र देवान्त्सो अग्ने पाहि नृतम वाजे अस्मान् ।।६।।
वधेन¹ दस्युम्² प्र³ हि⁴ चातयस्व⁵ वयः<sup>6</sup> कृण्वानः<sup>7</sup> तन्वे<sup>8</sup> स्वायै<sup>9</sup> ।
पिपर्षि¹<sup>0</sup> यत्¹¹ सहसः¹² पुत्र¹³ देवान्¹⁴ सः¹⁵ अग्ने¹<sup>6</sup> पाहि¹<sup>7</sup> नृऽतम¹<sup>8</sup> वाजे¹<sup>9</sup> अस्मान्<sup>20</sup> ॥
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6. ^{3,4,5}Chase from us ¹with thy blow ²the Divider, ⁷make ⁶a free space (for growth) ⁹for thine own ⁸body! ¹¹When, ¹³O Son ¹²of Force, ¹⁰athou art carrying ¹⁴the gods ¹⁰bover to their goal, ¹⁷protect ²⁰us ¹⁹in the plenitude of our possession, ¹⁶O Strength (Fire), ¹⁸O mightiest Deity.

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वयं ते अग्न उक्थैर्विधेम वयं हव्यैः पावक भद्रशोचे ।
अस्मे रियं विश्ववारं सिमन्वास्मे विश्वानि द्रविणानि धेहि ।।७ ।।
वयम् १ ते २ अग्ने ३ उक्थैः १ विधेम ५ वयम् ६ हव्यैः ७ पावक भद्रशोचे १ ।
अस्मे १० रियम् १ विश्व ५ वारम् १ सम् १ इन्व १ अस्मे १ विश्वानि १ द्रविणानि १ धेहि ॥
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7. ^{5a}May ¹we ^{5b}order aright ²for thee our sacrifice ⁴by our words and ⁷by our offerings, ⁸O Will that purifiest, ⁹O happy flame of purity; ¹⁰in us ^{13,14}pervade ¹¹a felicity ¹²of all desirable boons, ¹⁵in us ¹⁸confirm ¹⁶all ¹⁷substance of our riches.

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अस्माकमग्ने अध्वरं जुषस्व सहसः सूनो त्रिषधस्थ हव्यं ।
वयं देवेषु सुकृतः स्याम शर्मणा नस्त्रिवरूथेन पाहि ॥८॥
अस्माकम् अग्ने अध्वरम् जुषस्व सहसः सूनो त्रिष्ठसधस्थ हव्यम् ॥
वयम् देवेषु १० सुष्ठकृतः स्याम १२ शर्मणा १३ नः १४ त्रिष्ठवरूथेन १५ पाहि ॥
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8. ²O Will, ⁶O Son ⁵of Force ⁷who dwellest in the three worlds (mental, vital, physical) of our session, ⁴cleave in heart ¹to our ³sacrifice, ⁴cleave ¹to our ⁸oblation. ^{12a}May ⁹we ^{12b}become ¹¹perfect in our works ¹⁰in the godheads; ¹⁶protect ¹⁴us ¹³by thy peace ¹⁵triple-armoured (¹³peace ¹⁵in the mental, vital and physical being).

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विश्वानि नो दुर्गहा जातवेदः सिंधुं न नावा दुरिताति पर्षि ।
अग्ने अत्रिवन्नमसा गृणानोऽस्माकं बोध्यविता तनूनां ॥९॥
विश्वानि<sup>1</sup> नः<sup>2</sup> दुःङगहा<sup>3</sup> जातऽवेदः<sup>4</sup> सिन्धुम्<sup>5</sup> न<sup>6</sup> नावा<sup>7</sup> दुःङइता<sup>8</sup> अति<sup>9</sup> पर्षि<sup>10</sup> ।
अग्ने<sup>11</sup> अत्रिङवत्<sup>12</sup> नमसा<sup>13</sup> गृणानः<sup>14</sup> अस्माकम्<sup>15</sup> बोधि<sup>16</sup> अविता<sup>17</sup> तनूनाम्<sup>18</sup> ॥
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9. ⁴O Knower of the Births, ¹⁰bear ²us ⁹over ¹every ³difficult crossing, yea, ⁹over ¹all ⁸stumblings into evil ⁶as ⁷in a ship ¹⁰that travels ⁹over ⁵the waters. ¹¹O Will, ¹⁴expressed ¹⁵by us ¹³with our obeisance of submission ¹²as the Eater of things (Atri), ¹⁶awake in us, ¹⁷be the fosterer ¹⁸of our embodyings (not only the physical body, but the vital and mental sheaths – all the embodied states or forms of soul).

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यस्त्वा हृदा कीरिणा मन्यमानो७मर्त्यं मर्त्यो जोहवीमि ।
जातवेदो यशो अस्मासु धेहि प्रजाभिरग्ने अमृतत्वमश्यां ॥१०॥
यः¹ त्वा² हृदा³ कीरिणा⁴ मन्यमानः⁵ अमर्त्यम्६ मर्त्यः<sup>७</sup> जोहवीमि<sup>8</sup> ।
जात७वेदः<sup>9</sup> यशः¹<sup>0</sup> अस्मास्¹¹ धेहि¹² प्रठजाभिः¹³ अग्ने¹⁴ अमृतठत्वम¹⁵ अश्याम¹६ ॥
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10. ⁵I meditate ²on thee ³with a heart ⁴that does the Work and, ⁷mortal, ⁸I call ⁶to the Immortal. ⁹O Knower of the Births, ¹²confirm ¹⁰victory ¹¹in us; ¹³by the children of my works, ¹⁴O Will, ¹⁶may I enjoy ¹⁵immortality.

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यस्मै त्वं सुकृते जातवेद उ लोकमग्ने कृणवः स्योनं ।
अश्विनं स पुत्रिणं वीरवंतं गोमंतं रियं नशते स्वस्ति ॥११॥
यस्मै<sup>1</sup> त्वम्<sup>2</sup> सुङकृते<sup>3</sup> जातङवेदः<sup>4</sup> ऊं<sup>5</sup> लोकम्<sup>6</sup> अग्ने<sup>7</sup> कृणवः<sup>8</sup> स्योनम्<sup>9</sup> ।
अश्विनम्<sup>10</sup> सः<sup>11</sup> पुत्रिणम्<sup>12</sup> वीरङवन्तम्<sup>13</sup> गोङमन्तम्<sup>14</sup> रियम्<sup>15</sup> नशते<sup>16</sup> स्वस्ति<sup>17</sup> ॥
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11. ⁴O Knower of the Births, ³the man perfect in his works ¹for whom ²thou ⁸Createst ⁵that other ⁹blissful ⁶world (the supramental world), ¹⁶reaches ¹⁵a felicity that is peopled ¹⁷happily with ¹⁰his life's swiftnesses (Horses - vital powers), ¹⁴his herds of Light, ¹²the children of his soul (new soul-formations), ¹³the armies of his energy.

The Fifth Hymn to Agni

A HYMN OF THE SUMMONING OF THE GODS

Rig Veda V.5

(15/409-12)

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सुसिमद्धाय शोचिषे घृतं तीव्रं जुहोतन ।
अग्नये जातवेदसे ॥१॥
सुऽसिमद्धाय<sup>1</sup> शोचिषे<sup>2</sup> घृतम्<sup>3</sup> तीव्रम्<sup>4</sup> जुहोतन<sup>5</sup> ॥
अग्नये<sup>6</sup> जातऽवेदसे<sup>7</sup> ॥
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1. ⁶To the Will ⁷that knoweth all the births, ¹to the Flame highly kindled, ²purely luminous ⁵offer ⁴a poignant ³clarity.

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नराशंसः सुषूदतीमं यज्ञमदाभ्यः ।
कविर्हि मधुहस्त्यः ॥२॥
नराशंसः । सुसूदित<sup>2</sup> इमम्<sup>3</sup> यज्ञम्<sup>4</sup> अदाभ्यः ।
कविः<sup>6</sup> हि<sup>7</sup> मधु९हस्त्यः ॥
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2. ¹This is he that expresses the powers of the gods, ⁵the untameable ²who speeds on its way ³this our ⁴sacrifice, ⁷this is [indeed] ⁶the seer ⁸who comes with the wine of sweetness in his hands.

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ईळितो अग्न आ वहेंद्रं चित्रमिह प्रियं ।
सुखै रथेभिरूतये ॥३॥
ईळितः अग्ने<sup>2</sup> आ<sup>3</sup> वह<sup>4</sup> इन्द्रम्<sup>5</sup> चित्रम्<sup>6</sup> इह<sup>7</sup> प्रियम्<sup>8</sup> ।
सुङखैः <sup>9</sup> रथेभिः <sup>10</sup> ऊतये <sup>11</sup> ॥
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3. ²O Strength (Fire), ¹we have sought thee with our adoration, ^{3,4}bring ⁷hither ⁵the God-Mind (Indra) ⁶bright and ⁸dear ⁹in his happy ¹⁰chariots (the manifold movement of the Divine Mind) ¹¹for our increasing.

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ऊर्णम्रदा वि प्रथस्वाभ्यर्का अनूषत ।
भवा नः शुभ्र सातये ॥४॥
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ऊर्णङम्रदाः¹ वि² प्रथस्व³ अभि⁴ अर्काः⁵ अनूषत6 ।
भव<sup>7</sup> नः<sup>8</sup> शुभ्र<sup>9</sup> सातये¹० ॥
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4. ²Widely ³spread thyself, ¹softly, thickly covering; ⁴towards thee ⁶lighten [sound high – HMF] ⁵the voices of our illumination. ⁷Be ⁹white and bright ⁸in us ¹⁰that we may conquer.

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देवीर्द्घारो वि श्रयध्वं सुप्रायणा न ऊतये ।
प्रप्र यज्ञं पृणीतन ।।५।।
देवीः द्वारः वि³ श्रयध्वम् सुप्रङअयनाः नः कतये ।
प्रडप्र<sup>8</sup> यज्ञम् पृणीतन ।।
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5. ^{3,4}Swing open, ²O ye Doors ¹divine (doors of the concealed heavenly realms). And ⁵give us easy passage ⁶for our ⁷expanding (soul); ⁸farther, farther ¹⁰lead and fill ⁹our sacrifice.

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सुप्रतीके वयोवृधा यह्वी ऋतस्य मातरा ।
दोषामुषासमीमहे ॥६॥
सुप्रतीके<sup>1</sup> वयः ७वृधा<sup>2</sup> यह्वी<sup>3</sup> ऋतस्य<sup>4</sup> मातरा<sup>5</sup> ।
दोषाम्<sup>6</sup> उषसम्<sup>7</sup> ईमहे<sup>8</sup> ॥
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6. ⁶Darkness and ⁷Dawn (Night and Day) ⁸we desire, ³two mighty ⁵Mothers ⁴of the Truth (divine and human consciousness), ¹fairly fronting us, ²increasers of our spacious being.

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वातस्य पत्मन्नीळिता दैव्या होतारा मनुषः ।
इमं नो यज्ञमा गतं ।।७।।
वातस्य पत्मन्² ईळिता³ दैव्या⁴ होतारा⁵ मनुषः ।
इमम्<sup>7</sup> नः<sup>8</sup> यज्ञम्<sup>9</sup> आ<sup>10</sup> गतम् <sup>11</sup> ॥
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7. And ⁴O ye divine ⁵Priests ⁶of our humanity, ³O worshipped Twain, ^{10,11}approach ²on the paths ¹of the Life-breath ⁷to this ⁸our ⁹sacrifice.

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इळा सरस्वती मही तिस्रो देवीर्मयोभुवः ।
बर्हिः सीदंत्वस्रिधः ।।८।।
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इळा¹ सरस्वती² मही³ तिस्रः⁴ देवीः⁵ मयः७भुवः॰ ।
बर्हिः<sup>7</sup> सीदन्तु<sup>8</sup> अस्त्रिधः<sup>9</sup> ॥
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8. ¹She of the vision of knowledge (IIa), ²she of its flowing inspiration (Saraswati), ³she of its vastness (Mahi), ⁴three ⁵goddesses ⁶who give birth to the Bliss, ⁹they who stumble not (or, who are not assailed, cannot be attacked), ⁸may they take their seats ⁷at the altar strewn of the sacrifice.

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शिवस्त्वष्टरिहा गहि विभुः पोष उत त्मना ।
यज्ञेयज्ञे न उदव ॥९॥
शिवः<sup>1</sup> त्वष्टः<sup>2</sup> इह<sup>3</sup> आ<sup>4</sup> गहि<sup>5</sup> वि७भुः<sup>6</sup> पोषे<sup>7</sup> उत<sup>8</sup> त्मना<sup>9</sup> ।
यज्ञे७यज्ञे<sup>10</sup> नः<sup>11</sup> उत्<sup>12</sup> अव<sup>13</sup> ॥
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9. ²O Fashioner of things (Twashtri), ¹beneficent ³hither ^{4,5}come to us; ⁶pervader of all in thy being, ⁷in thy nourishing of all ⁸and ⁹with thyself, ¹⁰in sacrifice after sacrifice ¹³foster ¹¹our ¹²ascension.

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यत्र वेत्थ वनस्पते देवानां गुह्या नामानि ।
तत्र हव्यानि गामय ।।१०।।
यत्र वेत्थ<sup>2</sup> वनस्पते<sup>3</sup> देवानाम्<sup>4</sup> गुह्या<sup>5</sup> नामानि<sup>6</sup> ।
तत्र हव्यानि<sup>8</sup> गमय<sup>9</sup> ॥
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10. ³O Master of Delight (Soma) ¹to that goal (Ananda) where ²thou knowest ⁵the secret ⁶Names ⁴of the gods, ⁷thither ⁹lead ⁸our offerings.

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स्वाहाग्नये वरुणाय स्वाहेंद्राय मरुद्भ्यः ।
स्वाहा देवेभ्यो हविः ॥११॥
स्वाहा¹ अग्नये² वरुणाय³ स्वाहा⁴ इन्द्राय⁵ मरुत्७भ्यः<sup>6</sup> ।
स्वाहा<sup>7</sup> देवेभ्यः<sup>8</sup> हविः<sup>9</sup> ॥
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11. ¹Swaha ²to the Will (Agni) and ³to the Lord of Wideness (Varuna), ⁴Swaha ⁵to the God-Mind (Indra) and ⁶to the Thought-Power (Maruts), ⁷Swaha ⁸to the godheads be ⁹the food of our oblation.

The Sixth Hymn to Agni

THE GALLOPING FLAME-POWERS OF THE JOURNEY

Rig Veda V.6

(15/413-16)

अग्निं तं मन्ये यो वसुरस्तं यं यन्ति धेनवः । अस्तमर्वन्त आशवोऽस्तं नित्यासो वाजिन इषं स्तोतृभ्य आ भर ॥१॥ अग्निम्¹ तम्² मन्ये³ यः⁴ वसुः⁵ अस्तम्६ यम्⁷ यन्ति⁸ धेनवः९ । अस्तम्¹⁰ अर्वन्तः¹¹ आशवः¹² अस्तम्¹³ नित्यासः¹⁴ वाजिनः¹⁵ इषम्¹६ स्तोतृऽभ्यः¹⁷ आ¹⁸ भर¹९ ॥

1. ²On [that] ¹Strength (Fire) ³I meditate ⁴who is ⁵the dweller in substance and ⁷to him ⁶as their home ⁸go ⁹our fostering herds, ⁷to him ¹⁰as their home ¹²our swift (¹⁴eternal) ¹¹war-steeds (Arvats), ⁷to him ¹³as their home ¹⁵our powers of the plenitude. ^{18,19}Bring ¹⁷to those who affirm thee ¹⁶thy force of the impulsion.

सो अग्निर्यो वसुर्गृणे सं यमायन्ति धेनवः । समर्वन्तो रघुद्रुवः सं सुजातासः सूरय इषं स्तोतृभ्य आ भर ॥२॥ सः¹ अग्निः² यः³ वसुः⁴ गृणे⁵ सम्⁶ यम्⁷ आडयन्ति⁸ धेनवः⁹ । सम्¹⁰ अर्वन्तः¹¹ रघुडद्रुवः¹² सम्¹³ सुडजातासः¹⁴ सूरयः¹⁵ इषम् स्तोतृडभ्यः आ भर ॥

2. ¹He is that ²Strength (Fire) ³who ⁴is the dweller in substance; ⁷him ⁵I express ^{6,8}in whom come together (combine and harmonise) ⁹our fostering herds, ⁷in whom ^{10,8}meet ¹²our swiftly galloping ¹¹war-steeds, ⁷in whom (^{13,8}meet) ¹⁵our luminous seers ¹⁴that come to perfect birth in us. *Bring to those who affirm thee thy force of the impulsion*.

अग्निर्हि वाजिनं विशे ददाति विश्वचर्षणिः । अग्नी राये स्वाभुवं स प्रीतो याति वार्यमिषं स्तोतृभ्य आ भर ॥३॥ अग्निः १ हि² वाजिनम् ३ विशे ३ ददाति ४ विश्व ७ चर्षणिः । अग्निः ६ राये ७ सू ७ साभुवम् ४ सः ९ प्रीतः १० याति ११ वार्यम् १२ इषम् स्तोतृ ७ भ्यः आ भर ॥ 3. (²Indeed) ¹Will (Fire), ⁵the universal toiler, ⁴gives ³to the creature ³his steed of the plenitude. ⁶Will (Fire) ⁴gives ⁸that which comes into entire being in us ⁷for the felicity and, ¹⁰satisfied, ⁹it ¹¹journeys ¹²to the desirable good. *Bring to those who affirm thee thy force of the impulsion*.

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आ ते अग्न इधीमिह द्युमन्तं देवाजरम् । यद्ध स्या ते पनीयसी सिमद् दीदयित द्यवीषं स्तोतृभ्य आ भर ।।४।। 31^1 \, \mathrm{d}^2 \, \mathrm{3} अग्ने^3 \, इधीमिह^4 \, द्यु\mathrm{5} मन्तम्^5 \, देव^6 \, अजरम्^7 \, । 21^8 \, ह^9 \, स्या^{10} \, ते^{11} \, पनीयसी^{12} \, सम्\mathrm{5}इत्^{13} \, दीदयित^{14} \, द्यवि^{15} \, इषम् स्तोतृ\mathrm{5}भ्यः आ भर ॥
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4. ²That fire of thee ^{1,4}we kindle ⁶O God, ³O Flame, ⁵luminous, ⁷unaging, ⁸when ¹²that more effective ¹¹force of thy labour ^{13,14}blazes ¹⁵in our heavens. *Bring to those who affirm thee thy force of the impulsion*.

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आ ते अग्न ऋचा हिवः शुकस्य शोचिषस्पते ।
सुश्चन्द्र दस्म विश्पते हव्यवाट् तुभ्यं हूयत इषं स्तोतृभ्य आ भर ।।५।।
आ¹ ते² अग्ने³ ऋचा⁴ हिवः⁵ शुक्रस्य<sup>6</sup> शोचिषः<sup>7</sup> पते<sup>8</sup> ।
सुडचन्द्र<sup>9</sup> दस्म¹० विश्पते¹¹ हव्यडवाट्¹² तुभ्यम्¹³ हूयते¹⁴ इषम् स्तोतृडभ्यः आ भर ॥
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5. ³Will (Fire), ⁸master ⁶of the pure-bright ⁷flame, ²thine is ⁵the offering ^{1,14}cast ⁴by the illumining word; ¹²bearer of the oblation, ¹³to thee ^{1,14}it is cast, ¹¹O master of the creature, ¹⁰achiever of works, ⁹perfect in delight. *Bring to those who affirm thee thy force of the impulsion*.

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प्रोत्ये अग्नयोङिग्नषु विश्वं पुष्यन्ति वार्यम् ।
ते हिन्विरे त इन्विरे त इषण्यन्त्यानुषगिषं स्तोतृभ्य आ भर ।।६।।
प्रो<sup>1</sup> त्ये<sup>2</sup> अग्नयः<sup>3</sup> अग्निषु<sup>4</sup> विश्वम्<sup>5</sup> पुष्यन्ति<sup>6</sup> वार्यम्<sup>7</sup> ।
ते<sup>8</sup> हिन्विरे<sup>9</sup> ते<sup>10</sup> इन्विरे<sup>11</sup> ते<sup>12</sup> इषण्यन्ति<sup>13</sup> आनुषक्<sup>14</sup> इषम् स्तोतृङभ्यः आ भर ॥
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6. ²Those are ³thy flames that ⁴in these thy other flames ⁶nourish and ¹advance ⁵every ⁷desirable good; ⁸they, they ⁹race! ¹⁰they, they ¹¹run! ¹²they ¹³drive on in their impulsions ¹⁴without a break. *Bring to those who affirm thee thy force of the impulsion*.

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तव त्ये अग्ने अर्चयो महि ब्राधन्त वाजिनः ।
ये पत्विभः शफानां ब्रजा भूरन्त गोनामिषं स्तोतृभ्य आ भर ॥७॥
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तव<sup>1</sup> त्ये<sup>2</sup> अग्ने<sup>3</sup> अर्चयः<sup>4</sup> मिह<sup>5</sup> ब्राधन्त<sup>6</sup> वाजिनः<sup>7</sup> ।
ये<sup>8</sup> पत्व७भिः<sup>9</sup> शफानाम्<sup>10</sup> ब्रजा<sup>11</sup> भूरन्त<sup>12</sup> गोनाम्<sup>13</sup> इषम् स्तोतृ७भ्यः आ भर ॥
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7. ²Those are ¹thy ⁴fiery rays, ³O Will (Agni), ⁷steeds of the plenitude, and ⁶they increase ⁵into the largeness and ¹⁰with tramplings ⁹of their hooves ⁸they ¹²bring ¹¹in the pens ¹³of the luminous kine (the illuminations of the divine Truth penned up in the cavern of the sub-conscient by the lords of the sense-action). *Bring to those who affirm thee thy force of the impulsion*.

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नवा नो अग्न आ भर स्तोतृभ्यः सुक्षितीरिषः ।
ते स्याम य आनृचुस्त्वादूतासो दमेदम इषं स्तोतृभ्य आ भर ॥८॥
नवाः<sup>1</sup> नः<sup>2</sup> अग्ने<sup>3</sup> आ<sup>4</sup> भर<sup>5</sup> स्तोतृङभ्यः<sup>6</sup> सुङक्षितीः<sup>7</sup> इषः<sup>8</sup> ।
ते<sup>9</sup> स्याम<sup>10</sup> ये<sup>11</sup> आनृचुः<sup>12</sup> त्वाङदूतासः<sup>13</sup> दमेङदमे<sup>14</sup> इषम् स्तोतृङभ्यः आ भर ॥
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8. ^{4,5}Bring, ³O Will (Agni), ⁶to those who affirm thee ¹new ⁸strengths of impulsion ⁷that find aright their dwelling-place (the world of the Truth, the superconscient plane, own home of Agni); ^{2,10}may we be ⁹they ¹¹who ¹³because they have thee for their messenger, ¹²sing the hymn of illumination ¹⁴in home and home. *Bring to those who affirm thee thy force of the impulsion*.

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उभे सुश्चन्द्र सर्पिषो दर्वी श्रीणीष आसिन ।
उतो न उत् पुपूर्या उक्थेषु शवसस्पत इषं स्तोतृभ्य आ भर ॥९॥
उभे<sup>1</sup> सुञ्चन्द्र<sup>2</sup> सर्पिषः<sup>3</sup> दर्वी<sup>4</sup> श्रीणीषे<sup>5</sup> आसिन<sup>6</sup> ।
उतो<sup>7</sup> नः<sup>8</sup> उत्<sup>9</sup> पुपूर्याः<sup>10</sup> उक्थेषु<sup>11</sup> शवसः<sup>12</sup> पते<sup>13</sup> इषम् स्तोतृञ्भ्यः आ भर ॥
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9. ¹Both ⁴ladles ³of the running richness (the divine and the human delight) ⁵thou approachest ⁶to thy mouth, ²O perfect in delight; (⁷then) ^{10a}mayst thou ^{11a}in ⁸our ^{11b}speakings ⁹utterly ^{10b}fill thyself, ¹³O master ¹²of shining strength. *Bring to those who affirm thee thy force of the impulsion*.

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एवाँ अग्निमजुर्यमुर्गीर्भिर्यज्ञेभिरानुषक् ।
दधदस्मे सुवीर्यमुत त्यदाश्वश्व्यमिषं स्तोतृभ्य आ भर ।।१०।।
एव<sup>1</sup> अग्निम्<sup>2</sup> अजुर्यमुः<sup>3</sup> गीः७भिः<sup>4</sup> यज्ञेभिः<sup>5</sup> आनुषक्<sup>6</sup> ।
दधत्<sup>7</sup> अस्मे<sup>8</sup> सु७वीर्यम्<sup>9</sup> उत<sup>10</sup> त्यत्<sup>11</sup> आश्जअश्व्यम्<sup>12</sup> इषम् स्तोतृ७भ्यः आ भर ॥
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10. ¹So (thus) ⁴by our words and ⁵our sacrifices ³athey 6without any break ³bdrive and control ²the Strength (Fire). ⁵May he establish 8in us 9an utter energy (the heropower of the battling soul) ¹¹and ¹¹that ¹²swift galloping force (a play on words – "swift horse-swiftness"). Bring to those who affirm thee thy force of the impulsion.

The Seventh Hymn to Agni

THE DIVINE WILL, DESIRER, ENJOYER, PROGRESSIVE FROM THE ANIMAL TO BLISS AND KNOWLEDGE

Rig Veda V.7

(15/417-20)

सखायः सं वः सम्यंचिमषं स्तोमं चाग्नये । वर्षिष्ठाय क्षितीनामूर्जो नप्त्रे सहस्वते ॥१॥ सखायः सम्² वः सम्यञ्चम् इषम् स्तोमम् च⁷ अग्नये ॥ वर्षिष्ठाय क्षितीनाम् ¹⁰ ऊर्जः ¹¹ नप्त्रे ¹² सहस्वते ¹³ ॥

1. ¹O comrades, ³in you ⁴an absolute ⁵force of impulsion ⁷and ²an utter ⁶affirming ⁸for the Strength (Fire) ⁹that lavishes all his abundance ¹⁰on the worlds of our dwelling (or, on the dwellers of the world), ¹³for the master of Force, ¹²for the son ¹¹of Energy.

कुत्रा चिद्यस्य समृतौ रण्वा नरो नृषदने । अर्हतश्चिद्यमिंधते संजनयंति जंतवः ॥२॥ कुत्र¹ चित्² यस्य³ सम्ङऋतौ⁴ रण्वाः⁵ नरः६ नृङसदने७ । अर्हन्तः८ चित्९ यम्¹० इन्धते¹¹ सम्ङजनयन्ति¹² जन्तवः¹३ ॥

2. ^{1,2}Wheresoever ⁶man's soul ⁴comes to utter meeting ³with him, ⁵it becomes full of delight ⁷in its dwelling-place. ⁹Even ⁸they who are adepts in the strength ¹¹continue to kindle ¹⁰the flame of him and ¹³all creatures born ¹²work to bring him to perfect birth.

सं यदिषो वनामहे सं हव्या मानुषाणां । उत द्युम्नस्य शवस ऋतस्य रश्मिमा ददे ।।३।। सम्¹ यत्² इषः³ वनामहे⁴ सम्⁵ हव्या⁶ मानुषाणाम्⁷ । उत⁸ द्युम्नस्य⁹ शवसा¹⁰ ऋतस्य¹¹ रश्मिम्¹² आ¹³ ददे¹⁴ ॥ 3. ²When ⁵wholly ⁴we possess and enjoy ³our strengths of impulsion, ⁵wholly all that ⁷men ⁶offer as a sacrifice, ⁸then ^{13,14}I receive ¹²the ray ¹¹of the Truth ⁹in its illumination and ¹⁰shining energy (or, ¹²the ray ⁹of the light, ¹⁰the luminous force, ¹¹the truth).

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स स्मा कृणोति केतुमा नक्तं चिद्दूर आ सते ।
पावको यद्धनस्पतीन्त्र स्मा मिनात्यजरः ॥४॥
सः<sup>1</sup> स्म<sup>2</sup> कृणोति<sup>3</sup> केतुम्<sup>4</sup> आ<sup>5</sup> नक्तम्<sup>6</sup> चित्<sup>7</sup> दूरे<sup>8</sup> आ<sup>9</sup> सते<sup>10</sup> ।
पावकः<sup>11</sup> यत्<sup>12</sup> वनस्पतीन्<sup>13</sup> प्र<sup>14</sup> स्म<sup>15</sup> मिनाति<sup>16</sup> अजरः<sup>17</sup> ॥
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4. ²Verily ¹he ^{5,3}creates ⁴the light of perception ⁷even ^{9,10}for one who sits ⁸far off ⁶in the night, ¹²when ¹⁷himself undecaying ¹¹the purifier ^{14,16,15}compresses (ravages) ¹³the lords of the woodland of delight.

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अव स्म यस्य वेषणे स्वेदं पथिषु जुह्वति । अभीमह स्वजेन्यं भूमा पृष्ठेव रुरुहुः ॥५॥ अव^1 स्म^2 यस्य^3 वेषणे^4 स्वेदम्^5 पथिषु^6 जुह्वति^7 । अभि^8 ईम्^9 अह^{10} स्व^5न्यम्^{11} भूम^{12} पृष्ठा^{13} इव^{14} रुरुहः^{15} ॥
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5. ^{4a}When in ³his ^{4b}circling ^{7a}men cast (¹down) ⁵the sweat of their toil ^{7b}as an offering ⁶on the paths, then ^{8,10,15} they ascend ⁹to him ¹¹where he sits self-joyous ¹⁴like ¹⁵climbers who arrive ⁸upon ¹²large ¹³levels.

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यं मर्त्यः पुरुस्पृहं विदद्धिश्वस्य धायसे ।
प्रस्वादनं पितूनामस्ततातिं चिदायवे ॥६॥
यम्<sup>1</sup> मर्त्यः<sup>2</sup> पुरुऽस्पृहम्<sup>3</sup> विदत्<sup>4</sup> विश्वस्य<sup>5</sup> धायसे<sup>6</sup> ।
प्र<sup>7</sup> स्वादनम्<sup>8</sup> पितूनाम्<sup>9</sup> अस्तऽतातिम्<sup>10</sup> चित्<sup>11</sup> आयवे<sup>12</sup> ॥
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6. ¹Him ^{4a}shall ²mortal man ^{4b}come to know ³as the godhead who has this multitude of his desires ⁶that he may establish in us ⁵the all; for ⁷he reaches forward ⁸to the sweet taste ⁹of all foods and ¹⁰he builds a home (the higher divine world) ¹²for this human being.

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स हिष्मा धन्वाक्षितं दाता न दात्या पशुः।
हिरिश्मश्रुः श्चिदन्नृभूरनिभृष्टतविषिः।।७।।
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सः<sup>1</sup> हि<sup>2</sup> स्म<sup>3</sup> धन्व<sup>4</sup> आ५िक्षतम्<sup>5</sup> दाता<sup>6</sup> न<sup>7</sup> दाति<sup>8</sup> आ<sup>9</sup> पशुः<sup>10</sup> ।
हिरि५श्मश्रुः<sup>11</sup> शुचि५दन्<sup>12</sup> ऋभुः<sup>13</sup> अनिभृष्ट५तविषिः<sup>14</sup> ॥
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7. ²Yea, ¹he ^{6,3}teareth to pieces ⁴this desert (dry material existence) ⁵in which we dwell ⁷as ¹⁰the Animal ^{9,8}that teareth its food; ¹¹the beard of this Beast is of the golden light, ¹²his fang is a purity and (¹³like a smith) ¹⁴the force in him is not afflicted by his heats.

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शुचिः ष्म यस्मा अत्रिवत्प्र स्वधितीव रीयते ।
सुषूरसूत माता क्राणा यदानशे भगं ॥
शुचिः<sup>1</sup> स्म<sup>2</sup> यस्मै<sup>3</sup> अत्रिऽवत्<sup>4</sup> प्र<sup>5</sup> स्वधितिः<sup>6</sup> इव<sup>7</sup> रीयते<sup>8</sup> ।
सुऽसूः<sup>9</sup> असूत<sup>10</sup> माता<sup>11</sup> क्राणा<sup>12</sup> यत्<sup>13</sup> आनशे<sup>14</sup> भगम्<sup>15</sup> ॥
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8. ¹Pure ²indeed is ³he for whom ⁴as for the eater of things (Atri) ^{5,8}there is the flowing progression ⁶by Nature (the self-ordering power of Nature *Swadha*) ⁷as ⁶by an axe, and ⁹with a happy travail ¹¹she, his Mother, ¹⁰brought him forth ¹³that ¹²he may accomplish her works and ¹⁴taste ¹⁵of the (divine) enjoyment.

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आ यस्ते सर्पिरासुतेङग्ने शमस्ति धायसे ।
ऐषु द्युम्नमुत श्रव आ चित्तं मर्त्येषु धाः ॥९॥
आ<sup>1</sup> यः<sup>2</sup> ते<sup>3</sup> सर्पिः<sup>4</sup> आसुते<sup>5</sup> अग्ने<sup>6</sup> शम्<sup>7</sup> अस्ति<sup>8</sup> धायसे<sup>9</sup> ।
आ<sup>10</sup> एषु<sup>11</sup> द्युम्नम्<sup>12</sup> उत<sup>13</sup> श्रवः<sup>14</sup> आ<sup>15</sup> चित्तम्<sup>16</sup> मर्त्येषु<sup>17</sup> धाः<sup>18</sup> ॥
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9. ⁶O Strength (Fire), ⁵O presser out on us ⁴of the running richness, ^{1,2}when thou findest one who ⁸is ⁷a glad peace ⁹for the establishing ³of thy works, ¹¹in such ¹⁷mortals ¹²illumination ^{10,18}establish ¹³and ¹⁴inspired knowledge ¹³and ¹⁶the conscious soul.

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इति चिन्मन्युमध्रिजस्त्वादातमा पशुं ददे ।
आदग्ने अपृणतोङित्रः सासह्याद्दस्यूनिषः सासह्यान्नृन् ॥१०॥
इति चित्<sup>2</sup> मन्युम्<sup>3</sup> अध्रिजः<sup>4</sup> त्वाङदातम्<sup>5</sup> आ<sup>6</sup> पशुम्<sup>7</sup> ददे<sup>8</sup> ।
आत्<sup>9</sup> अग्ने <sup>10</sup> अपृणतः <sup>11</sup> अत्रिः <sup>12</sup> ससह्यात् <sup>13</sup> दस्यून् <sup>14</sup> इषः <sup>15</sup> ससह्यात् <sup>16</sup> नृन् <sup>17</sup> ॥
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10. ^{1,2}For to this end ⁴I born in the material existence ^{6,8}receive ⁵as thy gift ³the emotional mind and ⁷the animal being (or, the Cow of light). ⁹Yea, ¹⁰O Will (Agni), ^{13a}may ¹²the eater of things (Atri) ^{13b}overpower ¹⁴the Dividers (the Dasyus who hack and cut up the growth and unity of the soul) ¹¹who minister not to his fullness; ¹⁷these souls ¹⁵that rush upon him with their impulsions ¹⁶may he overcome.

The Eighth Hymn to Agni

DIVINE WILL, THE UNIVERSAL FULFILLER

Rig Veda V.8

(15/421-23)

त्वामग्न ऋतायवः समीधिरे प्रत्नं प्रत्नास ऊतये सहस्कृत ।
पुरुश्चन्द्रं यजतं विश्वधायसं दमूनसं गृहपितं वरेण्यम् ॥१॥
त्वाम् अग्ने ऋतङ्यवः सम् ईधिरे प्रत्नम् प्रत्नासः ऊतये सहः कृत ।
पुरुष्ठचन्द्रम् १० यजतम् १ विश्वष्ठधायसम् १ दमूनसम् १ गृहष्रितम् १ वरेण्यम् १ ॥

1. ²Will (Agni), ⁹who art by force created in us, ¹thee ⁶the pristine (ancient) Power ⁷the pristine (ancient) ³seekers of the Truth ⁵kindled ⁴entirely ⁸that they might grow in their being, ¹¹the god in the sacrifice, ¹⁰who because he has the multitude of his delights ¹²establishes (or, fosters) the all, ¹³domiciled in us, ¹⁴master of the dwelling, ¹⁵inmate supremely desirable.

त्वामग्ने अतिथिं पूर्व्यं विशः शोचिष्केशं गृहपतिं नि षेदिरे । बृहत्केतुं पुरुरुपं धनस्पृतं सुशर्माणं स्ववसं जरद्विषम् ॥२॥ त्वाम् अग्ने अतिथिम् पूर्व्यम् विशः शोचिः ७केशम् गृह७पतिम् नि सेदिरे ॥ बृहत् ७केतुम् पुरुठ रूपम् ॥ धन७ स्पृतम् ॥ सुठशर्माणम् असुठ अवसम् अरत् ७ विषम् ॥

2. ²Will (Agni), ¹in thee ⁴the supreme ("first", both original and supreme) ³guest and ⁷master of the house ⁶with his locks of light ⁵the peoples ^{8,9}take their foundation because ¹⁰thou hast with thee vast vision and ¹¹the multitude of thy forms and ¹²the extraction of our riches and ¹³the perfect peace and ¹⁴perfect being and ¹⁵the destruction of enemies (the hostile powers).

त्वामग्ने मानुषीरीळते विशो होत्राविदं विविचिं रत्नधातमम् । गुहा सन्तं सुभग विश्वदर्शतं तुविष्वणसं सुयजं घृतिश्रियम् ॥३॥ त्वाम् अग्ने मानुषीः ईळते विशः होत्राऽविदम् विविचिम् रत्नऽधातमम् ॥ गुहा सन्तम् सुअभग विश्वऽदर्शतम् तुविऽस्वनसम् सुअयजम् ५ घृतऽश्रियम् ॥ 3. ²Will (Agni), ¹thee ³the human ⁵peoples ⁴seek with their adoration ⁶who hast knowledge of the powers (or, process) of the sacrifice and ⁷rightly discriminating ⁸holdest for us utterly the delight and ¹⁰thou art seated ⁹in our secret being, ¹¹O perfect enjoyer, ¹²seeing with a universal vision, ¹³pouring the multitude of thy voices, ¹⁴doing aright the sacrifice, ¹⁵agleam with the glory of the clarity.

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त्वामग्ने धर्णसिं विश्वधा वयं गीर्भिर्गृणन्तो नमसोप सेदिम । स नो जुषस्व सिमधानो अङ्गिरो देवो मर्तस्य यशसा सुदीतिभिः ॥४॥ त्वाम् अग्ने ^2 धर्णसिम् विश्वधा ^4 वयम् ^5 गीः ५ भिः ^6 गृणन्तः ^7 नमसा ^8 उप ^9 सेदिम ^{10} । सः ^{11} नः ^{12} जुषस्व ^{13} सम् ५ इधानः ^{14} अङ्गिरः ^{15} देवः ^{16} मर्तस्य ^{17} यशसा ^{18} सुदीति ५ भिः ^{19} ॥
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4. ²Will (Agni), ³who sustainest the law of things ⁴in their universality, ¹thee ⁵we ^{9,10}approach ⁸with obeisance of submission and ⁷express ¹thee ⁶by the words; ¹¹so do thou, ¹⁵O puissant seer, ¹³approve and cleave ¹²to us, ¹⁶a godhead ¹⁴set high-blazing ¹⁸by the victory (attainment, or the splendor or glory) ¹⁷of the mortal, ¹⁹by his right illuminings.

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त्वमग्ने पुरुरुपो विशेविशे वयो दधासि प्रत्नथा पुरुष्टुत ।
पुरुण्यत्रा सहसा वि राजिस त्विषिः सा ते तित्विषाणस्य नाधृषे ॥५॥
त्वम्¹ अग्ने² पुरुङ्ख्पः³ विशेङ्विशे⁴ वयः⁵ दधासि<sup>6</sup> प्रत्नङथा<sup>7</sup> पुरुङ्स्तुत<sup>8</sup> ।
पुरुणि<sup>9</sup> अन्ना¹<sup>0</sup> सहसा¹¹ वि¹² राजिस¹³ त्विषिः¹⁴ सा¹⁵ ते¹<sup>6</sup> तित्विषाणस्य¹<sup>7</sup> न¹<sup>8</sup> आङ्थृषे¹<sup>9</sup> ॥
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5. ²Will (Agni) ⁸multiply affirmed, ¹thou ³takest many forms ⁴according to the man and ⁶establishest ⁴for each ⁵his wide manifestation ⁷even as of old; ^{12,13}thou illuminest ¹¹in thy force ⁹the many things ¹⁰that are thy food and ¹⁸none ¹⁹can do violence to ¹⁵that ¹⁴ablaze of ¹⁶thy ¹⁴blight ¹⁷when so thou blazest up.

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त्वामग्ने सिमधानं यिवष्ठा देवा दृतं चिकरे हव्यवाहनम् । उरुज्जयसं घृतयोनिमाहुतं त्वेषं चक्षुर्दिधिरे चोदयन्मिति ।।६।। त्वाम् ^1 अग्ने ^2 सम्७इधानम् ^3 यिवष्ठ्य देवाः ^5 दूतम् ^6 चिक्रिरे ^7 हव्य७वाहनम् ^8। उरु७ज्जयसम् ^9 घृत७योनिम् ^{10} आ७हुतम् ^{11} त्वेषम् ^{12} चक्षुः ^{13} दिधिरे ^{14} चोदयत् ७मित ^{15}॥
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6. ²Will (Agni), ⁴youngest vigour, ¹thee ⁵the gods ³have kindled high and ⁷made ⁶their envoy to man and ⁸the bearer of his offerings; ⁹wide in thy rapidities, ¹⁰born from the clarity, ¹¹receiver of the oblation, ¹thee ¹⁴they have set in him ¹²as a keen and burning ¹³eye ¹⁵that urges his mentality.

त्वामग्ने प्रदिव आहुतं घृतैः सुम्नायवः सुषिमधा समीधिरे । स वावृधान ओषधीभिरुक्षितोऽभि ज्ञयांसि पार्थिवा वि तिष्ठसे ।।७।। त्वाम् अग्ने² प्रऽदिवः³ आऽहुतम्⁴ घृतैः⁵ सुम्नऽयवः⁶ सुऽसिमधा⁷ सम्⁸ ईधिरे⁹। सः¹⁰ ववृधानः¹¹ ओषधीभिः¹² उक्षितः¹³ अभि¹⁴ ज्ञयांसि¹⁵ पार्थिवा¹⁶ वि¹⁷ तिष्ठसे¹⁸॥

7. ²Will (Agni), ²thee ⁶men who seek the bliss ^{8,9}kindle high ⁷with an entire kindling, ⁴fed ⁵by their clarities ³in the front of heaven (Heaven and earth; the pure mental being and material consciousness); ¹¹so increasing, ¹³diffused ¹²by its growths that hold its heats, ^{17,18}thou enterest widely ¹⁴into ¹⁶all the earth-life's ¹⁵speeding movements.

The Ninth Hymn to Agni

DIVINE WILL, ASCENDENT FROM THE ANIMAL TO MENTALITY

Rig Veda V.9

(15/424-26)

त्वामग्ने हविष्मन्तो देवं मर्तास ईळते । मन्ये त्वा जातवेदसं स हव्या वक्ष्यानुषक् ॥१॥ त्वाम्¹ अग्ने² हविष्मन्तः³ देवम्⁴ मर्तासः⁵ ईळते⁶ । मन्ये⁷ त्वा⁸ जात७वेदसम्⁹ सः¹⁰ हव्या¹¹ वक्षि¹² आनुषक्¹³ ॥

1. ¹Thee ⁴the godhead ⁵mortals ³with the oblation 6seek, ²O Will (Agni); 8on thee ¹I meditate 9who knowest the births; ¹0therefore thou (he) ¹²carriest to the goal ¹¹our offerings ¹³without a break.

अग्निर्होता दास्वतः क्षयस्य वृक्तबर्हिषः । सं यज्ञासश्चरन्ति यं सं वाजासः श्रवस्यवः ॥२॥ अग्निः होता² दास्वतः अयस्य⁴ वृक्त७बर्हिषः । सम्⁶ यज्ञासः ⁷ चरन्ति ⁸ यम् ⁹ सम् ¹⁰ वाजासः ¹¹ श्रवस्यवः ¹² ॥

2. ¹Will (Agni) ²is the priest of the oblation ³for man who gives the offering and ⁵forms the seat of sacrifice and ⁴attains to his home; ⁹for in him ⁷our works of sacrifice ^{6,8}converge ⁹and in him (^{10,8}converge) ¹¹our plenitudes ¹²of the Truth's inspirations.

उत स्म यं शिशुं यथा नवं जिनष्टारणी । धर्तारं मानुषीणां विशामग्निं स्वध्वरम् ॥३॥ उत¹ स्म² यम्³ शिशुम्⁴ यथा⁵ नवम्⁶ जिनष्ट⁷ अरणी⁸ । धर्तारम्⁹ मानुषीणाम्¹⁰ विशाम्¹¹ अग्निम्¹² सुङअध्वरम्¹³ ॥

3. ^{2a}True ¹too ^{2b}it is that ⁷thou art born ⁸from the two Workings ⁵like ⁶a new-born ⁴infant, ⁹thou who art the upholder ¹⁰of the human ¹¹peoples. ¹²Will ¹³that leads aright the sacrifice.

[Alt.] ^{2a}True ¹too ^{2b}it is that (³in him) thou ⁷(who) art born ⁸from the two Workings (two Aranis or tinders – Heaven and Earth) ⁵like ⁶a new-born ⁴infant, (³in him), thou ⁹who art the upholder ¹⁰of the human ¹¹peoples – ¹²(in) Will ¹³that leads aright the sacrifice (converge.... as in preceding verse).

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उत स्म दुर्गृभीयसे पुत्रो न ह्वार्याणाम् ।
पुरु यो दग्धासि वनाग्ने पशुर्न यवसे ।।४।।
उत<sup>1</sup> स्म<sup>2</sup> दुः ७गृभीयसे<sup>3</sup> पुत्रः <sup>4</sup> न<sup>5</sup> ह्वार्याणाम् <sup>6</sup> ।
पुरु<sup>7</sup> यः <sup>8</sup> दग्धा <sup>9</sup> असि<sup>10</sup> वना<sup>11</sup> अग्ने<sup>12</sup> पशुः <sup>13</sup> न<sup>14</sup> यवसे<sup>15</sup> ॥
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4. ^{2a}True ¹too ^{2b}it is that ³thou art hard to seize ⁵as ⁴a son ⁶of crookednesses (the crooked movements of our being winding through the obstructions of our mortal existence) ⁸when thou (¹²O Agni) ^{9,10}devourest ⁷the many ¹¹growths of delight ¹⁴like ¹³an Animal ¹⁵that feeds in his pasture.

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अध स्म यस्यार्चयः सम्यक् संयन्ति धूमिनः ।
यदीमह त्रितो दिव्युप ध्मातेव धमित शिशीते ध्मातरी यथा ॥५॥
अध<sup>1</sup> स्म<sup>2</sup> यस्य<sup>3</sup> अर्चयः<sup>4</sup> सम्यक्<sup>5</sup> सम्७यन्ति<sup>6</sup> धूमिनः<sup>7</sup> ।
यत्<sup>8</sup> ईम्<sup>9</sup> अह<sup>10</sup> त्रितः<sup>11</sup> दिवि<sup>12</sup> उप<sup>13</sup> ध्माता<sup>14</sup> इव<sup>15</sup> धमित<sup>16</sup> शिशीते<sup>17</sup> ध्मातरि<sup>18</sup> यथा<sup>19</sup> ॥
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5. ^{1,2}But afterwards ³thy (lit. whose) ⁴fiery rays ⁷with their smoky passion ⁶meet together ⁵entirely; ¹⁰oh ⁸then, ¹¹the third Soul (Trita Aptya, the purusha of the mental plane) ^{13,16}forges ⁹him ¹²in our heavens ¹⁵like ¹⁴a smith in his smithy; ¹⁹'tis as if ¹⁸in the smith himself that ¹⁷he whets him into a weapon of sharpness.

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तवाहमग्न ऊतिभिर्मित्रस्य च प्रशस्तिभिः ।
द्वेषोयुतो न दुरिता तुर्याम मर्त्यानाम् ।।६।।
तव<sup>1</sup> अहम्<sup>2</sup> अग्ने<sup>3</sup> ऊति७भिः<sup>4</sup> मित्रस्य<sup>5</sup> च<sup>6</sup> प्रशस्ति७भिः<sup>7</sup> ।
द्वेषः७युतः<sup>8</sup> न<sup>9</sup> दुः७इता<sup>10</sup> तुर्याम<sup>11</sup> मर्त्यानाम्<sup>12</sup> ॥
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6. ³O Will (Agni), ^{11a}may ²I ¹by thy ⁴expandings ⁶and ¹thy ⁷expressings ⁵of the Lord of Love (Mitra), — yea, ^{11a}may ⁹we, ⁸as men assailed by enemies, so besieged by discords, ^{11b}pass through and beyond ¹⁰these stumblings ¹²of mortals.

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तं नो अग्ने अभी नरो रियं सहस्व आ भर ।
स क्षेपयत् स पोषयद् भुवद् वाजस्य सातय उतैधि पृत्सु नो वृधे ।।७।।
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तत् 1 नः 2 अग्ने 3 अभि 4 नरः 5 रियम् 6 सहस्यः 7 आ 8 भर 9 । सः 10 क्षेपयत् 11 सः 12 पोषयत् 13 भुवत् 14 वाजस्य 15 सातये 16 उत 17 एधि 18 पृत् 19 नः 20 वृधे 21 ॥

7. ^{8,9}Bring ⁴to ²us ⁵human souls ¹that ⁶felicity, ³O Will (Agni), ⁷thou forceful one! ^{11a}May ¹⁰he ^{11b}shoot us forward on our path, ^{13a}may ¹²he ^{13b}nourish and increase us and ¹⁴be in us ¹⁶for the conquest ¹⁵of the plenitude. (¹⁷And) ¹⁸March ²⁰with us ¹⁹in our battles ²¹that we may grow.

The Tenth Hymn to Agni

THE HYMN OF THE SPLENDID SOULS WHO ATTAIN

Rig Veda V.10

(15/427-29)

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अग्न ओजिष्ठमा भर द्युम्नमस्मभ्यमिध्रगो । प्र नो राया परीणसा रित्स वाजाय पन्थाम् ॥१॥ अग्ने ओजिष्ठम् ^2 आ^3 भर^4 द्युम्नम् ^5 अस्मभ्यम् ^6 अध्रिगो ^7 । प्र^8 नः^9 राया^{10} परीणसा^{11} रित्स^{12} वाजाय^{13} पन्थाम्^{14} ॥
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1. ¹O Flame, ⁷O Ray in our limited existence (light full of energy – HMF), ^{3,4}bring ⁶for us ⁵an illumination ²full of utter energy, ¹¹by an all-encompassing ¹⁰felicity ¹²cleave ⁸forward ⁹our ¹⁴path ¹³towards the plenitude.

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त्वं नो अग्ने अद्भुत कत्वा दक्षस्य मेहना ।
त्वे असुर्यमारुहत् काणा मित्रो न यज्ञियः ॥२॥
त्वम्<sup>1</sup> नः<sup>2</sup> अग्ने<sup>3</sup> अद्भुत<sup>4</sup> क्रत्वा<sup>5</sup> दक्षस्य<sup>6</sup> मंहना<sup>7</sup> ।
त्वे<sup>8</sup> असुर्यम्<sup>9</sup> आ<sup>10</sup> अरुहत्<sup>11</sup> क्राणा<sup>12</sup> मित्रः<sup>13</sup> न<sup>14</sup> यज्ञियः<sup>15</sup> ॥
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2. ³O Flame, ¹thou ⁴supreme and wonderful thing, ¹it is thou who ⁵by force of will becomest ²in us ⁷the greatness ⁶of discerning power; ⁸in thee ¹³the all-harmonising Friend (Mitra) ¹⁵in the sacrifice ¹²accomplishes the work and ^{10,11}climbs ⁹to divine mastery.

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त्वं नो अग्न एषां गयं पुष्टिं च वर्धय ।
ये स्तोमेभिः प्र सूरयो नरो मघान्यानशः ॥३॥
त्वम् नः अग्ने एषाम् गयम् पुष्टिम् च वर्धय ॥
ये स्तोमेभिः प प्रा सूरयः नरः । मघानि । आनशः ॥
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3. ¹Thou, ³O Strength (Fire), 8increase 5the advancing (or, the attainment) 7and 6the growth 4of these 9who are ¹2,13 splendid souls of knowledge that ¹0by their affirmations of thee ¹1,15 attain to ²our ¹4 fullnesses.

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ये अग्ने चन्द्र ते गिरः शुम्भन्त्यश्वराधसः ।
शुष्मेभिः शुष्मिणो नरो दिवश्चिद् येषां बृहत् सुकीर्तिर्बोधित त्मना ।।४।।
ये<sup>1</sup> अग्ने<sup>2</sup> चन्द्र<sup>3</sup> ते<sup>4</sup> गिरः<sup>5</sup> शुम्भन्ति<sup>6</sup> अश्व७राधसः<sup>7</sup> ।
शुष्मेभिः<sup>8</sup> शुष्मिणः<sup>9</sup> नरः<sup>10</sup> दिवः<sup>11</sup> चित्<sup>12</sup> येषाम्<sup>13</sup> बृहत्<sup>14</sup> सुङकीर्तिः<sup>15</sup> बोधित<sup>16</sup> त्मना<sup>17</sup> ॥
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4. ¹These are ⁴they, ²O Strength (Fire), ³O Delight, 7who have a happy richness of the swift forces of life and 6turn to a happy light 5the words of the thought, ¹0souls 9puissant 8with hero-puissances, ¹3for whom ¹2even ¹¹in heaven (heights of pure mentality) is ¹⁴the Vastness; ¹7of itself ¹5its perfect working ¹6awakes to knowledge ¹³for these.

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तव त्ये अग्ने अर्चयो भ्राजन्तो यन्ति धृष्णुया ।
परिज्मानो न विद्युतः स्वानो रथो न वाजयुः ॥५॥
तव<sup>1</sup> त्ये<sup>2</sup> अग्ने<sup>3</sup> अर्चयः<sup>4</sup> भ्राजन्तः<sup>5</sup> यन्ति<sup>6</sup> धृष्णुऽया<sup>7</sup> ।
परिञ्ज्मानः<sup>8</sup> न<sup>9</sup> विञ्चुतः<sup>10</sup> स्वानः<sup>11</sup> रथः<sup>12</sup> न<sup>13</sup> वाजञ्युः<sup>14</sup> ॥
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5. ²These are ¹thy ⁴flaming rays, ³O Strength (Fire), ⁶that go ⁵blazing ⁷violently and are ⁹like ¹⁰lightnings ⁸that run over all the quarters and are ¹³like ¹¹a resonant ¹²chariot ¹⁴that speeds towards the plenitude.

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नू नो अग्न ऊतये सबाधसश्च रातये ।
अस्माकासश्च सूरयो विश्वा आशास्तरीषणि ॥६॥
नु<sup>1</sup> नः<sup>2</sup> अग्ने<sup>3</sup> ऊतये<sup>4</sup> सङबाधसः<sup>5</sup> च<sup>6</sup> रातये<sup>7</sup> ।
अस्माकासः<sup>8</sup> च<sup>9</sup> सूरयः<sup>10</sup> विश्वाः<sup>11</sup> आशाः<sup>12</sup> तरीषणि<sup>13</sup> ॥
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6. ¹Now, ³O Strength (Fire), ⁵alike may (²we ⁶and) those that are beset and hampered ⁴attain to expansion and ⁵the soul's riches ⁰and ¹³amay ⁵these our ¹⁰splendid souls of knowledge ¹³btraverse ¹¹all ¹²the regions (heavens of the mental existence) and beyond.

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त्वं नो अग्ने अङ्गिरः स्तुतः स्तवान आ भर ।
होतर्विभ्वासहं रियं स्तोतृभ्यः स्तवसे च न उतैधि पृत्सु नो वृधे ।।७।।
त्वम्<sup>1</sup> नः<sup>2</sup> अग्ने<sup>3</sup> अङ्गिरः<sup>4</sup> स्तुतः<sup>5</sup> स्तवानः<sup>6</sup> आ<sup>7</sup> भर<sup>8</sup> ।
होतः<sup>9</sup> विभ्वङसहम्<sup>10</sup> रियम्<sup>11</sup> स्तोतृङभ्यः<sup>12</sup> स्तवसे<sup>13</sup> च<sup>14</sup> नः<sup>15</sup> उत<sup>16</sup> एधि<sup>17</sup> पृत्ङस्<sup>18</sup> नः<sup>19</sup> वृधे<sup>20</sup> ॥
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7. ³O Strength (Fire), ⁴O Soul of Puissance, ^{5a}when ¹thou ^{5b}art affirmed and ⁶in thy affirming, ^{7,8}bring to ²us, ⁹O priest of the offering, ¹¹felicity, ¹⁰of an all-pervading forcefulness ¹²for all that affirm thee ¹⁴and ¹³for thy affirmation ¹⁶again. ¹⁷March ¹⁵with us ¹⁹in our ¹⁸battles ²⁰that we may grow.

The Eleventh Hymn to Agni

A HYMN TO THE DIVINE PRIEST AND SACRIFICIAL FLAME

Rig Veda V.11

(15/430-32)

जनस्य गोपा अजिनष्ट जागृविरग्निः सुदक्षः सुविताय नव्यसे । घृतप्रतीको बृहता दिविस्पृशा द्युमद् वि भाति भरतेभ्यः शुचिः ॥१॥ जनस्य¹ गोपाः² अजिनष्ट³ जागृविः⁴ अग्निः⁵ सु७दक्षः⁶ सुविताय⁷ नव्यसे⁸ । घृत७प्रतीकः⁹ बृहता¹⁰ दिवि७स्पृशा¹¹ द्यु७मत्¹² वि¹³ भाति¹⁴ भरतेभ्यः¹⁵ शुचिः¹⁶ ॥

1. ²The protector ¹of the creature ³is born, ⁵the Flame ⁴that is wakeful and ⁶perfect in discernment, ⁸for a new ⁷march to felicity. ⁹His front is of the clarities, ¹²luminously ¹⁴he shines ¹³wide ¹⁰so that the vastness of him ¹¹touches the heavens, ¹⁶he is pure ¹⁵for the bringers of the riches.

यज्ञस्य केतुं प्रथमं पुरोहितमिनं नरस्त्रिषधस्थे समीधिरे । इन्द्रेण देवैः सरथं स बर्हिषि सीदित्र होता यजथाय सुकतुः ॥२॥ यज्ञस्य केतुम् प्रथमम् पुरः ५ हितम् अग्निम् नरः ५ त्रि ५ सधस्थे 7 सम् 8 ईधिरे 9 । इन्द्रेण 10 देवैः 11 स७रथम् 12 सः 13 बर्हिषि 14 सीदत् 15 नि 16 होता 17 यजथाय 18 सु 9 सु 9 ॥

2. ⁶Men ^{8,9}have kindled high ⁷in the triple world of the session (mind, life and body) ⁵the Flame ³supreme ²to be vision ¹in the sacrifice and ⁴the vicar set in front; ¹³he ¹²comes in one chariot ¹⁰with the God-Mind (Indra) and ¹¹the divine Powers and ^{16,15}sits ¹⁴on the seat of sacrifice, ¹⁷the Priest of the oblation ¹⁹perfect in will-power ¹⁸for the sacrificing.

असंमृष्टो जायसे मात्रोः शुचिर्मन्द्रः कविरुदितष्ठो विवस्वतः । घृतेन त्वावर्धयन्नग्न आहुत धूमस्ते केतुरभवद् दिवि श्रितः ॥३॥ असम् ७ मृष्टः । जायसे २ मात्रोः ३ शुचिः ४ मन्द्रः ५ कविः ५ उत् ७ अतिष्ठः ६ विवस्वतः १ ॥ घृतेन १० त्वा ११ अवर्धयन् १२ अग्ने १३ आ ५ हत १४ धूमः १५ ते १६ केतुः १७ अभवत् १८ दिवि १९ श्रितः २० ॥ 3. ¹Unovercome and ⁴pure (or, ⁴pure ¹without cleansing) ²thou art born ³from thy mothers twain; ^{7,8}thou hast risen up ⁵a rapturous ⁶seer ⁹from the all-luminous sun; ¹²they have increased ¹¹thee ¹⁰with the clarity, ¹³O Flame, and ¹⁵the passion-smoke ¹⁶of thee ¹⁸becomes ¹⁷vision ²⁰when it reaches and lodges ¹⁹in the heavens.

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अग्निर्नो यज्ञमुप वेतु साधुयाङ्गि नरो वि भरन्ते गृहेगृहे ।
अग्निर्दूतो अभवद्धव्यवाहनोङ्गि वृणाना वृणते कविकतुम् ॥४॥
अग्निः नः यज्ञम् उप<sup>4</sup> वेतु साधुङ्या अग्निम् नरः वि<sup>9</sup> भरन्ते <sup>10</sup> गृहेङ्गृहे <sup>11</sup> ।
अग्निः <sup>12</sup> दूतः <sup>13</sup> अभवत् <sup>14</sup> हव्यङ्वाहनः <sup>15</sup> अग्निम् <sup>16</sup> वृणानाः <sup>17</sup> वृणते <sup>18</sup> कविङ्कतुम् <sup>19</sup> ॥
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4. ^{5a}May ¹the Flame ^{5b}come ⁴to ²our ³sacrifice ⁶with power to accomplish; ⁷the Flame ⁸men ^{9,10}carry ¹¹into every room of their dwelling-place; ¹²the Flame ¹⁴has become ¹³our messenger and ¹⁵the bearer of our offering; ¹⁷when men accept ¹⁶the Flame into themselves, ¹⁹it is the seer-will that ¹⁸they accept.

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तुभ्येदमग्ने मधुमत्तमं वचस्तुभ्यं मनीषा इयमस्तु शं हृदे । त्वां गिरः सिन्धुमिवावनीर्महीरा पृणन्ति शवसा वर्धयन्ति च ।।५।। तुभ्य¹ इदम्² अग्ने³ मधुमत्ऽतमम्⁴ वचः⁵ तुभ्यम्^6 मनीषा^7 इयम्^8 अस्तु^9 शम्^{10} हृदे^{11} । त्वाम्^{12} गिरः^{13} सिन्धुम्^{14} इव^{15} अवनीः^{16} महीः^{17} आ^{18} पृणन्ति^{19} शवसा^{20} वर्धयन्ति^{21} च^{22} ॥
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5. ¹For thee, ³O Flame, ²this ⁵Word ⁴fraught fullest with the honey (Soma), ⁶for thee ⁸this ⁷Thought and ⁹may it be ¹⁰the peace and bliss ¹¹in thy heart. For ¹³the words of the Thought ^{18,19}satisfy ²²and ²¹increase ¹²thee (²⁰with force) ¹⁵as those ¹⁷great ¹⁶fostering streams ^{18,19}fill ²²and ²¹increase ¹⁴that ocean.

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त्वामग्ने अङ्गरसो गुहा हितमन्वविन्दिञ्छिश्रियाणं वनेवने ।
स जायसे मथ्यमानः सहो महत् त्वामाहुः सहसस्पुत्रमङ्गिरः ॥६॥
त्वाम् अग्ने<sup>2</sup> अङ्गरसः<sup>3</sup> गुहा<sup>4</sup> हितम्<sup>5</sup> अनु<sup>6</sup> अविन्दन्<sup>7</sup> शिश्रियाणम्<sup>8</sup> वने७वने<sup>9</sup> ।
सः<sup>10</sup> जायसे<sup>11</sup> मथ्यमानः<sup>12</sup> सहः<sup>13</sup> महत्<sup>14</sup> त्वाम्<sup>15</sup> आहुः<sup>16</sup> सहसः<sup>17</sup> पुत्रम्<sup>18</sup> अङ्गिरः<sup>19</sup> ॥
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6. ²O Flame, ³the souls of puissance (the seven ancient seers, the Angiras Rishis)

^{6,7}discovered ¹thee ⁵hidden ⁴in the secret place (the subconscient heart in things),

⁸lodging ⁹in every object of delight; ¹²by our pressure on thee ¹⁰thou ¹¹art born, ¹⁴a mighty ¹³force; ¹⁸the Son ¹⁷of Force ¹⁶they have called ¹⁵thee, ¹⁹O Puissance.

The Twelfth Hymn to Agni

A HYMN OF MAN'S ASPIRATION TO THE TRUTH

Rig Veda V.12

(15/433-35)

प्राग्नये बृहते यज्ञियाय ऋतस्य वृष्णे असुराय मन्म । घृतं न यज्ञ आस्ये सुपूतं गिरं भरे वृषभाय प्रतीचीम् ॥१॥ प्र¹ अग्नये² बृहते³ यज्ञियाय⁴ ऋतस्य⁵ वृष्णे⁶ असुराय⁷ मन्म⁸ । घृतम्⁹ न¹⁰ यज्ञे¹¹ आस्ये¹² सुञ्पूतम्¹³ गिरम्¹⁴ भरे¹⁵ वृषभाय¹⁶ प्रतीचीम्¹⁷ ॥

1. ²To Will, ⁴master of sacrifice, ⁷the Mighty One, ³the vast lord and ⁶diffuser ⁵of the Truth ^{1,15}I bring forward ⁸my thought as an offering and ¹⁰it is as ⁹the clarified butter ¹¹of the sacrifice ¹³purified ¹²in the mouth of the flame; ¹⁴my word ^{1,15}I bring forward ¹⁷that goes to meet ¹⁶its lord.

ऋतं चिकित्व ऋतिमिच्चिकिद्घ्यृतस्य धारा अनु तृन्धि पूर्वीः । नाहं यातुं सहसा न द्वयेन ऋतं सपाम्यरुषस्य वृष्णः ॥२॥ ऋतम्¹ चिकित्वः² ऋतम्³ इत्⁴ चिकिद्धि⁵ ऋतस्य⁶ धाराः⁷ अनु⁸ तृन्धि⁹ पूर्वीः¹⁰ । न¹¹ अहम्¹² यातुम्¹³ सहसा¹⁴ न¹⁵ द्वयेन¹⁶ ऋतम्¹⁷ सपामि¹⁸ अरुषस्य¹⁹ वृष्णः²⁰ ॥

2. ²O conscious seer ¹of the Truth, ³the Truth ⁴alone ⁵perceive in my consciousness; ^{8,9}cleave out (from the rock in the hill) ¹⁰many ⁷flowing streams ⁶of the Truth. ¹¹Not ¹⁴by force, ¹⁵nor ¹⁶by the duality ^{13a}can ¹²I ^{13b}achieve the journey ¹⁵nor ¹⁸attain ¹⁷to the Truth ¹⁹of the shining Worker, ²⁰the fertilising Lord.

कया नो अग्न ऋतयत्रृतेन भुवो नवेदा उचथस्य नव्यः । वेदा मे देव ऋतुपा ऋतूनां नाहं पितं सिनतुरस्य रायः ॥३॥ कया¹ नः² अग्ने³ ऋतयन्⁴ ऋतेन⁵ भुवः⁶ नवेदाः⁷ उचथस्य⁸ नव्यः⁹ । वेद¹⁰ मे¹¹ देवः¹² ऋतुऽपाः¹³ ऋतूनाम्¹⁴ न¹⁵ अहम्¹⁶ पितम्¹⁷ सिनतुः¹⁸ अस्य¹⁹ रायः²⁰ ॥ 3. ¹By what thought ²in me, ³O Will (Agni), ^{6a}shalt thou ⁴seeking the Truth ⁵by the Truth ^{6b}become ⁷the impeller to knowledge ⁹of a new ⁸word? ¹²The godhead ^{13a}who guards ¹⁴the times and seasons of ^{13b}the Truth, ¹⁰knows all ¹¹in me, but him ¹⁶I ¹⁰know ¹⁵not, ¹⁷the lord ¹⁹of that ¹⁸all-possessing ²⁰felicity.

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के ते अग्ने रिपवे बन्धनासः के पायवः सिनषन्त द्युमन्तः ।
के धासिमग्ने अनृतस्य पान्ति क आसतो वचसः सिन्ति गोपाः ॥४॥
के<sup>1</sup> ते<sup>2</sup> अग्ने<sup>3</sup> रिपवे<sup>4</sup> बन्धनासः<sup>5</sup> के<sup>6</sup> पायवः<sup>7</sup> सिनषन्त<sup>8</sup> द्यु७मन्तः<sup>9</sup> ।
के<sup>10</sup> धासिम्<sup>11</sup> अग्ने<sup>12</sup> अनृतस्य<sup>13</sup> पान्ति<sup>14</sup> के<sup>15</sup> असतः<sup>16</sup> वचसः<sup>17</sup> सन्ति<sup>18</sup> गोपाः<sup>19</sup> ॥
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4. ¹Who are they, ³O Will (Agni), that are ²thy ⁵binders ⁴of the Enemy? ⁶who are ⁰the shining ones, 7the guardians, 8the seekers after possession and conquest? ¹⁰Who, ¹²O Will (Agni), ¹⁴protect ¹¹the foundations ¹³of the falsehood? ¹⁵who ¹8are ¹⁰the keepers ¹⁶of a present (or, false) ¹7word?

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सखायस्ते विषुणा अग्न एते शिवासः सन्तो अशिवा अभूवन् ।
अधूर्षत स्वयमेते वचोभिऋजूयते वृजिनानि ब्रुवन्तः ॥५॥
सखायः<sup>1</sup> ते<sup>2</sup> विषुणाः<sup>3</sup> अग्ने<sup>4</sup> एते<sup>5</sup> शिवासः<sup>6</sup> सन्तः<sup>7</sup> अशिवाः<sup>8</sup> अभूवन्<sup>9</sup> ।
अधूर्षत<sup>10</sup> स्वयम्<sup>11</sup> एते<sup>12</sup> वचः5भिः<sup>13</sup> ऋजु5यते<sup>14</sup> वृजिनानि<sup>15</sup> ब्रुवन्तः<sup>16</sup> ॥
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5. ¹²These are ¹comrades ²of thine, ⁴O Will (Agni), ³who have gone astray from thee; ⁶benignant ⁷were they, ⁹they have become ⁸malignant. ¹²These ¹⁰do violence ¹¹to themselves ¹³by their words ¹⁶speaking ¹⁵crooked things ¹⁴to the seeker after straightness.

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यस्ते अग्ने नमसा यज्ञमीट्ट ऋतं स पात्यरुषस्य वृष्णः । तस्य क्षयः पृथुरा साधुरेतु प्रसर्ग्नाणस्य नहुषस्य शेषः ॥६॥ यः^1 ते^2 अग्ने^3 नमसा^4 यज्ञम्^5 ईट्टे^6 ऋतम्^7 सः^8 पाति^9 अरुषस्य^{10} वृष्णः^{11} । तस्य^{12} क्षयः^{13} पृथुः^{14} आ^{15} साधुः^{16} एतु^{17} प्र^6 सर्ग्नाणस्य^{18} नहुषस्य^{19} शेषः^{20} ॥
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6. But ⁸he, ³O Will (Agni), ¹who ⁶desires ⁴with submission ²thy ⁵sacrifice, ⁹guards ⁷the truth ¹⁰of the shining Worker, ¹¹the Fertiliser (Bull). ¹²To him ^{15,17}may there come that ¹⁴wide ¹³habitation (Swar) ¹⁶in which all is perfected, ^{20a}even that which is left ¹⁹for man the pilgrim ^{20b}to accomplish ¹⁸in his forward journeying.

The Thirteenth Hymn to Agni

A HYMN OF AFFIRMATION OF THE DIVINE WILL

Rig Veda V.13

(15/436-37)

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अर्चन्तस्त्वा हवामहेऽर्चन्तः सिमधीमिह ।
अग्ने अर्चन्तः ऊतये ॥१॥
अर्चन्तः त्वा² हवामहे³ अर्चन्तः सम्<sup>6</sup> इधीमिहि<sup>7</sup> ।
अग्ने<sup>8</sup> अर्चन्तः<sup>9</sup> ऊतये<sup>10</sup> ॥
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1. ¹Chanting the word that illumines ³we call ²to thee, ⁵chanting the word that illumines ³we kindle thee (6high), 8O Will (Agni), 9chanting the word that illumines ¹0for our increase.

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अग्नेः स्तोमं मनामहे सिध्रमद्य दिविस्पृशः ।
देवस्य द्रविणस्यवः ॥२॥
अग्नेः । स्तोमम्² मनामहे³ सिध्रम्⁴ अद्य⁵ दिविङस्पृशः<sup>6</sup> ।
देवस्य<sup>7</sup> द्रविणस्यवः<sup>8</sup> ॥
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2. ⁵Today ³we seize with the mind ²the affirmation ⁴all-effective, ²the hymn ¹of the Will (Agni), ⁷of the godhead ⁸that seeks for us our divine substance, ⁶of him who touches the heavens.

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अग्निर्जुषत नो गिरो होता यो मानुषेष्वा ।
स यक्षद् दैव्यं जनम् ॥३॥
अग्निः जुषत<sup>2</sup> नः गिरः होता यः मानुषेषु आ॥ ।
सः थक्षत् वैव्यम् जनम् ॥
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3. ^{2a}May ¹the Will (Agni) ^{8,2b}accept with love ³our ⁴words, ⁶he who is here ⁵as the priest ⁷in men; ^{10a}may ⁹he ^{10b}offer the sacrifice ¹¹to the divine ¹²people.

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त्वमग्ने सप्रथा असि जुष्टो होता वरेण्यः ।
त्वया यजं वि तन्वते ।।४।।
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त्वम्<sup>1</sup> अग्ने<sup>2</sup> स७प्रथाः<sup>3</sup> असि<sup>4</sup> जुष्टः<sup>5</sup> होता<sup>6</sup> वरेण्यः<sup>7</sup> ।
त्वया<sup>8</sup> यज्ञम्<sup>9</sup> वि<sup>10</sup> तन्वते<sup>11</sup> ॥
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4. ³Very wide and vast ⁴art ¹thou, ²O Will (Agni), ⁶the priest of our offering ⁷desirable and ⁵beloved; ⁸by thee ¹¹men extend ¹⁰wide ⁹the form of their sacrifice.

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त्वामग्ने वाजसातमं विप्रा वर्धन्ति सुष्टुतम् ।
स नो रास्व सुवीर्यम् ॥५॥
त्वाम् अग्ने<sup>2</sup> वाजङसातमम्<sup>3</sup> विप्राः<sup>4</sup> वर्धन्ति<sup>5</sup> सुङस्तुतम्<sup>6</sup> ।
सः<sup>7</sup> नः<sup>8</sup> रास्व<sup>9</sup> सुङवीर्यम्<sup>10</sup> ॥
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5. ¹Thee, 6once rightly affirmed, 4the illumined 5increase, 2O Will (Agni), 3so that thou conquerest utterly the plenitude; therefore do thou (7may he) 9lavish 8on us ¹0a complete hero-energy.

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अग्ने नेमिरराँ इव देवाँस्त्वं परिभूरसि ।
आ राधश्चित्रमृञ्जसे ॥६॥
अग्ने नेमिः<sup>2</sup> अरान्<sup>3</sup> इव<sup>4</sup> देवान्<sup>5</sup> त्वम्<sup>6</sup> परि७भूः<sup>7</sup> असि<sup>8</sup> ।
आ<sup>9</sup> राधः<sup>10</sup> चित्रम्<sup>11</sup> ऋञ्जसे<sup>12</sup> ॥
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6. ¹O Will (Agni), ⁴as ²the nave of a wheel ³contains the spokes, ⁴so ⁶thou ^{7,8}containest in thy being ⁵all the gods; ^{9,12}thou shalt bring to us ¹¹a varied ¹⁰joy of those riches.

The Fourteenth Hymn to Agni

A HYMN OF THE FINDER OF LIGHT AND TRUTH

Rig Veda V.14

(15/438-39)

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अग्निं स्तोमेन बोधय सिमधानो अमर्त्यम् ।
हव्या देवेषु नो दधत् ॥१॥
अग्निम्<sup>1</sup> स्तोमेन<sup>2</sup> बोधय<sup>3</sup> सम्७इधानः<sup>4</sup> अमर्त्यम्<sup>5</sup> ।
हव्या<sup>6</sup> देवेषु<sup>7</sup> नः<sup>8</sup> दधत्<sup>9</sup> ॥
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1. ³Awaken ¹the Flame ²by the word that affirms him, ⁴kindle high ⁵the Immortal; ⁹let him place ⁸our ⁶offerings ⁷in the godheads.

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तमध्वरेष्वीळते देवं मर्ता अमर्त्यम् ।
यजिष्ठं मानुषे जने ॥२॥
तम्<sup>1</sup> अध्वरेषु<sup>2</sup> ईळते<sup>3</sup> देवम्<sup>4</sup> मर्ताः<sup>5</sup> अमर्त्यम्<sup>6</sup> ।
यजिष्ठम्<sup>7</sup> मानुषे<sup>8</sup> जने<sup>9</sup> ॥
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2. ¹Him ²in their pilgrim sacrifices ⁵mortal men ³desire and adore, ⁴the divine, ⁶the immortal, 7who is strongest for sacrifice 8in the human 9creature.

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तं हि शश्वन्त ईळते सुचा देवं घृतश्चुता ।
अग्निं हव्याय वोळ्हवे ॥३॥
तम्<sup>1</sup> हि<sup>2</sup> शश्वन्तः<sup>3</sup> ईळते<sup>4</sup> सुचा<sup>5</sup> देवम्<sup>6</sup> घृत७श्चुता<sup>7</sup> ।
अग्निम्<sup>8</sup> हव्याय<sup>9</sup> वोळ्हवे<sup>10</sup> ॥
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3. ¹Him, ⁶the godhead, ³man's continuous generations ⁴adore ⁵with the ladle (the constatntly lifted movement of man's aspiration towards the Truth and the Godhead) ⁷dripping with the clarities; ⁸the Will (Agni) ⁴they adore ¹⁰that he may bear ⁹their offering.

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अग्निर्जातो अरोचत घ्नंदस्यूंज्योतिषा तमः ।
अविंदद्गा अपः स्वः ॥४॥
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अग्निः^1 जातः^2 अरोचत^3 घ्नन्^4 दस्यून्^5 ज्योतिषा^6 तमः^7 । अविन्दत्^8 गाः^9 अपः^{10} स्वः^{11} ॥
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4. ²Born, ¹the Flame ³shines out ⁴slaying ⁵the Destroyers, yea, ⁴he smites ⁷the Darkness ⁶with the Light and ⁸he finds ⁹the shining Herds and ¹⁰those Waters and ¹¹the luminous world.

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अग्निमीळेन्यं कविं घृतपृष्ठं सपर्यत ।
वेतु मे शृणवद्धवम् ॥५॥
अग्निम्<sup>1</sup> ईळेन्यम्<sup>2</sup> कविम्<sup>3</sup> घृत७पृष्ठम्<sup>4</sup> सपर्यत<sup>5</sup> ।
वेतु<sup>6</sup> मे<sup>7</sup> शृणवत्<sup>8</sup> हवम्<sup>9</sup> ॥
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5. ¹The Will (Agni) ⁵serve and seek, ²the object of our adoration, ³the Seer ⁴with his surface of the clarities; ⁶may he come, ⁶may he hearken ⁶ato ⁷my ⁶bcall.

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अग्नि घृतेन वावृधुः स्तोमेभिर्विश्वचर्षणिम् ।
स्वाधीभिर्वचस्युभिः ॥६॥
अग्निम् घृतेन² ववृधुः स्तोमेभिः⁴ विश्व७चर्षणिम् ॥
स्७आधीभिः॰ वचस्यु७भिः ॥
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6. ¹The Will (Agni) ³men increase ²by the offering of their clarities, ³they increase ⁵the universal doer of their works ⁴by their hymns of affirmation ⁶which place aright the thought, ⁷which find the revealing word.

The Fifteenth Hymn to Agni

A HYMN OF THE DIVINE UPHOLDER AND CONQUEROR

Rig Veda V.15

(15/440-41)

प्र वेधसे कवये वेद्याय गिरं भरे यशसे पूर्व्याय । घृतप्रसत्तो असुरः सुशेवो रायो धर्ता धरुणो वस्वो अग्निः ॥१॥ प्र¹ वेधसे² कवये³ वेद्याय⁴ गिरम्⁵ भरे७ यशसे⁷ पूर्व्याय⁸ । घृत७प्रसत्तः⁹ असुरः¹¹⁰ सु७शेवः¹¹ रायः¹² धर्ता¹³ धरुणः¹⁴ वस्वः¹⁵ अग्निः¹¹⁶ ॥

1. ³To the Seer and ²Ordainer ⁴who is the object of knowledge ^{1,6}I bring ⁵the offering of the Word, ⁷to the glorious and victorious, ⁸to the pristine and supreme. ¹⁰He is the Mighty One ¹¹accomplished in joy ⁹who goes forward to the clarities, ¹⁶the Strength (Fire) that is ¹³holder ¹²of the bliss and ¹⁴holder ¹⁵of the substance.

ऋतेन ऋतं धरुणं धारयन्त यज्ञस्य शाके परमे व्योमन् । दिवो धर्मधरुणे सेदुषो नृञ्जातैरजाताँ अभि ये ननक्षुः ॥२॥ ऋतेन¹ ऋतम्² धरुणम्³ धारयन्त⁴ यज्ञस्य⁵ शाके⁶ परमे⁷ विङओमन्⁸ । दिवः⁹ धर्मन्¹⁰ धरुणे¹¹ सेदुषः¹² नृन्¹³ जातैः¹⁴ अजातान्¹⁵ अभि¹⁶ ये¹⁷ ननक्षुः¹⁸ ॥

2. ¹By the Truth ³they uphold ²the Truth ⁴that holds all, ⁶in the power ⁵of the Sacrifice, ⁷in the supreme ⁸ether, even ¹⁷they who ¹⁴by the godheads born in them ^{16,18}travel to ¹⁵the godheads unborn, ¹³to the Powers ¹²who are seated for ever ¹⁰in the Law ¹¹that upholds ⁹the heavens.

अंहोयुवस्तन्वस्तन्वते वि वयो महद्दुष्टरं पूर्व्याय । स संवतो नवजातस्तुतुर्यात् सिंहं न कुद्धमितः परि ष्टुः ॥३॥ अंहः ७युवः १ तन्वः २ तन्वते ३ वि ४ वयः ५ महत् ६ दुस्तरम् ७ पूर्व्याय ॥ सः १ सम् ५ वतः १० नव७जातः ११ तुर्यात् १२ सिंहम् १३ न १४ कुद्धम् १५ अभितः १६ परि १७ स्थुः १॥ 3. ¹Putting evil away from them ³ they create ⁴wide-extended ²forms and embodiments of the soul that are ⁶a vast ⁵birth and ⁷indestructible ⁵manifestation ⁸for this first and supreme godhead; ¹¹new-born ⁹he ¹²shall break through ¹⁰armies that join like converging floods; ¹⁶,¹७,¹¹8they stand encompassing him ¹⁴like ¹⁶,¹७,¹¹8hunters who enring ¹⁵an angry ¹³lion.

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मातेव यद्भरसे पप्रथानो जनंजनं धायसे चक्षसे च ।
वयोवयो जरसे यद्दधानः परि त्मना विषुरुपो जिगासि ॥४॥
माताङ्क्व¹ यत्² भरसे³ पप्रथानः⁴ जनम्ङ्जनम्⁵ धायसे<sup>६</sup> चक्षसे<sup>7</sup> च<sup>8</sup> ।
वयःङ्वयः<sup>9</sup> जरसे<sup>10</sup> यतु<sup>11</sup> दधानः¹² परि¹³ त्मना¹⁴ विषुङ्ख्पः¹⁵ जिगासि¹६ ॥
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4. ¹Thou art even as a mother ²when ⁴in thy wideness ³thou bearest in thy arms ⁵birth after birth ⁶to the firm foundation ⁵and ७to the vision. ¹¹When ¹²thou holdest in thee and ¹⁰enjoyest ⁰manifestation after manifestation, ¹³,¹⁶thou movest abroad ¹⁴with thy self ¹⁵in many different forms.

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वाजो नु ते शवसस्पात्वन्तमुरुं दोघं धरुणं देव रायः ।
पदं न तायुर्गुहा दधानो महो राये चितयन्नत्रिमस्पः ॥५॥
वाजः<sup>1</sup> नु<sup>2</sup> ते<sup>3</sup> शवसः<sup>4</sup> पातु<sup>5</sup> अन्तम्<sup>6</sup> उरुम्<sup>7</sup> दोघम्<sup>8</sup> धरुणम्<sup>9</sup> देव<sup>10</sup> रायः<sup>11</sup> ।
पदम्<sup>12</sup> न<sup>13</sup> तायुः<sup>14</sup> गुहा<sup>15</sup> दधानः<sup>16</sup> महः<sup>17</sup> राये<sup>18</sup> चितयन्<sup>19</sup> अत्रिम्<sup>20</sup> अस्पः<sup>21</sup> ॥
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5. ^{5a}May ¹our plenitude (²indeed) ^{5b}possess ⁶the furthest limit ³of thy ⁴might, ¹⁰O godhead, ⁷where in its wideness and ⁸all-yielding abundance ⁹it upholds ¹¹the bliss. ¹⁶Thou art he that (¹³like ¹⁴a thief) forms and upholds in himself ¹⁵that secret ¹²abode to which we move; ¹⁹by thy awakening of him into knowledge ²¹thou hast rescued ²⁰the enjoyer of things (Atri) ¹⁷for a vast ¹⁸beatitude.

The Sixteenth Hymn to Agni

A HYMN TO THE BRINGER OF ALL DESIRABLE GOOD

Rig Veda V.16

(15/442-43)

बृहद्धयो हि भानवेऽर्चा देवायाग्नये । यं मित्रं न प्रशस्तिभिर्मर्तासो दिधरे पुरः ॥१॥ बृहत्¹ वयः² हि³ भानवे⁴ अर्च⁵ देवाय⁶ अग्नये⁷ । यम्⁸ मित्रम्⁹ न¹⁰ प्रशस्तिऽभिः¹¹ मर्तासः¹² दिधरे¹³ पुरः¹⁴ ॥

1. ⁵Sing thou out by the word ¹a vast ²manifestation ⁴for the shining Light, ⁶for the divine, ⁷for the Will (Agni) ⁸whom ¹²mortals ¹¹by their expressions of his godhead ¹⁰as ⁹the Friend (Mitra) ¹³put ¹⁴in their front.

स हि द्युभिर्जनानां होता दक्षस्य बाह्योः । वि हव्यमग्निरानुषग्भगो न वारमृण्वति ॥२॥ सः¹ हि² द्यु५भिः³ जनानाम्⁴ होता⁵ दक्षस्य⁶ बाह्योः⁷ । वि⁸ हव्यम⁹ अग्निः¹⁰ आनुषक¹¹ भगः¹² न¹³ वारम¹⁴ ऋण्वति¹⁵ ॥

2. ¹⁰The Will (Agni) is ⁵the priest of offering ⁴of the peoples; ³by the illuminations ⁶of the discerning mind ¹he (²indeed) ¹⁵bears ⁸abroad ⁷in both his arms ¹¹the continuous (uninterrupted) order ⁹of their offerings and ¹³as ¹²the divine enjoyer (Bhaga) ¹⁵he moves ¹⁴to his good.

अस्य स्तोमे मघोनः सख्ये वृद्धशोचिषः । विश्वा यस्मितुविष्वणि समर्ये शुष्ममादधुः ।।३।। अस्य¹ स्तोमे² मघोनः³ सख्ये⁴ वृद्ध5शोचिषः⁵ । विश्वा⁶ यस्मिन्⁷ तुविऽस्विन⁸ सम्⁹ अर्ये¹⁰ शुष्मम्¹¹ आऽदधुः¹² ॥

3. ²In the affirmation ¹of him and ⁴in his comradeship ⁵when he has increased his flame of purity ³are all the lords of the plenitude (the gods); ⁶for all things are ⁸in the sound of his many voices and ⁷on him, ¹⁰the aspirer in his works, ^{9,12}they (the gods) have laid ¹¹the burden of their strength.

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अधा ह्यग्न एषां सुवीर्यस्य मंहना ।
तिमद्यह्वं न रोदसी परि श्रवो बभूवतुः ॥४॥
अध<sup>1</sup> हि<sup>2</sup> अग्ने<sup>3</sup> एषाम्<sup>4</sup> सुऽवीर्यस्य<sup>5</sup> मंहना<sup>6</sup> ।
तम्<sup>7</sup> इत्<sup>8</sup> यह्वम्<sup>9</sup> न<sup>10</sup> रोदसी<sup>11</sup> परि<sup>12</sup> श्रवः<sup>13</sup> बभूवतुः<sup>14</sup> ॥
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4. ²Even ¹now, ³O Will (Agni), ⁶may there be the full plenitude ⁴of their ⁵utter force. ¹²Around ⁷this ⁹mighty Will ¹¹earth and heaven ¹⁴have become ¹⁰as if ¹³one voice of inspired knowledge.

5. ¹Even now ^{3,4}come to us, ⁶O Will (Agni), ⁷hymned by our words and ^{8,9}bring to us ²our ⁵desirable good. ^{16a}May ^{10,11}we who are here ¹³and ¹²those ¹⁴luminous masters of knowledge ¹⁷together ^{16b}found (lay the foundation of) ¹⁵that blissful state of our being. ¹⁹March with us ^{20a}in ²¹our ^{20b}battles ²²that we may grow.

The Seventeenth Hymn to Agni

A HYMN OF ENLARGEMENT AND ULTIMATE ASPIRATION

Rig Veda V.17

(15/444-45)

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आ यज्ञैर्देव मर्त्यं इत्था तव्यांसमूतये ।
अग्नि कृते स्वध्वरे पुरुरीळीतावसे ॥१॥
आ¹ यज्ञैः² देव³ मर्त्यः⁴ इत्था⁵ तव्यांसम्६ ऊतये<sup>7</sup> ।
अग्निम्8 कृते९ सुऽअध्वरे¹० पूरुः¹¹ ईळीत¹² अवसे¹³ ॥
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1. ⁴I am mortal ¹²who call (should pray to) thee (²by the scarifices), ³O godhead, ⁶for thy strength is greater than mine and ⁵it is righteous in its acts. ^{12a}Let ¹¹the man of multiple soul ⁹when he has made ¹⁰perfect his sacrifice, ^{12b}adore (pray to) ⁸the Will (Agni) ⁷for his increasing (, ¹³for his protection).

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अस्य हि स्वयशस्तर आसा विधर्मन्मन्यसे ।
तं नाकं चित्रशोचिषं मन्द्रं परो मनीषया ॥२॥
अस्य<sup>1</sup> हि<sup>2</sup> स्वयशःऽतरः<sup>3</sup> आसा<sup>4</sup> विऽधर्मन्<sup>5</sup> मन्यसे<sup>6</sup> ।
तम्<sup>7</sup> नाकम्<sup>8</sup> चित्रऽशोचिषम्<sup>9</sup> मन्द्रम्<sup>10</sup> परः<sup>11</sup> मनीषया<sup>12</sup> ॥
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2. ⁵Man, thou who hast won to the wide law of thy being, ⁴by the mouth ^{1,2}of this flame ³thou shalt be self-mightier to attain and ⁶shalt mentalise the (⁷that) ⁸paradise ⁹of his richest flamings, the (⁷that) ⁸paradise ¹⁰of rapture ¹¹beyond ¹²the thought of the mind (Swar).

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अस्य वासा उ अर्चिषा य आयुक्त तुजा गिरा ।
दिवो न यस्य रेतसा बृहच्छोचन्त्यर्चयः ॥३॥
अस्य<sup>1</sup> वै<sup>2</sup> असौ<sup>3</sup> ऊं<sup>4</sup> अर्चिषा<sup>5</sup> यः<sup>6</sup> आयुक्त<sup>7</sup> तुजा<sup>8</sup> गिरा<sup>9</sup> ।
दिवः<sup>10</sup> न<sup>11</sup> यस्य<sup>12</sup> रेतसा<sup>13</sup> बृहत्<sup>14</sup> शोचन्ति<sup>15</sup> अर्चयः<sup>16</sup> ॥
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3. For (²indeed) ³by the mouth and (⁴that) ^{5a}radiance ¹of his ^{5b}flame ⁶he (who) ⁷has yoked himself ⁸with the impelling force and ⁹the word, and ¹⁴vast ¹¹as if ¹³with the seed ¹⁰of heaven ¹⁵blazes out the purity ¹²of his ¹⁶rays.

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अस्य क्रत्वा विचेतसो दस्मस्य वसु रथ आ ।
अधा विश्वासु हव्योङग्निर्विक्षु प्र शस्यते ॥४॥
अस्य<sup>1</sup> क्रत्वा<sup>2</sup> विङ्चेतसः<sup>3</sup> दस्मस्य<sup>4</sup> वसु<sup>5</sup> रथे<sup>6</sup> आ<sup>7</sup> ।
अध<sup>8</sup> विश्वासु<sup>9</sup> हव्यः<sup>10</sup> अग्निः<sup>11</sup> विक्षु<sup>12</sup> प्र<sup>13</sup> शस्यते<sup>14</sup> ॥
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4. Because ^{1,2}by the force of his workings ³he has the embracing knowledge and ⁴the achieving power, ^{6,7}his chariot carries ⁵a divine wealth; ⁸therefore ⁹in all ¹²creatures ¹¹he (Agni) is the godhead ^{13,14}to be expressed and ¹⁰the helper to whom men call.

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नू न इब्द्रि वार्यमासा सचन्त सूरयः ।
ऊर्जो नपादिभष्टये पाहि शिष्धि स्वस्तय उतैधि पृत्सु नो वृधे ॥५॥
नु<sup>1</sup> नः<sup>2</sup> इत्<sup>3</sup> हि<sup>4</sup> वार्यम्<sup>5</sup> आसा<sup>6</sup> सचन्त<sup>7</sup> सूरयः<sup>8</sup> ।
ऊर्जः<sup>9</sup> नपात्<sup>10</sup> अभिष्टये<sup>11</sup> पाहि<sup>12</sup> शिष्धि<sup>13</sup> स्वस्तये<sup>14</sup> उत<sup>15</sup> एधि<sup>16</sup> पृत् इसु<sup>17</sup> नः<sup>18</sup> वृधे<sup>19</sup> ॥
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5. ³Even ¹now ^{3,4}and even ²for us ^{7a}may ⁸the luminous masters of knowledge ^{7b}be firm (cleave) ⁶by the mouth of the flame ⁵to our supreme good. ¹⁰O Son ⁹of Energy, ¹²guard us ¹¹so that we may enter in, ¹³be mighty ¹⁴to attain our blissful state. ¹⁶March with us ^{17a}in ¹⁸our ^{17b}battles ¹⁹that we may grow.

The Eighteenth Hymn to Agni

A HYMN OF THE LORDS OF THE PLENITUDE

Rig Veda V.18

(15/446-48)

प्रातरिगनः पुरुप्रियो विशः स्तवेतातिथिः । विश्वानि यो अमर्त्यो हव्या मर्तेषु रण्यति ।।१।। प्रातः अग्निः पुरु अप्रतः विशः स्तवेत अतिथिः । विश्वानि यः अमर्त्यः हव्या । मर्तेषु ।। रण्यति । ॥

1. ^{5a}Let ²the Will (Agni) ^{5b}be affirmed ¹in the dawning (of the higher knowledge in the mind), ⁶guest ⁴of the creature ³with his many delights ⁸who, ⁹immortal ¹¹in mortals, ¹²takes joy ⁷in all ¹⁰their offerings.

द्धिताय मृक्तवाहसे स्वस्य दक्षस्य मंहना । इन्दुं स धत्त आनुषक्स्तोता चित्ते अमर्त्य ॥२॥ द्धिताय¹ मृक्तञ्वाहसे² स्वस्य³ दक्षस्य⁴ मंहना⁵ । इन्दुम्⁶ सः⁷ धत्ते⁸ आनुषक्⁹ स्तोता¹⁰ चित्¹¹ ते¹² अमर्त्य¹³ ॥

2. ⁷He is ⁵the plenitude ³of his own ⁴discerning mind ¹for the second soul (twofold power) ²when it bears the purified intelligence; then ⁸it holds in itself ⁹the continual ⁶wine of delight and ¹⁰affirms ¹²thee, ¹³O Immortal.

तं वो दीर्घायुशोचिषं गिरा हुवे मघोनाम् । अरिष्टो येषां रथो व्यश्वदावन्नीयते ॥३॥ तम्¹ वः² दीर्घायुऽशोचिषम्³ गिरा⁴ हुवे⁵ मघोनाम्⁶ । अरिष्टः⁷ येषाम्⁸ रथः⁹ वि¹⁰ अश्वऽदावन्¹¹ ई्यते¹² ॥

3. ¹Such art ²thou ⁵I call (⁴with my word), ³the pure flame of this far-extending existence ⁶for the lords of the plenitude ⁸whose ⁹chariot ⁷inviolate ^{10,12}ranges wide ¹¹O giver of the steeds of swiftness, —

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चित्रा वा येषु दीधितिरासन्नुक्था पान्ति ये ।
स्तीर्णं बर्हिः स्वर्णरे श्रवांसि दिधरे परि ॥४॥
चित्रा¹ वा² येषु³ दीधितिः⁴ आसन्⁵ उक्था॰ पान्ति<sup>7</sup> ये<sup>8</sup> ।
स्तीर्णम्<sup>9</sup> बर्हिः¹<sup>0</sup> स्वः ७नरे¹¹ श्रवांसि¹² दिधरे¹³ परि¹⁴ ॥
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4. The lords of the plenitude [from the preceding verse] ³in whom is ¹rich ⁴light of the thought and ⁸they (who) ⁷keep ⁶the words of our utterance ⁵in their mouth; ⁹the fullness of the soul has been spread ¹⁰as a seat of sacrifice ¹¹in the power of the luminous world and ¹²all its inspirations ¹³are set ¹⁴round about.

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ये मे पञ्चाशतं ददुरश्वानां सधस्तुति ।
ददुरश्वानां द्युन्ते महि श्रवो बृहत् कृधि मघोनां नृवदमृत नृणाम् ॥५॥
ये<sup>1</sup> मे<sup>2</sup> पञ्चाशतम्<sup>3</sup> ददुः<sup>4</sup> अश्वानाम्<sup>5</sup> सधङस्तुति<sup>6</sup> ।
द्युङमत्<sup>7</sup> अग्ने<sup>8</sup> महि<sup>9</sup> श्रवः<sup>10</sup> बृहत्<sup>11</sup> कृधि<sup>12</sup> मघोनाम्<sup>13</sup> नृङवत्<sup>14</sup> अमृत<sup>15</sup> नृणाम्<sup>16</sup> ॥
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5. ¹They who ⁴have given ²me ³fifty ⁵steeds of swiftness 6with a perfect affirming, ¹6the divine souls ¹³that are lords of the plenitude, for them, 8,15O Flame-Immortal, ¹²create 9the large, ¹¹the vast, 7the luminous ¹0knowledge ¹⁴full of the godheads.

The Nineteenth Hymn to Agni

A HYMN OF THE REVEALING RAY AND CONQUERING WILL

Rig Veda V.19

(15/449-50)

अभ्यवस्थाः प्र जायन्ते प्र वब्रेर्वब्रिश्चिकेत । उपस्थे मातुर्वि चष्टे ॥१॥ अभि¹ अवऽस्थाः² प्र³ जायन्ते⁴ प्र⁵ वब्रेः⁶ वब्रिः⁷ चिकेत⁸ । उपऽस्थे⁹ मातुः¹⁰ वि¹¹ चष्टे¹² ॥

1. ^{1,2}State upon state ^{3,4}is born, ⁷covering ⁶upon covering ^{5,8}opens to consciousness of knowledge; ⁹in the lap ¹⁰of its Mother (Aditi) the soul ^{11,12}sees.

जुहुरे वि चितयन्तोङिनिमिषं नृम्णं पान्ति । आ दृळ्हां पुरं विविशुः ॥२॥ जुहुरे¹ वि² चितयन्तः³ अनिङिमषम्⁴ नृम्णम्⁵ पान्ति⁶ । आ⁷ दृळ्हाम्⁸ पुरम्⁹ विविशुः¹⁰ ॥

2. ^{2,3}Awakened to an embracing knowledge ¹men cast in thee the offering, ⁶they guard ⁴a sleepless ⁵manhood, ^{7,10}they enter into the ⁸fortified ⁹city.

आ श्वैत्रेयस्य जंतवो द्युमद्धर्धंत कृष्टयः । निष्कग्रीवो बृहदुक्थ एना मध्वा न वाजयुः ॥३॥ आ¹ श्वैत्रेयस्य² जन्तवः³ द्युडमत्⁴ वर्धन्त⁵ कृष्टयः⁶ । निष्कऽग्रीवः⁷ बृहत्ऽउक्थः⁸ एना⁹ मध्वा¹⁰ न¹¹ वाजऽयुः¹² ॥

3. ³Men who are born in the world and ⁶labour at the work ^{1,5}increase ⁴the luminous state ²of the son of the white-shining Mother (Aditi), ⁷he wears the golden necklace (of the rays of the divine Sun of Truth), ⁸he utters the vast word; ⁹with that and ¹⁰with the honey-wine of delight ¹²he becomes a seeker of the plenitude.

प्रियं दुग्धं न काम्यमजामि जाम्योः सचा । धर्मो न वाजजठरोऽदब्धः शश्वतो दभः ॥४॥

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प्रियम् <sup>1</sup> दुग्धम्<sup>2</sup> न<sup>3</sup> काम्यम्<sup>4</sup> अजामि<sup>5</sup> जाम्योः<sup>6</sup> सचा<sup>7</sup> ।
धर्मः<sup>8</sup> न<sup>9</sup> वाजञ्जठरः<sup>10</sup> अदब्धः<sup>11</sup> शश्वतः<sup>12</sup> दभः<sup>13</sup> ॥
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4. He is ³as ¹the delightful and ⁴desirable ²yield of the Mother (the milk of the Cow, Aditi), ⁵he is that which being without a fellow (Supermind) ⁷yet dwells ⁶with the two companions (mental and physical planes), ⁸he is the heat of the Light and ¹⁰the belly of the plenitude, ¹²he is the eternal ¹¹unconquerable ¹³who tramples all things under his feet.

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क्रीळन्नो रश्म आ भुवः सं भस्मना वायुना वेविदानः ।
ता अस्य संधृषजो न तिग्माः सुसंशिता वक्ष्यो वक्षणेस्थाः ॥५॥
क्रीळन्<sup>1</sup> नः<sup>2</sup> रश्मे<sup>3</sup> आ<sup>4</sup> भुवः<sup>5</sup> सम्<sup>6</sup> भस्मना<sup>7</sup> वायुना<sup>8</sup> वेविदानः<sup>9</sup> ।
ताः<sup>10</sup> अस्य<sup>11</sup> सन्<sup>12</sup> धृषजः<sup>13</sup> न<sup>14</sup> तिग्माः<sup>15</sup> सुङसंशिताः<sup>16</sup> वक्ष्यः<sup>17</sup> वक्षणेङस्थाः<sup>18</sup> ॥
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5. ³O Ray, ^{4,5}be born ²in us and ¹dwell there at play ^{6,9}harmonising thy knowledge ⁷with the blazing ⁸life-god (Vayu). ^{12a}May ^{10,11}these flames of the Will (Agni) ¹⁷that bear our works ^{12b}be ¹³violent and ¹⁵keen and ¹⁶sharpened to a perfect intensity and ¹⁸firmly founded in the Bearer of all things.

The Twentieth Hymn to Agni

A HYMN OF THE WORK AND THE ATTAINMENT

Rig Veda V.20

(15/451-52)

यमग्ने वाजसातम त्वं चिन्मन्यसे रियं । तं नो गीर्भिः श्रवाय्यं देवत्रा पनया युजं ॥१॥ यम्¹ अग्ने² वाजङसातम³ त्वम्⁴ चित्⁵ मन्यसे⁶ रियम्⁷ । तम्⁸ नः⁹ गीःङिभिः¹⁰ श्रवाय्यम्¹¹ देवङत्रा¹² पनय¹³ युजम्¹⁴ ॥

1. ²O Will (Agni), ³O conqueror of our plenitude, ⁷the felicity ¹which ⁴thou ⁵alone ⁶canst conceive in the mind, ⁸that ¹¹make full of inspiration ⁹by our ¹⁰words and ¹³set it to labour ¹²in the gods as ⁹our ¹⁴helper.

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ये अग्ने नेरयन्ति ते बृद्धा उग्रस्य शवसः ।
अप द्वेषो अप ह्वरोङन्यव्रतस्य सिश्चरे ॥२॥
ये<sup>1</sup> अग्ने<sup>2</sup> न<sup>3</sup> ईरयन्ति<sup>4</sup> ते<sup>5</sup> वृद्धाः<sup>6</sup> उग्रस्य<sup>7</sup> शवसः<sup>8</sup> ।
अप<sup>9</sup> द्वेषः<sup>10</sup> अप<sup>11</sup> ह्वरः<sup>12</sup> अन्यङ्वतस्य<sup>13</sup> सिश्चरे<sup>14</sup> ॥
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2. ¹They who are ⁸powers ⁶increased ⁵of thee ⁷in the fierceness ⁵of thy ²flame and strength, yet ⁴impel us ³not on the path, ^{9,14}they fall away ¹⁰to the division, ¹⁴they cleave to ¹²the crookedness ¹³of a law that is other than thine.

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होतारं त्वा वृणीमहे ७ ग्ने दक्षस्य साधनम् ।
यज्ञेषु पूर्व्यं गिरा प्रयस्वन्तो हवामहे ॥३॥
होतारम् व्वा<sup>2</sup> वृणीमहे<sup>3</sup> अग्ने दक्षस्य साधनम् ।
यज्ञेषु पूर्व्यम् शिरा<sup>9</sup> प्रयस्वन्तः <sup>10</sup> हवामहे <sup>11</sup> ॥
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3. ²Thee, ⁴O Will (Agni), ³we take to us ¹as the priest of the offering and ⁶the accomplisher ⁵of a discerning knowledge; ¹⁰holding for thee all our delights ¹¹we call ²thee ⁸the ancient and supreme ⁷to our sacrifices ⁹by the word;

इत्था यथा त ऊतये सहसावंदिवेदिवे । राय ऋताय सुक्रतो गोभिः ष्याम सधमादो वीरैः स्याम सधमादः ।।४।। इत्था¹ यथा² ते³ ऊतये⁴ सहसाठवन्⁵ दिवेठदिवे⁶ । राये⁷ ऋताय⁸ सुठक्रतो⁹ गोभिः¹⁰ स्याम¹¹ सधठमादः¹² वीरैः¹³ स्याम¹⁴ सधठमादः¹⁵ ॥

4. (We call thee) ¹Rightly and ²in such wise (thus) that, ⁵O forceful god, ⁹O perfect power of works, ⁴we may increase ³thee ⁶day by day, ⁷that we may have the Bliss, ⁸that we may have the Truth, ¹¹that we may have ¹²perfect rapture ¹⁰by the Rays of the knowledge, ¹⁴that we may have ¹⁵perfect rapture ¹³by the Heroes of the Force.

The Twenty-First Hymn to Agni

A HYMN OF THE DIVINE FLAME IN HUMANITY

Rig Veda V.21

(15/453-54)

मनुष्वत् त्वा नि धीमिह मनुष्वत्सिमधीमिह । अग्ने मनुष्वदंगिरो देवान् देवयते यज ॥१॥ मनुष्वत् त्वा² नि³ धीमिह⁴ मनुष्वत्⁵ सम्⁶ इधीमिह⁷ । अग्ने⁸ मनुष्वत्⁹ अङ्गिरः¹⁰ देवान्¹¹ देवङयते¹² यज¹³ ॥

1. ¹As the human ⁴we set ²thee ³within us, ⁵as the human ^{6,7}we kindle ²thee; ⁸O Flame, ¹⁰O Seer-Puissance, ⁹as the human ¹³offer sacrifice ¹¹to the gods ¹²for the seeker of the godheads.

त्वं हि मानुषे जनेञ्ने सुप्रीत इध्यसे । स्रुचस्त्वा यन्त्यानुषक्सुजात सर्पिरासुते ॥२॥ त्वम् हि² मानुषे³ जने⁴ अग्ने⁵ सुञ्जीतः⁶ इध्यसे⁷ । स्रुचः⁸ त्वा⁹ यन्ति¹⁰ आनुषक¹¹ सुञ्जात¹² सर्पिःञ्आसुते¹³ ॥

2. ⁵O Flame, ¹thou ⁷burnest ³in the human ⁴creature ⁶when thou art satisfied with his offerings; ⁸his ladles ¹⁰go ⁹to thee ¹¹unceasingly, ¹²O perfect in thy birth, ¹³O presser out of the running richness.

त्वां विश्वे सजोषसो देवासो दूतमक्रत ।
सपर्यन्तस्त्वा कवे यज्ञेषु देवमीळते ॥३॥
त्वाम् विश्वे² सङजोषसः देवासः दूतम् अक्रत⁶ ।
सपर्यन्तः त्वा⁸ कवे⁹ यज्ञेषु वेवम् इळते ॥

3. ¹Thee ²all ⁴the gods ³with one heart of love ⁶made ⁵their envoy; ⁰O seer, 7men serve and ¹²adore 8thee ¹⁰in their sacrifices ¹¹as the godhead.

देवं वो देवयज्ययाङिग्नमीळीत मर्त्यः । समिद्धः शुक्र दीदिहि ऋतस्य योनिमासदः ससस्य योनिमासदः ॥४॥ देवम् 1 वः 2 देवञ्यज्यया 3 अग्निम् 4 ईळीत 5 मर्त्यः 6 । सम्ञ्ज्ज्दः 7 शुक्र 8 दीदिहि 9 ऋतस्य 10 योनिम् 11 आ 12 असदः 13 ससस्य 14 योनिम् 15 आ 16 असदः 17 ॥

4. ^{5a}Let ⁶mortal man ^{5b}adore ⁴the Will (Agni), ¹the divine, ³by sacrifice to the powers divine; but thou, ⁸O Brightness, ⁹shine out ⁷high-kindled; ^{12,13}enter ¹¹into the home ¹⁰of the Truth, ^{16,17}enter ¹⁵into the home ¹⁴of the Bliss.

The Twenty-Second Hymn to Agni

A HYMN OF THE JOURNEY TO THE PERFECT JOY

Rig Veda V.22

(15/455-56)

प्र विश्वसामन्नत्रिवदर्चा पावकशोचिषे । यो अध्वरेष्वीड्यो होता मन्द्रतमो विशि ॥१॥ प्र¹ विश्वडसामन्² अत्रिडवत्³ अर्च⁴ पावकडशोचिषे⁵ । यः⁶ अध्वरेषु⁷ ईड्यः⁸ होता⁹ मन्द्रडतमः¹⁰ विशि¹¹ ॥

1. ²Man who seekest thy equal fulfilment in all, ^{4a}sing ³as the enjoyer of things (Atri) ^{4b}the word of illumination ⁵to him of the bright purifying flame, to (⁶the one who is) ⁸the object of our adoration ⁷in the march of our sacrifices, to (⁶the one who is) ⁹the priest of the offering ¹⁰most rapturous ¹¹in the creature.

न्यग्नि जातवेदसं दधाता देवमृत्विजम् । प्रयज्ञ एत्वानुषगद्या देवव्यचस्तमः ॥२॥ नि¹ अग्निम्² जात७वेदसम्³ दधात⁴ देवम्⁵ ऋत्विजम्⁶ । प्र⁷ यज्ञः⁸ एतु⁹ आनुषक्¹⁰ अद्य¹¹ देवव्यचः७तमः¹² ॥

2. ^{1,4}Set within thee ²Will (Agni) ³that knows all the births, ⁵the divine ⁶sacrificer in the seasons; ¹¹today ^{9a}let ⁸thy sacrifice ^{9b}march ⁷forward ¹⁰unceasingly, ⁸thy sacrifice ¹²shall open to thee the whole epiphany of the godheads.

चिकित्विन्मनसं त्वा देवं मर्तास ऊतये । वरेण्यस्य तेऽवस इयानासो अमन्महि ॥३॥ चिकित्वित्ऽमनसम्। त्वा² देवम्³ मर्तासः⁴ ऊतयेऽ । वरेण्यस्य⁶ ते⁷ अवसः³ इयानासः⁹ अमन्महि¹⁰ ॥

3. ⁴Mortals, ¹⁰we have set our mind ²on thee ³the divine, ¹for thou hast the mind of conscious vision; ¹⁰we meditate ²on thee ⁹as we journey, ⁸that we may increase and ⁵for the increase too ⁷of thee, ⁶the supremely desirable.

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अग्ने चिकिद्ध्यस्य न इदं वचः सहस्य ।
तं त्वा सुशिप्र दंपते स्तोमैर्वर्धन्त्यत्रयो गीर्भिः शुम्भन्त्यत्रयः ॥४॥
अग्ने<sup>1</sup> चिकिद्धि<sup>2</sup> अस्य<sup>3</sup> नः<sup>4</sup> इदम्<sup>5</sup> वचः<sup>6</sup> सहस्य<sup>7</sup> ।
तम्<sup>8</sup> त्वा<sup>9</sup> सुऽशिप्र<sup>10</sup> दम्ऽपते<sup>11</sup> स्तोमैः<sup>12</sup> वर्धन्ति<sup>13</sup> अत्रयः<sup>14</sup> गीःऽभिः<sup>15</sup> शुम्भन्ति<sup>16</sup> अत्रयः<sup>17</sup> ॥
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4. ²Awake then, ¹O Will (Agni), ³to the vision of this within us; ⁵this is ⁴our ⁶word to thee, ⁷O Lord of Force. ¹⁰Strong-jawed enjoyer, ¹¹master of our house, ¹⁴the eaters of things (Atris) ¹³increase ⁹thee ¹²by their affirmations and ¹⁵by their words ¹⁷they (Atris) ¹⁶make thee a thing of bright gladness.

The Twenty-Third Hymn to Agni

A HYMN OF THE RICH AND CONQUERING SOUL

Rig Veda V.23

(15/457-58)

अग्ने सहन्तमा भर द्युम्नस्य प्रासहा रियम् । विश्वा यश्चर्षणीरभ्यासा वाजेषु सासहत् ॥१॥ अग्ने¹ सहन्तम्² आ³ भर⁴ द्युम्नस्य⁵ प्रडसहा⁶ रियम्⁷ । विश्वाः⁸ यः⁹ चर्षणीः¹⁰ अभि¹¹ आसा¹² वाजेषु¹³ ससहत्¹⁴ ॥

1. ^{3,4}Bring to us, ¹O Strength (Fire) ²most forcefully prevailing, that ⁶forceful ⁷opulence ⁵of the Light ⁹which ⁸in all ¹⁰the fields of our labour ^{11,14}shall by force prevail ¹²with thy mouth of flame ¹³to enter into the plenitudes.

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तमग्ने पृतनाषहं रियं सहस्य आ भर ।
त्वं हि सत्यो अद्भुतो दाता वाजस्य गोमतः ॥२॥
तम् अग्ने पृतनाऽसहम् रियम् सहस्यः आ भर ।
त्वम् हि सत्यः 10 अदभुतः 11 दाता 12 वाजस्य 13 गोऽमतः 14 ॥
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2. ²O Flame, ⁵O Might, ¹that ⁴rich felicity ^{6,7}bring ³which shall violently overpower the armies that are embattled against us; ⁹for ⁸thou art ¹⁰the true in being, ¹¹the transcendent and wonderful, ¹²who gives to man ¹⁴the luminous ¹³plenitude.

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विश्वे हि त्वा सजोषसो जनासो वृक्तबर्हिषः ।
होतारं सद्मसु प्रियं व्यन्ति वार्या पुरु ॥३॥
विश्वे हि² त्वा³ सङ्जोषसः⁴ जनासः⁵ वृक्तङबर्हिषः६ ।
होतारम्7 सद्मङसु<sup>8</sup> प्रियम्<sup>9</sup> व्यन्ति<sup>10</sup> वार्या पुरु<sup>12</sup> ॥
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3. ¹All these ⁵peoples ⁴who with one heart of love ⁶have made clear their seat of sacrifice, ¹⁰find ⁸in the dwelling-places of the soul ³thee, ⁷the priest of sacrifice, ⁹the beloved, and ¹⁰they reach in them (the dwelling places of the soul) their ¹²many objects ¹¹of desire.

स हिष्मा विश्वचर्षणिरभिमाति सहो दधे । अग्न एषु क्षयेष्वा रेवन्नः शुक्र दीदिहि द्युमत् पावक दीदिहि ॥४॥ सः¹ हि² स्म³ विश्वऽचर्षणिः⁴ अभिऽमाति⁵ सहः⁶ दधे⁷ । अग्ने⁸ एषु⁹ क्षयेषु¹⁰ आ¹¹ रेवत्¹² नः¹³ शुक्र¹⁴ दीदिहि¹⁵ द्युऽमत्¹⁶ पावक¹⁷ दीदिहि¹⁸ ॥

4. ^{1,2}This ³is ⁴the labourer in all man's works and ⁷he holds in himself ⁵an all-besieging ⁶force. ¹⁴O pure-brilliant ⁸Flame, ^{11,15}shine out ¹²full of joy and opulence ⁹in these ¹³our ¹⁰habitations, ^{11,18}shine out ¹⁶full of light, ¹⁷O our purifier.

The Twenty-Fourth Hymn to Agni

A HYMN TO THE DELIVERER AND PROTECTOR

Rig Veda V.24

(15/459)

अग्ने त्वं नो अन्तम उत त्राता शिवो भवा वरुथ्यः । वसुरग्निर्वसुश्रवा अच्छा निक्ष द्युमत्तमं रियं दाः ॥१॥२॥ अग्ने¹ त्वम्² नः³ अन्तमः⁴ उत⁵ त्राता⁶ शिवः⁷ भव⁸ वरूथ्यः⁹ ॥ वसुः¹⁰ अग्निः¹¹ वसुङश्रवाः¹² अच्छ¹³ निक्षे¹⁴ द्युमत्ङतमम्¹⁵ रियम्¹⁶ दाः¹⁷ ॥

1-2. ¹O Will (Agni), ⁸become ³our ⁴inmost inmate, ⁸become ⁷auspicious to us, ⁸become ⁶our deliverer ⁵and ⁹our armour of protection. ²Thou ¹⁰who art the lord of substance and ¹²who of that substance hast the divine knowledge, ¹⁴come ¹³towards us, ¹⁷give ³us ¹⁵its most luminous ¹⁶opulence.

स नो बोधि श्रुधी हवमुरुष्या णो अघायतः समस्मात् । तं त्वा शोचिष्ठ दीदिवः सुम्नाय नूनमीमहे सिखभ्यः ॥३॥४॥ सः 1 नः 2 बोधि 3 श्रुधि 4 हवम् 5 उरुष्य 6 नः 7 अघं उयतः 8 समस्मात् 9 ॥ तम् 10 त्वा 11 शोचिष्ठ 12 दीदि उदः 13 सुम्नाय 4 नूनम् 15 ईमहे 16 सिखं अभ्यः 17 ॥

3-4. ³Awake! ⁴hear ²our ⁵call! ^{6,7}keep us far ⁹from all ⁸that seeks to turn us to evil. ¹³O shining One, ¹²O flame of purest Light, ¹¹thee ¹⁷for our comrades ¹⁶we desire that ¹⁵even now ¹⁴they may have the bliss and peace.

The Twenty-Fifth Hymn to Agni

A HYMN TO THE LORD OF LIGHT AND CREATOR OF GODHEAD

Rig Veda V.25

(15/460-62)

अच्छा वो अग्निमवसे देवं गासि स नो वसुः । रासत् पुत्र ऋषूणामृतावा पर्षति द्धिषः ॥१॥ अच्छ¹ वः² अग्निम्³ अवसे⁴ देवम्⁵ गासि⁶ सः⁷ नः⁸ वसुः⁹ । रासत्¹⁰ पुत्रः¹¹ ऋषूणाम्¹² ऋतऽवा¹³ पर्षति¹⁴ द्धिषः¹⁵ ॥

1. ⁶Raise thy song ¹towards ³the Will (Agni), ¹towards ⁵the divine ^{2,4}for thy increasing, for ⁸he is ⁸our ⁹lord of substance and ¹⁰he lavishes; ¹¹he is the son ¹²of the seekers of knowledge; ¹³he is the keeper of the Truth ¹⁴who ferries us beyond the surge ¹⁵of our destroyers.

स हि सत्यो यं पूर्वे चिद् देवासिश्चिद्यमीधिरे । होतारं मन्द्रजिह्वमित् सुदीतिभिर्विभावसुम् ॥२॥ सः 1 हि 2 सत्यः 3 यम् 4 पूर्वे 5 चित् 6 देवासः 7 चित् 8 यम् 9 ईिधरे 10 । होतारम् 11 मन्द्र 5 जिह्वम् 12 इत् 13 सुदीति 5 भिः 14 विभा 5 वस्वस् 15 ॥

2. ^{1,2}This is ³the true in his being ⁴whom ⁵the seers of old ¹⁰kindled, ⁶yea, ⁷the gods ⁸too ¹⁰kindled ⁹him ¹⁴with perfect outshinings ¹⁵into his wide substance of the light, ¹¹the priest of the oblation ¹²with his tongue of ecstasy.

स नो धीती वरिष्ठया श्रेष्ठया च सुमत्या । अग्ने रायो दिदीह नः सुवृक्तिभिवरिण्य ॥३॥ सः¹ नः² धीती³ वरिष्ठया⁴ श्रेष्ठया⁵ च⁶ सुडमत्या⁷ । अग्ने⁸ रायः⁹ दिदीहि¹⁰ नः¹¹ सुवृक्तिडभिः¹² वरेण्य¹³ ॥

3. ⁸O Flame ¹³supremely desirable, so ²by our ⁵supreme ³thinking, ⁵by our brightest ⁷perfected mentality, ¹²by its utter cleaving away of all evil ¹⁰let thy light give ¹¹unto us ⁹the bliss.

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अग्निर्देवेषु राजत्यग्निर्मर्तेष्वाविशन् ।
अग्निर्नो हव्यवाहनोङ्गिं धीभिः सपर्यत ॥४॥
अग्निः देवेषु राजति अग्निः मर्तेषु आङ्विशन् ।
अग्निः नः हव्यङ्वाहनः अग्निम् धीभिः ॥ सपर्यत ॥
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4. ¹The Will (Agni) is that which ³shines out ²in the gods, ⁴the Will (Agni) is that which ⁶enters with its light ⁵into mortals, ⁷the Will (Agni) is ^{8,9}the carrier of our oblation; ¹⁰the Will (Agni) ¹²seek and serve ¹¹in all your thoughts.

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अग्निस्तुविश्रवस्तमं तुविब्रह्माणमृत्तमम् ।
अतूर्तं श्रावयत्पतिं पुत्रं ददाति दाशुषे ।।५।।
अग्निः तुविश्रवः ७तमम् तुवि ७ ब्रह्माणम् ३ उत् ७तमम् ४।
अतूर्तम् ६ श्रावयत् ७पतिम् ६ पुत्रम् ७ ददाति ६ दाशुषे १॥
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5. ¹The Will (Agni) ⁸gives ⁹to the giver of sacrifice ⁷the Son born of his works ²who teems with the many inspirations and ³the many voices of the soul, ⁴the highest, ⁵the unassailable, ⁶the Master of things who opens our ears to the knowledge.

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अग्निर्ददाति सत्पतिं सासाह यो युधा नृभिः ।
अग्निरत्यं रघुष्यदं जेतारमपराजितम् ॥६॥
अग्निः¹ ददाति² सत्ऽपतिम्³ ससाह⁴ यः⁵ युधा<sup>6</sup> नृऽभिः<sup>7</sup> ।
अग्निः<sup>8</sup> अत्यम्<sup>9</sup> रघुऽस्यदम्¹<sup>0</sup> जेतारम्¹¹ अपराऽजितम्¹² ॥
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6. Yea, 'tis ¹the Will (Agni) ²gives to us ³the Lord of existences ⁵who ⁴conquers ⁶in the battles 7by his souls of power; 8Will (Agni) ²gives to us our ¹0swift-galloping 9steed of battle ¹¹ever conquering, ¹²never conquered.

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यद् वाहिष्ठं तदग्नये बृहदर्च विभावसो । मिहषीव त्वद् रियस्त्वद् वाजा उदीरते ।।७।। यत्। वाहिष्ठम्^2 तत्^3 अग्नये^4 बृहत्^5 अर्च^6 विभाऽवसो^7। मिहषीऽइव^8 त्वत्^9 रियः^{10} त्वत्^{11} वाजाः^{12} उत्^{13} ईरते^{14}॥
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7. ¹That ²which is strongest in us to upbear, ³we give it ⁴to the Will (Agni). ⁶Sing out ⁵the Vast, ⁷O thou whose wide substance is its light. ⁶Thy ¹⁰opulence is ⁸as if the largeness of the Goddess herself (Aditi, the vast Mother); ¹³upward ¹⁴is the rush ¹¹of thy ¹²plenitudes.

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तव द्युमन्तो अर्चयो ग्रावेवोच्यते बृहत् ।
उतो ते तन्यतुर्यथा स्वानो अर्त त्मना दिवः ॥८॥
तव<sup>1</sup> द्युऽमन्तः<sup>2</sup> अर्चयः<sup>3</sup> ग्रावाऽइव<sup>4</sup> उच्यते<sup>5</sup> बृहत्<sup>6</sup> ।
उतो<sup>7</sup> ते<sup>8</sup> तन्यतुः<sup>9</sup> यथा<sup>10</sup> स्वानः<sup>11</sup> अर्त<sup>12</sup> त्मना<sup>13</sup> दिवः<sup>14</sup> ॥
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8. ²Luminous are ¹thy ³flaming radiances; ^{5,6}there rises from thee a vast utterance ⁴like the voice of the pressing-stone of delight; ⁷yea, ⁸thy ¹¹cry ¹³of itself ¹²rises up ¹⁰like ⁹a thunder-chant ¹⁴from the heavens.

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एवाँ अग्नि वसूयवः सहसानं ववन्दिम ।
स नो विश्वा अति द्विषः पर्षन्नावेव सुक्रतुः ॥९॥
एव<sup>1</sup> अग्निम्<sup>2</sup> वसुञ्यवः<sup>3</sup> सहसानम्<sup>4</sup> ववन्दिम<sup>5</sup> ।
सः<sup>6</sup> नः<sup>7</sup> विश्वा<sup>8</sup> अति<sup>9</sup> द्विषः<sup>10</sup> पर्षत्<sup>11</sup> नावाञ्ड्व<sup>12</sup> सुञ्क्रतुः<sup>13</sup> ॥
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9. ¹Thus, ³desiring substance, ⁵we adore ²the Will (Agni) ⁴who is forceful to conquer. ^{11a}May ⁶he ¹³who has the perfect power of his workings, ^{11b}carry ⁷us ⁹beyond ⁸all ¹⁰the forces that seek to destroy us, ¹²like a ship over the waters.

The Twenty-Sixth Hymn to Agni

A HYMN OF THE PRIEST AND SACRIFICIAL FLAME

Rig Veda V.26

(15/463-65)

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अग्ने पावक रोचिषा मन्द्रया देव जिह्वया ।
आ देवान्विक्ष यिश्व च ॥१॥
अग्ने<sup>1</sup> पावक<sup>2</sup> रोचिषा<sup>3</sup> मन्द्रया<sup>4</sup> देव<sup>5</sup> जिह्वया<sup>6</sup> ।
आ<sup>7</sup> देवान्<sup>8</sup> विक्षि<sup>9</sup> यिश्व<sup>10</sup> च<sup>11</sup> ॥
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1. ¹O Flame, ²O purifier, ^{7,9}bring to us ⁶by thy (³luminous) tongue ⁴of rapture, ⁵O god, ⁸the gods ¹¹and ¹⁰offer to them sacrifice.

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तं त्वा घृतस्नवीमहे चित्रभानो स्वर्दृशम् ।
देवाँ आ वीतये वह ॥२॥
तम्<sup>1</sup> त्वा<sup>2</sup> घृतङस्नो<sup>3</sup> ईमहे<sup>4</sup> चित्रङभानो<sup>5</sup> स्वःङदृशम्<sup>6</sup> ।
देवान<sup>7</sup> आ<sup>8</sup> वीतये<sup>9</sup> वह<sup>10</sup> ॥
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2. ³Thou who drippest the clarity, ⁵thou of the rich and varied luminousness, ⁴we desire ²thee ⁶because thou hast the vision of our world of the Truth. ^{8,10}Bring to us ⁷the gods ⁹for their manifesting (or, "for the journeying" to the luminous world of the Truth, or, "for the eating" of the oblations).

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वीतिहोत्रं त्वा कवे द्युमन्तं सिमधीमिह ।
अग्ने बृहन्तमध्वरे ॥३॥
वीतिष्ठहोत्रम् त्वा<sup>2</sup> कवे<sup>3</sup> द्युष्टमन्तम् सम्<sup>5</sup> इधीमिह<sup>6</sup> ।
अग्ने<sup>7</sup> बृहन्तम् <sup>8</sup> अध्वरे<sup>9</sup> ॥
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3. ³O Seer, ^{5,6}we kindle ²thee ⁴in thy light and ⁸thy vastness ⁹in the march of our sacrifice ¹who carriest the offerings on their journey.

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अग्ने विश्वेभिरा गहि देवेभिर्हव्यदातये।
होतारं त्वा वृणीमहे ॥४॥
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अग्ने^1 विश्वेभिः^2 आ^3 गहि^4 देवेभिः^5 हव्यङदातये^6 । होतारम्^7 त्वा^8 वृणीमहे^9 ॥
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4. ^{3,4}Come, ¹O Will (Agni), ²with all ⁵the godheads ⁶for the giving of the oblation; ⁸thee ⁹we accept ⁷as the priest of the offering.

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यजमानाय सुन्वत आग्ने सुवीर्यं वह ।
देवैरा सित्स बर्हिषि ॥५॥
यजमानाय<sup>1</sup> सुन्वते<sup>2</sup> आ<sup>3</sup> अग्ने<sup>4</sup> सुठवीर्यम्<sup>5</sup> वह<sup>6</sup> ।
देवैः<sup>7</sup> आ<sup>8</sup> सित्स<sup>9</sup> बर्हिषि<sup>10</sup> ॥
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5. ¹For the sacrificer ²who presses the wine of his delight, ³,6bring, ⁴O Flame, ⁵a perfect energy. 8,9Sit 7with the gods ¹0on the seat of the soul's fullness.

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सिमधानः सहस्रजिदग्ने धर्माणि पुष्यसि ।
देवानां दूत उक्थ्यः ॥६॥
सम्७इधानः सहस्र७जित् अग्ने धर्माणि पुष्यसि ।
देवानाम् दूतः उक्थ्यः ॥
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6. ³O Flame, ¹thou burnest high and ⁵increasest ⁴the divine laws and ²art the conqueror of a thousandfold riches; ⁷thou art the messenger ⁶of the gods ⁸who hast the word.

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न्यग्नि जातवेदसं होत्रवाहं यविष्ठ्यम् ।
दधाता देवमृत्विजम् ।।७।।
नि¹ अग्निम्² जातऽवेदसम्³ होत्रऽवाहम्⁴ यविष्ठ्यम्⁵ ।
दधात<sup>6</sup> देवम्<sup>7</sup> ऋत्विजम्<sup>8</sup> ॥
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7. ^{1,6}Set within you ²the Flame ³who knows the births, ⁴bearer of the offering, ⁵youngest vigour, ⁷divine ⁸sacrificer in the seasons of the Truth.

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प्र यज्ञ एत्वानुषगद्या देवव्यचस्तमः ।
स्तृणीत बर्हिरासदे ॥८॥
प्र<sup>1</sup> यज्ञः<sup>2</sup> एतु<sup>3</sup> आनुषक्<sup>4</sup> अद्य<sup>5</sup> देवव्यचःऽतमः<sup>6</sup> ।
स्तृणीत<sup>7</sup> बर्हिः<sup>8</sup> आऽसदे<sup>9</sup> ॥
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8. ⁵Today ^{3a}let ²thy sacrifice ^{3b}march ¹forward ⁴unceasingly, ²thy sacrifice ⁶that shall bring the whole epiphany of the godheads. ⁷Strew ⁸the seat of thy soul ⁹that there they may sit.

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एदं मरुतो अश्विना मित्रः सीदन्तु वरुणः ।
देवासः सर्वया विशा ॥९॥
आ<sup>1</sup> इदम्<sup>2</sup> मरुतः<sup>3</sup> अश्विना<sup>4</sup> मित्रः<sup>5</sup> सीदन्तु<sup>6</sup> वरुणः<sup>7</sup> ।
देवासः<sup>8</sup> सर्वया<sup>9</sup> विशा<sup>10</sup> ॥
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9. ¹There ^{6a}let ³the Life-powers (the Maruts) ^{6b}take their seat and ⁴the Riders of the Horse (the Twin Ashwins) and ⁵the Lord of Love (Mitra) and ⁷the Lord of Wideness (Varuna), ⁸even the gods ⁹with all ¹⁰their nation.

The Twenty-Seventh Hymn to Agni

A HYMN OF THE STRENGTH AND ILLUMINATION

Rig Veda V.27

(15/466-68)

अनस्वन्ता सत्पतिर्मामहे मे गावा चेतिष्ठो असुरो मघोनः । त्रैवृष्णो अग्ने दशिमः सहस्रैर्वैश्वानर त्र्यरुणश्चिकेत ॥१॥ अनस्वन्ता सत्ऽपितः² मामहे³ मे⁴ गावा⁵ चेतिष्ठः⁶ असुरः⁷ मघोनः⁸ । त्रैवृष्णः⁹ अग्ने ¹⁰ दशङिभः¹¹ सहस्रैः ¹² वैश्वानर ¹³ त्रिङअरुणः ¹⁴ चिकेत ¹⁵ ॥

1. ¹⁰O Will (Agni), ¹³O Universal Power (or, Godhead), ⁷the mighty One ⁶supreme in vision, ²master of his being, ⁸lord of his plenitudes ³has given ⁴me his ⁵two cows of the Light ¹that draw his wain (wagon or cart). ¹⁴He of the triple dawn (the dawn of the three luminous realms of Swar on the human mentality), ⁹son of the triple Bull (Indra), ¹⁵has awakened to knowledge ¹¹with the ten ¹²thousands of his plenitude (the subtle powers of the illumined mind).

यो मे शता च विंशतिं च गोनां हरी च युक्ता सुधुरा ददाति । वैश्वानर सुष्टुतो वावृधानोङग्ने यच्छ त्र्यरुणाय शर्म ॥२॥ यः 1 मे² शता³ च⁴ विंशतिम् ⁵ च⁶ गोनाम् ⁷ हरी⁸ च⁹ युक्ता ¹⁰ सुङधुरा ¹¹ ददाति ¹² । वैश्वानर ¹³ सुङस्तुतः ¹⁴ ववृधानः ¹⁵ अग्ने ¹⁶ यच्छ ¹⁷ त्रिङअरुणाय ¹⁸ शर्म ¹⁹ ॥

2. ¹²He gives ²to me ³the hundred ⁴and ⁵twenty ⁷of the cows of dawn (120 = 12 months x 10 subtle powers); ⁸his two shining horses ¹²he gives, ¹⁰yoked to the car, ¹¹that bear aright the yoke. ¹⁶O Will (Agni), ¹³O Universal Power, ^{17a}do thou ¹⁴rightly affirmed and ¹⁵increasing ^{17b}extend ¹⁹peace and bliss ¹⁸to the lord of the triple dawn.

एवा ते अग्ने सुमितं चकानो निवष्ठाय नवमं त्रसदस्युः । यो मे गिरस्तुविजातस्य पूर्वीर्युक्तेनाभी त्र्यरुणो गृणाति ।।३।। एव¹ ते² अग्ने³ सुङमितम्⁴ चकानः⁵ निवष्ठाय⁶ नवमम्⁷ त्रसदस्युः⁸ । यः⁹ मे¹⁰ गिरः¹¹ तुविङजातस्य¹² पूर्वीः¹³ युक्तेन¹⁴ अभि¹⁵ त्रिङअरुणः¹⁶ गृणाति¹⁷ ॥ 3. ¹For thus has he done ⁵desiring ²thy ⁴grace of mind, ⁶new-given for him ⁷new-manifested, — he, ⁸the disperser of the destroyers, ¹⁶the lord of the triple dawn ⁹who ¹⁴with attentive mind ^{15,17}gives response to (repeats) ¹³the many ¹¹words ¹⁰of my ¹²many births.

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यो म इति प्रवोचत्यश्वमेधायसूरये ।
दददृचा सिंनं यते ददन्मेधामृतायते ॥४॥
यः मे<sup>2</sup> इति प्रठवोचिति अश्वठमेधाय सूरये ।
ददत् ऋचा सिनम् यते । ददत् । मेधाम् । ऋतठयते । ॥
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4. ^{7a}May ¹he who ⁴answers ²to me ³with assent ^{7b}give ⁶to the illumined ⁵giver of the Horse-sacrifice (the offering of the Life-power), ⁸by the word of illumination ⁹possession of the goal ¹⁰of his journey; ¹¹may he give ¹²power of intelligence ¹³to the seeker of the Truth.

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यस्य मा परुषाः शतमुद्धर्षयन्त्युक्षणः ।
अश्वमेधस्य दानाः सोमा इव त्र्याशिरः ॥५॥
यस्य<sup>1</sup> मा<sup>2</sup> परुषाः<sup>3</sup> शतम्<sup>4</sup> उत्हर्षयन्ति<sup>5</sup> उक्षणः<sup>6</sup> ।
अश्व७मेधस्य<sup>7</sup> दानाः<sup>8</sup> सोमाः ७ इव<sup>9</sup> त्रि७आशिरः<sup>10</sup> ॥
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5. ⁴A hundred ³strong ⁶bulls of the diffusion (the complete hundred powers of the Life showering the abundance of the vital plane) ^{5a}raise ²me ^{5b}up to joy; ⁸the gifts ⁷of the sacrificer of the steed are ⁹as outpourings of the wine of delight ¹⁰with their triple infusions (Soma mixed with *milk* of the luminous cows - *go*, *curds* from the milk set in the intellectual mind - *dadhi*, and *grain* of the physical mind - *yava*).

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इन्द्राग्नी शतदाञ्यश्वमेधे सुवीर्यम् ।
क्षत्रं धारयतं बृहद्दिवि सूर्यमिवाजरम् ।।६।।
इन्द्राग्नी<sup>1</sup> शतङदाञ्नि<sup>2</sup> अश्वङमेधे<sup>3</sup> सुङवीर्यम्<sup>4</sup> ।
क्षत्रम्<sup>5</sup> धारयतम्<sup>6</sup> बृहत्<sup>7</sup> दिवि<sup>8</sup> सूर्यम्<sup>9</sup> इव<sup>10</sup> अजरम्<sup>11</sup> ॥
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6. ^{6a}May ¹the God-Mind (Indra) and the God-Will (Agni) ^{6b}uphold ³in the sacrificer of the Horse and ²giver of his hundred (horses) ⁴a perfect energy and ⁷a vast ⁵force of battle ¹⁰even as ⁸in heaven ⁹the Sun of Light ¹¹indestructible.

The Twenty-Eighth Hymn to Agni

A HYMN OF THE HIGH-BLAZING FLAME, KING OF IMMORTALITY

Rig Veda V.28

(15/469-70)

समिद्धो अग्निर्दिवि शोचिरश्रेत्प्रत्यङ्ङुषसमुर्विया वि भाति । एति प्राची विश्ववारा नमोभिर्देवाँ ईळाना हविषा घृताची ॥१॥ सम्७इद्धः अग्निः दिवि³ शोचिः ⁴ अश्रेत् प्रत्यङ् उषसम् ⁷ उर्विया वि भाति । एति ¹¹ प्राची ¹² विश्व ७ वारा ¹³ नमः ७ भिः ¹⁴ देवान् ¹⁵ ईळाना ¹⁶ हविषा ¹⁷ घृताची ¹⁸ ॥

1. ²The Flame of Will ¹burning high ⁵rises ⁴to his pure light ³in the heaven of mind; ⁸wide ^{9,10}he extends his illumination and ⁶fronts ⁷the Dawn. ¹¹She comes, ¹²moving upward, ¹³laden with all desirable things, ¹⁶seeking ¹⁵the gods ¹⁷with the oblation (and ¹⁴surrender), ¹⁸luminous ¹⁷with the clarity.

सिमध्यमानो अमृतस्य राजिस हविष्कृण्वन्तं सचसे स्वस्तये । विश्वं सधत्ते द्रविणं यिमन्वस्यातिथ्यमग्ने नि चधत्त इत्पुरः ॥२॥ सम्७इध्यमानः अमृतस्य² राजिस³ हविः⁴ कृण्वन्तम्⁵ सचसे⁶ स्वस्तये⁷ । विश्वम्⁸ सः⁹ धत्ते¹⁰ द्रविणम्¹¹ यम्¹² इन्वसि¹³ आतिथ्यम्¹⁴ अग्ने¹⁵ नि¹⁶ च¹⁷ धत्ते¹⁸ इत्¹⁹ पुरः²⁰॥

2. (¹⁵O Agni,) ¹When thou burnest high ³thou art king ²of immortality and ⁶thou cleavest ⁵to the doer ⁴of sacrifice ⁷to give him that blissful state; ⁹he ¹²to whom ¹³thou comest ¹⁴to be his guest, ¹⁰holds in himself ⁸all ¹¹substance ¹⁷and ⁹he ¹⁸sets thee ¹⁶within ²⁰in his front.

अग्ने शर्ध महते सौभगाय तव द्युम्नान्युत्तमानि सन्तु । सं जास्पत्यं सुयममा कृणुष्य शत्रूयतामभि तिष्ठा महांसि ।।३।। अग्ने¹ शर्ध² महते³ सौभगाय⁴ तव⁵ द्युम्नानि⁶ उत्ऽतमानि⁷ सन्तु⁸ । सम्⁹ जःऽपत्यम्¹⁰ सुऽयमम्¹¹ आ¹² कृणुष्य¹³ शत्रुऽयताम्¹⁴ अभि¹⁵ तिष्ठ¹⁶ महांसि¹⁷ ॥

3. ¹O Flame, ²put forth thy battling might ³for a vast ⁴enjoyment of bliss; ⁸may there be ⁵thy ⁷highest ⁶illumination; ^{12,13}create ¹¹a well-governed ^{9,10}union of the Lord and his Spouse, ¹⁶set thy foot ¹⁵on ¹⁷the greatness ¹⁴of hostile powers.

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सिमद्धस्य प्रमहसोङग्ने वन्दे तव श्रियम् ।
वृषभो द्युम्नवाँ असि समध्वरेष्विध्यसे ।।४।।
सम्७इद्धस्य<sup>1</sup> प्रङमहसः<sup>2</sup> अग्ने<sup>3</sup> वन्दे<sup>4</sup> तव<sup>5</sup> श्रियम्<sup>6</sup> ।
वृषभः<sup>7</sup> द्युम्नङवान्<sup>8</sup> असि<sup>9</sup> सम्<sup>10</sup> अध्वरेषु<sup>11</sup> इध्यसे<sup>12</sup> ॥
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4. ⁴I adore, ³O Flame, ⁶the glory ⁵of thy ¹high-blazing ²mightiness. ⁹Thou art ⁷the Bull ⁸with the illuminations; ^{10,12}thou burnest up ¹¹in the march of our sacrifices.

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सिमद्धो अग्न आहुत देवान्यिक्ष स्वध्वर ।
त्वं हि हव्यवाळिस ।।५।।
सम्७इद्धः <sup>1</sup> अग्ने<sup>2</sup> आ७हुत<sup>3</sup> देवान्<sup>4</sup> यिक्ष<sup>5</sup> सु७अध्वर<sup>6</sup> ।
त्वम्<sup>7</sup> हि<sup>8</sup> हव्य७वाट्<sup>9</sup> असि<sup>10</sup> ॥
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5. ²O Flame ³that receivest our offerings, ⁶perfect guide of the sacrifice, ¹high-kindled ⁵offer our oblation ⁴to the godheads; ^{7,8}for thou ¹⁰art ⁹the bearer of our offerings.

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आ जुहोता दुवस्यताङ्गि प्रयत्यध्वरे ।
वृणीध्वं हव्यवाहनम् ॥६॥
आ<sup>1</sup> जुहोत<sup>2</sup> दुवस्यत<sup>3</sup> अग्निम्<sup>4</sup> प्रडयति<sup>5</sup> अध्वरे<sup>6</sup> ।
वृणीध्वम्<sup>7</sup> हव्यङ्वाहनम्<sup>8</sup> ॥
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6. ^{1,2}Cast the offering, ^{3,4}serve the Will (Agni) with your works (or, ^{3,4}set Agni to its workings) ^{5,6}while your sacrifice moves forward to its goal, ⁷accept ⁸the carrier of our oblation.

Hymns to the Lords of Light

Hymns to Mitra Varuna

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The First Hymn To Mitra-Varuna

THE LORDS OF THE THOUSAND-PILLARED HOME OF TRUTH AND BLISS

Rig Veda V.62

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ऋतेन ऋतमिपिहितं ध्रुवं वां सूर्यस्य यत्र विमुचन्त्यश्वान् । दश शता सह तस्थुस्तदेकं देवानां श्रेष्ठं वपुषामपश्यम् ॥ १ ॥ ऋतेन¹ ऋतम्² अपिऽहितम्³ ध्रुवम्⁴ वाम्⁵ सूर्यस्य⁶ यत्र⁷ विऽमुचन्ति⁸ अश्वान्⁹ । दश¹⁰ शता¹¹ सह¹² तस्थुः¹³ तत्¹⁴ एकम्¹⁵ देवानाम्¹⁶ श्रेष्ठम्¹⁷ वपुषाम्¹⁸ अपश्यम्¹⁹ ॥

1. ¹By the Truth (active cosmic Truth of things) ³is veiled ⁴that ever-standing ²Truth (eternal and unchanging Truth) ⁵of yours (of you two – Mitra and Varuna) ⁷where ⁸they unyoke ⁹the horses ⁶of the Sun; there the ¹⁰ten ¹¹hundreds ¹³stand still ¹²together; ¹⁴That ¹⁵One, — ¹⁹I have beheld ¹⁷the greatest ¹⁸of the embodied ¹⁶gods.

तत्सु वां मित्रावरुणा महित्वमीर्मा तस्थुषीरहिभर्दुदुह्रे । विश्वाः पिन्वथः स्वसरस्य धेना अनु वामेकः पविरा ववर्त ॥२॥ तत्¹ सु² वाम्³ मित्रावरुणा⁴ महिऽत्वम्⁵ ईर्मा⁶ तस्थुषीः⁷ अहऽभिः⁸ दुदुह्रे⁹ । विश्वाः¹⁰ पिन्वथः¹¹ स्वसरस्य¹² धेनाः¹³ अनु¹⁴ वाम्¹⁵ एकः¹⁶ पविः¹⁷ आ¹⁸ ववर्त¹⁹ ॥

2. ¹That is ²the utter ⁵vastness ³of you (two), ⁴O Mitra and Varuna; there ⁶the Lord of the movement 9milks 7the herds of his stable radiances 8by the days. Lo, ¹¹you twain swell ¹⁰all ¹³the streams ¹²of the Blissful One and ¹⁵your ¹⁶one ¹⁵wheel ¹⁴,¹8,¹9moves in their path.

अधारयतं पृथिवीमुत द्यां मित्रराजाना वरुणा महोभिः । वर्धयतमोषधीः पिन्वतं गा अव वृष्टिं सृजतं जीरदानू ॥३॥ अधारयतम् पृथिवीम् २ उत ३ द्याम् ४ मित्र ५ राजाना २ वरुणा ६ महः ५ भिः ७ । वर्धयतम् ८ ओषधीः १ पिन्वतम् १० गाः ११ अव १२ वृष्टिम् १३ सृजतम् १४ जीर ५ दानू १५॥ 3. ¹You (two) uphold ²earth ³and ⁴heaven, ⁵O Mitra King and ⁶King Varuna, ⁻by your greatnesses; ⁶you (two) increase ⁶the growths of earth, ¹⁰you (two) nourish ¹¹the shining herds of heaven, ¹²,¹⁴you (two) pour forth ¹³the rain of its waters, ¹⁵O swift in strength.

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आ वामश्वासः सुयुजो वहन्तु यतरश्मय उप यन्त्वर्वाक् ।

घृतस्य निर्णिगनु वर्तते वामुप सिन्धवः प्रदिवि क्षरन्ति ॥४॥

आ¹ वाम्² अश्वासः³ सुञ्चयुजः⁴ वहन्तु⁵ यतञ्रश्मयः<sup>6</sup> उप<sup>7</sup> यन्तु<sup>8</sup> अर्वाक्<sup>9</sup> ।

घृतस्य¹० निर्निक्¹¹ अनु¹² वर्तते¹³ वामु¹⁴ उप¹⁵ सिन्धवः¹6 प्रञदिवि¹<sup>7</sup> क्षरन्ति¹<sup>8</sup> ॥
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4. ^{5a}Let ³horses ⁴perfectly yoked ⁶with their well-governed reins of light ^{1,5b}bear ²you (two) ⁹down to us; ¹¹the form ¹⁰of the clarity ^{12,13}follows (¹⁴you two) in your coming and ¹⁶the Rivers ^{15,18}flow ¹⁷in the front of heaven.

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अनु श्रुताममितं वर्धदुर्वीं बर्हिरिव यजुषा रक्षमाणा ।
नमस्वन्ता धृतदक्षाधि गर्ते मित्रासाथे वरुणेळास्वन्तः ॥५॥
अनु 1 श्रुताम् 2 अमितम् 3 वर्धत् 4 उर्वीम् 5 बर्हिः ५ इव ६ यजुषा ७ रक्षमाणा ॥।
नमस्वन्ता १ धृत ५ दक्षा १० अधि १ गर्ते १२ मित्र १३ आसाथे १४ वरुण १५ इळासु १६ अन्तः १७॥
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5. ⁴Increasing ³the strength ^{1,2}that comes to our ear of knowledge, ⁸guarding ⁷by the sacrificial word ⁵your wide realm ⁶as if our seat of sacrifice, ⁹bringing obeisance, ¹⁰holding fast to judgment, ¹⁴you (two) take your seat ^{11,12}in your home, ¹³O Mitra, ¹⁷within ¹⁶the revealings of knowledge, ¹⁵O Varuna.

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अक्रविहस्ता सुकृते परस्पा यं त्रासाथे वरुणेळास्वन्तः ।
राजाना क्षत्रमहणीयमाना सहस्रस्थूणं बिभृथः सह द्वौ ॥६॥
अक्रविऽहस्ता¹ सुऽकृते² परःऽपा³ यम्⁴ त्रासाथे⁵ वरुणा⁰ इळासु<sup>7</sup> अन्तः<sup>8</sup> ।
राजाना<sup>8</sup> क्षत्रम्<sup>9</sup> अहृणीयमाना¹<sup>0</sup> सहस्रऽस्थूणम्¹¹ बिभृथः¹² सह¹³ द्वौ¹⁴॥
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6. ¹With hands that spare not, ³protectors of the beyond ²for the doer of perfect works ⁴whom ⁵you (two) deliver and 8he dwells 7within the revealings of knowledge, 8kings ¹0free from passion, ¹³together ¹⁴you (two) ¹²uphold ¹¹a thousand-pillared 9strength.

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हिरण्यिनिर्णिगयो अस्य स्थूणा वि भ्राजते दिव्यश्वाजनीव ।
भद्रे क्षेत्रे निमिता तिल्विले वा सनेम मध्यो अधिगर्त्यस्य ॥७॥
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हिरण्य७निर्निक् 1 अयः 2 अस्य 3 स्थूणा 4 वि 5 भ्राजते 6 दिवि 7 अश्वाजनी७इव 8 । भद्रे 9 क्षेत्रे 10 नि७मिता 11 तिल्विले 12 वा 13 सनेम 14 मध्यः 15 अधि७गर्त्यस्य 16 ॥

7. ³Its ¹form is of golden light, ²iron is ³its ⁴pillar and (it - the Home) ^{5,6}shines ⁷in heaven ⁸as if the swift lightning (or, "the mare", the energy of the Horse of Life); ⁹in the happy ¹⁰field (Ananda) ¹¹it is shaped ¹³or ¹²in the field of the gleaming (Light). ¹⁴May we win possession ¹⁵of the sweet honey (Soma) ¹⁶which is in that home.

हिरण्यरूपमुषसो व्युष्टावयःस्थूणमुदिता सूर्यस्य । आ रोहथो वरुण मित्र गर्तमतश्चक्षाथे अदितिं दितिं च ॥८॥ हिरण्यङ्कपम्¹ उषसः² वि७उष्टौ³ अयःङ्स्थूणम्⁴ उत्ङ्हता⁵ सूर्यस्य⁶ । आ⁷ रोहथः⁸ वरुण⁹ मित्र¹⁰ गर्तम्¹¹ अतः¹² चक्षाथे¹³ अदितिम्¹⁴ दितिम्¹⁵ च¹⁶ ॥

8. ¹¹To that home ¹whose form is of the gold, ⁴whose pillars are of the iron, ³in the breaking ²of the Dawn, ⁵in the uprising ⁶of the Sun ^{7,8}you (two) ascend, ⁹O Varuna, ¹⁰O Mitra, and ¹²thence ¹⁴you (two) behold ¹⁴the Infinite ¹⁶and ¹⁵the Finite.

यद् बंहिष्ठं नातिविधे सुदानू अच्छिद्रं शर्म भुवनस्य गोपा । तेन नो मित्रावरुणावविष्टं सिषासन्तो जिगीवांसः स्याम ॥९॥ यत्¹ बंहिष्ठम्² न³ अतिऽविधे⁴ सुऽदानू⁵ अच्छिद्रम्⁶ शर्म⁷ भुवनस्य⁸ गोपा⁹ । तेन¹⁰ नः¹¹ मित्रावरुणौ¹² अविष्टम्¹³ सिषासन्तः¹⁴ जिगीवांसः¹⁵ स्याम¹⁶ ॥

9. ¹That ⁷bliss of yours which is ²most large and full and ⁶without a gap, ⁵O strong ⁹guardians ⁸of the world, so that ³none ⁴can pierce through and beyond it, ¹⁰by that ¹³cherish ¹¹us, ¹²Mitra and Varuna; ¹⁶may we be ¹⁵victorious, ¹⁵who would take possession of that peace.

The Second Hymn to Mitra-Varuna

THE GIVERS OF THE RAIN

Rig Veda V.63

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ऋतस्य गोपाविध तिष्ठथो रथं सत्यधर्माण परमे व्योमिन । यमत्र मित्रावरुणावथो युवं तस्मै वृष्टिर्मधुमित्पन्वते दिवः ॥१॥ ऋतस्य¹ गोपौ² अधि³ तिष्ठथः⁴ रथम्⁵ सत्यऽधर्माणा⁶ परमे⁷ विऽओमिन⁸ । यम्⁹ अत्र¹⁰ मित्रावरुणा¹¹ अवथः¹² युवम्¹³ तस्मै¹⁴ वृष्टिः¹⁵ मधुऽमत्¹⁶ पिन्वते¹⁷ दिवः¹⁸ ॥

1. ²Guardians ¹of the Truth, ^{3,4}you (two) ascend ⁵your car and ⁶the law of the Truth is yours ⁷in the supreme ⁸ether. ⁹He whom ¹⁰here ¹³you (two) ¹²cherish (guard), ¹¹Masters of the wideness (Varuna) and the harmony (Mitra), ¹⁴for him ¹⁷increases ¹⁶full of the honey ¹⁵the rain ¹⁸of heaven.

सम्राजावस्य भुवनस्य राजथो मित्रावरुणा विदथे स्वर्दृशा । वृष्टिं वां राधो अमृतत्वमीमहे द्यावापृथिवी वि चरन्ति तन्यवः ॥२॥ सम्डराजौ¹ अस्य² भुवनस्य³ राजथः⁴ मित्रावरुणा⁵ विदथे॰ स्वःडदृशा⁷ । वृष्टिम्⁸ वाम्⁹ राधः¹⁰ अमृतङ्वम्¹¹ ईमहे¹² द्यावापृथिवी¹³ वि¹⁴ चरन्ति¹⁵ तन्यवः¹०॥

2. ¹Emperors, you (two) ⁴rule over ²this ³world of our becoming, ⁵O Mitra and Varuna, ⁶in the getting of knowledge ⁷you (two) are seers of the realm of Light; ¹²we desire ⁹from you (two) ⁸the rain, ¹⁰the felicitous wealth, ¹¹the immortality, and lo! ¹⁶the Thunderers (Maruts) ^{14,15}range abroad ¹³through earth and heaven.

सम्राजा उग्रा वृषभा दिवस्पती पृथिव्या मित्रावरुणा विचर्षणी । चित्रेभिरभ्रैरुप तिष्ठथो रवं द्यां वर्षयथो असुरस्य मायया ॥३॥ सम् ७राजौ । उग्रा वृषभा ३ दिवः 4 पती ५ पृथिव्याः 6 मित्रावरुणा ७ वि७ चर्षणी ॥ । चित्रेभिः ९ अभ्रैः 10 उप 11 तिष्ठथः 12 रवम् 13 द्याम् 14 वर्षयथः 15 असुरस्य 16 मायया 17॥ 3. ¹Emperors, ²strong ³Bulls of the abundance, ⁵Masters ⁶of earth and ⁴heaven, ⁷O Mitra and Varuna, ⁸universal in your workings, ^{11,12}you (two) approach ¹³their cry ¹⁰with your clouds ⁹of varied light and ¹⁵you (two) rain down ¹⁴Heaven ¹⁷by the power of the knowledge ¹⁶of the Mighty One.

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माया वां मित्रावरुणा दिवि श्रिता सूर्यो ज्योतिश्चरित चित्रमायुधम् ।
तमभ्रेण वृष्टया गूहथो दिवि पर्जन्य द्रप्सा मधुमन्त ईरते ॥४॥
माया वाम्² मित्रावरुणा³ दिवि⁴ श्रिता⁵ सूर्यः <sup>6</sup> ज्योतिः <sup>7</sup> चरित चित्रम् <sup>9</sup> आयुधम् <sup>10</sup> ।
तम् <sup>11</sup> अभ्रेण <sup>12</sup> वृष्ट्या <sup>13</sup> गूहथः <sup>14</sup> दिवि <sup>15</sup> पर्जन्य <sup>16</sup> द्रप्साः <sup>17</sup> मध् <sup>5</sup> मन्तः <sup>18</sup> ईरते <sup>19</sup> ॥
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4. This is ²your ¹knowledge, ³O Mitra and Varuna, that ⁵is lodged ⁴in heaven; it is ⁶the Sun, it is ⁷the Light; ⁸it ranges abroad as your ⁹rich and varied ¹⁰weapon. ¹⁴You (two) hide ¹¹it ¹⁵in heaven ¹²with the cloud and ¹³with the raining. ¹⁶O Rain, ¹⁸full of the honey ¹⁹start forth ¹⁷thy streamings.

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रथं युञ्जते मरुतः शुभे सुखं शूरो न मित्रावरुणा गविष्टिषु ।
रजांसि चित्रा वि चरन्ति तन्यवो दिवः सम्राजा पयसा न उक्षतम् ॥५॥
रथम्<sup>1</sup> युञ्जते<sup>2</sup> मरुतः<sup>3</sup> शुभे<sup>4</sup> सुङखम्<sup>5</sup> शूरः<sup>6</sup> न<sup>7</sup> मित्रावरुणा<sup>8</sup> गोङ्डिष्टिषु<sup>9</sup> ।
रजांसि<sup>10</sup> चित्रा<sup>11</sup> वि<sup>12</sup> चरन्ति<sup>13</sup> तन्यवः<sup>14</sup> दिवः<sup>15</sup> सम्हराजा<sup>16</sup> पयसा<sup>17</sup> नः<sup>18</sup> उक्षतम्<sup>19</sup> ॥
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5. ³The Life-Powers (Maruts) ²yoke their ⁵happy ¹car ⁴for the bliss, ⁷even as might ⁶a hero for battle, ⁸O Mitra and Varuna, ⁹in their seekings for the herds of Light; ¹⁴thundering ^{12,13}they range ¹¹the varied ¹⁰worlds, and ¹⁹you (two) pour out ¹⁸on us, ¹⁶rulers imperial, ¹⁷the water ¹⁵of Heaven.

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वाचं सु मित्रावरुणाविरावतीं पर्जन्यश्चित्रां वदित त्विषीमतीम् ।
अभ्रा वसत मरुतः सु मायया द्यां वर्षयतमरुणामरेपसम् ॥६॥
वाचम्<sup>1</sup> सु<sup>2</sup> मित्रावरुणौ<sup>3</sup> इराङ्वतीम्<sup>4</sup> पर्जन्यः<sup>5</sup> चित्राम्<sup>6</sup> वदिति<sup>7</sup> त्विषिङ्मतीम्<sup>8</sup> ।
अभ्रा<sup>9</sup> वसत<sup>10</sup> मरुतः<sup>11</sup> सु<sup>12</sup> मायया<sup>13</sup> द्याम्<sup>14</sup> वर्षयतम्<sup>15</sup> अरुणाम्<sup>16</sup> अरेपसम्<sup>17</sup> ॥
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6. ³O Mitra and Varuna, ⁵the Rain ⁷speaks ¹its language (word of the Truth) ²rich and ⁶varied and ⁸full of the (flaming energy of) light and ⁴(full of) the movement; ¹¹the Life-Powers (Maruts) ^{10a}have put on ⁹your clouds ^{10b}for raiment. ¹²Utterly ¹³by the knowledge ¹⁵you (two) rain down ¹⁴Heaven ¹⁶ruddy-shining and ¹⁷sinless.

धर्मणा मित्रावरुणा विपश्चिता व्रता रक्षेथे असुरस्य मायया । ऋतेन विश्वं भुवनं वि राजथः सूर्यमा धत्थो दिवि चिञ्यं रथम् ॥७॥ धर्मणा¹ मित्रावरुणा² विपःऽचिता³ व्रता⁴ रक्षेथे⁵ असुरस्य⁶ मायया⁷ । ऋतेन⁸ विश्वम्⁹ भुवनम्¹¹⁰ वि¹¹ राजथः¹² सूर्यम्¹³ आ¹⁴ धत्थः¹⁵ दिवि¹⁶ चित्र्यम्¹⁷ रथम्¹⁸॥

7. ²O Mitra and Varuna ³illumined in consciousness, ¹by the Law, ⁷by the knowledge ⁶of the Mighty One ⁵you (two) guard ⁴the workings; ⁸by the Truth ¹²you (two) govern ¹¹widely ⁹all ¹⁰the world of our becoming; ^{14,15}you (two) set ¹³the Sun ¹⁶in heaven, ¹⁸a chariot ¹⁷of various splendour.

The Third Hymn to Mitra-Varuna

THE LEADERS TO THE BLISSFUL HOME

Rig Veda V.64

(15/526-28)

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वरुणं वो रिशादसमृचा मित्रं हवामहे ।
परि व्रजेव बाह्वोर्जगन्वांसा स्वर्णरम् ॥१॥
वरुणम् वः रिशादसम् ऋचा मित्रम् हवामहे ।
परि व्रजा इव बाह्वोः जगन्वांसा स्वः अनरम् ॥
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1. ¹Varuna, ³destroyer of the foe, and ⁵Mitra ⁶we call ²to you (two) ⁴by the word of illumination; ¹⁰their arms ^{7,11}encompass ¹²the world of the power of Light ⁹as if ¹¹cast ⁷around ⁸the pens of the shining herds.

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ता बाहवा सुचेतुना प्र यन्तमस्मा अर्चते ।
शेवं हि जार्यं वां विश्वासु क्षासु जोगुवे ॥२॥
ता<sup>1</sup> बाहवा<sup>2</sup> सुञ्चेतुना<sup>3</sup> प्र<sup>4</sup> यन्तम्<sup>5</sup> अस्मै<sup>6</sup> अर्चते<sup>7</sup> ।
शेवम्<sup>8</sup> हि<sup>9</sup> जार्यम्<sup>10</sup> वाम्<sup>11</sup> विश्वास्<sup>12</sup> क्षास्<sup>13</sup> जोगुवे<sup>14</sup> ॥
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2. ^{4,5}Stretch out ¹your ²arms ³of awakened knowledge ⁶to the (this) human being ⁷when he chants to you the illumining word; ¹¹your ⁸bliss ¹⁰adorable ¹⁴shall reach through ¹²all ¹³our earths (the planes of our being).

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यन्नूनमश्यां गतिं मित्रस्य यायां पथा ।
अस्य प्रियस्य शर्मण्यहिंसानस्य सश्चिरे ॥३॥
यत् 1 नूनम् 2 अश्याम् 3 गतिम् 4 मित्रस्य 5 यायाम् 6 पथा 7 ।
अस्य 8 प्रियस्य 9 शर्मणि 10 अहिंसानस्य 11 सश्चिरे 12॥
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3. ⁶May I go ⁷by the path ⁵of the Friend (Mitra) ¹that even ²now ³I may attain ⁴to the goal of my journey; ¹²so men cling firmly ¹⁰to the bliss ⁸of that ⁹Beloved (Mitra) ¹¹in whom there is no wounding.

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युवाभ्यां मित्रा वरुणोपमं धेयामृचा ।
यद्ध क्षये मघोनां स्तोतॄणां च स्पूर्धसे ॥४॥
युवाभ्याम् मित्रावरुणा उपडमम् धेयाम् ऋचा ।
यत् ह अये मघोनाम् स्तोतॄणाम् च च स्पूर्धसे ॥
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4. ²O Mitra and Varuna, ⁴may my thought hold ⁵by the illumining word ³that highest ¹which is your possession, ^{6,7}so that ¹²it shall aspire (strive to raise them up) ⁸to the home ⁹of the masters of plenitude (Gods) for them ¹¹and ¹⁰for men who affirm you.

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आ नो मित्र सुदीतिभिर्वरुणश्च सधस्थ आ ।
स्वे क्षये मघोनां सखीनां च वृधसे ॥५॥
आ<sup>1</sup> नः<sup>2</sup> मित्र<sup>3</sup> सुदीतिङभिः<sup>4</sup> वरुणः<sup>5</sup> च<sup>6</sup> सधङस्थे<sup>7</sup> आ<sup>8</sup> ।
स्वे<sup>9</sup> क्षये<sup>10</sup> मघोनाम्<sup>11</sup> सखीनाम्<sup>12</sup> च<sup>13</sup> वृधसे<sup>14</sup>॥
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5. ³O Mitra, ¹come ²to us ⁴with thy perfect givings ⁶and ⁵Varuna ⁸in ⁷the world of our session, ¹⁴for increase ⁹in their own ¹⁰home ¹¹of the masters of plenitude (Gods) ¹³and ¹⁴for increase ¹²of your companions.

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युवं नो येषु वरुण क्षत्रं बृहच्च बिभृथः ।
उरु णो वाजसातये कृतं राये स्वस्तये ॥६ ॥
युवम्<sup>1</sup> नः<sup>2</sup> येषु<sup>3</sup> वरुणा<sup>4</sup> क्षत्रम्<sup>5</sup> बृहत्<sup>6</sup> च<sup>7</sup> बिभृथः<sup>8</sup> ।
उरु<sup>9</sup> नः<sup>10</sup> वाजङसातये<sup>11</sup> कृतम<sup>12</sup> राये<sup>13</sup> स्वस्तये<sup>14</sup> ॥
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6. ³For in them (the perfect givings of the preceding verse) ¹you twain ⁸bring ²to us, ⁴O Varuna, ⁵the might ⁷and ⁶the vastness; ¹²form ¹⁰in us ⁹the wide world ¹¹for the conquest of our plenitudes, ¹³for bliss, ¹⁴for our soul's happiness.

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उच्छंत्यां मे यजता देवक्षत्रे रुशद्गवि ।
सुतं सोमं न हस्तिभिरा पड्भिर्धावतं नरा बिभ्रतावर्चनानसम् ॥७॥
उच्छन्त्याम् । मे<sup>2</sup> यजता<sup>3</sup> देव५क्षत्रे<sup>4</sup> रुशत्५गवि<sup>5</sup> ।
सुतम्<sup>6</sup> सोमम्<sup>7</sup> न<sup>8</sup> हस्ति५भिः<sup>9</sup> आ<sup>10</sup> पट्५भिः<sup>11</sup> धावतम्<sup>12</sup> नरा<sup>13</sup> बिभ्रतौ<sup>14</sup> अर्चनानसम्<sup>15</sup> ॥
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7. ²To me, ³O lords of sacrifice, ¹in the breaking of the dawn, ⁵in the flashing of the ray, ⁴in the force of the gods, ⁷to my wine ⁶pressed out ⁸as if ¹³by men ⁹with hands ¹⁰come ¹²racing ¹¹with your trampling steeds, ¹⁴O gods who bring, — ¹⁵to the pilgrim of the Light.

The Fourth Hymn to Mitra-Varuna

THE LORDS OF THE JOURNEY

Rig Veda V.65

(15/529-30)

यश्चिकेत स सुक्रतुर्देवत्रा स ब्रवीतु नः । वरुणो यस्य दर्शतो मित्रो वा वनते गिरः ॥१॥ यः¹ चिकेत² सः³ सुङक्रतुः⁴ देवङत्रा⁵ सः⁴ ब्रवीतु⁷ नः⁸। वरुणः⁹ यस्य¹⁰ दर्शतः¹¹ मित्रः¹² वा¹³ वनते¹⁴ गिरः¹⁵ ॥

1. ³He ¹who ²has awakened to the knowledge, ⁴becomes perfect in will; ^{7a}let ⁶him ^{7b}speak ⁸for us ⁵among the gods: ⁹Varuna ¹¹of the vision ¹³and ¹²Mitra ¹⁴take delight in ¹⁰his ¹⁵words.

ता हि श्रेष्ठवर्चसा राजाना दीर्घश्रुत्तमा । ता सत्पती ऋतावृध ऋतावाना जनेजने ॥२॥ ता¹ हि² श्रेष्ठ७वर्चसा³ राजाना⁴ दीर्घश्रुत्७तमा⁵ । ता⁴ सतु७पती⁷ ऋत७वृधा⁸ ऋत७वाना⁹ जने७जने¹०॥

2. ¹They are ⁴the Kings ³most glorious in light and ⁵most far in their hearing; ⁶they are 7the masters of being ¹⁰in creature and creature and 8the increasers of the Truth in us, 9for the Truth is theirs.

ता वामियानोऽवसे पूर्वा उप ब्रुवे सचा । स्वश्वासः सु चेतुना वाजाँ अभि प्र दावने ॥३॥ ता¹ वाम्² इयानः³ अवसे⁴ पूर्वी⁵ उप⁶ ब्रुवे⁷ सचा⁸ । सुऽअश्वासः⁹ सु¹⁰ चेतुना¹¹ वाजान्¹² अभि¹³ प्र¹⁴ दावने¹⁵ ॥

3. ³Travelling on the path ^{6,7}I call ¹to them, ²the twain ⁸together, (⁴for protection), ⁵the ancient and first; ⁹with perfect steeds (life-powers) ³as we travel ^{6,7}we call ¹to them ¹⁰the perfect ¹¹in knowledge, ^{13,14,15}for the giving ¹²of the plenitudes.

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मित्रो अंहोश्चिदादुरु क्षयाय गातुं वनते ।
मित्रस्य हि प्रतूर्वतः सुमतिरस्ति विधतः ॥४॥
मित्रः<sup>1</sup> अंहोः<sup>2</sup> चित्<sup>3</sup> आत्<sup>4</sup> उरु<sup>5</sup> क्षयाय<sup>6</sup> गातुम्<sup>7</sup> वनते<sup>8</sup>।
मित्रस्य<sup>9</sup> हि<sup>10</sup> प्रडतूर्वतः<sup>11</sup> सुडमितः<sup>12</sup> अस्ति<sup>13</sup> विधतः<sup>14</sup>॥
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4. ³Even ⁴out ²of our narrow existence ¹Mitra ⁸conquers for us ⁵the vastness, ⁸he conquers ⁷the path ⁶to our home; ¹⁰for ¹²the perfect mind ¹³is ⁹of Mitra ¹⁴when he harmonises all and ¹¹hastens forward through to the goal.

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वयं मित्रस्यावसि स्याम सप्रथस्तमे ।
अनेहसस्त्वोतयः सत्रा वरुणशेषसः ॥५॥
वयम्<sup>1</sup> मित्रस्य<sup>2</sup> अवसि<sup>3</sup> स्याम<sup>4</sup> सप्रथःऽतमे<sup>5</sup> ।
अनेहसः<sup>6</sup> त्वाऽऊतयः<sup>7</sup> सत्रा<sup>8</sup> वरुणऽशेषसः<sup>9</sup> ॥
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5. ^{4a}May ¹we ^{4b}abide ³in the increasing ²of Mitra ⁵which gives us our perfect breadth; ⁶then are we free from hurt and sin, ⁷fostered by thee (⁸forever), ⁹children of the Lord of Wideness (Varuna).

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युवं मित्रेमं जनं यतथः सं च नयथः । मा मघोनः परि ख्यतं मो अस्माकमृषीणां गोपीथे न उरुष्यतम् ॥६॥ युवम्^1 मित्रा^2 इमम्^3 जनम्^4 यतथः^5 सम्^6 च^7 नयथः^8 । मा^9 मघोनः^{10} परि^{11} ख्यतम्^{12} मो^{13} अस्माकम्^{14} ऋषीणाम्^{15} गोऽपीथे^{16} नः^{17} उरुष्यतम्^{18} ॥
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6. ¹You twain, ²O Mitra, ⁵aset ³this ⁴human creature ⁵btravelling on your path 7and 6,8wholly you lead him. 9,12Set not your hedge ¹¹around ¹⁴our ¹⁰lords of plenitude and ¹⁴our ¹⁵seers of the truth. ¹8Guard ¹⁻us ¹⁶in our drinking of the light.

The Fifth Hymn to Mitra-Varuna

THE GIVERS OF SELF-RULE

Rig Veda V.66

(15/531-33)

आ चिकितान सुक्रतू देवौ मर्त रिशादसा । वरुणाय ऋतपेशसे दधीत प्रयसे महे ॥१॥ आ¹ चिकितान² सुङक्रतू³ देवौ⁴ मर्त⁵ रिशादसा⁶ । वरुणाय⁷ ऋतङपेशसे⁸ दधीत⁹ प्रयसे¹⁰ महे¹¹॥

1. ⁵O mortal ²who awakenest to knowledge, ¹call to thee ⁴the two godheads ³who are perfect in will and ⁶destroyers of thy enemy. ⁹Direct your thoughts ⁷to Varuna ⁸of whom Truth is the form and ¹¹to the great ¹⁰Delight (large bliss of the Truthplane).

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ता हि क्षत्रमिवहुतं सम्यगसुर्यमाशाते ।
अध व्रतेव मानुषं स्वर्ण धायि दर्शतम् ॥२॥
ता<sup>1</sup> हि<sup>2</sup> क्षत्रम्<sup>3</sup> अविऽहुतम्<sup>4</sup> सम्यक्<sup>5</sup> असुर्यम्<sup>6</sup> आशाते<sup>7</sup> ।
अध<sup>8</sup> व्रताऽइव<sup>9</sup> मानुषम्<sup>10</sup> स्वः<sup>11</sup> न<sup>12</sup> धायि<sup>13</sup> दर्शतम्<sup>14</sup> ॥
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2. ²For ¹it is they ⁷who attain ⁴to the undistorted ³force and ⁵the entire ⁶mightiness. ⁸Then ¹⁰shall thy humanity become ⁹as if the workings of these gods; ¹²it is as if ¹⁴the visible ¹¹heaven of light ¹³were founded in thee.

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ता वामेषे रथानामुर्वीं गव्यूतिमेषाम् ।

रातहव्यस्य सुष्टुतिं दधृक्स्तोमैर्मनामहे ॥३॥

ता¹ वाम्² एषे³ रथानाम्⁴ उर्वीम्⁵ गव्यूतिम्६ एषाम्७।

रातऽहव्यस्य8 सुऽस्तुतिम्९ दधृक्¹० स्तोमैः¹¹ मनामहे¹²॥
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3. Therefore ²you, O gods, ³I desire, — for the rushing ⁷of these ⁴chariots ⁵your wide ⁶pasture of the herds. ¹⁰Forcefully ¹¹by our hymns ¹²our minds seize ⁹on his perfect affirmation ⁸when the god receives our bounteous offerings.

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अधा हि काव्या युवं दक्षस्य पूर्भिरद्भुता ।
नि केतुना जनानां चिकेथे पूतदक्षसा ॥४॥
अध<sup>1</sup> हि<sup>2</sup> काव्या<sup>3</sup> युवम्<sup>4</sup> दक्षस्य<sup>5</sup> पू:़5भि:<sup>6</sup> अद्भुता<sup>7</sup> ।
नि<sup>8</sup> केतुना<sup>9</sup> जनानाम्<sup>10</sup> चिकेथे<sup>11</sup> पूत5दक्षसा<sup>12</sup>॥
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4. ¹Then ²indeed, ⁷O transcendent godheads, ⁴you conquer ³the seer-wisdoms ⁶by the full floodings ⁵of the illumined discernment; ^{8,11}you perceive knowledge ¹⁰for these human creatures ⁹by a perception ¹²in which the judgment is purified.

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तदृतं पृथिवि बृहच्छ्रवएष ऋषीणाम् ।
ज्ञयसानावरं पृथ्वति क्षरन्ति यामभिः ॥५॥
तत्<sup>1</sup> ऋतम्<sup>2</sup> पृथिवि<sup>3</sup> बृहत्<sup>4</sup> श्रवः ७ एषे<sup>5</sup> ऋषीणाम्<sup>6</sup> ।
ज्ञयसानौ<sup>7</sup> अरम्<sup>8</sup> पृथ्<sup>9</sup> अति<sup>10</sup> क्षरन्ति<sup>11</sup> याम७भिः<sup>12</sup> ॥
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5. ³O wide Earth, ¹that ⁴Vast, ¹that ²Truth ⁵for the movement of inspired knowledge ⁶of the sages! ⁹Widely ⁷the Twain speed ⁸with full capacity, our chariots ¹¹pass streaming ¹⁰beyond (the suffering and evil of the lower existences) ¹²in their travellings.

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आ यद्धामीयचक्षसा मित्र वयं च सूरयः ।
व्यचिष्ठे बहुपाय्ये यतेमहि स्वराज्ये ॥६॥
आ¹ यत्² वाम्³ ईय७चक्षसा⁴ मित्रा⁵ वयम्६ च<sup>7</sup> सूरयः<sup>8</sup>।
व्यचिष्ठे९ बहु७पाय्ये¹० यतेमहि¹¹ स्व७राज्ये¹²॥
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6. ²When, ⁵O Mitra, ³you (two) ⁴have your far-voyaging vision ⁷and ⁶we are ⁸the illumined seers, ^{1,11}may we arrive in the effort of our journey ¹²to a self-empire ⁹spread out widely open and ¹⁰governing its multitudes.

The Sixth Hymn to Mitra-Varuna

THE TWIN UPHOLDERS AND PROTECTORS

Rig Veda V.67

(15/534-45)

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बिळत्था देव निष्कृतमादित्या यजतं बृहत् ।
वरुण मित्रार्यमन्वर्षिष्ठं क्षत्रमाशाथे ॥११॥
बट्<sup>1</sup> इत्था<sup>2</sup> देवा<sup>3</sup> निः ५ कृतम् <sup>4</sup> आदित्या<sup>5</sup> यजतम् <sup>6</sup> बृहत् <sup>7</sup> ।
वरुण <sup>8</sup> मित्र <sup>9</sup> अर्यमन् <sup>10</sup> वर्षिष्ठम् <sup>11</sup> क्षत्रम् <sup>12</sup> आशाथे <sup>13</sup> ॥
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1. ¹In truth, ³O godheads, ⁵ye two sons of the infinite Mother, ²rightly ⁴perfected by you is ⁷the Vastness ⁶for which we sacrifice. ⁸O Varuna, ⁹Mitra, ¹⁰Aryaman, ¹³you possess its ¹¹most abundant ¹²force.

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आ यद्योनिं हिरण्ययं वरुण मित्र सदथः ।

घर्तारा चर्षणीनां यन्तं सुम्नं रिशादसा ॥२॥

आ¹ यत्² योनिम्³ हिरण्ययम्⁴ वरुण⁵ मित्रि सदथः<sup>7</sup> ।

धर्तारा<sup>8</sup> चर्षणीनाम्<sup>9</sup> यन्तम्¹<sup>10</sup> सुम्नम्¹¹ रिशादसा¹² ॥
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2. ²When ^{1,7}you enter ³into your original home ⁴of golden light, ⁵O Varuna, ⁶O Mitra, ⁸upholders ⁹of men in their labour, ¹²destroyers of the enemy, ¹⁰reach for them ¹¹the bliss.

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विश्वे हि विश्ववेदसो वरुणो मित्रो अर्यमा ।
व्रता पदेव सश्चिरे पान्ति मर्त्यं रिषः ॥३॥
विश्वे<sup>1</sup> हि<sup>2</sup> विश्वऽवेदसः<sup>3</sup> वरुणः<sup>4</sup> मित्रः<sup>5</sup> अर्यमा<sup>6</sup> ।
व्रता<sup>7</sup> पदाऽइव<sup>8</sup> सश्चिरे<sup>9</sup> पान्ति<sup>10</sup> मर्त्यम्<sup>11</sup> रिषः<sup>12</sup> ॥
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3. ¹Universal and ³all-knowing (²indeed) are ⁴Varuna and ⁵Mitra and ⁶Aryaman; ⁹they keep firm ⁷to the law of their workings, ⁸even as (they keep firm) to the seats to which they arrive, and ¹⁰guard ¹¹mortal man ¹²from his foes.

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ते हि सत्या ऋतस्पृश ऋतावानो जनेजने ।
सुनीथासः सुदानवोंऽहोश्चिद्रुरुचक्रयः॥४॥
ते¹ हि² सत्याः³ ऋतऽस्पृशः⁴ ऋतऽवानः⁵ जनेऽजने॰।
सुऽनीथासः<sup>7</sup> सुऽदानवः<sup>8</sup> अंहोः<sup>9</sup> चित्¹⁰ उरुऽचक्रयः¹¹॥
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4. ²For because ¹they ³are true in their being, ⁴they touch the Truth and ⁵hold the Truth ⁶in creature and creature; ⁷perfect leaders in the journey, ⁸perfect in force for the battle, ¹¹they create the wideness ¹⁰even ⁹out of this narrow being.

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को नु वां मित्रास्तुतो वरुणो वा तनूनाम् ।
तत्सु वामेषते मतिरित्रभ्य एषते मतिः ॥५ ॥
कः<sup>1</sup> नु<sup>2</sup> वाम्<sup>3</sup> मित्र<sup>4</sup> अस्तुतः<sup>5</sup> वरुणः<sup>6</sup> वा<sup>7</sup> तनूनाम्<sup>8</sup> ।
तत्<sup>9</sup> सु<sup>10</sup> वाम्<sup>11</sup> आ<sup>12</sup> ईषते<sup>13</sup> मितः<sup>14</sup> अत्रिडभ्यः<sup>15</sup> आ<sup>16</sup> ईषते<sup>17</sup> मितः<sup>18</sup> ॥
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5. ¹Which ³of you (two), ⁴O Mitra, ⁵is unaffirmed, thou ⁷or ⁶Varuna, ⁸in our bodies (five sheaths or embodyings of the soul)? ¹⁰Wholly ¹⁴our thought ¹²,¹³ seeks ⁶That ¹¹ from you (two), ⁶That ¹⁵ for the Enjoyers (Atris, lit. eaters or may be travellers) ¹8 our Thought ¹⁶,¹² desires.

The Seventh Hymn to Mitra-Varuna

THE LORDS OF THE GREAT FORCE

Rig Veda V.68

(15/536-37)

प्र वो मित्राय गायत वरुणाय विपा गिरा ।

महिक्षत्रावृतं बृहत् ॥१॥

प्र1 वः2 मित्राय3 गायत4 वरुणाय5 विपा6 गिरा7।

महिङक्षत्री8 ऋतम्9 बृहत्10॥

1. ^{1,4}Sing ²ye ³to Mitra and ⁵Varuna ⁷with the word ⁶that enlightens; ⁸because they have that great force, ⁹theirs is the Truth, ¹⁰the Vast.

सम्राजा या घृतयोनी मित्रश्चोभा वरुणश्च । देवा देवेषु प्रशस्ता ॥२॥ सम्(७राजा या या घृत७योनी मित्रः च उभा वरुणः च ॥ देवा देवेषु प्रशस्ता ॥॥

2. ¹All-rulers are they, yes, ⁶both of them, ⁴Mitra ⁵and ⁷Varuna, ³homes of the clarity, ⁹gods, ¹¹manifested by the word ¹⁰in the gods.

ता नः शक्तं पार्थिवस्य महो रायो दिव्यस्य । महि वां क्षत्रं देवेषु ॥३॥ ता¹ नः² शक्तम्³ पार्थिवस्य⁴ महः⁵ रायः⁶ दिव्यस्य⁷ । महि⁸ वाम्⁹ क्षत्रम्¹⁰ देवेषु¹¹ ॥

3. Therefore ³put forth strength ²for our ⁵great ⁶felicity ⁷heavenly and ⁴earthly; ⁸for great is ⁹your ¹⁰force ¹¹in the gods.

ऋतमृतेन सपन्तेषिरं दक्षमाशाते । अद्भुहा देवौ वर्धेते ॥४॥

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ऋतम्<sup>1</sup> ऋतेन<sup>2</sup> सपन्ता<sup>3</sup> इषिरम्<sup>4</sup> दक्षम्<sup>5</sup> आशाते<sup>6</sup> ।
अद्रुहा<sup>7</sup> देवौ<sup>8</sup> वर्धेते<sup>9</sup> ॥
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4. ²By the Truth ³you attain ¹knowledge of the Truth, ⁶you possess ⁵a judgment ⁴of impelling force; ⁸O gods, ⁹you grow and ⁷come not to hurt.

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वृष्टिद्यावा रीत्यापेषस्पती दानुमत्याः ।
बृहन्तं गर्तमाशाते ॥५॥
वृष्टिञ्चावा<sup>1</sup> रीतिञ्ञापा<sup>2</sup> इषः<sup>3</sup> पती<sup>4</sup> दानुञ्मत्याः<sup>5</sup> ।
बृहन्तम्<sup>6</sup> गर्तम्<sup>7</sup> आशाते<sup>8</sup> ॥
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5. ¹Turning heaven to rain, ²winners of the streaming movement, ⁴masters ⁵of that forceful ³impulsion, 8you take possession 6of your vast 7home.

The Eighth Hymn to Mitra-Varuna

THE HOLDERS OF THE LUMINOUS WORLDS

Rig Veda V.69

(15/538-41)

त्री रोचना वरुण त्रीँरुत चून् त्रीणि मित्र धारयथो रजांसि । वावृधानावमितं क्षित्रियस्याऽनु व्रतं रक्षमाणावजुर्यम् ॥१॥ त्री¹ रोचना² वरुण³ त्रीन्⁴ उत⁵ चून्⁶ त्रीणि⁷ मित्र⁸ धारयथः⁹ रजांसि¹⁰ । ववृधानौ¹¹ अमितम्¹² क्षित्रियस्य¹³ अनु¹⁴ व्रतम्¹⁵ रक्षमाणौ¹⁶ अजुर्यम्¹⁷ ॥

1. ¹Three ²worlds of the Light ⁹you two uphold, ³O Varuna, ⁴three ⁶heavens, ⁷three ¹⁰mid-worlds, ⁸O Mitra, ⁵and ¹¹you increase ¹²the might ¹³of the Warrior and ¹⁶guard him ¹⁴in (or according to) ¹⁷the imperishable ¹⁵law of your working.

इरावतीर्वरुण धेनवो वां मधुमद्धां सिन्धवो मित्र दुहे । त्रयस्तस्थुर्वृषभासस्तिसृणां धिषणानां रेतोधा वि द्युमन्तः ॥२॥ इराङवतीः¹ वरुण² धेनवः³ वाम्⁴ मधुङमत्⁵ वाम्६ सिन्धवः७ मित्र⁸ दुहे९ । त्रयः¹० तस्थुः¹¹ वृषभासः¹² तिसृणाम्¹³ धिषणानाम्¹४ रेतः७धाः¹५ वि¹६ दुङमन्तः¹७ ॥

2. ⁴Your ³fostering cows (rivers of Truth) ¹have their streams, ²O Varuna, ⁸O Mitra, ⁷the rivers ⁹milk out ⁵their honeyed yield. ¹¹There stand ¹⁶wide ¹⁰three ¹⁷luminous ¹²Bulls and ¹⁵cast their seed ¹³into the three ¹⁴Thoughts.

प्रातर्देवीमदितिं जोहवीमि मध्यंदिन उदिता सूर्यस्य । राये मित्रावरुणा सर्वतातेळे तोकाय तनयाय शं योः ॥३॥ प्रातः¹ देवीम्² अदितिम्³ जोहवीमि⁴ मध्यन्दिने⁵ उत्७इता⁶ सूर्यस्य⁷ । राये⁸ मित्रावरुणा⁹ सर्व७ताता¹⁰ ईळे¹¹ तोकाय¹² तनयाय¹³ शम्¹⁴ योः¹⁵ ॥

3. ¹In the dawn ⁴I call ²to the divine ³Mother infinite, ⁵in the mid-day and ⁶at the rising ¹of the sun. ¹¹I desire ⁰of Mitra and Varuna ¹⁴the peace and ¹⁵the movement ¹⁰in the forming of the all (the universal being) ⁵for felicity and ¹³for the creation and ¹²the begetting (of the son – the godhead).

या धर्तारा रजसो रोचनस्योतादित्या दिव्या पार्थिवस्य । न वां देवा अमृता आ मिनन्ति व्रतानि मित्रावरुणा ध्रुवाणि ॥४॥ या¹ धर्तारा² रजसः³ रोचनस्य⁴ उत⁵ आदित्या° दिव्या⁷ पार्थिवस्य⁸ । न° वाम्¹0 देवाः¹¹ अमृताः¹² आ¹³ मिनन्ति¹⁴ व्रतानि¹⁵ मित्रावरुणा¹६ ध्रुवाणि¹⁷ ॥

4. Because you are ²the upholders ⁴of the luminous sphere ³of the mid-world ⁵and ⁴the luminous sphere ⁸of the earth, ⁷O divine ⁶Sons of Infinity, ¹⁶O Mitra and Varuna, ¹²the immortal ¹¹gods ^{13,14}impair ⁹not ¹⁰your ¹⁵workings ¹⁷which are firm for ever.

The Ninth Hymn to Mitra-Varuna

THE INCREASERS OF BEING AND DELIVERERS

Rig Veda V.70

(15/540-41)

पुरुरुणा चिद्ध्यस्त्यवो नूनं वां वरुण ।

मित्र वंसि वां सुमितम् ॥१॥

पुरु¹² ५ उरुणा¹⁶ चित्² हि³ अस्ति⁴ अवः⁵ नूनम्⁶ वाम्⁷ वरुण⁸ ।

मित्र⁹ वंसि¹⁰ वाम्¹¹ सुङमितम्¹² ॥

1. ^{1a}Multiple ^{2,3}indeed ^{1b}by the wideness ⁴is ⁶now ⁷your ⁵fostering of our being, ⁸O Varuna. ⁹O Mitra, ¹⁰I would enjoy ¹¹your ¹²perfect-mindedness.

ता वां सम्यगद्भुह्वाणेषमश्याम धायसे । वयं ते रुद्रा स्याम ॥२॥ ता¹ वाम्² सम्यक्³ अद्भुह्वाणा⁴ इषम्⁵ अश्याम⁶ धायसे⁷ । वयम⁸ ते⁹ रुद्रा¹¹⁰ स्याम¹¹ ॥

2. You are they who ⁴betray not to harm (of the Dasyus); ⁶may we enjoy ²your ³complete ⁵force of impulsion ⁷for our founding; ^{11a}may ⁸we ^{11b}be ⁹they, ¹⁰O you violent godheads.

पातं नो रुद्रा पायुभिरुत त्रायेथां सुत्रात्रा । तुर्याम दस्यून् तनूभिः॥३॥ पातम्¹ नः² रुद्रा³ पायुङभिः⁴ उत⁵ त्रायेथाम्⁶ सुङत्रात्रा⁷ । तुर्याम⁸ दस्यून्⁹ तनूभिः¹⁰॥

3. ¹Protect ²us, ³O violent ones (Rudras), ⁴with your protectings ⁵and ⁶deliver us ⁷with a perfect deliverance. ^{8a}May we ¹⁰in our embodyings ^{8b}break through ⁹the Destroyers.

मा कस्याद्भुतक्रतू यक्षं भुजेमा तनूभिः। मा शेषसा मा तनसा ॥४॥ मा¹ कस्य² अद्भुतक्रतू³ यक्षम्⁴ भुजेम⁵ तनूभिः⁶ । मा⁷ शेषसा⁸ मा⁹ तनसा¹⁰ ॥

4. ³O transcendent in will-power, ¹let us not ⁶in our embodyings ⁵suffer ⁴the control ²of any (of the Destroyers in the preceding verse), ⁷nor ⁸in our begetting, ⁹nor ¹⁰our creation.

The Tenth Hymn to Mitra-Varuna

AN INVOCATION TO THE SACRIFICE

Rig Veda V.71

(15/542)

आ नो गन्तं रिशादसा वरुण मित्र बर्हणा । उपेमं चारुमध्वरम् ॥१॥ आ¹ नः² गन्तम्³ रिशादसा⁴ वरुण⁵ मित्र⁶ बर्हणा⁷ । उप⁸ इमम्⁹ चारुम्¹⁰ अध्वरम्¹¹॥

1. ⁴O destroyers of the Enemy, ^{1,3}come ⁷with your greatenings (largenesses proper to the vast Truth), ⁵O Varuna, ⁶O Mitra, ⁸to ⁹this ²our ¹⁰delightful ¹¹sacrifice.

विश्वस्य हि प्रचेतसा वरुण मित्र राजथः । ईशाना पिप्यतं धियः ॥२॥ विश्वस्य¹ हि² प्र७चेतसा³ वरुण⁴ मित्र⁵ राजथः⁶ । ईशाना⁷ पिप्यतम्⁸ धियः⁹॥

2. ⁴O Varuna, ⁵O Mitra, ⁶you govern ¹every man and are (²indeed) ³the wise thinkers; ⁷you are the rulers, ⁸nourish ⁹our thoughts.

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उप नः सुतमा गतं वरुण मित्र दाशुषः ।
अस्य सोमस्य पीतये ॥३॥
उप<sup>1</sup> नः<sup>2</sup> सुतम्<sup>3</sup> आ<sup>4</sup> गतम्<sup>5</sup> वरुण<sup>6</sup> मित्र<sup>7</sup> दाशुषः<sup>8</sup> ।
अस्य<sup>9</sup> सोमस्य<sup>10</sup> पीतये<sup>11</sup> ॥
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3. ^{4,5}Come, ⁶O Varuna, ⁷O Mitra, ¹to ²our ³Soma-offering, ⁸to the sacrifice of the giver, ¹¹that you may drink ⁹of this ¹⁰wine.

The Eleventh Hymn to Mitra-Varuna

AN INVOCATION TO THE SACRIFICE

Rig Veda V.72

(15/543)

आ मित्रे वरुणे वयं गीर्भिर्जुहुमो अत्रिवत् । नि बर्हिषि सदतं सोमपीतये ॥१॥ आ¹ मित्रे² वरुणे³ वयम्⁴ गीः७भिः⁵ जुहुमः⁶ अत्रि७वत्⁷ । नि⁸ बर्हिषि⁹ सदतम्¹¹⁰ सोम७पीतये¹¹॥

1. ⁵With the words ⁴we ^{1,6}sacrifice ²to Mitra and ³to Varuna ⁷as the Atri. ^{8,10}Sit ⁹on the seat of the largeness ¹¹for the drinking of the wine.

व्रतेन स्थो ध्रुवक्षेमा धर्मणा यातयज्जना । नि बर्हिषि सवतं सोमपीतये ॥२॥ व्रतेन¹ स्थः² ध्रुवङक्षेमा³ धर्मणा⁴ यातयत्ङजना⁵ । नि⁶ बर्हिषि⁷ सदतम्⁸ सोमङपीतये⁹ ॥

2. ¹By your working ²you keep ³firm the gettings of good and ⁵you make men to walk the path ⁴by your law. ^{6,8}Sit ⁷on the seat of the largeness ⁹for the drinking of the wine.

मित्रश्च नो वरुणश्च जुषेतां यज्ञमिष्टये । नि बर्हिषि सवतां सोमपीतये ॥३॥ मित्रः 1 च² नः 3 वरुणः 4 च⁵ जुषेताम् 6 यज्ञम् ⁷ इष्टये 8। नि 9 बर्हिषि 10 सदतम् 11 सोम ७ पीतये 12॥

3. ^{6a}May ¹Mitra ²and ⁴Varuna ^{6b}take delight in ³our ⁷sacrifice ⁸that we may have our desire. ^{9,11}Sit ¹⁰on the seat of the largeness ¹²for the drinking of the wine.

Hymn to Varuna

Rig Veda V.85

(15/544-6)

(Sri Aurobindo: In this hymn there is throughout a sustained double sense. In the exoteric Varuna is hymned as the Omniscient Creator. In the esoteric in which the physical phenomena of the exoteric become symbols, Varuna is hymned as the Mighty Master of Infinite Wisdom. The hymn is rendered successively in its exoteric and its esoteric significance.)

प्र सम्राजे बृहदर्चा गभीरं ब्रह्म प्रियं वरुणाय श्रुताय । वि यो जघान शमितेव चर्मोपस्तिरे पृथिवीं सूर्याय ॥१॥ प्र1 सम् ७राजे² बृहत्³ अर्च⁴ गभीरम्⁵ ब्रह्म⁶ प्रियम्⁷ वरुणाय⁸ श्रुताय⁹ । वि¹⁰ यः¹¹ जघान¹² शमिता७इव¹³ चर्म¹⁴ उप७स्तिरे¹⁵ पृथिवीम्¹⁶ सूर्याय¹⁷॥

- 1. ^{1,4}Sing thou ⁶the word ³vast and ⁵profound and ⁷dear ⁹to renowned ⁸Varuna, ²the All-ruler, to him ¹¹who ^{10,12}clove away, ¹³even as the cleaver of beasts ¹⁴a skin, ¹⁵that he might spread out ¹⁶the earth ¹⁷under the sun.
- 1. ⁸To Varuna ⁹of the far-heard inspirations, ²the all-ruling, ^{1,4}sing bright ⁶the inspired word of the soul ³in its vastness and ⁵depth and ⁷delight; ¹¹for he ^{10,12}has cloven wide away the darkness, ¹³as one that cleaves away ¹⁴a skin, ¹⁵that he may spread out ¹⁶our earth ¹⁷under his illumining sun.

वनेषु व्यन्तरिक्षं ततान वाजमर्वत्सु पय उस्त्रियासु । हत्सु क्रतुं वरुणो अप्स्विग्नं दिवि सूर्यमदधात्सोममद्रौ ॥२॥ वनेषु¹ वि² अन्तरिक्षम्³ ततान⁴ वाजम्⁵ अर्वत्७सु॰ पयः७ उस्त्रियासु॰ । हत्७सु॰ क्रतुम्¹० वरुणः¹¹ अप्७सु¹² अग्निम्¹³ दिवि¹⁴ सूर्यम्¹⁵ अदधात्¹॰ सोमम्¹७ अद्रौ¹॰ ॥

2. He (¹¹Varuna) ^{2,4}spread out ³the mid-air ¹on the tree-tops, ¹⁶he put ⁵strength ⁶in the battle-steeds and ⁷milk ⁸in the cows; ⁹in hearts ¹⁶he put ¹⁰will, ¹³the fire ¹²in the waters, ¹⁵the sun ¹⁴in heaven and ¹⁷the Soma-plant ¹⁸on the mountain.

2. He (¹¹Varuna) ^{2,4}has spread wide ³the mid-world ¹above the forests of earth delight; ¹⁶he has put ⁵his plenitude ⁶in our battle-steeds of life and ⁷their heavenly milk ⁸in our shining herds of knowledge. ¹¹Varuna ¹⁶has put ¹⁰the will ⁹in our hearts, ¹³the divine fire ¹²in the waters, ¹⁵the Sun of Light ¹⁴in our heavens, ¹⁷the plant of Delight ¹⁸on the mountain of our being.

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नीचीनबारं वरुणः कवन्धं प्र ससर्ज रोदसी अन्तरिक्षम् ।
तेन विश्वस्य भुवनस्य राजा यवं न वृष्टिर्व्युनित्त भूम ॥३॥
नीचीनङबारम्<sup>1</sup> वरुणः<sup>2</sup> कवन्धम्<sup>3</sup> प्र<sup>4</sup> ससर्ज<sup>5</sup> रोदसी<sup>6</sup> इति अन्तरिक्षम्<sup>7</sup> ।
तेन<sup>8</sup> विश्वस्य<sup>9</sup> भूवनस्य<sup>10</sup> राजा<sup>11</sup> यवम्<sup>12</sup> न<sup>13</sup> वृष्टिः<sup>14</sup> वि<sup>15</sup> उनित्त<sup>16</sup> भूम<sup>17</sup> ॥
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- 3. ²Varuna ^{4,5}poured forth ⁶over earth and heaven and ⁷the mid-air ³the holder of the waters ¹whose windows open downward; ⁸by him ¹¹the King ⁹of all ¹⁰the world ^{15,16}floods ¹⁷the earth ¹³as ¹⁴the rain ^{15,16}floods ¹²a field of barley.
- 3. ²Varuna ^{4,5}has poured forth ⁶over our earth and heaven and ⁷mid-world ³the holder of wisdom ¹with his doors opening downward; ⁸with him ¹¹the king ⁹of all ¹⁰our being ^{15,16}floods ¹⁷our earth ¹³like ¹⁴rain ^{15,16}flooding ¹²the barley.

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उनित्त भूमिं पृथिवीमुत द्यां यदा दुग्धं वरुणो वष्ट्यादित् ।
समभ्रेण वसत पर्वतासस्तविषीयन्तः श्रथयन्त वीराः ॥४॥
उनित्त<sup>1</sup> भूमिम्<sup>2</sup> पृथिवीम्<sup>3</sup> उत<sup>4</sup> द्याम्<sup>5</sup> यदा<sup>6</sup> दुग्धम्<sup>7</sup> वरुणः<sup>8</sup> वष्टि<sup>9</sup> आत्<sup>10</sup> इत्<sup>11</sup> ।
सम्<sup>12</sup> अभ्रेण<sup>13</sup> वसत<sup>14</sup> पर्वतासः<sup>15</sup> तविषीऽयन्तः<sup>16</sup> श्रथयन्त<sup>17</sup> वीराः<sup>18</sup> ॥
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- 4. ⁸Varuna ¹floods the ³wide ²earth ⁴and ⁵heaven, ¹¹yea, ⁶when ⁹he desires ⁷the milk of heaven, (¹⁰then) ¹he pours it forth; ¹⁵the mountains ¹⁴are clothed ¹²utterly ¹³with cloud, ¹⁸the heroes of storm (Maruts) ¹⁶put forth their strength and ¹⁷all is cast down before them.
- 4. ¹He floods ²our earth ³in its wideness ⁴and ⁵our heaven, ¹¹yea, ⁸Varuna ⁶when ⁹he desires ⁷that milk, ¹⁰(then) ¹pours it forth; ¹⁵the mountains ^{12,14}are covered ¹³with the cloud, ¹⁸his heroes (Maruts) ¹⁶put forth their strength and ¹⁷cast it (the cloud) away.

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इमामू ष्वासुरस्य श्रुतस्य महीं मायां वरुणस्य प्र वोचम् ।
मानेनेव तस्थिवाँ अन्तरिक्षे वि यो ममे पृथिवीं सूर्येण ॥५॥
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- इमाम्¹ ऊं² सु³ आसुरस्य⁴ श्रुतस्य⁵ महीम्⁶ मायाम्⁷ वरुणस्य⁸ प्र⁹ वोचम्¹⁰ । मानेन७इव¹¹ तस्थि७वान्¹² अन्तरिक्षे¹³ वि¹⁴ यः¹⁵ ममे¹⁶ पृथिवीम्¹⁷ सूर्येण¹⁸ ॥
- 5. ^{9,10}I have declared ¹this ⁶vast ⁷creative wisdom ^{3,5}of the famous and ⁴mighty One, even ⁸Varuna, ¹⁵he who ¹²stood ¹³in mid-air ¹¹as with a measuring-rod and ¹⁴wide ¹⁶he measured out ¹⁷the earth ¹⁸with the sun.
- 5. ⁶Vast is ¹this ⁷wisdom ^{9,10}which I declare ⁸of Varuna ^{3,5}the far-heard, ⁴the mighty Lord, ¹²for he stands ¹³in our mid-world ¹¹as with a measuring-rod and ¹⁴wide ¹⁶he measures out ¹⁷our earth ¹⁸with his illumining Sun.

इमामू नु कवितमस्य मायां महीं देवस्य निकरा दधर्ष । एकं यदुद्ना न पृणन्त्येनीरासिञ्चन्तीरवनयः समुद्रम् ॥६॥ इमाम्¹ ऊं² इति नु³ कवि७तमस्य⁴ मायाम्⁵ महीम्⁶ देवस्य⁷ निकः⁸ आ⁹ दधर्ष¹⁰ । एकम्¹¹ यत्¹² उदुना¹³ न¹⁴ पृणन्ति¹⁵ एनीः¹⁶ आ७सिञ्चन्तीः¹⁷ अवनयः¹⁸ समुद्रम्¹⁹ ॥

- 6. ⁶Vast is ¹this ⁵wisdom ⁷of the divine and ⁴the greatest of seers and ⁸there is none ^{9,10}who can do violence against it; ¹²therefore ¹⁹the Ocean ¹¹is one, yet ¹⁶all these rushing ¹⁸rivers ¹⁷pour themselves into it and ¹⁴cannot ¹⁵fill it (¹³with their waters).
- 6. ⁶Vast is ¹this ⁵wisdom ⁷of the godhead ⁴greatest in seer-knowledge and ⁸none ^{9,10}can do violence to it; ¹²for into him, ¹¹the one, ¹⁹the ocean, ¹⁶the bright fostering ¹⁸rivers ¹⁷pour ¹³their waters, yet ¹⁴they cannot ¹⁵fill him.

अर्यम्यं वरुण मित्र्यं वा सखायं वा सदिमद् भ्रातरं वा । वेशं वा नित्यं वरुणारणं वा यत्सीमागश्चकृमा शिश्रथस्तत् ॥७॥ अर्यम्यम् वरुण² मित्र्यम्³ वा⁴ सखायम्⁵ वा 6 सदम् 7 इत् 8 भ्रातरम् 9 वा 10 । वेशम् 11 वा 12 नित्यम् 13 वरुण 14 अरणम् 15 वा 16 यतु 17 सीम् 18 आगः 19 चकुम 20 शिश्रथः 21 ततु 22 ॥

- 7. ^{17,18}Whatsoever ¹⁹sin ²⁰we have done (^{7,8}ever) against ¹the law of Aryaman ⁴or ³the law of Mitra, against ⁹brother ⁶or ⁵friend, against ¹³constant ¹¹neighbour ¹²or ¹⁵enemy (stranger), ^{21,22}cast it away from us, ²O Varuna.
- 7. ^{17,18}All the ¹⁹sin ²⁰that we have done against thee (^{7,8}ever) ¹in thy power of Aryaman ⁴or ³thy power of Mitra ⁶or ⁹as brother ¹⁰or ⁵friend ¹²or ¹³the eternal ¹¹indweller ¹⁶or ¹⁵the warrior (outsider), ²²that ²¹cast away from us.

कितवासो यद्भिरिपुर्न दीवि यद्धा घा सत्यमुत यन्न विद्या । सर्वा ता वि ष्य शिथिरेव देवा७धा ते स्याम वरुण प्रियासः ॥८॥ कितवासः । यत्² रिरिपुः ³ न⁴ दीवि⁵ यत्⁶ वा⁷ घ⁸ सत्यम् ⁹ उत¹⁰ यत्¹¹ न¹² विद्या¹³ । सर्वा¹⁴ ता¹⁵ वि¹⁶ स्य¹⁷ शिथिरा७इव¹⁸ देव¹⁹ अध²⁰ ते²¹ स्याम²² वरुण²³ प्रियासः²⁴ ॥

- 8. ^{2,3}The sin we have done ⁴like ¹cunning gamesters ³who break ⁵the law of the play, ⁷or (^{2,3}the sin we) have done ⁹against the truth ¹⁰or (and) ^{2,3}what we have sinned ^{12,13}in ignorance, ¹⁴all ¹⁵these ^{16,17}cleave far from us, ¹⁹O god, ¹⁸like loose hanging fruits: ²⁰then ²²shall we be ²⁴beloved ²¹of thee, ²³O Varuna.
- 8. ²The ³sin we have done ⁴as ¹cunning gamesters ³offend ⁵in their play, ³our sin against ⁹the truth and ³our sin ^{12,13}by ignorance, ¹⁴all ¹⁵these ^{16,17}cleave away ¹⁸like loosened things; ²⁰then ²²may we be ²⁴dear ²¹to thee, ²³O Varuna.

Hymns to the Dawn

Rig Veda V.79 and 80

(15/549-54)

The First Hymn to the Dawn

Rig Veda V.79

(15/549-52)

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महे नो अद्य बोधयोषो राये दिवित्मती ।
यथा चिन्नो अबोधयः सत्यश्रवसि वाय्ये सुजाते अश्वसूनृते ॥१॥
महे<sup>1</sup> नः<sup>2</sup> अद्य<sup>3</sup> बोधय<sup>4</sup> उषः<sup>5</sup> राये<sup>6</sup> दिवित्मती<sup>7</sup> ।
यथा<sup>8</sup> चित्<sup>9</sup> नः<sup>10</sup> अबोधयः<sup>11</sup> सत्यऽश्रवसि<sup>12</sup> वाय्ये<sup>13</sup> सुऽजाते<sup>14</sup> अश्वऽसूनृते<sup>14</sup> ॥
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1. ⁵O Dawn, ⁷come with all thy splendours of heaven, ⁴awaken ²us ³today ¹to the great ⁶felicity, ⁹even ⁸as once ¹¹thou awakenedst ¹⁰us, — ¹³in the sonhood of the birth of knowledge, ¹²in the inspired hearing of the Truth. ¹⁴O, thy birth is complete! ¹⁵O, truth is in the tramp of thy steeds!

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या सुनीथे शौचद्रथे व्यौच्छो दुहितर्दिवः ।
सा व्युच्छ सहीयसि सत्यश्रवसि वाय्ये सुजाते अश्वसूनृते ॥२॥
या<sup>1</sup> सुडनीथे<sup>2</sup> शौचत्डरथे<sup>3</sup> वि<sup>4</sup> औच्छः<sup>5</sup> दुहितः<sup>6</sup> दिवः<sup>7</sup> ।
सा<sup>8</sup> वि<sup>9</sup> उच्छ<sup>10</sup> सहीयसि<sup>11</sup> सत्यडश्रवसि<sup>12</sup> वाय्ये<sup>13</sup> सुडजाते<sup>14</sup> अश्वडसूनृते<sup>15</sup> ॥
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2. ¹Thou who ^{4,5}breakest forth into dawning, ⁶O daughter ⁷of heaven, ²in him who has the perfect leading ³of the flaming chariot of light, so ^{9,10}break forth today, — ¹¹O greater still in thy force, ¹³in the sonhood of the birth of knowledge, ¹²in the inspired hearing of the Truth. ¹⁴O, thy birth is complete! ¹⁵O, truth is in the tramp of thy steeds!

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सा नो अद्याभरद्धसुर्ब्युच्छा दुहितर्दिवः ।
यो व्यौच्छः सहीयसि सत्यश्रवसि वाय्ये सुजाते अश्वसूनृते ॥३॥
सा<sup>1</sup> नः<sup>2</sup> अद्य<sup>3</sup> आभरत्ऽवसुः<sup>4</sup> वि<sup>5</sup> उच्छ<sup>6</sup> दुहितः<sup>7</sup> दिवः<sup>8</sup> ।
यो<sup>9</sup> इति वि<sup>10</sup> औच्छः<sup>11</sup> सहीयसि<sup>12</sup> सत्यऽश्रवसि<sup>13</sup> वाय्ये<sup>14</sup> सुऽजाते<sup>15</sup> अश्वऽसूनृते<sup>16</sup> ॥
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3. ^{5,6}Break forth into light ⁴a bearer of treasures, ⁷O daughter ⁸of heaven, as ^{10,11}once thou brokest forth, — ¹²O greater still in thy force, ¹⁴in the sonhood of the birth of knowledge, ¹³in the inspired hearing of the Truth. ¹⁵O, thy birth is complete! ¹⁶O, truth is in the tramp of thy steeds!

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अभि ये त्वा विभाविर स्तोमैर्गृणिन्त वहनयः ।

मधैर्मघोनि सुश्रियो दामन्वन्तः सुरातयः सुजाते अश्वसूनृते ॥४॥

अभि¹ ये² त्वा³ विभाडविर⁴ स्तोमैः⁵ गृणिन्ति<sup>6</sup> वहनयः<sup>7</sup> ।

मधैः<sup>8</sup> मघोनि<sup>9</sup> सुङ्श्रियः¹<sup>0</sup> दामन्ङवन्तः¹¹ सुङ्रातयः¹² सुङ्जाते¹³ अश्वङ्सूनृते¹⁴ ॥
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4. ⁷There are bearers of the sacrifice ²who ^{6a}bring ³thee ^{1,6b}out in their speech, ⁵by their hymns ⁶they manifest ³thee, ⁴O wide and lustrous Dawn; ¹⁰they are glorious ⁸with thy plenty, ⁹O queen (of plenty), ¹¹their gifts are lavish, ¹²their boons are full. ¹³O, thy birth is complete! ¹⁴O, truth is in the tramp of thy steeds!

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यच्चिद्धि ते गणा इमे छदयन्ति मघत्तये ।
परि चिद्धष्टयो दधुर्ददतो राधो अहयं सुजाते अश्वसूनृते ॥५॥
यत्<sup>1</sup> चित्<sup>2</sup> हि<sup>3</sup> ते<sup>4</sup> गणाः<sup>5</sup> इमे<sup>6</sup> छदयन्ति<sup>7</sup> मघत्तये<sup>8</sup> ।
परि<sup>9</sup> चित्<sup>10</sup> वष्टयः<sup>11</sup> दधुः<sup>12</sup> ददतः<sup>13</sup> राधः<sup>14</sup> अहयम्<sup>15</sup> सुऽजाते<sup>16</sup> अश्वऽसूनृते<sup>17</sup> ॥
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5. ^{1,2,3}When ⁶these ⁵companies ⁴of thy godheads ⁷seek to pleasure thee ⁸in hope of thy plenitudes, ¹²they set ¹¹their desires ⁹all around, ¹³they lavish ¹⁵thy undeviating ¹⁴felicity. ¹⁶O, thy birth is complete! ¹⁷O, truth is in the tramp of thy steeds.

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ऐषु धा वीरवद्यश उषो मघोनि सूरिषु ।
ये नो राधांस्यहया मघवानो अरासत सुजाते अश्वसूनृते ॥६॥
आ¹ एषु² धाः³ वीर७वत्⁴ यशः⁵ उषः<sup>6</sup> मघोनि<sup>7</sup> सूरिषु<sup>8</sup> ।
ये<sup>9</sup> नः¹<sup>10</sup> राधांसि¹¹ अहया¹² मघ७वानः¹³ अरासत¹⁴ सु७जाते¹⁵ अश्व७सूनृते¹<sup>6</sup>॥
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6. These are thy seers; ⁶O Dawn, ⁷queen of plenty, ^{1,3}set ²in (these ⁸seers) them ⁵the splendour ⁴of thy heroic powers; ¹³lords of thy plenty, ⁹they ¹⁴shall lavish ¹⁰on us thy ¹²undeviating ¹¹riches. ¹⁵O, thy birth is complete! ¹⁶O, truth is in the tramp of thy steeds!

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तेभ्यो द्युम्नं बृहद्यश उषो मघोन्या वह ।
ये नो राधांस्यश्व्या गव्या भजन्त सूरयः सुजाते अश्वसूनृते ॥७॥
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तेभ्यः¹ द्युम्नम्² बृहत्³ यशः⁴ उषः⁵ मघोनि6 आ<sup>7</sup> वह<sup>8</sup> ।
ये<sup>9</sup> नः¹<sup>0</sup> राधांसि¹¹ अश्व्या¹² गव्या¹³ भजन्त¹⁴ सूरयः¹⁵ सुऽजाते¹<sup>6</sup> अश्वऽसूनृते¹<sup>7</sup> ॥
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7. ⁵O Dawn, ⁶our lady of plenty, ^{7,8}bring ¹to them (¹⁵the seers) thy ²illumination, a ³vast ⁴glory; ⁹they (¹⁵the seers) ^{14a}shall give ¹⁰us ^{14b}enjoyment ¹¹of the felicity ¹²of thy steeds and ¹¹the felicity ¹³of thy herds. ¹⁶O, thy birth is complete! ¹⁷O, truth is in the tramp of thy steeds!

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उत नो गोमतीरिष आ वहा दुहितर्दिवः ।
साकं सूर्यस्य रिश्मिभः शुक्रैः शोचिद्भरिचिभिः सुजाते अश्वसूनृते ॥८॥
उत्त नः गोङ्मतीः इषः आ वह दुहितः दिवः ।
साकम् सूर्यस्य १० रिश्मिङ्भिः । शुक्रैः । शोचतुङ्भिः । अर्चिङ्भिः । अर्थस्य । अर्थक्सूनृते । ॥
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8. ^{5,6}Bring ²to us ¹too, ⁷O daughter ⁸of heaven, ⁴powers of impulse ³full of the troopings of thy light; ⁹let them come companioned with ¹¹the rays ¹⁰of thy Sun, ⁹linked with the purity of his ¹²bright and ¹³burning ¹⁴light-givings. ¹⁵O, thy birth is complete! ¹⁶O, truth is in the tramp of thy steeds!

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व्युच्छा दुहितर्दिवो मा चिरं तनुथा अपः ।
नेत् त्वा स्तेनं यथा रिपुं तपाति सूरो अर्चिषा सुजाते अश्वसूनृते ॥९॥
वि<sup>1</sup> उच्छ<sup>2</sup> दुहितः<sup>3</sup> दिवः<sup>4</sup> मा<sup>5</sup> चिरम्<sup>6</sup> तनुथाः<sup>7</sup> अपः<sup>8</sup> ।
न<sup>9</sup> इत्<sup>10</sup> त्वा<sup>11</sup> स्तेनम्<sup>12</sup> यथा<sup>13</sup> रिपुम्<sup>14</sup> तपाति<sup>15</sup> सूरः<sup>16</sup> अर्चिषा<sup>17</sup> सुऽजाते<sup>18</sup> अश्वऽसूनृते<sup>19</sup> ॥
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9. ^{1,2}Break forth into light, ³O daughter ⁴of heaven! ^{5,7}And spin not out ⁶too long ⁸the work. ¹⁰For ¹¹thee ¹⁶thy sun ¹⁵afflicts ⁹not ¹⁷with his burning ray ¹³as ¹⁵he afflicts ¹⁴the foe and ¹²the thief. ¹⁸O, thy birth is complete! ¹⁹O, truth is in the tramp of thy steeds!

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एतावद्धेदुषस्त्वं भूयो वा दातुमर्हिस ।
या स्तोतृभ्यो विभावर्युच्छन्ती न प्रमीयसे सुजाते अश्वसूनृते ॥१०॥
एतावत्<sup>1</sup> वा<sup>2</sup> इत्<sup>3</sup> उषः<sup>4</sup> त्वम्<sup>5</sup> भूयः<sup>6</sup> वा<sup>7</sup> दातुम्<sup>8</sup> अर्हसि<sup>9</sup> ।
या<sup>10</sup> स्तोतृङभ्यः<sup>11</sup> विभाङवरि<sup>12</sup> उच्छन्ती<sup>13</sup> न<sup>14</sup> प्रङमीयसे<sup>15</sup> सुङजाते<sup>16</sup> अश्वङसूनृते<sup>17</sup>॥
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10. ^{1,3}So much ⁵thou ^{8,9}shouldst give ²or ⁶more than this; for ¹¹to thy adorers ¹³thou breakest forth ¹²into the full wideness of thy glories and ¹⁴thou art not ¹⁵limited in ¹³thy dawning. ¹⁶O, thy birth is complete! ¹⁷O, truth is in the tramp of thy steeds!

The Second Hymn to the Dawn

Rig Veda V.80

(15/553-4)

द्युतद्यामानं बृहतीमृतेन ऋतावरीमरुणप्सुं विभातीम् । देवीमुषसं स्वरावहन्तीं प्रति विप्रासो मतिभिर्जरन्ते ॥१॥ द्युतत्ऽयामानम्¹ बृहतीम्² ऋतेन³ ऋतऽवरीम्⁴ अरुणऽप्सुम्⁵ विऽभातीम्६ । देवीम्⁷ उषसम्⁸ स्वः⁹ आऽवहन्तीम्¹⁰ प्रति¹¹ विप्रासः¹² मतिऽभिः¹³ जरन्ते¹⁴ ॥

1. ⁸Dawn ¹of the luminous journey, ⁸Dawn ⁴queen of truth, ²large ³with the Truth, ⁶how wide is the gleam ⁵from her rosy limbs, — ⁸Dawn ⁷divine ¹⁰who brings with her ⁹the heaven of light! Her ¹²the seers ^{11,14}adore ¹³with their thoughts.

एषा जनं दर्शता बोधयन्ती सुगान्यथः कृण्वती यात्यग्रे । बृहद्रथा बृहती विश्विमन्वोषा ज्योतिर्यच्छत्यग्रे अह्नाम् ॥२॥ एषा¹ जनम्² दर्शता³ बोधयन्ती⁴ सुङगान्⁵ पथः⁶ कृण्वती⁷ याति⁸ अग्रे⁹ । बृहत्ङरथा¹⁰ बृहती¹¹ विश्वम्ङ्नवा¹² उषाः¹³ ज्योतिः¹⁴ यच्छति¹⁵ अग्रे¹⁶ अह्नाम्¹⁷ ॥

2. ¹This is she who ³has the vision and ⁴she awakens ²man and ⁷makes ⁶his paths ⁵easy to travel and ⁸walks ⁹in his front. ¹⁰How large is her chariot, ¹¹how vast and ¹²all-pervading ¹³the goddess (Dawn), ¹⁵how she brings ¹⁴Light ¹⁶in the front ¹⁷of the days!

एषा गोभिररुणेभिर्युजानाङस्त्रेधन्ती रियमप्रायु चक्रे ।
पथो रदन्ती सुविताय देवी पुरुष्टुता विश्ववारा वि भाति ॥३॥
एषा¹ गोभिः² अरुणेभिः³ युजाना⁴ अस्रेधन्ती⁵ रियम्६ अप्रङआयु⁷ चक्रे8 ।
पथः९ रदन्ती¹० सुविताय¹¹ देवी¹² पुरुङस्तुता¹³ विश्वङवारा¹⁴ वि¹⁵ भाति¹६ ॥

3. ¹This is she ⁴who yokes ²her cows ³of rosy light; ⁵her journey does not fail and such is ⁶the treasure ⁸she makes ⁷that it passes not away. ¹⁰She hews out ⁹our paths ¹¹to happiness; ¹²divine is she, ^{15,16}far-shining her glory, ¹³many the hymns that rise to her, ¹⁴she brings with her every boon.

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एषा व्येनी भवति द्धिबर्हा आविष्कृण्वाना तन्वं पुरस्तात् ।
ऋतस्य पन्थामन्वेति साधु प्रजानतीव न दिशो मिनाति ॥४॥
एषा¹ वि७एनी² भवति³ द्धि७बर्हाः⁴ आविः७कृण्वाना⁵ तन्वम्६ पुरस्तात्<sup>7</sup>।
ऋतस्य<sup>8</sup> पन्थाम्९ अनु¹० एति¹¹ साधु¹² प्रजानती७इव¹³ न¹⁴ दिशः¹⁵ मिनाति¹६॥
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4. ⁴Behold her in her biune energy of earth and heaven, ¹how ³she comes into being ²in her whiteness and ⁵discloses ⁶her body ⁷in our front. ^{10,11}She follows ¹²perfectly ⁹the paths ⁸of Truth, ¹³as one who is wise and knows, and ¹⁶she hedges ¹⁴not ¹⁵in our regions.

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एषा शुभ्रा न तन्चो विदानोर्ध्वेच स्नाती दृशये नो अस्थात् ।
अप द्वेषो बाधमाना तमांस्युषा दिचो दुहिता ज्योतिषागात् ॥५॥
एषा¹ शुभ्रा² न³ तन्चः⁴ विदाना⁵ ऊर्ध्वाऽइच<sup>6</sup> स्नाती<sup>7</sup> दृशये<sup>8</sup> नः<sup>9</sup> अस्थात्¹<sup>0</sup> ।
अप¹¹ द्वेषः¹² बाधमाना¹³ तमांसि¹⁴ उषाः¹⁵ दिचः¹<sup>6</sup> दुहिता¹<sup>7</sup> ज्योतिषा¹<sup>8</sup> आ¹<sup>9</sup> अगात्²<sup>0</sup>॥
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5. Lo, how ²brilliant is ⁴her body ⁵when she is found and known! How ¹⁰she stands ⁶on high ³as if ⁷bathing in light that ⁹we ⁸may have vision! ^{11,13}Driving away ¹²all enemies and ¹⁴all darknesses ¹⁵Dawn, ¹⁷the daughter ¹⁶of Heaven, ^{19,20}has come ¹⁸with the Light.

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एषा प्रतीची दुहिता दिवो नॄन्योषेव भद्रा नि रिणीते अप्सः ।
व्यूर्ण्वती दाशुषे वार्याणि पुनर्ज्योतिर्युवतिः पूर्वथाकः ॥६॥
एषा प्रतीची<sup>2</sup> दुहिता<sup>3</sup> दिवः<sup>4</sup> नॄन्<sup>5</sup> योषाऽइव<sup>6</sup> भद्रा<sup>7</sup> नि<sup>8</sup> रिणीते<sup>9</sup> अप्सः<sup>10</sup> ।
विऽऊर्ण्वती<sup>11</sup> दाशुषे<sup>12</sup> वार्याणि<sup>13</sup> पुनः<sup>14</sup> ज्योतिः<sup>15</sup> युवतिः<sup>16</sup> पूर्वऽथा<sup>17</sup> अकः<sup>18</sup> ॥
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6. Lo, ³the daughter ⁴of Heaven ⁶like a woman ⁷full of happiness ²moves to meet ⁵the gods and ¹⁰her form ^{8,9}travels ever nearer to them. ¹¹Unveiling ¹³all blessings ¹²for the giver of sacrifice ¹⁶the goddess young for ever ¹⁸has created ¹⁵the Light ¹⁴once more ¹⁷even as in the beginning.

A Hymn to Savitri

Rig Veda V.81

(15/555-6)

युञ्जते मन उत युञ्जते धियो विप्रा विप्रस्य बृहतो विपश्चितः । वि होत्रा दधे वयुनाविदेक इन्मही देवस्य सवितुः परिष्टुतिः ॥१॥ युञ्जते¹ मनः² उत³ युञ्जते⁴ धियः⁵ विप्राः⁶ विप्रस्य⁷ बृहतः⁸ विपः७चितः⁹ । वि¹⁰ होत्राः¹¹ दधे¹² वयुन७वित्¹³ एकः¹⁴ इत्¹⁵ मही¹⁶ देवस्य¹⁷ सवितुः¹⁸ परि७स्तुतिः¹⁹ ॥

1. ⁶The illumined ¹yoke ²their mind ³and ⁴they yoke ⁵their thoughts ⁷to the illumined godhead, ⁸to the vast, ⁹to the luminous in consciousness; ¹⁴the one ¹³knower of all manifestation of knowledge, ^{14,15}he alone ^{10,12}orders ¹¹the Energies of the sacrifice. ¹⁶Great ¹⁹is the praise ¹⁸of Savitri, ¹⁷the creating godhead.

विश्वा रूपाणि प्रति मुञ्चते कविः प्रासावीद् भद्रं द्विपदे चतुष्पदे । वि नाकमख्यत् सविता वरेण्योङन् प्रयाणमुषसो वि राजति ॥२॥ विश्वा¹ रूपाणि² प्रति³ मुञ्चते⁴ कविः⁵ प्र⁶ असावीत्⁷ भद्रम्⁸ द्विङपदे⁹ चतुःङपदे¹०। वि¹¹ नाकम्¹² अख्यत्¹³ सविता¹⁴ वरेण्यः¹⁵ अनु¹⁶ प्रङयानम्¹⁷ उषसः¹⁸ वि¹⁹ राजति²०॥

2. ¹All ²forms are ^{3,4a}robes ⁵the Seer ^{3,4b}puts on ^{6,7}that he may create ⁸the good and bliss ⁹for the double and ¹⁰the quadruple creature. ¹⁴Savitri ^{11,13}describes by his light ¹²our heavenly world; ¹⁵supreme is he and desirable, ^{19,20}wide is the light of his shining ¹⁷in the march ¹⁸of the Dawn.

यस्य प्रयाणमन्वन्य इद् ययुर्देवा देवस्य महिमानमोजसा । यः पार्थिवानि विममे स एतशो रजांसि देवः सविता महित्वना ॥३॥ यस्य¹ प्रठयानम्² अनु³ अन्ये⁴ इत्⁵ ययुः⁶ देवाः७ देवस्य॰ महिमानम्॰ ओजसा¹० । यः¹¹ पार्थिवानि¹² विठममे¹³ सः¹⁴ एतशः¹⁵ रजांसि¹६ देवः¹७ सविता¹॰ महिठत्वना¹० ॥

3. And ²in that march ^{4,5}all the other ⁷gods ¹⁰in their might ^{3,6}follow after ⁹the greatness ⁸of this godhead. ¹⁴This is that ¹⁵bright ¹⁷god ¹⁸Savitri ¹¹who ¹⁹by his power and greatness ¹³has measured out ¹²our earthly worlds ¹⁶of light.

उत यासि सवितस्त्रीणि रोचनोत सूर्यस्य रिमिभः समुच्यसि । उत रात्रीमुभयतः परीयस उत मित्रो भवसि देव धर्मिभः ॥४॥ उत्त¹ यासि² सवितः 3 त्रीणि⁴ रोचना 5 उत 6 सूर्यस्य 7 रिमि७भिः 8 सम् 9 उच्यसि 10 । उत 11 रात्रीम् 12 उभयतः 13 परि 14 ईयसे 15 उत 16 मित्रः 17 भवसि 18 देव 19 धर्म७भिः 20 ॥

4. ¹But also ²thou goest, ³O Savitri, ⁴to the three ⁵shining worlds of heaven ⁶and ^{9,10}thou art made manifest ⁸by the rays ⁷of the Sun, ¹¹and ^{14,15}thou encirclest ¹³on both sides ¹²the Night, ¹⁶and ¹⁸thou becomest ¹⁷Mitra, ¹⁹O god, ²⁰with his settled laws of Truth.

उतेशिषे प्रसवस्य त्वमेक इदुत पूषा भविस देव यामिभः । उतेदं विश्वं भुवनं वि राजिस श्यावाश्वस्ते सिवतः स्तोममानशे ॥५॥ उत¹ ईशिषे² प्रठसवस्य³ त्वम्⁴ एकः⁵ इत् 6 उत 7 पूषा 8 भविस 9 देव 10 याम 5 विश्वम् 14 भुवनम् 15 वि 16 राजिस 17 श्याव 53 श्वः 18 ते 19 सिवतः 20 स्तोमम् 21 आनशे 22 ॥

5. ¹And ⁴thou ⁵,6alone ²hast power ³for the creation 7and 9thou becomest 8the Increaser (Pushan), ¹0O god, ¹¹by thy marchings in thy path, ¹²and ¹6,17thou illuminest ¹⁴all ¹³this ¹⁵world of the becoming. ¹8Shyawashwa, ²0O Savitri, ²²has found ²¹the affirmation of thy godhead.

Part Four Other Hymns

A Vedic Hymn

Rig Veda VII.60

(15/559-61)

यदद्य सूर्य ब्रवोञ्जागा उद्यन्मित्राय वरुणाय सत्यम् । वयं देवत्रादिते स्याम तव प्रियासो अर्यमन् गृणन्तः ॥१॥ यत्¹ अद्य² सूर्य³ ब्रवः⁴ अनागाः⁵ उत्ञयन्⁶ मित्राय⁷ वरुणाय⁸ सत्यम्⁹ । वयम्¹⁰ देवञ्त्रा¹¹ अदिते¹² स्याम¹³ तव¹⁴ प्रियासः¹⁵ अर्यमन्¹⁶ गृणन्तः¹⁷ ॥

1. ³O Sun, O Light, ¹because ²today ⁵blameless ⁶in thy rising ⁴thou hast declared ⁹the Truth ⁷to the Lord of Love (Mitra) and ⁸the Lord of Purity (Varuna), so ^{13a}may ¹⁰we ^{13b}abide ¹¹in the godhead, ¹⁵dear ¹⁴to thee, ¹²O Mother infinite, ¹⁵dear ¹⁴to thee, ¹⁶O Lord of Strength (Aryaman), ¹⁷in all our speaking.

एष स्य मित्रावरुणा नृचक्षा उभे उदेति सूर्यो अभि ज्मन् । विश्वस्य स्थातुर्जगतश्च गोपा ऋजु मर्तेषु वृजिना च पश्यन् ॥२॥ एषः 1 स्यः 2 मित्रावरुणा 3 नृष्ठचक्षाः 4 उभे 5 इति उत् 6 एति 7 सूर्यः 8 अभि 9 ज्मन् 10 । विश्वस्य 11 स्थातुः 12 जगतः 13 च 14 गोपाः 15 ऋजु 16 मर्तेषु 17 वृजिना 18 च 19 पश्यन् 20॥

2. ³O Mitra, O Varuna, ¹this ²is ⁴he that seeth for the soul, ⁸the Sun ^{6,7}that rises ⁹over ⁵(both) earth and heaven ¹⁰in the pervading wideness, and ¹⁵he guards ¹¹all ¹³that is in motion ¹⁴and ¹¹all ¹²that is stable; ²⁰for he beholds ¹⁶the straight things ¹⁹and ¹⁸the crooked ¹⁷in mortals.

अयुक्त सप्त हरितः सधस्थाद्या ईं वहंति सूर्यं घृताचीः । धामानि मित्रावरुणा युवाकुः सं यो यूथेव जिनमानि चष्टे ॥३॥ अयुक्त¹ सप्त² हरितः³ सध ${\rm Stat}^4$ याः 5 ईम् 6 वहन्ति 7 सूर्यम् 8 घृताचीः 9 । धामानि 10 मित्रावरुणा 11 युवाकुः 12 सम् 13 यः 14 यूथा ${\rm Stat}^{15}$ जिनमानि 16 चष्टे 17 ॥

3. ²Seven ³shining energies ^{1a}has this ⁸Bright One (Surya) ^{1b}yoked today ⁴in the world of our achievement and ⁵they ⁷bear ⁶him ⁹on in their clarity, and he (¹⁴who is ¹²devoted to both of you, ¹¹O Mitra, O Varuna) ^{13,17}beholds ¹⁰the homes of the soul and ¹⁶the places of its birth ^{15,17}like a herdsman who watches over his herds.

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उद्धां पृक्षासो मधुमंतो अस्थुरा सूर्यो अरुहच्छुक्रमर्णः ।
यस्मा आदित्या अध्वनो रदन्ति मित्रो अर्यमा वरुणः सजोषाः ॥४॥
उत्<sup>1</sup> वाम्<sup>2</sup> पृक्षासः<sup>3</sup> मधु७मन्तः<sup>4</sup> अस्थुः<sup>5</sup> आ<sup>6</sup> सूर्यः<sup>7</sup> अरुहत्<sup>8</sup> शुक्रम्<sup>9</sup> अर्णः<sup>10</sup> ।
यस्मै<sup>11</sup> आदित्याः<sup>12</sup> अध्वनः<sup>13</sup> रदन्ति<sup>14</sup> मित्रः<sup>15</sup> अर्यमा<sup>16</sup> वरुणः<sup>17</sup> स७जोषाः<sup>18</sup> ॥
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4. ¹Upward ⁵rise ²your ⁴honied ³satisfactions; for our ⁷sun ^{6,8}has climbed ¹⁰into the ocean ⁹of pure Light and ¹¹for him ¹²the Children of the Infinite ¹⁴hew out ¹³his paths, even ¹⁵the Lord of Love (Mitra) and ¹⁶the Lord of Strength (Aryaman) and ¹⁷the Lord of Purity (Varuna) ¹⁸in one harmony (joy).

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इमे चेतारो अनृतस्य भूरेर्मित्रो अर्यमा वरुणो हि सन्ति ।
इम ऋतस्य वावृधुर्दुरोणे शग्मासः पुत्रा अदितेरदब्धाः ॥५॥
इमे<sup>1</sup> चेतारः<sup>2</sup> अनृतस्य<sup>3</sup> भूरेः<sup>4</sup> मित्रः<sup>5</sup> अर्यमा<sup>6</sup> वरुणः<sup>7</sup> हि<sup>8</sup> सन्ति<sup>9</sup> ।
इमे<sup>10</sup> ऋतस्य<sup>11</sup> ववृधुः<sup>12</sup> दुरोणे<sup>13</sup> शग्मासः<sup>14</sup> पुत्राः<sup>15</sup> अदितेः<sup>16</sup> अदब्धाः<sup>17</sup> ॥
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5. ^{1,8}These ⁹are ²they that discern and separate ⁴all the much ³falsehood in us; ^{1,8,9}they are the Lords of ⁵Love (Mitra) and ⁶Strength (Aryaman) and ⁷Purity (Varuna). ¹⁰These ¹²grow ¹³in the house ¹¹of Truth, ¹⁴puissant and ¹⁷unvanquished ¹⁵Sons ¹⁶of the Infinite.

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इमे मित्रो वरुणो दूळभासोऽचेतसं चिच्चितयन्ति दक्षैः ।
अपि क्रतुं सुचेतसं वतन्तस्तिरश्चिदंहः सुपथा नयन्ति ॥६॥
इमे<sup>1</sup> मित्रः<sup>2</sup> वरुणः<sup>3</sup> दुःऽदभासः<sup>4</sup> अचेतसम्<sup>5</sup> चित्<sup>6</sup> चितयन्ति<sup>7</sup> दक्षैः<sup>8</sup> ।
अपि<sup>9</sup> क्रतुम्<sup>10</sup> सुऽचेतसम्<sup>11</sup> वतन्तः<sup>12</sup> तिरः<sup>13</sup> चित्<sup>14</sup> अंहः<sup>15</sup> सुऽपथा<sup>16</sup> नयन्ति<sup>17</sup> ॥
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6. ¹These are ²the Love (Mitra) and ³the Purity (Varuna) ⁴hard to repress who ⁸by their discernings ⁷give knowledge (⁶even) ⁵to him who has no knowledge; ¹²they bring to him ¹⁰their impulses of a will ¹¹that has right vision and ¹⁷they lead him ¹⁶by the good path ^{13,14}beyond ¹⁵the evil.

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इमे दिवो अनिमिषा पृथिव्याश्चिकित्वांसो अचेतसं नयन्ति ।
प्रव्राजे चिन्नद्यो गाधमस्ति पारं नो अस्य विष्पितस्य पर्षन् ॥७॥
इमे<sup>1</sup> दिवः<sup>2</sup> अनिङिमषा<sup>3</sup> पृथिव्याः<sup>4</sup> चिकित्वांसः<sup>5</sup> अचेतसम्<sup>6</sup> नयन्ति<sup>7</sup> ।
प्रङ्माजे<sup>8</sup> चित्<sup>9</sup> नद्यः<sup>10</sup> गाधम्<sup>11</sup> अस्ति<sup>12</sup> पारम्<sup>13</sup> नः<sup>14</sup> अस्य<sup>15</sup> विष्पितस्य<sup>16</sup> पर्षन्<sup>17</sup> ॥
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7. ¹These (Mitra, Varuna and Aryaman) ³with sleepless eyes ⁵see and know (²from Heaven) ⁴in his earth ⁶for man that is ignorant and ⁷lead him: ⁸in his forward faring ¹²he comes ¹¹to the fathomless pit ¹⁰in the river, ⁹yet ¹⁷shall they bear him (¹⁴us) across ¹³to the other shore ¹⁵of this ¹⁶wideness.

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यद् गोपावदिदितः शर्म भद्रं मित्रो यच्छन्ति वरुणः सुदासे ।
तस्मिन्ना तोकं तनयं दधाना मा कर्म देवहेळनं तुरासः ॥८॥
यत्<sup>1</sup> गोपावत्<sup>2</sup> अदितिः<sup>3</sup> शर्म<sup>4</sup> भद्रम्<sup>5</sup> मित्रः<sup>6</sup> यच्छन्ति<sup>7</sup> वरुणः<sup>8</sup> सुङदासे<sup>9</sup> ।
तस्मिन्<sup>10</sup> आ<sup>11</sup> तोकम्<sup>12</sup> तनयम्<sup>13</sup> दधानाः<sup>14</sup> मा<sup>15</sup> कर्म<sup>16</sup> देवङहेळनम्<sup>17</sup> तुरासः<sup>18</sup> ॥
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8. ⁴The peace and ²the protection and ⁵the happiness ¹which ³the infinite Mother and the Lords of ⁶Love (Mitra) and ⁸Purity (Varuna) ⁷give ⁹to the servant of the sacrifice, ¹⁰in that ^{11,14}let us found ¹²all our creation and ¹³building, ¹⁶let us do ¹⁵no ¹⁷violence to the godhead, ¹⁸O ye swift Wayfarers.

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अव वेदिं होत्राभिर्यजेत रिपः काश्चिद्धरुणध्रुतः सः ।
परि द्वेषोभिरर्यमा वृणक्तूरुं सुदासे वृषणा उ लोकम् ॥९॥
अव¹ वेदिम्² होत्राभिः³ यजेत⁴ रिपः⁵ काः<sup>6</sup> चित्<sup>7</sup> वरुणङ्ध्रुतः<sup>8</sup> सः<sup>9</sup> ।
परि¹<sup>0</sup> द्वेषःङभिः¹¹ अर्यमा¹² वृणक्त्¹³ उरुम्¹⁴ सुङ्दासे¹⁵ वृषणौ¹६ ऊं¹<sup>7</sup> इति लोकम्¹<sup>8</sup> ॥
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9. ⁹He ⁸whom the Lord of Purity (Varuna) upholds, ^{1,4}puts away ²from his altar ³by the powers of sacrifice ^{6,7}whatsoever ⁵hurters: ^{10,13}cut away, ¹²O Lord of Strength (Aryaman), ¹⁵from the servant of the sacrifice ¹¹the hurt and the division, form in him that ¹⁴vast ¹⁷other ¹⁸world, ¹⁶O givers of the abundance.

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सस्यश्चिद्धि समृतिस्त्वेष्येषामपीच्येन सहसा सहन्ते ।
युष्मिद्भया वृषणो रेजमाना दक्षस्य चिन्महिना मृळता नः ॥१०॥
सस्यः¹ चित्² हि³ सम्७ऋतिः⁴ त्वेषी⁵ एषाम्६ अपीच्येन७ सहसा८ सहन्ते९।
युष्मत्¹० भिया¹¹ वृषणः¹² रेजमानाः¹³ दक्षस्य¹⁴ चित्¹⁵ महिना¹६ मृळत¹७ नः¹॥॥
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10. ⁵A blazing strength and ¹a world of illumination is ⁴the coming together ⁶of these Godheads and ⁹they overcome ⁷by their near and approaching (or, secret) ⁸force. Lo, ¹³we quiver ¹¹with the fear ¹⁰of you (¹²O Showerer); ^{17a}set ¹⁸us ^{17b}at ease ¹⁶by the greatness ¹⁴of your discerning.

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यो ब्रह्मणे सुमितमायजाते वाजस्य सातौ परमस्य रायः ।
सीक्षन्त मन्युं मघवानो अर्य उरु क्षयाय चिक्रिरे सुधातु ॥११॥
यः ब्रह्मणे सुङमितम् आङ्यजाते वाजस्य सातौ परमस्य रायः ।
सीक्षन्त मन्युम् १० मघङवानः ११ अर्यः १ उरु १३ क्षयाय १४ चिक्रिरे १५ सुङधातु १६॥
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11. ^{4a}For when ¹a man ^{4b}by sacrifice wins ³right-mindedness ⁶in the getting ⁵of the plenitude, ⁶in the conquest ⁷of the supreme ⁸Felicity, ¹²the strong Warriors, ¹¹the Lords of the Treasure ⁹cleave ¹⁰to his heart of emotion and ¹⁵they form there ¹³the Vast ¹⁴for his dwelling-place ¹⁶making it of a perfect temper.

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इयं देव पुरोहितिर्युवभ्यां यज्ञेषु मित्रावरुणावकारि ।
विश्वानि दुर्गा पिपृतं तिरो नो यूयं पात स्वस्तिभिः सदा नः ॥१२॥
इयम् देवा² पुरः ५ हितिः 3 युव५ भ्याम् 4 यज्ञेषु 5 मित्रावरुणौ 6 अकारि 7 ।
विश्वानि 8 दुः ५ गा 9 पिपृतम् 10 तिरः 11 नः 12 यूयम् 13 पात 14 स्वस्ति ५ भिः 15 सदा 16 नः 17 ॥
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14. ⁴For you (two) ⁷we have made ^{1,3}in front this work of the divine representative (²O Divine ⁶Mitra and Varuna) ⁵in our sacrifices; ¹⁰lead ¹²us ¹¹safe through ⁸all ⁹difficult places. (¹³You two) ¹⁴keep ¹⁷us ¹⁶always ¹⁵with constant felicities.

A Hymn of the Thought-Gods

Based on Rig Veda V.52-61

(15/562-64)

[According to *Notes on the Text* by Editors of Vol. 15 (p. 601), this is not a translation but a paraphrase of the hymns to the Maruts by the Rishi Shyavashwa of the Atri clan; it is based on Rig Veda V.52 and, in the last three paragraphs, on scattered verses from V.53-61. The compiler has, working back from the snippets in the translation, identified the individual verses from V.53-61; and provided additional translation of some verses from *Vedic and Philological Studies* (VPS) Vol. 14, for comparative study.]

प्रश्यावाश्व धृष्णुङ्यार्चा मरुद्भिर्ऋक्वभिः । ये अद्रोघमनुष्यधं श्रवो मदंति यज्ञियाः ॥V.52.1॥ प्र¹श्यावङ्अश्व² धृष्णुङ्या³ अर्च⁴ मरुत्ङभिः⁵ ऋक्वङभिः॰ । ये⁷ अद्रोघम्⁸ अनुङ्ख्यधम्⁹ श्रवः¹⁰ मदन्ति¹¹ यज्ञियाः¹² ॥

1. ⁵The shining host has arisen in my soul, the host of the Thought-gods (Maruts) and, ⁴they sing a hymn ¹as they march upward, ⁶a hymn of the heart's illumination. ¹March thou on, ²O my soul (Shyavashva), ³impetuously to their violent and mighty music. For ⁷they ¹¹are drunken with the joy ¹⁰of an inspiration ⁸that betrays not to falsehood, ⁹because the truth of eternal Nature is its guide. (15/562)

¹Forward! ²Shyavasva, ³violently on ⁶with thy illumined thought ⁵by the Thought-powers (Maruts) ⁴that sing to thee their sentences of light, ¹²gods of the sacrifice ⁷who ¹¹have rapture ¹⁰of an inspiration ⁸that betrays them not, ⁹for it follows Nature's self-forming force. (VPS 14/285)

ते हि स्थिरस्य शवसः सखायः संति धृष्णुया ।

ते यामन्ना धृषद्धिनस्त्मना पांति शश्वतः ॥V.52.2॥

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ते<sup>1</sup> हि<sup>2</sup> स्थिरस्य<sup>3</sup> शवसः<sup>4</sup> सखायः<sup>5</sup> सन्ति<sup>6</sup> धृष्णुऽया<sup>7</sup> ।
ते<sup>8</sup> यामन्<sup>9</sup> आ<sup>10</sup> धृषत्ऽविनः<sup>11</sup> त्मना<sup>12</sup> पान्ति<sup>13</sup> शश्वतः<sup>14</sup> ॥
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2. ¹They ⁶are ⁵the comrades ³of a firm and ⁴blazing Light and in the force of the Light they work out their lofty aggressions; ¹¹conquerors, ⁷violently ¹⁰, ⁹they march on their path, ¹², ¹³ self-protecting they guard of themselves the soul against falsehood; for they are many and march ¹⁴ without a gap in their brilliant ranks. (15/562)

⁷Violent ⁶are ¹they, yet ⁵comrades ³of a firm ⁴gleaming Strength; ¹¹full of boldness ^{10,9}in their driving, ¹⁴but linked each to each ¹³they protect ¹²by their self-truth ⁸thy ⁹march. (VPS 14/285)

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ते स्यंद्रासो नोक्षणोऽति ष्कंदंति शर्वरीः ।

मरुतामधा महो दिवि क्षमा च मन्महे ॥V.52.3॥

ते¹ स्यन्द्रासः² न³ उक्षणः⁴ अति⁵ स्कन्दिन्ति<sup>6</sup> शर्वरीः<sup>7</sup> ।

मरुताम्<sup>8</sup> अध<sup>9</sup> महः¹<sup>0</sup> दिवि¹¹ क्षमा¹² च¹³ मन्महे¹⁴ ॥
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3. Violent are ¹they ³as ^{4a}a herd of ²rushing ^{4b}bulls; the nights come against them, but ¹they ^{5,6}overleap ⁷the nights; ¹²they possess the earth ¹⁴in our thoughts ¹³and ¹¹they rise with them to the heavens. (15/562)

²Swift-charging ⁴bulls of the diffusion, ¹they ⁶leap ⁵beyond ⁷our Nights; ⁹then ¹¹in their heaven ¹³as ¹²on our containing earth ¹⁴we mentalise ¹⁰the vast expansion ⁸of the Thought-gods. (VPS 14/285)

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अर्हतो ये सुदानवो नरो असामिशवसः ।
प्र यज्ञं यज्ञियेभ्यो दिवो अर्चा मरुद्भ्यः ॥V.52.5॥
अर्हन्तः 1 ये युडदानवः 3 नरः 4 असामिङशवसः 5 ।
प्र 6 यज्ञम् 7 यज्ञियेभ्यः 8 दिवः 9 अर्च 10 मरुत् ५ भ्यः 11 ॥
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5. ⁵No half-lights, ⁴no impotent things ²are they, but ³mighty in aggression and ¹puissant to attain.... (15/562)

²They are ⁴soul-strengths ¹that become adept in us for the conquest, ³perfect in force of achievement, ⁵no half-strengths of the light; ⁶forward ⁹through heaven ^{10a}illumine ⁷the sacrifice ^{10b}with thy verse ¹¹for the Thought-powers, ⁸gods of the sacrifice. (VPS 14/285)

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आ रुक्मैरा युधा नर ऋष्वा ऋष्टीरसृक्षत ।
अन्वेनाँ अह विद्युतो मरुतो जङ्झतीरिव भानुरर्त त्मना दिवः ॥V.52.6॥
आ¹ रुक्मैः² आ³ युधा⁴ नरः⁵ ऋष्वाः⁶ ऋष्टीः<sup>7</sup> असृक्षत<sup>8</sup> ।
अनु<sup>9</sup> एनान्¹० अह¹¹ वि७द्युतः¹² मरुतः¹³ जङ्झतीः७इव¹⁴ भानुः¹⁵ अर्त¹६ त्मना¹<sup>7</sup> दिवः¹<sup>8</sup> ॥
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6. ⁷Spears of light they hold and ⁸they loose them from their hands at the children of Darkness; ¹⁴the flashing ¹²lightnings ¹³of the Thought-gods search the night and ¹⁵the light ¹⁸of heaven ¹⁶rises ¹⁷of itself on our souls at their battle-call. (15/562)

²By their golden gleamings, ⁴by their battling ⁵these soul-strengths ^{1,3}move towards ⁶knowledge and ⁸cast out ⁷their searching spears; ¹¹yea, ¹²the lightnings ⁹leap at the will ¹⁰of the(se) ¹³Thought-gods, then ¹⁷of itself ¹⁵the Light of the Sun ¹⁶arises ¹⁸in our heaven. (VPS 14/285)

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शर्धो मारुतमुच्छंस सत्यशवसमृभ्वसं ।
उत स्म ते शुभे नरः प्र स्यंद्रा युजत त्मना ॥V.52.8॥
शर्धः । मारुतम् <sup>2</sup> उत् <sup>3</sup> शंस <sup>4</sup> सत्य ७ शवसम् <sup>5</sup> ऋभ्वसम् <sup>6</sup> ।
उत<sup>7</sup> स्म<sup>8</sup> ते<sup>9</sup> शुभे <sup>10</sup> नरः <sup>11</sup> प्र <sup>12</sup> स्यन्द्राः <sup>13</sup> युजत <sup>14</sup> त्मना <sup>15</sup> ॥
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8. ⁵Truth is their shining strength; ¹the hosts ²of the Thought-gods are ⁶(like Ribhus) the artificers of the soul and they fashion its immortality; ¹⁵themselves ¹⁴they yoke their coursers to the chariot of our life ⁷and ^{12,13}they drive galloping ¹⁰to the joy that is its goal. (15/562)

⁴Express ³upward ¹the force ²of the Thought-gods ⁵who have the luminous power of the truth and ⁶skill to shape it; ⁷then ¹⁵of themselves ⁹these ¹¹strengths of the soul ¹⁴are self-yoked and ^{12,13}they charge in our forward march ¹⁰towards the light and bliss. (VPS 14/286)

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उत स्म ते परुष्ण्यामूर्णा वसत शुंध्यवः ।
उत पव्या रथानामद्रिं भिंदंत्योजसा ॥√.52.9॥
उत¹ स्म² ते³ परुष्ण्याम्⁴ ऊर्णाः⁵ वसत<sup>6</sup> शुन्ध्यवः<sup>7</sup>।
उत<sup>8</sup> पव्या<sup>9</sup> रथानाम्¹<sup>10</sup> अद्रिम्¹¹ भिन्दन्ति¹² ओजसा¹³॥
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9. ⁷They have bathed (cleansed) their limbs ⁴in the waters of Parushni, ⁵in the stream that has a multitude of currents, ⁶they have put on ⁵their divine (woolen) raiment ⁸and now ⁹with the wheels ¹⁰of their chariots (¹³and their might) ¹²they break open ¹¹all Nature's secret caves. (15/562)

Both ^{4,5}in the streams of its wide-flowing flood ⁷they purify themselves ¹and ⁶garb themselves ⁵with its densities ⁸and here ⁹with the wheel ¹⁰of their chariots (¹³and their might) ¹²they break open ¹¹the material hill. (VPS 14/286)

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आपथयो विपथयो ंतस्पथा अनुपथाः ।
एतेभिर्मह्यं नामभिर्यज्ञं विष्टार ओहते ॥V.52.10॥
आपथयः विञ्जपथयः अन्तः ञ्जपथाः अनुञ्जपथाः ।
एतेभिः मह्यम् नामञ्जिः यज्ञम् विञ्जस्तारः ओहते ॥
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10. ²Sometimes they march on a thousand branching paths, ¹sometimes they rush direct at their goal; ³sometimes their paths are within, ⁴sometimes they follow outward Nature's thousand ways; ⁸the world-sacrifice fulfils itself ⁷by the many names of their godhead and ⁹by their ever-widening ¹⁰march. (15/562)

¹With paths that come home to us and ²paths that radiate out wide from us and ³paths within us and ⁴paths that follow our movement, and ⁵by all these ⁷their Names ⁹extended, ¹⁰they come galloping ⁶to my ⁸sacrifice. (VPS 14/286)

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अधा नरो न्योहते७धा नियुत ओहते ।
अधा पारावता इति चित्रा रूपाणि दर्श्या ॥V.52.11॥
अध<sup>1</sup> नरः<sup>2</sup> नि<sup>3</sup> ओहते<sup>4</sup> अध<sup>5</sup> नि७युतः<sup>6</sup> ओहते<sup>7</sup> ।
अध<sup>8</sup> पारावताः<sup>9</sup> इति<sup>10</sup> चित्रा<sup>11</sup> रूपाणि<sup>12</sup> दर्श्यां<sup>13</sup>॥
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11. ⁵Now ⁷they make (carry) themselves as galloping ⁶forces of our life, ¹now they are (they ^{3,4}carry themselves as) ²gods and powers of the soul; ¹⁰at last ¹²they put on forms ⁹of a supreme world, ¹²forms ¹³of vision, ¹²forms ¹¹of light. (15/563)

¹Now ²as human things ^{3,4}they gallop in and ⁵now (⁷gallop) ⁶as yoke-steeds of the nervous Life and ⁸now ⁹they are thoughts from the supreme and wear ¹¹richly-shining ¹²forms ¹³of vision. (VPS 14/286)

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छंदःस्तुभः कुभन्यव उत्समा कीरिणो नृतुः ।
ते मे के चिन्न तायव ऊमा आसंदृशि त्विषे ॥V.52.12॥
छन्दः ७स्तुभः 1 कुभन्यवः 2 उत्सम् 3 आ<sup>4</sup> कीरिणः 5 नृतुः ।
ते 7 मे 8 के 9 चित् 10 न 11 तायवः 12 ऊमाः 13 आसन् 14 दृशि 15 त्विषे 16॥
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12. ⁵They have attained to the goal, ¹they support the rhythms of the world, chanting ^{4,6}they weave their glorious dance ³round the very fountain of things; they (^{9,10}some ⁷of them) are ¹²creators of supreme forms, (^{9,10}some ⁷of them) they ¹³expand the soul ¹⁵in vision and (^{9,10}some) ^{15,16}make it a divine blaze of light. (15/563)

¹They maintain the rhythms, ²they thirst for the waters and, ⁵victorious in the work, ^{4,6}they dance ³about the source. They (^{9,10}Some ⁷of them) are ¹²unseen (stealthy) ¹³extenders ⁸of my being, ⁸my ¹³increasers (helpers) ¹⁴who were ⁸with me ¹⁶for a blazing force ¹⁵in the vision. (VPS 14/286)

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य ऋष्या ऋष्टिविद्युतः कवयः संति वेधसः । तमृषे मारुतं गणं नमस्या रमया गिरा ॥V.52.13॥ यः^1 ऋष्याः^2 ऋष्टि७विद्युतः^3 कवयः^4 सन्ति^5 वेधसः^6 । तम्^7 ऋषे^8 मारुतम्^9 गणम्^{10} नमस्य^{11} रमय^{12} गिरा^{13}॥
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13. For ¹these are ²rushing seekers of the Truth; ³for the Truth their lightnings stab and search; ⁵they are ⁴seers, ⁵they are ⁶creators and ordainers;.... (15/563)

¹They are ²finders of knowledge and ³their lightnings are as spears that search; ⁵they are ⁴seers, ⁵they are ⁶creators of harmony; ⁸O sage, ¹¹bow down ⁷to the (those) ¹⁰banded ⁹Thought-gods (Maruts) and ¹²give them delight ¹³by thy speech. (VPS 14/286)

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अच्छ ऋषे मारुतं गणं दाना मित्रं न योषणा ।
दिवो वा धृष्णव ओजसा स्तुता धीभिरिषण्यत ॥V.52.14॥
अच्छ<sup>1</sup> ऋषे<sup>2</sup> मारुतम्<sup>3</sup> गणम्<sup>4</sup> दाना<sup>5</sup> मित्रम्<sup>6</sup> न<sup>7</sup> योषणा<sup>8</sup>।
दिवः<sup>9</sup> वा<sup>10</sup> धृष्णवः<sup>11</sup> ओजसा<sup>12</sup> स्तुताः<sup>13</sup> धीभिः<sup>14</sup> इषण्यत<sup>15</sup>॥
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14. ...¹¹their aggressions ¹²are inspired by the might and force ⁹of heaven, therefore ¹³affirmed ¹⁴in our thoughts ¹⁵they speed carrying us confidently on their way. (15/563)

²O sage, ¹approach ⁴the banded ³Thought-gods (Maruts) ⁷as ⁶one comes to a friend ⁵with the goddess (Dana) who discerns and disparts ⁷as ⁸with the bride of thy love; ¹⁰then ^{15a}shall they ⁹in thy heavens, ¹³affirmed, ¹¹aggressive ¹²in their energy ^{15b}rush forward ¹⁴with thy thoughts. (VPS 14/286)

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नू मन्वान एषां देवाँ अच्छा न वक्षणा । दाना सचेत सूरिभिर्यामश्रुतेभिरंजिभिः ॥V.52.15॥ नु^1 मन्वानः^2 एषाम्^3 देवान्^4 अच्छ^5 न^6 वक्षणा^7 । दाना^8 सचेत^9 सूरि^9भः^{10} याम^9श्रुतेभिः^{11} अञ्जि^9भिः^{12}॥
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15. ¹When ²the mind is full ³of them, 7it is borne on 5towards ⁴godhead, for they have ¹²the radiant ¹¹inspiration of the path. (15/563)

¹If ²a man mentalises ³these, ⁵towards ⁴the godheads ⁷by the thought that bears, then ⁸by the thought that discerns and disparts ⁹he shall be joined to them ¹⁰in the light of knowledge, ¹¹in their inspiration of movement, ¹²in their gleamings out. (VPS 14/286)

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प्र ये मे बंध्वेषे गां वोचंत सूरयः पृश्निं वोचंत मातरं ।
अधा पितरिमष्मिणं रुद्रं वोचंत शिक्वसः ॥V.52.16॥
प्र1 ये2 मे3 बन्धु७एषे4 गाम्5 वोचन्ति सूरयः7 पृश्निम्8 वोचन्त9 मातरम्10 ।
अध11 पितरम्12 इष्मिणम्13 रुद्रम्14 वोचन्त15 शिक्वसः16॥
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16. ¹⁰A Mother bore them ⁸many-hued in her soul and of her ^{1,6}they tell him; ¹⁴a Violent One ¹²was their Father ¹³whose impulse drives all beings that are born, and him ^{1,9}they reveal. (15/563)

⁴That I might seek the divine Friend, ²they ⁷illumined, ⁶declared ³to me ¹first ⁸their many-hued Mother (mental Nature), yea, ²they ^{1,9}declared ⁸the bright ¹⁰Mother ⁵of the herds; ¹¹then ¹²their Father ¹³who gives us the impulsions ^{1,9}they declared, ¹⁴the Terrible One (Rudra). (VPS 14/287)

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सप्त मे सप्त शाकिन एकमेका शता ददुः ।
यमुनायामधि श्रुतमुद्राधो गव्यं मृजे नि राधो अश्व्यं मृजे ॥V.52.17॥
सप्त<sup>1</sup> मे<sup>2</sup> सप्त<sup>3</sup> शाकिनः<sup>4</sup> एकम्७एका<sup>5</sup> शता<sup>6</sup> ददुः<sup>7</sup> ।
यमुनायाम्<sup>8</sup> अधि<sup>9</sup> श्रुतम्<sup>10</sup> उत्<sup>11</sup> राधः<sup>12</sup> गव्यम्<sup>13</sup> मृजे<sup>14</sup> नि<sup>15</sup> राधः<sup>16</sup> अश्व्यम्<sup>17</sup> मृजे<sup>18</sup> ॥
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17. ¹Seven ³and seven the Thought-gods ²came to me and ⁵seven times ⁷they gave ⁶a hundred-fold; ⁸in Yamuna ^{15,14}I will bathe ¹³the shining herds ¹⁰of my thoughts which they have given, ^{11,18}I will purify my (¹⁶achievement of - HMF VII.5.8) ¹⁷swiftnesses ⁸in the river of my soul. (15/563)

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को वेद जानमेषां को वा पुरा सुम्नेष्वास मरुतां ।
यद्युयुज्जे किलास्यः ॥V.53.1 ॥
कः¹ वेद² जानम्³ एषाम्⁴ कः⁵ वा<sup>6</sup> पुरा<sup>7</sup> सुम्नेषु<sup>8</sup> आस<sup>9</sup> मरुताम्¹0 ।
यत्¹¹ युयुज्जे¹² किलास्यः¹³ ॥
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1. (¹¹When ¹²the Maruts were yoked ¹³to their movement - the spotted deers), ¹Who ²has known ^{3a}the place ⁴of their ^{3b}birth ⁶or ⁵who ⁹has sat (⁷from the beginning) ¹⁰in their ⁸high beatitudes? Who desires and seeks his Friend beyond? (15/563)

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तं वः शर्धं रथानां त्वेषं गणं मारुतं नव्यसीनां ।
अनु प्र यंति वृष्टयः ॥V.53.10॥
तम्<sup>1</sup> वः<sup>2</sup> शर्धम्<sup>3</sup> रथानाम्<sup>4</sup> त्वेषम्<sup>5</sup> गणम्<sup>6</sup> मारुतम्<sup>7</sup> नव्यसीनाम्<sup>8</sup> ।
अनु<sup>9</sup> प्र<sup>10</sup> यन्ति<sup>11</sup> वृष्टयः<sup>12</sup>॥
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10. ^{10,11}Lo, they march on (⁸in their new ⁴chariots) ³in their cohorts and their (⁵fierce) ⁶companies; ⁹let us follow in their steps ¹²with the pace of our thinkings (or, ¹²the rains –^{9,10,11}follow them). (15/563)

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येन तोकाय तनयाय धान्यं बीजं वहध्वे अक्षितं ।
अस्मभ्यं तद्धत्तन यद्ध ईमहे राधो विश्वायु सौभगं ॥V.53.13॥
येन<sup>1</sup> तोकाय<sup>2</sup> तनयाय<sup>3</sup> धान्यम्<sup>4</sup> बीजम्<sup>5</sup> वहध्वे<sup>6</sup> अक्षितम्<sup>7</sup>।
अस्मभ्यम्<sup>8</sup> तत्<sup>9</sup> धत्तन<sup>10</sup> यत्<sup>11</sup> वः<sup>12</sup> ईमहे<sup>13</sup> राधः<sup>14</sup> विश्व७आयु<sup>15</sup> सौभगम्<sup>16</sup>॥
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13. ⁶For they bear with them ⁷an imperishable ⁵seed ³of creation and ⁴the grain of immortal forms and ¹¹this if ¹⁰they plant ⁸in the fields of the (or our) soul, ⁹there ¹⁴shall grow as its harvest ¹⁵life universal and ¹⁶bliss transcendent. (15/563)

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अतीयाम निदस्तिरः स्वस्तिभिर्हित्वावद्यमरातीः । वृष्ट्वी शं योराप उस्नि भेषजं स्याम मरुतः सह \|V.53.14\| अति इयाम² निदः³ तिरः⁴ स्वस्ति७भिः⁵ हित्वा^6 अवद्यम्^7 अरातीः^8 । वृष्ट्वी^9 सम्^{10} योः^{11} आपः^{12} उस्नि^{13} भेषजम्^{14} स्याम^{15} मरुतः^{16} सह^{17} \|
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14. (⁵With all kinds of weal – HMF VI.1.20,) ^{1,2}They will put by ³all that derides our aspiration and ^{1,2}pass ⁴beyond ³all that limits us; ⁶they will destroy ⁷all fault and dumbness and ⁸the soul's poverties (enemy powers – HMF III.24.1). For theirs is ⁹the rain of the abundance of heaven and theirs the storms ¹¹that ^{10,11}set flowing ¹²the rivers of life; their thunders are the chant of the hymn of the gods and the proclamations of the Truth. (15/563)

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न स जीयते मरुतो न हन्यते न स्नेधित न व्यथते न रिष्यित । 
नास्य राय उप दस्यंति नोतय ऋषिं वा यं राजानं वा सुषूदथ ॥ V.54.7 ॥ 
न^1 सः^2 जीयते^3 मरुतः^4 न^5 हन्यते^6 न^7 स्नेधित^8 न^9 व्यथते^{10} न^{11} रिष्यिति^{12} । 
न^{13} अस्य^{14} रायः^{15} उप^{16} दस्यिनत^{17} न^{18} ऊतयः^{19} ऋषिम^{20} वा^{21} यम^{22} राजानम^{23} वा^{24} सुसुदथ^{25} ॥
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7. ⁴They (Maruts) ²⁵lead us on a happy path and ²he who follows them shall ⁷not ⁸stumble, ⁹nor ¹⁰have pain ¹¹nor ¹²hurt, ¹nor ³decay ⁵nor ⁶die; ¹⁴their ¹⁵plenitudes ¹³are not ^{16,17}destroyed ¹⁸nor ¹⁹their felicities ^{16,17}diminished; ²²they make of man ²⁰a seer ²¹and ²³a king. (15/563-4)

⁴O Life-gods (Maruts), ²he ¹is not ³conquered, ²he ⁵is not ⁶slain, ⁸he stumbles ⁷not, ⁹nor ¹²is hurt ⁹nor ¹⁰suffers anguish, ¹⁴his ¹⁵felicities and ¹⁴his ¹⁹increasings ^{13,16,17}are not harried nor made havoc of ²²whom ²⁵you speed on his way ²⁰a seer ²¹or ²³a king. (VPS 14/288)

आभूषेण्यं वो मरुतो महित्वनं दिदृक्षेण्यं सूर्यस्येव चक्षणं । उतो अस्माँ अमृतत्वे दधातन शुभं यातामनु रथा अवृत्सत ॥ V.55.4 ॥ आऽभूषेण्यम् वः² मरुतः³ महिऽत्वनम्⁴ दिदृक्षेण्यम्⁵ सूर्यस्य⁶⁸ऽइव⁶⁶ चक्षणम्⁷ । उतो⁸ इति अस्मान्⁹ अमृतऽत्वे विद्यातन ११ शुभम् १२ याताम् १३ अनु १४ रथाः १५ अवृत्सत १६ ॥

4. ⁴Their vastness is ⁵the blazing ^{6a}of a divine Sun; ¹¹they shall place ⁹us ¹⁰in the seats of Immortality. (15/564)

³O ye thought-powers, ²your ⁴greatness ¹can enter into our being and ⁵carry with it a power of vision ^{6b}like ⁷the seeing ^{6a}of the bright Lord of Truth; ⁸and ¹¹ye shall found ⁹us ¹⁰in the immortality. ¹⁴One after the other (¹⁵their chariots ¹⁶roll ¹³as they journey ¹²to Bliss.) (VPS 14/290)

यत्पूर्व्यं मरुतो यच्च नूतनं यदुद्यते वसवो यच्च शस्यते । विश्वस्य तस्य भवथा नवेदसः शुभं यातामनु रथा अवृत्सत ॥V.55.8 ॥

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यत्^1 पूर्व्यम्^2 मरुतः^3 यत्^4 च^5 नूतनम्^6 यत्^7 उद्यते^8 वसवः^9 यत्^{10} च^{11} शस्यते^{12} । विश्वस्य^{13} तस्य^{14} भवथ^{15} नवेदसः^{16} शुभम्^{17} याताम्^{18} अनु^{19} रथाः^{20} अवृत्सत^{21} ॥
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8. ^{13,14}Of all ¹that ²was of old ⁵and ^{13,14}of all ⁴that ⁶is new, ^{13,14}of all ⁷that ⁸rises from the soul ¹¹and ^{13,14}all ¹⁰that ¹²seeks expression ³they (Maruts) ¹⁵are ¹⁶the impellers. (15/564)

¹Whatsoever ²is of old ⁵and ⁴whatsoever ⁶is new, ⁷that ⁸which rises in us, ⁹O Dwellers in substance (Vasus), ¹¹and ¹⁰that ¹²which is expressed, ¹³of all ¹⁴this ¹⁵you become ¹⁶the knowers. ¹⁹One after another (²⁰their chariots ²¹roll ¹⁸as they journey ¹⁷to Bliss.) (VPS 14/290)

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य ईं वहंत आशुभिः पिबंतो मदिरं मधु ।
अत्र श्रवांसि दिधरे ॥ V.61.11 ॥
ये<sup>1</sup> ईम्<sup>2</sup> वहन्ते<sup>3</sup> आशुङभिः<sup>4</sup> पिबन्तः<sup>5</sup> मदिरम्<sup>6</sup> मधु<sup>7</sup> ।
अत्र<sup>8</sup> श्रवांसि<sup>9</sup> दिधरे<sup>10</sup> ॥
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11. They are born of the Truth (ऋतऽजाताः –V.61.14); they are luminous (विपन्यवः- V.61.15) leaders of the mind (प्रऽनेतारः इत्था धिया – V.61.15); ⁵they shall drink ⁷the sweet ⁶wine of delight and ¹⁰give us ⁹the supreme inspirations. (15/564)

⁵For drinking ⁶an intoxicating ⁷sweetness ¹they ³are borne on ⁴by swift steeds and ¹⁰they hold ⁸here ⁹the inspirations of knowledge. (VPS 14/297)

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वि या जानाति जसुरिं वि तृष्यंतं वि कामिनं ।
देवत्रा कृणुते मनः ॥ V.61.7 ॥
वि¹ या² जानाति³ जसुरिम्⁴ वि⁵ तृष्यन्तम्६ वि³ कामिनम्८ ।
देवङत्रा९ कृणुते¹० मनः¹¹ ॥
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7. ²The Woman, the Divine is with them ¹who shall put away from us ⁴hurt and ⁶thirst and ⁸desire and ¹⁰refashion ¹¹man's mind ⁹in the form of the godhead. Lo, these are knowers of the Truth, seers whom the Truth inspires, vast in expression, vast in diffusion, young for ever and immortal. (15/564)

²She ^{1,3}knows ⁴the sufferer and ⁶the thirsty and ⁸the soul afflicted with its desire and ¹⁰she forms ¹¹the mind ⁹in the godhead. (VPS 14/297)

The God of the Mystic Wine

Rig Veda IX.75 and 42

(15/565-67)

(These two hymns are rendered as literally as possible so as to show the original symbolism of the Veda untranslated into its psychological equivalents – Sri Aurobindo.)

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अभि प्रियाणि पवते चनोहितो नामानि यह्वो अधि येषु वर्धते । आ सूर्यस्य बृहतो बृहन्नधि रथं विष्वंचमरुहद्धिचक्षणः ॥१॥ अभि¹ प्रियाणि² पवते³ चनः ५ हितः⁴ नामानि⁵ यह्वः 6 अधि 7 येषु 8 वर्धते 9 । आ 10 सूर्यस्य 11 बृहतः 12 बृहन् 13 अधि 14 रथम् 15 विष्वञ्चम् 16 अरुहत् 17 वि७चक्षणः 18 ॥

1. ⁴Placed in delight ^{1,3}he (Soma) flows ²to the pleasant ⁵Names ⁸in which he (⁶the mighty one – HMF V.1.1) ^{7,9}increases; ¹³vast and ¹⁸wise (all-seeing – HMF III.3.10) ^{14,10,17}he ascends ¹⁵the chariot ^{11,12}of the vast sun, ¹⁵the chariot ¹⁶of a universal movement.

ऋतस्य जिह्वा पवते मधु प्रियं वक्ता पितर्धियो अस्या अदाभ्यः । दधाति पुत्रः पित्रोरपीच्यं नाम तृतीयमधि रोचने दिवः ॥२॥ ऋतस्य¹ जिह्वा² पवते³ मधु⁴ प्रियम्⁵ वक्ता⁶ पितः⁷ धियः⁸ अस्याः⁹ अदाभ्यः¹⁰ । दधाति¹¹ पुत्रः¹² पित्रोः¹³ अपीच्यम्¹⁴ नाम¹⁵ तृतीयम्¹⁶ अधि¹⁷ रोचने¹⁸ दिवः¹⁹ ॥

2. ²Tongue ¹of the Truth, ⁵a pleasant ⁴honey (sweet wine of Soma), ³he flows ⁶speaker and ⁷lord ⁹of this ⁸Thought and ¹⁰invincible; ¹²the Son ^{17,11}places ¹⁶the third ¹⁴hidden ¹⁵Name ¹³of the Parents (Heaven and Earth) ¹⁸in the luminous world ¹⁹of Heaven.

अव द्युतानः कलशाँ अचिक्रदन्नृभिर्येमानः कोश आ हिरण्यये । अभीमृतस्य दोहना अनूषता७धि त्रिपृष्ठ उषसो वि राजति ॥३॥

- अव¹ द्युतानः² कलशान्³ अचिक्रदत्⁴ नृङिभाः⁵ येमानः⁶ कोशे⁷ आ⁸ हिरण्यये⁹ । अभि¹⁰ ईम्¹¹ ऋतस्य¹² दोहनाः¹³ अनूषत¹⁴ अधि¹⁵ त्रिङपृष्ठः¹⁶ उषसः¹⁷ वि¹⁸ राजित¹⁹ ॥
- 3. ²Breaking into light ⁴he cries ¹down ³into the jars, ^{8,6}guided ⁵by men, ⁹in the golden ⁷sheath; ¹¹in him ¹³the milkings ¹²of the Truth ^{10,14}dawn out (or, ¹¹to him ¹³the milkers ¹²of the Truth ^{10,14}cry out the chant), ¹⁹he shines ¹⁸wide ¹⁵on ¹⁶the triple back ¹⁷of the Dawn.
 - अद्रिभिः सुतो मितभिश्चनोहितः प्ररोचयन् रोदसी मातरा शुचिः । रोमाण्यव्या समया वि धावित मधोर्धारा पिन्वमाना दिवेदिवे ॥४॥ अद्रि७भिः¹ सुतः² मित७भिः³ चनः७हितः⁴ प्र७रोचयन्⁵ रोदसी⁶ इति मातरा⁷ शुचिः³ । रोमाणि⁹ अव्या¹⁰ समया¹¹ वि¹² धावित¹³ मधोः¹⁴ धारा¹ऽ पिन्वमाना¹⁶ दिवे७दिवे¹⁷ ॥
- 4. ²Pressed out ¹by the stones, ⁴placed in delight ³by the thoughts, ⁸pure, ⁵making to shine out ⁶the two mothers, Earth and Heaven, ¹³he runs ¹¹evenly ¹²through ⁹all the hairs ¹⁰of the Sheep (⁹the fleece, ¹⁰of the Ewe, in the strainer for purifying Soma); ¹⁵his stream ¹⁴of honey ¹⁶goes on increasing ¹⁷day by day.
 - परि सोम प्र धन्वा स्वस्तये नृभिः पुनानो अभि वासयाशिरम् । ये ते मदा आहनसो विहायसस्तेभिरिंद्रं चोदय दातवे मघं ॥५॥ परि¹ सोम² प्र³ धन्व⁴ स्वस्तये⁵ नृङभिः⁶ पुनानः⁷ अभि⁸ वासय⁹ आङशिरम्¹⁰ । ये¹¹ ते¹² मदाः¹³ आहनसः¹⁴ विङहायसः¹⁵ तेभिः¹⁶ इन्द्रम्¹⁷ चोदय¹⁸ दातवे¹⁹ मघम्²⁰ ॥
- 5. ^{3,4}Race ¹everywhere, ²O Soma, ⁵for our happiness, ⁷purified ⁶by men ^{8,9}clothe thyself ¹⁰with the mixings; ¹⁶with those ¹²thy ¹³raptures ¹¹that ¹⁴are smiting and ¹⁵wide-extended, ¹⁸impel ¹⁷Indra ¹⁹to give ²⁰his plenty.

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जनयन् रोचना दिवो जनयन्नप्सु सूर्यम् ।
वसानो गा अपो हरिः ॥१॥
जनयन्<sup>1</sup> रोचना<sup>2</sup> दिवः<sup>3</sup> जनयन्<sup>4</sup> अप्७सु<sup>5</sup> सूर्यम्<sup>6</sup> ।
वसानः<sup>7</sup> गाः<sup>8</sup> अपः<sup>9</sup> हरिः<sup>10</sup>॥
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1. ¹Giving birth ²to the luminous worlds ³of heaven (the three worlds of Swar), ⁴giving birth ⁶to the Sun ⁵in the waters, ¹⁰the Brilliant One ⁷clothes himself ⁹with the waters and ⁸the rays.

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एष प्रत्नेन मन्मना देवो देवेभ्यस्परि ।
धारया पवते सुतः ॥२॥
एषः प्रत्नेन<sup>2</sup> मन्मना<sup>3</sup> देवः देवेभ्यः परि<sup>6</sup> ।
धारया पवते<sup>8</sup> सुतः ॥
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2. ¹He ²by the ancient ³thought ⁸flows ⁹pressed out ⁷in a stream, ⁴a god ⁶around ⁵the gods.

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वावृधानाय तूर्वये पवन्ते वाजसातये ।
सोमाः सहस्त्रपाजसः ॥३॥
ववृधानाय<sup>1</sup> तूर्वये<sup>2</sup> पवन्ते<sup>3</sup> वाजङसातये<sup>4</sup> ।
सोमाः<sup>5</sup> सहस्रङपाजसः<sup>6</sup> ॥
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3. ¹For one increasing and ²swiftly advancing ³there flow ⁴for his winning of the plenty ⁵the Soma-juices ⁶with their thousand strengths.

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दुहानः प्रत्निमत्पयः पवित्रे परि षिच्यते ।
क्रन्दन्देवाँ अजीजनत् ॥४॥
दुहानः प्रत्नम् <sup>2</sup> इत् <sup>3</sup> पयः <sup>4</sup> पवित्रे <sup>5</sup> परि सिच्यते <sup>7</sup> ।
क्रन्दन् <sup>8</sup> देवान् <sup>9</sup> अजीजनत् <sup>10</sup>॥
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4. ¹Milked out, ^{2,3}the ancient ⁴food, ^{6,7}he is poured ⁵into the strainer that purifies and ⁸shouting ¹⁰he brings to birth ⁹the gods.

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अभि विश्वानि वार्या७भि देवाँ ऋतावृधः ।
सोमः पुनानो अर्षति ॥५॥
अभि¹ विश्वानि² वार्या³ अभि⁴ देवान्⁵ ऋत७वृधः⁰ ।
सोमः<sup>7</sup> पुनानः<sup>8</sup> अर्षति<sup>9</sup>॥
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5. ⁷Soma, ⁸purifying himself, ⁹travels ¹to ²all ³desirable boons, ⁴to ⁵the gods ⁶who increase the Truth.

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गोमन्नः सोम वीरवदश्वावद्वाजवत्सुतः ।
पवस्व बृहतीरिषः ॥६॥
गोऽमत्<sup>1</sup> नः<sup>2</sup> सोम<sup>3</sup> वीरऽवत्<sup>4</sup> अश्वऽवत्<sup>5</sup> वाजऽवत्<sup>6</sup> सुतः<sup>7</sup> ।
पवस्व<sup>8</sup> बृहतीः<sup>9</sup> इषः<sup>10</sup>॥
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6. ⁸Stream ²on us, ³O Soma, ⁷when thou art pressed out, ¹that in which are the Cows, ⁴the Heroes, ⁵the Steeds, ⁶the Plenty; ⁸stream ¹⁰impulsions ⁹vast.

The Vedic Fire

Rig Veda I.94 and 97

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इमं स्तोममर्हते जातवेदसे रथिमव सं महेमा मनीषया । भद्रा हि नः प्रमितरस्य संसद्यग्ने सख्ये मा रिषामा वयं तव ॥१॥ इमम् स्तोमम् 2 अर्हते 3 जात७वेदसे 4 रथम्७इव 5 सम् 6 महेम 7 मनीषया 8 । भद्रा 9 हि 10 नः 11 प्र७मितः 12 अस्य 13 सम्७सिद 14 अग्ने 15 सख्ये 16 मा 17 रिषाम 18 वयम् 19 तव 20 ॥

1. ¹This is (²the song) ⁴(for) the omniscient who knows the law of our being and ³is sufficient to his works; ^{6,7}let us build ²the song of his truth ⁸by our thought and ^{6,7}make it ⁵as if a chariot on which he shall mount. ^{13,14,10}When he dwells with us, then ⁹a happy ¹²wisdom ¹¹becomes ours. With him (²⁰With You, ¹⁵O Agni) ¹⁶for friend ¹⁹we ¹⁷cannot ¹⁸come to harm.

यस्मै त्वमायजसे स साधत्यनर्वा क्षेति दधते सुवीर्यम् । स तूताव नैनमश्नोत्यंहतिरग्ने सख्ये मा रिषामा वयं तव ॥२॥ यस्मै¹ त्वम्² आञ्यजसे³ सः⁴ साधित⁵ अनर्वा⁶ क्षेति⁷ दधते⁸ सुञ्वीर्यम्⁹ । सः¹⁰ तूताव¹¹ न¹² एनम्¹³ अश्नोति¹⁴ अंहतिः¹⁵ अग्ने¹⁶ सख्ये¹⁷ मा¹⁸ रिषाम¹⁹ वयम्²⁰ तव²¹ ॥

2. ^{1,4}Whosoever ²makes him ³his priest of the sacrifice (or, ⁴He, ¹for whom ²you ³sacrifice), ⁵reaches the perfection that is the fruit of his striving, ⁷(dwells in) a home on a height of being ⁶where there is no warring and no enemies; ⁸he confirms in himself ⁹an ample energy; ¹⁰he ¹¹is safe in his strength, ¹⁵evil ^{12,14}cannot lay its hand ¹³upon him. (rest as in I.94.1)

शकेम त्वा सिमधं साधया धियस्त्वे देवा हविरदन्त्याहुतम् । त्वमादित्याँ आ वह तान्ह्युश्मस्यग्ने सख्ये मा रिषामा वयं तव ॥३॥ शकेम¹ त्वा² सम्७इधम्³ साधय⁴ धियः⁵ त्वे६ इति देवाः⁷ हिवः⁸ अदन्ति⁹ आ७हुतम्¹० । त्वम्¹¹ आदित्यान्¹² आ¹³ वह¹⁴ तान्¹⁵ हि¹६ उश्मिसा³ अग्ने¹⁸ सख्ये¹⁹ मा²० रिषाम²¹ वयम्²² तव²³ ॥

3. This is the fire of our sacrifice! ¹May we have strength ³to kindle it (²you) to its (your) height, ⁴may it (you) perfect ⁵our thoughts. In this (⁶In you) ⁸all that we give ¹⁰must be thrown ⁹that it may become a food ⁷for the gods; this (¹¹you) ^{13,14}shall bring to us ¹²the godheads of the infinite consciousness ¹⁵who are ¹⁷our desire. (rest as in I.94.1)

[Alt.] ¹May we have strength ^{2,3}to kindle you to your height, ⁴may you perfect ⁵our thoughts. ⁶In you ⁸all that we give ¹⁰must be thrown ⁹that it may become a food ⁷for the gods; ¹¹you ^{13,14}shall bring to us ¹²the godheads of the infinite consciousness ¹⁵whom ¹⁷we desire. (rest as in I.94.1)

भरामेध्मं कृणवामा हवींषि ते चितयंतः पर्वणापर्वणा वयं । जीवातवे प्रतरं साधया धियोञ्ग्ने सख्ये मा रिषामा वयं तव ॥४॥ भराम¹ इध्मम्² कृणवाम³ हवींषि⁴ ते⁵ चितयन्तः पर्वणाञ्पर्वणा⁷ वयम्⁸ । जीवातवे⁹ प्रञ्तरम्¹⁰ साधय¹¹ धियः¹² अग्ने¹³ सख्ये¹⁴ मा¹⁵ रिषाम¹⁶ वयम्¹⁷ तव¹⁸ ॥

4. ^{1a}Let ⁸us ^{1b}gather ²fuel for it (⁵for you), ^{3a}let ⁸us ^{3b}prepare for it (⁵for you)

⁴offerings, ^{6a}let ⁸us ^{6b}make ourselves conscious ⁷of the jointings of its (your) times and its (your) seasons. ¹¹It (You) shall so perfect ¹²our thoughts that they ¹⁰shall extend our being and ⁹create for us a larger life. (rest as in I.94.1)

[Alt.] ^{1a}Let ⁸us ^{1b}gather ²fuel ⁵for you, ^{3a}let ⁸us ^{3b}prepare ⁵for you ⁴offerings, ^{6a}let ⁸us ^{6b}make ourselves conscious ⁷of the jointings of your times and your seasons. ¹¹You shall so perfect ¹²our thoughts that they ¹⁰shall extend our being and ⁹create for us a larger life. (rest as in I.94.1)

विशां गोपा अस्य चरन्ति जन्तवो द्विपच्च यदुत चतुष्पदक्तुभि: । चित्रः प्रकेत उषसो महाँ अस्यग्ने सख्ये मा रिषामा वयं तव ॥५॥ विशाम् गोपाः अस्य चरन्ति जन्तवः द्विष्ठपत् च च यत् उत्त चतुः उपत् अक्तुष्ठभिः ॥ चित्रः 12 प्रक्षेतः 13 उषसः 14 महान् 15 असि 16 अग्ने 17 सख्ये 18 मा 19 रिषाम 20 वयम् 21 तव 22 ॥ 5. This is ²the guardian ¹of the world and its peoples, ²the shepherd ¹of all these herds; ^{8,7}all ⁵that is born ⁴moves ^{3,11}by his rays and is compelled by his flame, ^{9,7}both ⁶the two-footed ⁷and ¹⁰the four-footed ⁵creatures. This is ¹²the rich and ¹⁵great ¹³thought-awakening ¹⁴of the Dawn within. (rest as in I.94.1)

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त्वमध्वर्युरुत होतासि पूर्व्यः प्रशास्ता पोता जनुषा पुरोहितः ।
विश्वा विद्वाँ आर्त्विज्या धीर पुष्यस्यग्ने सख्ये मा रिषामा वयं तव ।।६।।
त्वम् अध्वर्युः उत<sup>3</sup> होता<sup>4</sup> असि<sup>5</sup> पूर्व्यः प्रशास्ता<sup>7</sup> पोता<sup>8</sup> जनुषा<sup>9</sup> पुरः छहितः <sup>10</sup> ।
विश्वा<sup>11</sup> विद्वान् <sup>12</sup> आर्त्विज्या <sup>13</sup> धीर <sup>14</sup> पुष्यसि <sup>15</sup> अग्ने <sup>16</sup> सख्ये <sup>17</sup> मा <sup>18</sup> रिषाम <sup>19</sup> वयम् <sup>20</sup> तव<sup>21</sup> ॥
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6. This is (¹You ⁵are) ²the priest who guides the march of the sacrifice, ⁶the first and ancient ⁴who calls to the gods and gives the offerings; ⁷his is the command ³and ⁸his the purification; ⁹from his birth ¹⁰he stands in front, the vicar of our sacrifice. ¹²He knows ¹¹all ¹³the works of this divine priesthood, ¹⁴for he is (you are) the Thinker ¹⁵who increases in us. (rest as in I.94.1)

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यो विश्वतः सुप्रतीकः सदृङ्ङिस दूरे चित्संतिळिदिवाति रोचसे ।
रात्र्याश्चिदन्धो अति देव पश्यस्यग्ने सख्ये मा रिषामा वयं तव ।।७।।
यः¹ विश्वतः² सुऽप्रतीकः³ सऽदृङ्⁴ असि⁵ दूरे<sup>6</sup> चित्<sup>7</sup> सन्<sup>8</sup> तिळत्ऽइव<sup>9</sup> अति¹<sup>0</sup> रोचसे¹¹।
रात्र्याः¹² चित्¹³ अन्धः¹⁴ अति¹ऽ देव¹<sup>6</sup> पश्यसि¹<sup>7</sup> अग्ने¹<sup>8</sup> सख्ये¹<sup>9</sup> मा²<sup>0</sup> रिषाम²¹ वयम्²² तव²³ ॥
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7. ²The faces of this God are everywhere and ³he fronts all things perfectly; ⁴he has the eye and the vision: when we see him ⁶from afar, ⁷yet ⁹he seems near to us, ¹¹so brilliantly he shines ¹⁰across the gulfs. ¹⁷He sees ¹⁵beyond ¹⁴the darkness ¹²of our night, for ¹⁷his vision is ¹⁶divine. (rest as in I.94.1)

[Alt.] ⁵You are ²everywhere and ¹the one who ³fronts all things perfectly; ¹the one who ⁴has the eye and the vision: we see you ⁶from afar, ⁷yet ⁹you seem near to us, ¹¹so brilliantly you shine ¹⁰across the gulfs. ¹⁷You see ¹⁵beyond (¹³even) ¹⁴the darkness ¹²of our night, for ¹⁷your vision is ¹⁶divine. (rest as in I.94.1)

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पूर्वो देवा भवतु सुन्वतो रथोऽस्माकं शंसो अभ्यस्तु दूढ्यः ।
तदा जानीतोत पुष्यता वचोऽग्ने सख्ये मा रिषामा वयं तव ॥८॥
पूर्वः देवाः भवतु सुन्वतः रथः अस्माकम् शंसः अभि अस्तु दुःऽध्यः ।
तत् । आ¹ जानीत¹ उत¹ पूष्यत¹ वचः वचः अग्ने । सख्ये । सख्ये । स्वा विषा स्व
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8. ²O you godheads, ^{3a}let ⁶our ⁵chariot ^{3b}be always ¹in front, ^{9a}let ⁶our ⁷clear and strong word ^{8,9b}overcome ¹⁰all that thinks the falsehood. ²O you godheads, ^{12,13}know for us, know in us ¹¹that Truth, (¹⁴and) ¹⁵increase ¹⁶the speech that finds and utters it. (rest as in I.94.1)

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वधैर्दुःशंसाँ अप दूढ्यो जिह दूरे वा ये अन्ति वा के चिदित्रणः ।
अथा यज्ञाय गृणते सुगं कृध्यग्ने सख्ये मा रिषामा वयं तव ।।९।।
वधैः दुः इशंसान् 2 अप 3 दुः इध्यः 4 जिह 5 दूरे 6 वा 7 ये 8 अन्ति 9 वा 10 के 11 चित् 12 अत्रिणः 13 ।
अथ 14 यज्ञाय 15 गृणते 16 सुङगम् 17 कृधि 18 अग्ने 19 सख्ये 20 मा 21 रिषाम 22 वयम् 23 तव 24 ॥
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9. ¹With blows that slay ³,5cast from our path, ¹9O thou Flame, the powers that ²stammer in the speech 7and ⁴stumble in the thought, ¹³the devourers of our power and our knowledge 8who 9leap at us from near ¹⁰and ⁶shoot at us from afar. (¹⁴Then) ¹8Make ¹⁵the path of the sacrifice (¹⁶for the one who voices thee – HMF II.4.9) ¹7a clear and happy journeying. (rest as in I.94.1)

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यदयुक्था अरुषा रोहिता रथे वातजूता वृषभस्येव ते रवः ।
आदिन्वसि विननो धूमकेतुनाङग्ने सख्ये मा रिषामा वयं तव ॥१०॥
यत्<sup>1</sup> अयुक्थाः<sup>2</sup> अरुषा<sup>3</sup> रोहिता<sup>4</sup> रथे<sup>5</sup> वातङजूता<sup>6</sup> वृषभस्यङइव<sup>7</sup> ते<sup>8</sup> रवः<sup>9</sup> ।
आत्<sup>10</sup> इन्वसि<sup>11</sup> विननः<sup>12</sup> धूमङकेतुना<sup>13</sup> अग्ने<sup>14</sup> सख्ये<sup>15</sup> मा<sup>16</sup> रिषाम<sup>17</sup> वयम्<sup>18</sup> तव<sup>19</sup> ॥
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10. (¹When) ²Thou hast (yoked) ³bright ⁴red horses ⁵for thy chariot, ¹⁴O Will divine (Agni), ⁶who are driven by the storm-wind of thy passion; ⁵thou ⁰roarest 7like a bull, (¹⁰then) ¹¹thou rushest upon ¹²the forests of life, on its pleasant trees that encumber thy path, ¹³with the smoke of thy passion in which there is the thought and the sight. (rest as in I.94.1)

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अध स्वनादुत बिभ्युः पतित्रणो द्रप्सा यत्ते यवसादो व्यस्थिरन् ।
सुगं तत् ते तावकेभ्यो रथेभ्योङग्ने सख्ये मा रिषामा वयं तव ॥११॥
अध<sup>1</sup> स्वनात्<sup>2</sup> उत<sup>3</sup> बिभ्युः<sup>4</sup> पतित्रणः<sup>5</sup> द्रप्साः<sup>6</sup> यत्<sup>7</sup> ते<sup>8</sup> यवसङअदः<sup>9</sup> वि<sup>10</sup> अस्थिरन्<sup>11</sup> ।
सुङगम्<sup>12</sup> तत्<sup>13</sup> ते<sup>14</sup> तावकेभ्यः<sup>15</sup> रथेभ्यः<sup>16</sup> अग्ने<sup>17</sup> सख्ये<sup>18</sup> मा<sup>19</sup> रिषाम<sup>20</sup> वयम्<sup>21</sup> तव<sup>22</sup> ॥
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11. ¹At ²the noise of thy coming ³even ⁵they that wing in the skies ⁴are afraid, ⁷when ⁸thy ⁹eaters of the pasture ^{10,11}go abroad ⁶in their haste. ¹³So ¹⁴thou ^{12a}makest clear thy path to thy kingdom that ¹⁵thy ¹⁶chariots ^{12b}may run towards it easily. (rest as in I.94.1)

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अयं मित्रस्य वरुणस्य धायसे ७ वयातां मरुतां हेळो अद्भुतः ।
मृळा सु नो भूत्वेषां मनः पुनरग्ने सख्ये मा रिषामा वयं तव ॥ १२॥ अयम् मित्रस्य वरुणस्य धायसे अव ७ याताम् मरुताम् हेळः अद्भुतः ।
मृळ भु ति नः ११ भूतु १२ एषाम् १३ मनः १४ पुनः १५ अग्ने १६ सख्ये १७ मा १६ रिषाम १९ वयम् २० तव २१ ॥
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12. ¹This dread and tumult of thee, is it not ⁸the wonderful and exceeding ⁷wrath ⁶of the gods of the Life (Maruts) ⁵rushing down on us ⁴to found here ³the purity of the Infinite (Varun), ²the harmony of the Lover (Mitra)? ⁹Be gracious, ¹⁶O thou fierce Fire, ^{12a}let ¹³their ¹⁴minds ^{12b}be ¹⁵again ¹⁰sweet ¹¹to us and ¹⁰pleasant. (rest as in I.94.1)

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देवो देवानामिस मित्रो अद्भुतो वसुर्वसूनामिस चारुरध्वरे ।
शर्मन्त्स्याम तव सप्रथस्तमे७ग्ने सख्ये मा रिषामा वयं तव ॥१३॥
देवः देवानाम् असि मित्रः अद्भुतः वसूनः वसूनाम् असि चारुः अध्वरे १०॥
शर्मन् ११ स्याम १२ तव १३ सप्रथः ५ तमे १४ अग्ने १५ सख्ये १६ मा १७ रिषाम १८ वयम् १९ तव २०॥
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13. ¹God ³art thou ²of the gods, for thou art the (⁵wonderful) ⁴lover and friend; ⁶richest ⁸art thou ⁷of the masters of the Treasure, ⁶the founders ⁷of the home, for thou art ⁹very bright and pleasant ¹⁰in the pilgrimage and the sacrifice. ¹⁴Very wide and far-extending is ¹¹the peace ¹³of thy beatitude; ¹²may that (¹¹peace) be the home of our abiding! (rest as in I.94.1)

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तत्ते भद्रं यत् सिमद्धः स्वे दमे सोमाहुतो जरसे मृळयत्तमः ।
दधासि रत्नं द्रविणं च दाशुषेअने सख्ये मा रिषामा वयं तव ।।१४॥
तत्<sup>1</sup> ते<sup>2</sup> भद्रम्<sup>3</sup> यत्<sup>4</sup> सम्अइद्धः<sup>5</sup> स्वे<sup>6</sup> दमे<sup>7</sup> सोमआहुतः<sup>8</sup> जरसे<sup>9</sup> मृळयत्अतमः<sup>10</sup> ।
दधासि<sup>11</sup> रत्नम्<sup>12</sup> द्रविणम्<sup>13</sup> च<sup>14</sup> दाशुषे<sup>15</sup> अग्ने<sup>16</sup> सख्ये<sup>17</sup> मा<sup>18</sup> रिषाम<sup>19</sup> वयम्<sup>20</sup> तव<sup>21</sup> ॥
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14. ¹That is ³the bliss ²of him and ³the happiness; ⁴for then ¹⁰is this Will very gracious and joy-giving ⁶when in its own divine ⁷house, ⁵lit into its high and perfect flame, ⁹it is adored by our thoughts and ⁸satisfied with the wine of our delight. ¹Then ¹¹it lavishes ¹²its deliciousness, ¹⁴then ¹¹it returns ¹³in treasure and substance ¹⁵all that we have given into its hands. (rest as in I.94.1)

[Alt.] ¹That is ³the bliss ²of you and ³the happiness; ⁴for then ¹⁰are you very gracious and joy-giving ⁶when in your own divine ⁷house, ⁵lit into your high and perfect flame, ⁹you are adored by our thoughts and ⁸satisfied with the wine of our delight. ¹Then ¹¹you found (HMF VIII.9.1) (establish) ¹²your ecstacy (HMF IV.2.13), ¹⁴and ¹³the treasure and substance ¹⁵for the giver (HMF IV.11.3). (rest as in I.94.1)

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यस्मै त्वं सुद्रविणो ददाशोऽनागास्त्वमिदते सर्वताता ।
यं भद्रेण शवसा चोदयासि प्रजावता राधसा ते स्याम ॥१५॥
यस्मै<sup>1</sup> त्वम्<sup>2</sup> सुऽद्रविणः<sup>3</sup> ददाशः<sup>4</sup> अनागाःऽत्वम्<sup>5</sup> अदिते<sup>6</sup> सर्वऽताता<sup>7</sup> ।
यम<sup>8</sup> भद्रेण<sup>9</sup> शवसा<sup>10</sup> चोदयासि<sup>11</sup> प्रजाऽवता<sup>12</sup> राधसा<sup>13</sup> ते<sup>14</sup> स्याम<sup>15</sup> ॥
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15. ⁶O thou infinite and indivisible Being, ²it is thou ^{7a}ever that formest ⁵the sinless ^{7b}universalities of the spirit by our sacrifice; ²thou ¹¹compellest and inspirest ⁸thy favourites ¹⁴by thy ⁹happy and luminous ¹⁰forcefulness, ¹²by the fruitful ¹³riches of thy joy. ¹⁵Among them may we be numbered.

[Alt.] ⁶O thou infinite and indivisible Being (³well-endowed with substances), ^{5a}it is thou (त्वम्) ever ^{7b}that formest (ताता) ^{5b}the sinless (अनागाः) ^{7a}universalities of the spirit (सर्व) by our sacrifice (¹for the one ⁴who has given to thee – HMF I.36.4); ¹¹thou compellest and inspirest ⁸thy favourites (such giver) ¹⁴by thy ⁹happy and luminous ¹⁰forcefulness, ¹²by the fruitful ¹³riches of thy joy. ¹⁵Among them may we be numbered.

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स त्वमग्ने सौभगत्वस्य विद्वानस्माकमायुः प्र तिरेह देव । तन्नो मित्रो वरुणो मामहन्तामदितिः सिन्धुः पृथिवी उत द्यौः ।।१६।। सः^1 त्वम्^2 अग्ने^3 सौभग७त्वस्य^4 विद्वान्^5 अस्माकम्^6 आयुः^7 प्र^8 तिर^9 इह^{10} देव^{11} । तत्^{12} नः^{13} मित्रः^{14} वरुणः^{15} ममहन्ताम्^{16} अदितिः^{17} सिन्धुः^{18} पृथिवी^{19} उत^{20} द्यौः^{21} ॥
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16. (³O Agni!) ²Thou art ⁵the knower ⁴of felicity and ^{8,9}the increaser ¹⁰here ⁶of our ⁷life and ^{8,9}advancer ⁷of our being! ²Thou art ¹¹the godhead!.... (Incomplete)

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अप नः शोशुचदघमग्ने शुशुग्ध्या रियं ।
अप नः शोशुचदघम् ॥१॥
अप<sup>1</sup> नः<sup>2</sup> शोशुचत्<sup>3</sup> अघम्<sup>4</sup> अग्ने<sup>5</sup> शुशुग्धि<sup>6</sup> आ<sup>7</sup> रियम्<sup>8</sup> ।
अप<sup>9</sup> नः<sup>10</sup> शोशुचत्<sup>11</sup> अघम्<sup>12</sup> ॥
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1. (⁵O Agni) ^{1,3}Burn away ²from us ⁴the sin, ^{7,6}flame out ²on us ⁸the bliss. ^{9,11}Burn away ¹⁰from us ¹²the sin!

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सुक्षेत्रिया सुगातुया वसूया च यजामहे ।
अप नः शोशुचदघम् ॥२॥
सुङक्षेत्रिया<sup>1</sup> सुगातुङया<sup>2</sup> वसुङया<sup>3</sup> च<sup>4</sup> यजामहे<sup>5</sup> ।
अप<sup>6</sup> नः<sup>7</sup> शोशुचतु<sup>8</sup> अघम्<sup>9</sup> ॥
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2. ²For the perfect path ¹to the happy field, ³for the exceeding treasure ⁵when we would do sacrifice, ^{6,8}burn away ⁷from us ⁹the sin!

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प्र यद् भन्दिष्ठ एषां प्रास्माकासश्च सूरयः ।
अप नः शोशुचदघं ॥३॥
प्र<sup>1</sup> यत्<sup>2</sup> भन्दिष्ठः<sup>3</sup> एषाम्<sup>4</sup> प्र<sup>5</sup> अस्माकासः<sup>6</sup> च<sup>7</sup> सूरयः<sup>8</sup> ।
अप<sup>9</sup> नः<sup>10</sup> शोशुचत्<sup>11</sup> अघम्<sup>12</sup> ॥
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3. ²That ³the happiest ⁴of all these many godheads ¹may be born ⁶in us, (⁷also) ²that ⁸the seers who see in our thought ⁵may multiply, - ^{9,11}burn away ¹⁰from us ¹²the sin!

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प्रयत् ते अग्ने सूरयो जायेमहि प्र ते वयं ।
अप नः शोशुचदघम् ॥४॥
प्र<sup>1</sup> यत्<sup>2</sup> ते<sup>3</sup> अग्ने<sup>4</sup> सूरयः<sup>5</sup> जायेमहि<sup>6</sup> प्र<sup>7</sup> ते<sup>8</sup> वयम्<sup>9</sup> ।
अप<sup>10</sup> नः<sup>11</sup> शोशुचत्<sup>12</sup> अघम्<sup>13</sup> ॥
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4. ²That ³thy ⁵seers, ⁴O Flame divine (Agni), ¹may multiply and ⁹we ^{7,6}be new-born ⁹as thine, - ^{10,12}burn away ¹¹from us ¹³the sin!

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प्र यद् अग्नेः सहस्वतो विश्वतो यन्ति भानवः ।
अप नः शोशुचदघम् ॥५॥
प्र<sup>1</sup> यत्<sup>2</sup> अग्नेः<sup>3</sup> सहस्वतः<sup>4</sup> विश्वतः<sup>5</sup> यन्ति<sup>6</sup> भानवः<sup>7</sup> ।
अप<sup>8</sup> नः<sup>9</sup> शोशुचत्<sup>10</sup> अघम्<sup>11</sup> ॥
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5. ²When ⁷the flaming rays ³of thy (Agni's) ⁴might ^{1,6}rush abroad ⁵on every side violently, - ^{8,10}burn away ⁹from us ¹¹the sin!

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त्वं हि विश्वतोमुख विश्वतः परिभूरसि ।
अप नः शोशुचदघं ॥६॥
त्वम् हि² विश्वतः ७मुख³ विश्वतः ⁴ परि७भूः ऽ असि ।
अप<sup>7</sup> नः शोशुचत् ९ अघम् ॥
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6. God, ³thy faces are everywhere! ¹thou ^{5,6}besiegest us ⁴on every side with thy being. ^{7,9}Burn away ⁸from us ¹⁰the sin!

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द्विषो नो विश्वतोमुखाति नावेव पारय ।
अप नः शोशुचदघं ।७ ।।
द्विषः <sup>1</sup> नः <sup>2</sup> विश्वतः ७ मुख<sup>3</sup> अति<sup>4</sup> नावा ७ इव<sup>5</sup> पारय<sup>6</sup> ।
अप<sup>7</sup> नः <sup>8</sup> शोशुचत् <sup>9</sup> अघम् <sup>10</sup> ॥
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7. ^{3a}Let thy face front ¹the Enemy ^{3b}wherever he turns; ⁶bear ²us ⁵in thy ship ⁴over the dangerous waters. ^{7,9}Burn away ⁸from us ¹⁰the sin!

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स नः सिन्धुमिव नावयाति पर्षा स्वस्तये ।
अप नः शोशुचदघम् ॥८॥
सः<sup>1</sup> नः<sup>2</sup> सिन्धुम्७इव<sup>3</sup> नावया<sup>4</sup> अति<sup>5</sup> पर्ष<sup>6</sup> स्वस्तये<sup>7</sup> ।
अप<sup>8</sup> नः<sup>9</sup> शोशुचत्<sup>10</sup> अघम्<sup>11</sup> ॥
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8. ^{3b}As ⁴in a ship ⁵over ^{3a}the ocean, (^{6a}may ¹he) ^{6b}bear ²us ⁵over ⁷into thy felicity. ^{8,10}Burn away ⁹from us ¹¹the sin!

A Vedic Hymn to the Fire

A Hymn of The Universal Divine Force and Will

Rig Veda I.59

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वया इदग्ने अग्नयस्ते अन्ये त्वे विश्वे अमृता मादयंते । वैश्वानर नाभिरिस क्षितीनां स्थूणेव जनाँ उपिकिष्ययन्थ ॥ ।।१।। वयाः ¹ इत्² अग्ने ³ अग्नयः ⁴ ते ⁵ अन्ये ⁶ त्वे ⁷ इति विश्वे ⁸ अमृताः ⁹ मादयन्ते ¹⁰ । वैश्वानर ¹¹ नाभिः ¹² असि ¹³ क्षितीनाम् ¹⁴ स्थूणा इव ¹⁵ जनान् ¹⁶ उपक्रमित् ¹⁷ ययन्थ ¹⁸ ॥

1. ⁶Other ⁴flames are ²only ¹branches ⁵of thy stock, ³O Fire. ⁸All ⁹the immortals ^{10a}take ⁷in thee ^{10b}their rapturous joy. ¹¹O universal Godhead, ¹³thou art ¹²the navel-knot ¹⁴of the earths and their inhabitants; ¹⁶all men born ¹⁸thou controllest and ¹⁷supportest ¹⁵like a pillar.

मूर्धा दिवो नाभिरग्निः पृथिव्या अथाभवदरती रोदस्योः । तं त्वा देवासोऽजनयंत देवं वैश्वानर ज्योतिरिदार्याय ॥२॥ मूर्धा¹ दिवः² नाभिः³ अग्निः⁴ पृथिव्याः⁵ अथ⁶ अभवत्⁷ अरितः⁸ रोदस्योः⁹ । तम्¹¹⁰ त्वा¹¹ देवासः¹² अजनयन्त¹³ देवम्¹⁴ वैश्वानर¹⁵ ज्योतिः¹⁶ इत्¹⁷ आर्याय¹⁸ ॥

2. ⁴The Flame (Agni) is ¹the head ²of heaven and ³the navel ⁵of the earth ⁶and ⁷he is ⁸the power that moves at work ⁹in the two worlds. ¹⁵O Vaishwanara, ¹²the gods ^{13a}brought ¹¹thee ^{13b}to birth ¹⁴a god ^{16,17}to be a light ¹⁸to Aryan man.

आ सूर्ये न रश्मयो ध्रुवासो वैश्वानरे दिधरेङग्ना वसूनि । या पर्वतेष्वोषधीष्वप्सु या मानुषेष्वसि तस्य राजा ॥३॥ आ¹ सूर्ये² न³ रश्मयः⁴ ध्रुवासः⁵ वैश्वानरे॰ दिधरे⁷ अग्ना⁸ वसूनि⁹ । या¹¹⁰ पर्वतेषु¹¹ ओषधीषु¹² अपृङसु¹³ या¹⁴ मानुषेषु¹⁵ असि¹⁶ तस्य¹⁷ राजा¹⁸ ॥ 3. ³As ^{5a}the firm ⁴rays ^{5b}sit steadfast ²in the Sun, ⁹all treasures ^{1,7}have been placed ⁶in the universal godhead and ⁸flame. ¹⁸King ¹⁶art thou ¹⁷of all ⁹the riches ¹⁰that are ¹²in the growths of the earth and ¹¹the hills and ¹³the waters and ⁹all the riches ¹⁴that are ¹⁵in men.

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बृहती इव सूनवे रोदसी गिरो होता मनुष्यो न दक्षः ।
स्वर्वते सत्यशुष्माय पूर्वीर्वेश्वानराय नृतमाय यह्वीः ॥४॥
बृहतीऽइव¹ सूनवे² रोदसी³ इति गिरः⁴ होता⁵ मनुष्यः⁴ न<sup>7</sup> दक्षःः ।
स्वःऽवते<sup>9</sup> सत्यऽशुष्माय¹<sup>0</sup> पूर्वीः¹¹ वैश्वानराय¹² नृऽतमाय¹³ यह्वीः¹⁴ ॥
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4. ³Heaven and Earth grow ¹as if vaster worlds ²to the Son. ⁵He is the priest of our sacrifice and ⁴sings our words ⁷even as might ⁶a man ⁸of discerning skill. ¹²To Vaishwanara, ¹³for this most strong god ⁹who brings with him the light of the sunworld, ¹¹its many ¹⁴mighty waters ¹⁰because his strength is of the truth.

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दिवश्चित् ते बृहतो जातवेदो वैश्वानर प्र रिरिचे महित्वं ।
राजा कृष्टीनामसि मानुषीणां युधा देवेभ्यो वरिवश्चकर्थ ॥५॥
दिवः¹ चित्² ते³ बृहतः⁴ जात७वेदः⁵ वैश्वानर<sup>6</sup> प्र<sup>7</sup> रिरिचे<sup>8</sup> महि७त्वम्<sup>9</sup> ।
राजा¹० कृष्टीनाम्¹¹ असि¹² मानुषीणाम्¹³ युधा¹⁴ देवेभ्यः¹⁵ वरिवः¹<sup>6</sup> चकर्थ¹<sup>7</sup> ॥
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- 5. ⁶O universal godhead, ⁵O knower of all things born, ³thy ⁹excess of greatness ^{7,8}overflows ²even ⁴the Great ¹Heaven. ¹²Thou art ¹⁰the king ¹¹of the toiling human peoples and ¹⁴by battle ¹⁷madest ¹⁶the supreme good ¹⁵for the gods.
- 6. (Hymn 6 not translated in the book)

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वैश्वानरो महिम्ना विश्वकृष्टिर्भरद्घाजेषु यजतो विभावा ।
शातवनेये शतिनीभिरग्निः पुरुणीथे जरते सूनृतावान् ।।७।।
वैश्वानरः महिम्ना<sup>2</sup> विश्वडकृष्टिः भरत् ५ वाजेषु <sup>4</sup> यजतः <sup>5</sup> विभा५वा <sup>6</sup>।
शात५ वनेये <sup>7</sup> शतिनीभिः <sup>8</sup> अग्निः <sup>9</sup> पुरुष्ठनीथे <sup>10</sup> जरते <sup>11</sup> सूनृता५वान् <sup>12</sup>॥
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7. ¹This is the universal godhead who ²by his greatness ³labours in all the peoples, ⁶the lustrous ⁵master of sacrifice, ⁹the Flame (Agni) ⁸with his hundred treasures. ¹²This is he who has the word of the Truth.

Parashara's Hymns to the Lord of the Flame

Rig Veda I.65-73

(15/576-90)

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पश्वा न तायुं गुहा चतंतं नमो युजानं नमो वहंतं ॥
सजोषा धीराः पदैरनु ग्मन्नुप त्वा सीदिन्वश्वे यजत्राः ॥ १ ॥
पश्वा¹ न² तायुम्³ गुहा⁴ चतन्तम्⁵ नमः६ युजानम्7 नमः८ वहन्तम्९ ॥
सङजोषाः¹० धीराः¹¹ पदैः¹² अनु¹³ ग्मन्¹⁴ उप¹⁵ त्वा¹६ सीदन्¹७ विश्वे¹८ यजत्राः¹९ ॥

1. ⁵He hides himself ²like ³a thief ¹with the Cow of vision ⁴in the secret cavern of being ⁷taking to himself ⁹bearing thither ⁸our adoration. ¹¹The thinkers ¹⁰nurse a common joy in him in their hearts and ¹³follow ¹⁴in his way ¹²by her (Cow's) footprints. ¹⁸All ¹⁹the Masters of sacrifice ^{15,17}come to ¹⁶thee, O Flame, ⁴in the secrecy.

ऋतस्य देवा अनु व्रता गुर्भुवत्परिष्टिद्यौर्न भूम ॥ वर्धतीमापः पन्वा सुशिश्विमृतस्य योना गर्भे सुजातं ॥ २ ॥ ऋतस्य । देवाः ² अनु ³ व्रता ⁴ गुः ⁵ भुवत् ⁶ परिष्टिः ⁷ द्यौः ⁸ न⁹ भूम ¹⁰ ॥ वर्धन्ति ¹¹ ईम् ¹² आपः ¹³ पन्वा ¹⁴ सुङ्शिश्विम् ¹⁵ ऋतस्य ¹⁶ योना ¹⁷ गर्भे ¹⁸ सुङ्जातम् ¹⁹ ॥

2. ²The Gods ⁵follow ³after him ⁴the ways and works ¹of the Truth. ⁶He shall stand ⁷encompassing ¹⁰the earth ⁹like ⁸heaven. ¹³The Waters ¹¹increase ¹⁴by their toil ¹⁵growing in his bulk ¹²the Flame because ¹⁹he was born perfect ¹⁸in their womb ¹⁷in the house ¹⁶of Truth.

पुष्टिर्न रण्वा क्षितिर्न पृथ्वी गिरिर्न भुज्म क्षोदो न शंभु ॥ अत्यो नाज्मन्त्सर्गप्रतक्तः सिंधुर्न क्षोदः क ई वराते ॥ ३ ॥ पुष्टिः 1 न² रण्वा³ क्षितिः 4 न⁵ पृथ्वी॰ गिरिः 7 न8 भुज्म 9 क्षोदः 10 न 11 शम् ७ भु 12 ॥ अत्यः 13 न 14 अज्मन् 15 सर्गप्रतक्तः 16 सिन्धुः 17 न 18 क्षोदः 19 कः 20 ई म् 21 वराते 22 ॥

3. ²He is like ³delightful ¹increase and ⁵like ⁶the wide earth ⁴our dwelling-place. ⁹He is enjoyable ⁸like ⁷a hill and ¹²bliss-giving ¹¹like ¹⁰fast-running water. ¹⁴He is like ¹³a horse ¹⁵in the battle-charge ¹⁶urged to the gallop and ¹⁸like ¹⁹a rushing ¹⁷river (or, ¹⁸like ¹⁷a sea ¹⁹in its motion), and ²⁰who then ²²shall hedge (²¹him) in his course?

4. ¹He is the close comrade ²of the Rivers ⁴as ³a brother ⁵of his sisters. ¹⁰He devours ⁹Earth's pleasant woods ⁷as ⁸a king ¹⁰devours ⁶his enemies. ¹¹When ¹³driven ¹²by the breath of the wind ¹⁶he stands (ranges) ¹⁵about ¹⁴in all the woodland, ¹⁷the Flame (Agni) ¹⁹tears asunder ²⁰the hairs ²¹of earth's body.

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श्वसित्यप्सु हंसो न सीदन् क्रत्वा चेतिष्ठो विशामुषर्भुत्
सोमो न वेधा ऋतप्रजातः पशुर्न शिश्वा विभुर्दूरेभाः ॥ ५ ॥
श्वसिति<sup>1</sup> अप्७सु<sup>2</sup> हंसः<sup>3</sup> न<sup>4</sup> सीदन्<sup>5</sup> क्रत्वा<sup>6</sup> चेतिष्ठः<sup>7</sup> विशाम्<sup>8</sup> उषः७भुत्<sup>9</sup> ॥
सोमः<sup>10</sup> न<sup>11</sup> वेधाः<sup>12</sup> ऋत७प्रजातः<sup>13</sup> पशुः<sup>14</sup> न<sup>15</sup> शिश्वा<sup>16</sup> वि७भुः<sup>17</sup> दूरे<sup>18</sup> भाः<sup>19</sup> ॥
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5. ¹He breathes ²in the Waters ⁴like ⁵a seated ³swan. ⁴Awake in the dawn ^{7a}he has power ⁶by the will of his works ^{7b}to give knowledge ⁸to the peoples. ¹¹He is like ¹⁰the god of the nectar-wine (Soma) and ¹³born of Truth and ¹²a creator. ¹⁵He is like ¹⁴the Cow ¹⁶with her child (new-born). ¹¬He is all-pervading (wide-spreading) and ¹⁰his light is seen ¹8 from a far distance.

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वनेषु जायुर्मर्तेषु मित्रो वृणीते श्रुष्टिं राजेवाजुर्यम् ।
क्षेमो न साधुः क्रतुर्न भद्रो भुवत्स्वाधीर्होता हव्यवाट् ॥ १ ॥
वनेषु जायुः मर्तेषु मित्रः वृणीते श्रुष्टिम् राजा इव अजुर्यम् ।
क्षेमः 10 न 11 साधुः 12 क्रतुः 13 न 14 भद्रः 15 भुवत् 16 सुङआधीः 17 होता 18 हव्यङवाट् 19 ॥
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1. ²He is the conqueror ¹in the forests, ⁴he is the friend ³in mortals. ⁵He chooses for himself ⁶inspired knowledge ⁸as ⁷a king ⁹an unaging councillor. ¹¹He is like (as if our) ¹²a perfect ¹⁰good (welfare), ¹⁴he is like ¹⁵a happy ¹³will ¹⁷just in its thoughts. ¹⁶He has become to us ¹⁸the priest of our sacrifice and ¹⁹the carrier of our offerings.

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हस्ते दधानो नृम्णा विश्वान्यमे देवान्धाद् गुहा निषीदन् ।
विदंतीमत्र नरो धियंधा हृदा यत्तष्टान्मंत्राँ अशंसन् ॥ २ ॥
हस्ते¹ दधानः² नृम्णा³ विश्वानि⁴ अमे⁵ देवान्६ धात्<sup>7</sup> गुहा<sup>8</sup> निऽसीदन्९ ।
विदन्ति¹० ईम्¹¹ अत्र¹² नरः¹³ धियम्¹⁴ धाः¹⁵ हृदा¹६ यत्¹<sup>7</sup> तष्टान्¹<sup>8</sup> मन्त्रान्¹९ अशंसन्²० ॥
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2. ²He holds ¹in his hands ⁴all ³mights: ⁹sitting ⁸in the secret cave of being ⁷he founds (upholds) ⁶the gods ⁵in strength. ¹²And it is there that ¹³men ¹⁵who hold ¹⁴the thought in their minds, ¹⁷when ²⁰they have given utterance ¹⁹to its sacred words ¹⁸carved into shape (formed) ¹⁶by the heart, ¹⁰discover ¹¹the god (him).

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अजो न क्षां दाधार पृथिवीं तस्तम्भ द्यां मन्त्रेभिः सत्यैः ।
प्रिया पदानि पश्वो नि पाहि विश्वायुरग्ने गुहा गुहं गाः ॥३॥
अजः <sup>1</sup> न<sup>2</sup> क्षाम् <sup>3</sup> दाधार<sup>4</sup> पृथिवीम् <sup>5</sup> तस्तम्भ <sup>6</sup> द्याम् <sup>7</sup> मन्त्रेभिः <sup>8</sup> सत्यैः <sup>9</sup> ।
प्रिया<sup>10</sup> पदानि <sup>11</sup> पश्वः <sup>12</sup> नि <sup>13</sup> पाहि <sup>14</sup> विश्व ७ आयुः <sup>15</sup> अग्ने <sup>16</sup> गुहा <sup>17</sup> गुहम् <sup>18</sup> गाः <sup>19</sup> ॥
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3. ⁴He holds ²like ¹one unborn ⁵the wide earth ³our dwelling-place and ⁶pillars (has up-pillared) ⁷heaven ⁹with the truth ⁸of the sacred words of his thinking. ¹⁶O Flame (Agni), ¹⁵thou art universal life; ^{13,14}guard ¹⁰the pleasant (cherished) ¹¹footholds (foot-prints) ¹²of the Cow of vision; ^{13,14}watch over ¹⁹the herd of the rays ¹⁸in the secrecy ¹⁷of the secret cavern (secrecies).

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य ईं चिकेत गुहा भवन्तमा यः ससाद धारामृतस्य ।
वि ये चृतन्त्यृता सपन्त आदिद्धसूनि प्र ववाचास्मै ॥ ४ ॥
यः<sup>1</sup> ईम्<sup>2</sup> चिकेत<sup>3</sup> गुहा<sup>4</sup> भवन्तम्<sup>5</sup> आ<sup>6</sup> यः<sup>7</sup> ससाद<sup>8</sup> धाराम्<sup>9</sup> ऋतस्य<sup>10</sup> ।
वि<sup>11</sup> ये<sup>12</sup> चृतन्ति<sup>13</sup> ऋता<sup>14</sup> सपन्तः<sup>15</sup> आत्<sup>16</sup> इत्<sup>17</sup> वसूनि<sup>18</sup> प्र<sup>19</sup> ववाच<sup>20</sup> अस्मै<sup>21</sup> ॥
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4. ¹He ³who has known (perceived) ²him (⁵when he is) ⁴in the secret cave, ⁷he who ^{6,8}has come ⁹to the stream ¹⁰of the Truth, ¹²all who (^{11,13}kindle him) ¹⁵touch and penetrate into ¹⁴the things of the Truth, (¹⁶then ¹⁷indeed) ²¹to such ^{19,20}he speaks ¹⁸the word of his treasures.

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वि यो वीरुत्सु रोधन्महित्वोत प्रजा उत प्रसूष्यन्तः ।
चित्तिरपां दमे विश्वायुः सद्मेव धीराः संमाय चक्रुः ॥ ५ ॥
वि<sup>1</sup> यः<sup>2</sup> वीरुत्ऽसु<sup>3</sup> रोधत्<sup>4</sup> महिऽत्वा<sup>5</sup> उत<sup>6</sup> प्रऽजाः<sup>7</sup> उत<sup>8</sup> प्रऽसूषु<sup>9</sup> अन्तः<sup>10</sup> ।
चित्तिः<sup>11</sup> अपाम्<sup>12</sup> दमे<sup>13</sup> विश्व<sup>14</sup> आयुः<sup>15</sup> सद्म<sup>16</sup> इव<sup>17</sup> धीराः<sup>18</sup> सम्ऽमाय<sup>19</sup> चक्रुः<sup>20</sup> ॥
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5. ²This is the Flame who ^{1,4}besieges us ⁵with his greatness ³in all the growths of the earth ⁶and ⁷who is all the children of the worlds ⁸and ¹⁰who is within ⁹in all the mothers. ¹¹He is knowledge ¹³in the house ¹²of the Waters and ¹⁴he is universal ¹⁵life. ¹⁸The thinkers ¹⁹have measured and ²⁰constructed him ¹⁷like ¹⁶a mansion.

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श्रीणन्नुप स्थादिवं भुरण्युः स्थातुश्चरथमक्तून्व्यूर्णोत् ।
परि यदेषामेको विश्वेषाम् भुवद्देवो देवानां महित्वा ॥ १ ॥
श्रीणन्<sup>1</sup> उप<sup>2</sup> स्थात्<sup>3</sup> दिवम्<sup>4</sup> भुरण्युः<sup>5</sup> स्थातुः<sup>6</sup> चरथम्<sup>7</sup> अक्तून्<sup>8</sup> वि<sup>9</sup> ऊर्णोत्<sup>10</sup> ।
परि<sup>11</sup> यत्<sup>12</sup> एषाम्<sup>13</sup> एकः<sup>14</sup> विश्वेषाम्<sup>15</sup> भुवत्<sup>16</sup> देवः<sup>17</sup> देवानाम्<sup>18</sup> महिङ्वा<sup>19</sup> ॥
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1. ⁵The Carrier of our gifts ¹speeds on his way and ^{2,3}reaches up ⁴towards heaven. ^{9,10}He unravels ⁸out of the nights ⁶all that is stable and ⁷all that moves. ¹²This is he that ¹⁶becomes ¹⁴the one ¹⁷God ¹¹who is around ¹⁵all ¹³the(se) ¹⁸gods ¹⁹in his greatness.

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आदित्ते विश्वे क्रतुं जुषन्त शुष्काद्यदेव जीवो जिनष्ठाः ।
भजन्त विश्वे देवत्वं नाम ऋतं सपन्तो अमृतमेवैः ॥ २ ॥
आत्<sup>1</sup> इत्<sup>2</sup> ते<sup>3</sup> विश्वे<sup>4</sup> क्रतुम्<sup>5</sup> जुषन्त<sup>6</sup> शुष्कात्<sup>7</sup> यत्<sup>8</sup> देव<sup>9</sup> जीवः<sup>10</sup> जिनष्ठाः<sup>11</sup> ।
भजन्त<sup>12</sup> विश्वे<sup>13</sup> देव७त्वम्<sup>14</sup> नाम<sup>15</sup> ऋतम्<sup>16</sup> सपन्तः<sup>17</sup> अमृतम्<sup>18</sup> एवैः<sup>19</sup> ॥
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2. (²Indeed, ¹then) ⁴All ⁶serve with gladness (cleave to) ³thy ⁵will to works ⁸when, ⁹O God, ¹¹thou art born ¹⁰as the living being ⁷from a dry matter. ¹³All ¹⁹by thy movings (movements) ¹⁷get touch ¹⁶of the Truth and ¹⁷touch ¹⁸of immortality and ¹²they enjoy ¹⁵the Name, ¹⁴the Godhead.

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ऋतस्य प्रेषा ऋतस्य धीतिर्विश्वायुर्विश्वे अपांसि चक्रुः ।
यस्तुभ्यं दाशाद्यो वा ते शिक्षात्तस्मै चिकित्वान्नियं दयस्य ॥ ३ ॥
ऋतस्य¹ प्रेषाः² ऋतस्य³ धीतिः⁴ विश्व⁵ आयुः<sup>6</sup> विश्वे<sup>7</sup> अपांसि<sup>8</sup> चक्रुः<sup>9</sup> ।
यः¹<sup>0</sup> तुभ्यम्¹¹ दाशातु¹² यः¹³ वा¹⁴ ते¹⁵ शिक्षातु¹<sup>6</sup> तस्मै¹<sup>7</sup> चिकित्वानु¹<sup>8</sup> रियम्¹<sup>9</sup> दयस्व²<sup>0</sup> ॥
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3. ²He is the missioned impulse ¹of Truth and ⁴the thinking ³of the Truth. ⁵He is the universal ⁶life and ⁷all ⁹do in him ⁸their works. ¹⁷To him ¹⁰who ¹²gives ¹¹to thee ¹⁴and ¹⁷to him ¹³who ¹⁶takes ¹⁵of thee (or, ¹⁶learns ¹⁵from thee) ¹⁸be knower of the knowledge and ²⁰give him his portion ¹⁹of thy treasure.

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होता निषत्तो मनोरपत्ये स चिन्न्वासां पती रयीणां ।
इच्छन्त रेतो मिथस्तनूषु सं जानत स्वैर्दक्षैरमूराः ॥४॥
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होता¹ निष्ठसत्तः² मनोः³ अपत्ये⁴ सः⁵ चित्⁶ नु⁷ आसाम्⁸ पितः⁹ रयीणाम्¹⁰ । इच्छन्त¹¹ रेतः¹² मिथः¹³ तनूषु¹⁴ सम्¹⁵ जानत¹⁶ स्वैः¹⁷ दक्षैः¹⁸ अमूराः¹⁹ ॥

4. ¹He is the priest of the sacrifice ²who is seated ⁴in the Son ³of Man (Manu): ⁵he (^{6,7}verily) is ⁹the lord ⁸of these ¹⁰riches. ¹⁹The wise ¹¹desire ¹³mutually ¹²his seed ¹⁴in their bodies and ^{15,16}they (the wise) come altogether (wholly) to know him ¹⁷by their own ¹⁸discerning minds.

पितुर्न पुत्राः क्रतुं जुषन्त श्रोषन्ये अस्य शासं तुरासः । वि राय और्णोद् दुरः पुरुक्षुः पिपेश नाकं स्तृभिर्दमूनाः ॥ ५ ॥ पितुः 1 न 2 पुत्राः 3 क्रतुम् 4 जुषन्त 5 श्रोषन् 6 ये 7 अस्य 8 शासम् 9 तुरासः 10 । वि 11 रायः 12 और्णोत् 13 दुरः 14 पुरु 15 क्षुः 16 पिपेश 17 नाकम् 18 स्तृ ५ भिः 19 दमूनाः 20 ॥

5. ⁷Those who ⁶listen ⁸to his ⁹word of instruction (teachings), ⁷those who ¹⁰are swift to the journey, ⁵serve gladly ⁴his will ²as ³sons ⁴the will ¹of a father. ¹⁶He is the house ¹⁵of a multitude of riches and ¹³flings ¹¹wide ¹⁴the door ¹²of his felicitous treasure. ²⁰He is the dweller in the home (within) and ¹⁷gives form ¹⁸to Paradise ¹⁹by the light of his stars.

रियर्न चित्रा सूरो न संदृगायुर्न प्राणो नित्यो न सूनुः । तक्वा न भूणिर्वना सिषिक्त पयो न धेनुः शुचिर्विभावा ॥ १ ॥ रियः न 2 चित्रा 3 सूरः 4 न 5 सम्७दृक् 6 आयुः 7 न 8 प्राणः 9 नित्यः 10 न 11 सूनुः 12 तक्वा 13 न 14 भूणिः 15 वना 16 सिसिक्त 17 पयः 18 न 19 धेनुः 20 शुचिः 21 विभा ७वा 22 ॥

1. ²He is as if ³a marvellous shining ¹riches and ⁵like ⁶the wide seeing ⁴of the sun. ⁸He is as if ⁷life and ⁹the breath of our existence and ¹¹he is as if ¹⁰our eternal ¹²child. ¹⁴He is like ¹³a galloper ¹⁵that bears us. ¹⁷He fastens ¹⁶on the woodlands. ¹⁹He gives of his substance as ²⁰the cow ¹⁸its milk. ²²He is wide and lustrous, ²¹he is very bright and pure.

दाधार क्षेममोको न रण्वो यवो न पक्वो जेता जनानां । ऋषिर्न स्तुभ्वा विक्षु प्रशस्तो वाजी न प्रीतो वयो दधाति ॥ २ ॥ दाधार¹ क्षेमम्² ओकः³ न⁴ रण्वः⁵ यवः⁶ न⁷ पक्वः⁸ जेता⁹ जनानाम्¹⁰ । ऋषिः¹¹ न¹² स्तुभ्वा¹³ विक्षु¹⁴ प्रडशस्तः¹⁵ वाजी¹⁶ न¹⁷ प्रीतः¹⁸ वयः¹⁹ दधाति²⁰ ॥

2. ⁵He is pleasant ⁴like ³a home and ¹holds ²all our good. ⁷He is to us like ⁸ripe ⁶corn. ⁹He is a conqueror ¹⁰of men and ¹²like ¹³a chanting ¹¹Rishi; ¹⁵the word of him is ¹⁴among the folk. ¹⁷He is like ¹⁸an exulting ¹⁶steed and ²⁰he lays on us (upholds) ¹⁹our birth to knowledge (growth).

दुरोकशोचिः क्रतुर्न नित्यो जायेव योनावरं विश्वस्मै । चित्रो यदभ्राट् छ्वेतो न विक्षु रथो न रुक्मी त्वेषः समत्सु ॥ ३ ॥ दुरोक¹ शोचिः² क्रतुः³ न⁴ नित्यः⁵ जाया⁶ इव⁷ योनौ⁸ अरम्⁹ विश्वस्मै¹⁰ । चित्रः¹¹ यत्¹² अभ्राट्¹³ श्वेतः¹⁴ न¹⁵ विक्षु¹⁶ रथः¹⁷ न¹⁸ रुक्मी¹⁹ त्वेषः²⁰ समत् ५सु²¹ ॥

3. ²He is light ¹in a house difficult to inhabit (or, he is ²light ¹difficult to kindle). ⁴He is as ⁵an eternal ³will that acts in us; ⁷he is like ⁶a wife ⁸in our chamber and ⁹sufficient ¹⁰to every man. ¹²When ¹³he burns out ¹¹wonderful and manifold, ¹⁵he is as if ¹⁴the white horse ¹⁶in the peoples. ¹⁸He is like ¹⁷a chariot ¹⁹made of gold: ²⁰he is like a keen flame ²¹in the battles.

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सेनेव सृष्टामं दधात्यस्तुर्न दिद्युत् त्वेषप्रतीका ।
यमो ह जातो यमो जिनत्वं जारः कनीनां पतिर्जनीनां ॥ ४ ॥
सेना<sup>1</sup> इव² सृष्टा³ अमम्⁴ दधाति⁵ अस्तुः<sup>6</sup> न<sup>7</sup> दिद्युत्<sup>8</sup> त्वेष<sup>9</sup> प्रतीका¹⁰ ।
यमः¹¹ ह¹² जातः¹³ यमः¹⁴ जिन्ऽत्वम्¹⁵ जारः¹<sup>6</sup> कनीनाम्¹<sup>7</sup> पतिः¹<sup>8</sup> जनीनाम्¹<sup>9</sup> ॥
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4. ²He is like ¹an army ³running to the charge and ⁵puts ⁴strength in us: ⁷he is like ⁸the flaming shaft ⁶of the Archer ⁹that has a keen burning ¹⁰face (front). (¹²Indeed) ¹¹He is the twin ¹³that is born and ¹⁴the twin ¹⁵who is that which is to be born. ¹⁶He is the lover ¹⁷of the virgins and ¹⁸the husband ¹⁹of the mothers.

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तं वश्चराथा वयं वसत्यास्तं न गावो नक्षन्त इद्धं ।
सिन्धुर्न क्षोदः प्र नीचीरैनोन्नवन्त गावः स्वर्दृशीके ॥ ५ ॥
तम्<sup>1</sup> वः<sup>2</sup> चराथा<sup>3</sup> वयम्<sup>4</sup> वसत्या<sup>5</sup> अस्तम्<sup>6</sup> न<sup>7</sup> गावः<sup>8</sup> नक्षन्ते<sup>9</sup> इद्धम्<sup>10</sup> ।
सिन्धुः<sup>11</sup> न<sup>12</sup> क्षोदः<sup>13</sup> प्र<sup>14</sup> नीचीः<sup>15</sup> ऐनोत्<sup>16</sup> नवन्त<sup>17</sup> गावः<sup>18</sup> स्वः<sup>19</sup> दृशीके<sup>20</sup> ॥
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5. ¹⁰When his light is kindled, ⁴we ⁹come ¹to him ⁷as ⁸the herds ⁹come ⁶to their home: ⁴we ⁹come ¹to him ²by your ³journeying, O gods, and ⁴we ⁹come ¹to him ²by your ⁵sitting still. ¹²He is like ¹¹a river ¹³running in its channel and ¹⁶sends ¹⁴in front ¹⁵the downward Waters: ¹⁸the herd of the Rays ¹⁷move ¹to him ²⁰in the seeing ¹⁹of the world of the Sun.

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शुक्रः शुशुक्वाँ उषो न जारः पप्रा समीची दिवो न ज्योतिः ।
परि प्रजातः क्रत्वा बभूथ भुवो देवानां पिता पुत्रः सन् ॥ १ ॥
शुक्रः<sup>1</sup> शुशुक्वान्<sup>2</sup> उषः<sup>3</sup> न<sup>4</sup> जारः<sup>5</sup> पप्रा<sup>6</sup> समीची<sup>7</sup> दिवः<sup>8</sup> न<sup>9</sup> ज्योतिः<sup>10</sup> ।
परि<sup>11</sup> प्रञ्जातः<sup>12</sup> क्रत्वा<sup>13</sup> बभूथ<sup>14</sup> भुवः<sup>15</sup> देवानाम्<sup>16</sup> पिता<sup>17</sup> पुत्रः<sup>18</sup> सन्<sup>19</sup> ॥
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1. ²He burns out ¹bright ⁴as if ⁵the lover ³of Dawn and ⁶fills ⁷the two equal worlds (or, the two companions) ⁹like ¹⁰the light ⁸of heaven. ¹²He is born ¹³by our will to works and ¹⁴he comes into being ¹¹all around us. ¹⁹He is ¹⁸the son and ¹⁵becomes ¹⁷the father ¹⁶of the Gods.

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वेधा अदृप्तो अग्निर्विजानन्नूधर्न गोनां स्वाद्मा पितूनाम् ।
जने न शेव आहूर्यः सन् मध्ये निषत्तो रण्वो दुरोणे ॥ २ ॥
वेधाः 1 अदृप्तः 2 अग्निः 3 विञ्जानन् 4 ऊधः 5 न 6 गोनाम् 7 स्वाद्म 8 पितूनाम् 9 ।
जने 10 न 11 शेव 12 आञ्चूर्यः 13 सन् 14 मध्ये 15 निञ्सत्तः 16 रण्वः 17 दुरोणे 18 ॥
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2. ³This is the Fire (Agni) ⁴that has perfect knowledge and ¹is a creator (or, ordainer of things) ²whom none can rend asunder. ⁶He is as if ⁵the teat ⁷of the cows of light and ⁸the sweetness ⁹of the draughts of the wine (or, ⁸taster ⁹of all foods). ¹¹He is as if one ¹²happy ¹⁰in the creature and ^{13,14}must be laid hands on ¹⁶where he sits ¹⁷blissful ¹⁵in the middle ¹⁸of the house.

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पुत्रो न जातो रण्वो दुरोणे वाजी न प्रीतो विशो वि तारीत् ।
विशो यदह्वे नृभिः सनीळा अग्निर्देवत्वा विश्वान्यश्याः ॥ ३ ॥
पुत्रः 1 न<sup>2</sup> जातः <sup>3</sup> रण्वः <sup>4</sup> दुरोणे <sup>5</sup> वाजी <sup>6</sup> न <sup>7</sup> प्रीतः <sup>8</sup> विशः <sup>9</sup> वि <sup>10</sup> तारीत् <sup>11</sup> ।
विशः <sup>12</sup> यत् <sup>13</sup> अह्वे <sup>14</sup> नृष्ठिभः <sup>15</sup> सष्ठनीळाः <sup>16</sup> अग्निः <sup>17</sup> देवष्ठत्वा <sup>18</sup> विश्वानि <sup>19</sup> अश्याः <sup>20</sup> ॥
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3. ²He is as if ⁴our rapturous ¹son ³born to us ⁵in the house and ⁷he is like ⁶a courser ⁸pleased and glad ^{10,11}that carries to safety ⁹the peoples. ¹³When ¹⁴I call ¹²to the Nations ¹⁶who dwell in one lair ¹⁵with the Strong Ones, ¹⁷the Flame (Agni) ²⁰enjoys ¹⁹all ¹⁸the godheads.

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निकष्ट एता व्रता मिनन्ति नृभ्यो यदेभ्यः श्रुष्टिं चकर्थ । तत्तु ते दंसो यदहन्त्समानैर्नृभिर्यद्युक्तो विवे रपांसि ॥ ४ ॥ निकः ^1 ते एता व्रता मिनन्ति नृङ्ग्यः ^6 यत् ^7 एभ्यः ^8 श्रुष्टिम् ^9 चकर्थ ^10 । तत् ^{11} तं ^{12} ते ^{13} दंसः ^{14} यत् ^{15} अहन् ^{16} समानैः ^{17} नृङ्गिः ^{18} यत् ^{19} युक्तः ^{20} विवेः ^{21} रपांसि ^{22} ॥
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4. ¹None ⁵can impair ⁴athe ways of ²thy ⁴bworks 7when ¹⁰thou hast created ⁰inspired knowledge ⁶for the Strong Ones. ¹¹¹,¹²This is ¹³thy ¹⁴work ¹⁵that ²⁰yoked ¹¹with the equal ¹8Gods ¹⁶thou smitest and ²¹scatterest ²²the powers of evil.

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उषो न जारो विभावोस्नः संज्ञातरूपश्चिकेतदस्मै ।
त्मना वहन्तो दुरो व्यृण्वन्नवन्त विश्वे स्वर्दृशीके ॥ ५ ॥
उषः 1 न 2 जारः 3 विभाडवा 4 उस्नः 5 सञ्ज्ञातङ्कपः 6 चिकेतत् 7 अस्मै 8 ।
त्मना 9 वहन्तः 10 दुरः 11 वि 12 ऋण्वन् 13 नवन्त 14 विश्वे 15 स्वः 16 दृशीके 17 ॥
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5. ⁴Very bright and ⁵lustrous ²is he like ³the paramour ¹of Dawn. ⁶Let his form be known and ⁷his knowledge awake ⁸for this human being, let ¹⁵all ¹⁰bear him ⁹in themselves, ¹³swing ¹²wide ¹¹the gates and ¹⁴walk ¹⁷in the vision ¹⁶of the world of the Sun.

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वनेम पूर्वीरयों मनीषा अग्निः सुशोको विश्वान्यश्याः ।
आ दैव्यानि व्रता चिकित्वाना मानुषस्य जनस्य जन्म ॥ १ ॥
वनेम<sup>1</sup> पूर्वीः<sup>2</sup> अर्यः<sup>3</sup> मनीषा<sup>4</sup> अग्निः<sup>5</sup> सुऽशोकः<sup>6</sup> विश्वानि<sup>7</sup> अश्याः<sup>8</sup> ।
आ<sup>9</sup> दैव्यानि<sup>10</sup> व्रता<sup>11</sup> चिकित्वान्<sup>12</sup> आ<sup>13</sup> मानुषस्य<sup>14</sup> जनस्य<sup>15</sup> जन्म<sup>16</sup> ॥
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1. ³Men battling ⁴by our mind of thought ¹may we make conquest ²of many powers and ⁵Agni ⁶burning brightly ⁸enjoy and possess in us ⁷all things that are, ^{9,12}know ¹⁰the divine ¹¹workings and ^{13,12}know ¹⁶the births ¹⁴of the human ¹⁵creature.

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गर्भो यो अपां गर्भो वनानां गर्भश्च स्थातां गर्भश्चरथाम् ।
अद्रौ चिदस्मा अन्तर्दुरोणे विशां न विश्वो अमृतः स्वाधीः ॥ २ ॥
गर्भः <sup>1</sup> यः<sup>2</sup> अपाम्<sup>3</sup> गर्भः<sup>4</sup> वनानाम्<sup>5</sup> गर्भः<sup>6</sup> च<sup>7</sup> स्थाताम्<sup>8</sup> गर्भः<sup>9</sup> चरथाम्<sup>10</sup> ।
अद्रौ<sup>11</sup> चित्<sup>12</sup> अस्मै<sup>13</sup> अन्तः<sup>14</sup> दुरोणे<sup>15</sup> विशाम्<sup>16</sup> न<sup>17</sup> विश्वः<sup>18</sup> अमृतः<sup>19</sup> सु5आधीः<sup>20</sup> ॥
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2. ²He is ¹the child ³of the waters and ⁴the child ⁵of the forests and ⁶the child ⁸of things stable ⁷and ⁹the child ¹⁰of things that move. ¹³He is there for man (¹²even) ¹¹in the stone of the mountain and ¹⁴within ¹⁵in the house. He is (¹⁷as) ¹⁸one universal ¹⁶to the peoples and ¹⁹the Immortal and ²⁰the right-thinking One.

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स हि क्षपावाँ अग्नी रयीणां दाशद्यो अस्मा अरं सूक्तैः ।
एता चिकित्वो भूमा नि पाहि देवानां जन्म मर्तांश्च विद्वान् ॥ ३ ॥
सः<sup>1</sup> हि<sup>2</sup> क्षपाञ्चान्<sup>3</sup> अग्निः<sup>4</sup> रयीणाम्<sup>5</sup> दाशत्<sup>6</sup> यः<sup>7</sup> अस्मै<sup>8</sup> अरम्<sup>9</sup> सुञ्उक्तैः<sup>10</sup> ।
एता<sup>11</sup> चिकित्वः<sup>12</sup> भूम<sup>13</sup> नि<sup>14</sup> पाहि<sup>15</sup> देवानाम्<sup>16</sup> जन्म<sup>17</sup> मर्तान्<sup>18</sup> च<sup>19</sup> विद्वान्<sup>20</sup> ॥
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3. ⁴The Fire (Agni) is ³master of the nights and (it's ²indeed ¹he ⁷who) ⁶imparts to man ⁹sufficiency ⁵of his treasures ¹⁰by the power of perfect words. ²⁰O knower, ¹²who hast knowledge ¹⁷of the births ¹⁶of the gods ¹⁹and ¹²knowledge ¹⁸of mortals, ^{14,15}guard ¹¹these ¹³earths.

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वर्धान्यं पूर्वीः क्षपो विरूपाः स्थातुश्च रथमृतप्रवीतम् ।
अराधि होता स्वर्निषत्तः कृण्वन्विश्वान्यपांसि सत्या ॥४ ॥
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वर्धान्^1 यम्^2 पूर्वीः^3 क्षपः^4 विङरूपाः^5 स्थातुः^6 च^7 रथम्^8 ऋतङप्रवीतम्^9 । अराधि^{10} होता^{11} स्वः^{12} निङसत्तः^{13} कृण्वन्^{14} विश्वानि^{15} अपांसि^{16} सत्या^{17} ॥
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4. ³Many ⁴nights ⁵that are different in form ¹increase ²one ⁸who is the moving ⁷and ⁶the stable, ⁹one who has come from the Truth. ¹¹He is a priest of sacrifice and ¹⁰enriches us ¹³where he sits ¹²in the world of the sun ¹⁴making (¹⁵all) ¹⁶our works ¹⁷things of truth.

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गोषु प्रशस्ति वनेषु धिषे भरन्त विश्वे बलि स्वर्णः ।
वि त्वा नरः पुरुत्रा सपर्यन्पितुर्न जिब्नेर्वि वेदो भरन्त ॥ ५ ॥
गोषु । प्रडशस्तिम् <sup>2</sup> वनेषु <sup>3</sup> धिषे <sup>4</sup> भरन्त<sup>5</sup> विश्वे <sup>6</sup> बलिम् <sup>7</sup> स्वः <sup>8</sup> नः <sup>9</sup> ।
वि <sup>10</sup> त्वा <sup>11</sup> नरः <sup>12</sup> पुरु <sup>5</sup> त्रा <sup>13</sup> सपर्यन् <sup>14</sup> पितुः <sup>15</sup> न <sup>16</sup> जिब्नेः <sup>17</sup> वि <sup>18</sup> वेदी <sup>19</sup> भरन्त<sup>20</sup> ॥
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5. ⁴Thou thinkest out ²thy hymn of utterance ¹in the rays and ³in the forests and ⁶all the gods ⁵carry ⁹to us ⁸the light of the sun-world ⁷as a sacrifice. ¹²Men ^{10,14}do thee service ¹³in the manifoldness and ^{18,20}come bringing ¹¹from thee ¹⁹riches of knowledge ¹⁶as ¹⁷from an aged ¹⁵father.

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साधुर्न गृध्नुरस्तेव शूरो यातेव भीमस्त्वेषः समत्सु ॥ ६ ॥
साधुः । न² गृध्नुः अस्ता ४ इव ५ शूरः ६ याता ७ इव ६ भीमः ९ त्वेषः १० समत् ७ स् ॥ ॥
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6. ²He is like ¹a perfecter of works, ³one who is a hungry seizer. ⁵He is like ⁶a hero ⁴shooting arrows and ⁸like ⁹a terrible ⁷assailant (¹⁰a splendour) ¹¹in the battle.

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उप प्र जिन्वन्नुशतीरुशन्तम् पितं न नित्यं जनयः सनीळाः ।
स्वसारः श्यावीमरुषीमजुष्रंचित्रमुच्छन्तीमुषसं न गावः ॥ १ ॥
उप<sup>1</sup> प्र<sup>2</sup> जिन्वन्<sup>3</sup> उशतीः<sup>4</sup> उशन्तम्<sup>5</sup> पितम्<sup>6</sup> न<sup>7</sup> नित्यम्<sup>8</sup> जनयः<sup>9</sup> सङनीळाः<sup>10</sup> ।
स्वसारः<sup>11</sup> श्यावीम्<sup>12</sup> अरुषीम्<sup>13</sup> अजुषून्<sup>14</sup> चित्रम्<sup>15</sup> उच्छन्तीम्<sup>16</sup> उषसम्<sup>17</sup> न<sup>18</sup> गावः<sup>19</sup> ॥
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1. ⁹The Mothers ⁴desire and ⁵are desired by him, ¹¹sisters ¹⁰dwelling in one mansion, and ^{1,2,3}come to him with joy (and ¹⁴took joy in him) ⁷as to ⁸their eternal ⁶husband, ¹⁸even as ¹⁹the rays ¹⁷to the Dawn, — Dawn ¹²dusk and ¹³flushing and ¹⁶breaking ¹⁵into rich lustres.

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वीळु चिद्द दृळ्हा पितरो न उक्थैरिद्धं रुजन्निङ्गरसो रवेण ।
चक्रुर्दिवो बृहतो गातुमस्मे अहः स्वर्विविदुः केतुमुख्नाः ॥ २ ॥
वीळु<sup>1</sup> चित्<sup>2</sup> दृळ्हा<sup>3</sup> पितरः<sup>4</sup> नः<sup>5</sup> उक्थैः<sup>6</sup> अद्भिम्<sup>7</sup> रुजन्<sup>8</sup> अङ्गिरसः<sup>9</sup> रवेण<sup>10</sup> ।
चक्रुः<sup>11</sup> दिवः<sup>12</sup> बृहतः<sup>13</sup> गातुम्<sup>14</sup> अस्मे<sup>15</sup> अहः<sup>16</sup> स्वः<sup>17</sup> विविदुः<sup>18</sup> केतुम्<sup>19</sup> उस्नाः<sup>20</sup> ॥
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2. ⁵Our ⁴fathers ⁶by their word, ⁹the Angiras seers, ⁸broke (²even) ¹the strong and ³stubborn places, ⁵our ⁴fathers ⁸burst ¹⁰by their cry ⁷the rock of the mountain, ¹¹made ¹⁵within us ¹⁴the path ¹³to the Great ¹²Heaven, ¹⁸discovered ¹⁶the Day and ¹⁷the sun-world and ¹⁹thought-vision and ²⁰the herds of light.

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दधन्नृतं धनयन्नस्य धीतिमादिदयों दिधिष्वो विभृत्राः ।
अतृष्यन्तीरपसो यन्त्यच्छा देवाञ्जन्म प्रयसा वर्धयंतीः ॥ ३ ॥
दधन्<sup>1</sup> ऋतम्<sup>2</sup> धनयन्<sup>3</sup> अस्य<sup>4</sup> धीतिम्<sup>5</sup> आत्<sup>6</sup> इत्<sup>7</sup> अर्यः<sup>8</sup> दिधिष्वः<sup>9</sup> वि७भृत्राः<sup>10</sup> ।
अतृष्यन्तीः<sup>11</sup> अपसः<sup>12</sup> यन्ति<sup>13</sup> अच्छ<sup>14</sup> देवान<sup>15</sup> जन्म<sup>16</sup> प्रयसा<sup>17</sup> वर्धयन्तीः<sup>18</sup> ॥
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3. ⁶Then (⁷indeed) ⁸the battling and ⁹thinking peoples ¹held ²the Truth and ³enriched ⁵the thought ⁴of the human being and ¹⁰bore it in all its breadth; ¹¹unthirsting, ¹²doers of the work ¹⁸increasing ¹⁶the divine birth ¹⁷by the delight-offering, ¹³their walk is ¹⁴towards ¹⁵the gods.

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मथीद्यदीं विभृतो मातरिश्वा गृहेगृहे श्येतो जेन्यो भूत् ।
आदीं राज्ञे न सहीयसे सचा सन्ना दूत्यं भृगवाणो विवाय ॥४॥
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मथीत्<sup>1</sup> यत्<sup>2</sup> ईम्<sup>3</sup> विङभृतः<sup>4</sup> मातरिश्वा<sup>5</sup> गृहेङगृहे<sup>6</sup> श्येतः<sup>7</sup> जेन्यः<sup>8</sup> भूत्<sup>9</sup> ।
आत्<sup>10</sup> ईम्<sup>11</sup> राज्ञे<sup>12</sup> न<sup>13</sup> सहीयसे<sup>14</sup> सचा<sup>15</sup> सन्<sup>16</sup> आ<sup>17</sup> दृत्यम्<sup>18</sup> भूगवाणः<sup>19</sup> विवाय<sup>20</sup> ॥
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4. ²When ⁵Matarishwan the Breath ⁴borne variously within us ^{1,3}churned him into being, the Lord of Fire ⁹became ⁷the white and ⁸blissful one ⁶in every house. (¹⁰Then indeed) ¹⁹Man was a seer and kindler of the divine Fire and ^{15,16}he dwelt with him like a companion and ^{17,20}sent ¹¹him ^{13,18}on his messages like an envoy ¹⁴to a powerful ¹²king.

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महे यत्पित्र ईं रसं दिवे करव त्सरत्पृशन्यश्चिकित्वान् ।
सृजदस्ता धृषता दिद्युमस्मै स्वायां देवो दुहितिर त्विषिं धात् ॥ ५ ॥
महे<sup>1</sup> यत्<sup>2</sup> पित्रे<sup>3</sup> ईम्<sup>4</sup> रसम्<sup>5</sup> दिवे<sup>6</sup> कः<sup>7</sup> अव<sup>8</sup> त्सरत्<sup>9</sup> पृशन्यः<sup>10</sup> चिकित्वान्<sup>11</sup> ।
सृजत्<sup>12</sup> अस्ता<sup>13</sup> धृषता<sup>14</sup> दिद्युम्<sup>15</sup> अस्मै<sup>16</sup> स्वायाम्<sup>17</sup> देवः<sup>18</sup> दृहितिरि<sup>19</sup> त्विषिम्<sup>20</sup> धात्<sup>21</sup> ॥
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5. ²When ⁷he had made ⁴this ⁵sap of essence ¹for the great ³Father ⁶Heaven, ⁹he came ⁸down, ¹⁰one close in touch, ¹¹one who has knowledge. ¹³The Archer ¹²loosed ¹⁴violently ¹⁶on him ¹⁵his arrow of lightning, but ¹⁸the god ²¹set ²⁰the keen lustre ¹⁷in his own ¹⁹daughter.

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स्व आ यस्तुभ्यं दम आ विभाति नमो वा दाशादुशतो अनु चून् ।
वर्धो अग्ने वयो अस्य द्विबर्हा यासद्राया सरथं यं जुनासि ॥ ६ ॥
स्वे<sup>1</sup> आ<sup>2</sup> यः<sup>3</sup> तुभ्यम्<sup>4</sup> दमे<sup>5</sup> आ<sup>6</sup> वि७भाति<sup>7</sup> नमः<sup>8</sup> वा<sup>9</sup> दाशात्<sup>10</sup> उशतः<sup>11</sup> अनु<sup>12</sup> चून्<sup>13</sup> ।
वर्धः<sup>14</sup> अग्ने<sup>15</sup> वयः<sup>16</sup> अस्य<sup>17</sup> द्वि७बर्हाः<sup>18</sup> यासत्<sup>19</sup> राया<sup>20</sup> स७रथम्<sup>21</sup> यम्<sup>22</sup> जुनासि<sup>23</sup> ॥
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6. ¹⁵O Fire (Agni), ¹⁴increase, ¹⁸twofold in thy mass, ¹⁶the birth into knowledge ¹⁷of everyone ³who ^{2,7}is luminous ⁴to thy flame ¹in thy own ⁵house ⁹or ¹⁰gives ⁴thee ⁸worship ¹¹to thy desire ^{12,13}day by day. ²²Whomsoever ²³thou makest to haste ²¹in one chariot with thee, ¹⁹travels ²⁰with felicity of thy riches.

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अग्निं विश्वा अभि पृक्षः सचन्ते समुद्रं न स्रवतः सप्त यह्वीः ।
न जामिभिर्वि चिकिते वयो नो विदा देवेषु प्रमितं चिकित्वान् ॥ ७ ॥
अग्निम् विश्वाः अभि पृक्षः सचन्ते समुद्रम् न न स्रवतः सप्त यह्वीः ।
न जामिङभिः 12 वि 13 चिकिते 14 वयः 15 नः 16 विदाः 17 देवेषु 18 प्रङमितम् 19 चिकित्वान् 20 ॥
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7. ²All ⁴satisfying things ^{3,5}join themselves ¹to the Fire ⁷as ⁹the seven ¹⁰mighty ⁸rivers ^{3,5}join themselves ⁶to the ocean. ¹⁶Our ¹⁵birth to knowledge ¹¹was not ^{13,14}discovered ¹²by the companion lords of life: ²⁰but thou knowest it; ¹⁷impart ¹⁹thy mind of wisdom ¹⁸to the gods.

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आ यदिषे नृपितं तेज आनट् छुचि रेतो निषिक्तं द्यौरभीके ।
अग्निः शर्धमनवद्यं युवानं स्वाध्यं जनयत्सूदयच्च ॥८॥
आ¹ यत्² इषे³ नृष्पितम्⁴ तेजः⁵ आनट्६ शुचि७ रेतः<sup>8</sup> निष्ठसिक्तम्९ द्यौः¹० अभीके¹¹ ।
अग्निः¹² शर्धम्¹³ अनवद्यम्¹⁴ युवानम्¹⁵ सुष्ठआध्यम्¹६ जनयत्¹७ सूदयत्¹८ च¹९॥
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8. ²When ⁵flaming force ^{1,6}comes ⁴to the King of men ³to give him strength, ²when ¹⁰Heaven ⁹is cast ¹¹before him (in their meeting) ⁷as a pure ⁸seed, ¹²the Fire (Agni) ¹⁷begets ¹⁴faultless, ¹⁶right-thinking, ¹⁵young the gods of life ¹⁹and ¹⁸hastens ¹³their armies.

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मनो न योऽध्वनः सद्य एत्येकः सत्रा सूरो वस्व ईशे ।
राजाना मित्रावरुणा सुपाणी गोषु प्रियममृतं रक्षमाणा ॥ ९ ॥
मनः <sup>1</sup> न<sup>2</sup> यः <sup>3</sup> अध्वनः <sup>4</sup> सद्यः <sup>5</sup> एति <sup>6</sup> एकः <sup>7</sup> सत्रा <sup>8</sup> सूरः <sup>9</sup> वस्वः <sup>10</sup> ईशे <sup>11</sup> ।
राजाना <sup>12</sup> मित्रावरुणा <sup>13</sup> सुपाणी <sup>14</sup> गोषु <sup>15</sup> प्रियम् <sup>16</sup> अमृतम् <sup>17</sup> रक्षमाणा <sup>18</sup> ॥
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9. ³One who ⁶goes ⁵immediately ⁴on the paths and ⁷alone ²like ¹the mind, ⁹the Sun, ⁸ever ¹¹is master ¹⁰of the treasure. ¹²The kings ¹³Mitra and Varuna ¹⁴with their beautiful hands ¹⁸are guarding ¹⁶delight and ¹⁷immortality ¹⁵amid the rays.

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मा नो अग्ने सख्या पित्र्याणि प्र मर्षिष्ठा अभि विदुष्कविः सन् ।
नभो न रूपं जरिमा मिनाति पुरा तस्या अभिशस्तेरधीहि ॥ १० ॥
मा<sup>1</sup> नः<sup>2</sup> अग्ने<sup>3</sup> सख्या<sup>4</sup> पित्र्याणि<sup>5</sup> प्र<sup>6</sup> मर्षिष्ठाः<sup>7</sup> अभि<sup>8</sup> विदुः<sup>9</sup> कविः<sup>10</sup> सन्<sup>11</sup> ।
नभः<sup>12</sup> न<sup>13</sup> रूपम्<sup>14</sup> जरिमा<sup>15</sup> मिनाति<sup>16</sup> पुरा<sup>17</sup> तस्याः<sup>18</sup> अभिऽशस्तेः<sup>19</sup> अधि<sup>20</sup> इहि<sup>21</sup> ॥
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10. ³O Flame (Agni), ^{6,7}violate ¹not ²our ⁵ancestral ⁴comradeship; ¹¹be still ⁸to us ⁹a knower and ¹⁰a seer. ¹⁵Age ¹⁶wastes (dims) ¹⁴the form of man ¹³like ¹²a cloud: ^{20,21}know (arrive or give heed) ¹⁷before ¹⁸that ¹⁹assault on our being.

नि काव्या वेधसः शश्वतस्कर्हस्ते दधानो नर्या पुरूणि । अग्निर्भुवद्रयिपती रयीणां सत्रा चक्राणो अमृतानि विश्वा ॥ १ ॥ नि¹ काव्या² वेधसः³ शश्वतः⁴ कः⁵ हस्ते⁶ दधानः⁷ नर्या⁸ पुरूणि⁹। अग्निः¹⁰ भुवत्¹¹ रयिऽपतिः¹² रयीणाम्¹³ सत्रा¹⁴ चक्राणः¹⁵ अमृतानि¹⁶ विश्वा¹⁷ ॥

1. ⁵He creates ¹within us ²the poet-wisdoms ⁴of the eternal ³Creator and ⁷holds ⁶in his hand ⁹many ⁸strengths of the gods. ¹⁰The Fire (Agni) ¹¹becomes to us ¹²a master ¹³of riches, ¹⁵creating ¹⁴together (for ever) ¹⁷all ¹⁶immortal things.

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अस्मे वत्सं परि षन्तं न विन्दिन्निच्छन्तो विश्वे अमृता अमूराः ।
श्रमयुवः पदव्यो धियंधास्तस्थुः पदे परमे चार्वग्नेः ॥ २ ॥
अस्मे<sup>1</sup> वत्सम्<sup>2</sup> परि<sup>3</sup> सन्तम्<sup>4</sup> न<sup>5</sup> विन्दन्<sup>6</sup> इच्छन्तः<sup>7</sup> विश्वे<sup>8</sup> अमृताः<sup>9</sup> अमूराः<sup>10</sup> ।
श्रमञ्युवः<sup>11</sup> पदञ्ज्यः<sup>12</sup> धियम्<sup>13</sup> धाः<sup>14</sup> तस्थुः<sup>15</sup> पदे<sup>16</sup> परमे<sup>17</sup> चारु<sup>18</sup> अग्नेः<sup>19</sup> ॥
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2. ⁸All the ¹⁰limitlessly wise ⁹immortals ⁷desired and ⁶found (⁷desired but ⁶found ⁵*not* – HMF) ²the Child ¹within us ⁴who is ³everywhere around us. ¹⁴The gods who put ¹³thought in us ¹¹toiling and ¹²travelling in his footing-places ¹⁵stood ¹⁷in the supreme ¹⁶seat and they came to ¹⁸the delightful house (beauty) ¹⁹of the Flame (Agni).

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तिस्रो यदग्ने शरदस्त्वामिच्छुचिं घृतेन शुचयः सपर्यान् ।
नामानि चिद्दिधिरे यज्ञियान्यसूदयन्त तन्वः सुजाताः ॥ ३ ॥
तिस्रः । यत् <sup>2</sup> अग्ने <sup>3</sup> शरदः <sup>4</sup> त्वाम् <sup>5</sup> इत् <sup>6</sup> शुचिम् <sup>7</sup> घृतेन <sup>8</sup> शुचयः <sup>9</sup> सपर्यान् <sup>10</sup> ।
नामानि <sup>11</sup> चित् <sup>12</sup> दिधरे <sup>13</sup> यज्ञियानि <sup>14</sup> असूदयन्त <sup>15</sup> तन्वः <sup>16</sup> सूङजाताः <sup>17</sup> ॥
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3. ²When ¹for three ⁴years ¹⁰they had served (⁶only) ⁵thee, ³O Fire (Agni), ⁸with the clear-offering and ⁹were pure ⁷to thy purity, then ¹³they held ¹⁴the sacrificial ¹¹names, ¹⁵they sped ¹⁶their bodies ¹⁷to perfect birth.

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आ रोदसी बृहती वेविदानाः प्र रुद्रिया जिभ्ररे यज्ञियासः ।
विदन्मर्तो नेमधिता चिकित्वानिग्नं पदे परमे तस्थिवांसम ॥ ४ ॥
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आ¹ रोदसी² बृहती³ वेविदानाः⁴ प्र⁵ रुद्रिया⁶ जिभ्रिरे 7 यज्ञियासः 8 । विदत् 9 मर्तः 10 नेमधिता 12 चिकित्वान् 13 अग्निम् 14 पदे 15 परमे 16 तस्थिङवांसम् 17 ॥

4. ⁸The Masters of sacrifice ^{1,4}discovered ³the vast ²Earth and Heaven and ^{5,7}gathered to man (bore) ⁶the powers of the Violent One, and now ¹⁰the mortal ¹³knows and ⁹discovers ¹²by the founder of the (upper) hemisphere ¹⁴the Flame (Agni) ¹⁷where he stands ¹⁵in the world ¹⁶of his supreme session.

संजानाना उप सीदन्नभिज्ञु पत्नीवन्तो नमस्यं नमस्यन् ।
रिरिक्वांसस्तन्वः कृण्वत स्वाः सख्या सख्युर्निमिषि रक्षमाणाः ॥ ५ ॥
सम्ऽजानानाः उप² सीदन् 3 अभिऽज्ञु 4 पत्नीऽवन्तः 5 नमस्यम् 6 नमस्यन् 7 ।
रिरिक्वांसः 8 तन्वः 9 कृण्वत 10 स्वाः 11 सख्या 12 सख्यः 13 निऽमिषि 14 रक्षमाणाः 15 ॥

5. ⁵The gods and their wives ¹altogether (utterly) knew him and ^{2,3}they came to him ⁴kneeling and ⁷bowed ⁶to the one who must be adored; and ⁸they exceeded (emptied) themselves and ¹⁰made ¹¹their own ⁹divine bodies and ¹²each friend ¹⁵was guarded ¹⁴in the gaze ¹³of his friend.

त्रिः सप्त यद् गुह्यानि त्वे इत्पदाविदन्निहिता यज्ञियासः । तेभी रक्षन्ते अमृतं सजोषाः पशूञ्च स्थातॄञ्चरथं च पाहि ॥ ६ ॥ त्रिः । सप्त² यत्³ गुह्यानि⁴ त्वे⁵ इत्॰ पदा^७ अविदन्⁸ निऽहिता⁹ यज्ञियासः¹० । तेभिः¹¹ रक्षन्ते¹² अमृतम्¹³ सऽजोषाः¹⁴ पशून्¹⁵ च¹॰ स्थातृन्¹⁷ चरथम्¹⁸ च¹⁹ पाहि²० ॥

6. ¹⁰The Masters of sacrifice ⁸found ⁹hidden ⁵in thee ¹the thrice ²seven ⁴secret ⁷seats and ¹⁴with one common will in their hearts ¹²they guard ¹¹by them ¹³the immortality. O Fire, ²⁰keep (protect) ¹⁵the herds ¹⁶and ¹⁷all that stand ¹⁹and ¹⁸all that moves.

विद्वाँ अग्ने वयुनानि क्षितीनां व्यानुषक्छुरुधो जीवसे धाः । अंतर्विद्वाँ अध्वनो देवयानानतन्द्रो दूतो अभवो हिवर्वाट् ॥ ७ ॥ विद्वान् । अग्ने ² वयुनानि ³ क्षितीनाम् ⁴ वि ⁵ आनुषक् ⁶ शुरुधः ⁷ जीवसे ⁸ धाः ⁹ । अन्तः ¹⁰ विद्वान् ¹¹ अध्वनः ¹² देवङयानान् ¹³ अतन्द्रः ¹⁴ दूतः ¹⁵ अभवः ¹⁶ हिवः ङवाट् ¹⁷ ॥ 7. ²O Fire (Agni), ¹thou knowest ³all the revelations of knowledge ⁴of the dwellers upon earth; ^{5,9}hold ⁷their strengths ⁶to uninterrupted continuity ⁸that they may live. And ¹¹thou knowest ¹²the roads ¹⁰between (within), ¹³the paths of the gods, and ¹⁶thou art ¹⁴the sleepless ¹⁵messenger and ¹⁷the bearer of sacrifice.

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स्वाध्यो दिव आ सप्त यहवी रायो दुरो व्यृतज्ञा अजानन् ।
विदद् गव्यम् सरमा दृळ्हमूर्वं येना नु कं मानुषी भोजते विट् ॥८ ॥
सुऽआध्यः विवः आ³ सप्त⁴ यहवीः रायः दुरः वि<sup>8</sup> ऋतऽज्ञाः अजानन् 10 ।
विदत् 11 गव्यम् 12 सरमा 13 दुळ्हम् 14 ऊर्वम् 15 येन 16 नृ 17 कम् 18 मानुषी 19 भोजते 20 विट् 21 ॥
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8. ⁴The seven ¹right-thinking ⁵mighty Rivers ^{3,2}of (from) Heaven ⁹that know the Truth ^{8,10}knew ⁷the doors ⁶of the felicitous treasure: ¹³Sarama ¹¹discovered ¹⁴the strong fortified place, ¹⁵the largeness, ¹²the herded mass of the rays, and ¹⁷now ¹⁹the human ²¹creature ²⁰enjoys (¹⁸bliss) ¹⁶by that wideness of the light.

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आ ये विश्वा स्वपत्यानि तस्थुः कृण्वानासो अमृतत्वाय गातुम् ।
महना महद्भिः पृथिवी वि तस्थे माता पुत्रैरदितिर्धायसे वेः ॥ ९ ॥
आ<sup>1</sup> ये<sup>2</sup> विश्वा<sup>3</sup> सुऽअपत्यानि<sup>4</sup> तस्थुः<sup>5</sup> कृण्वानासः<sup>6</sup> अमृतऽत्वाय<sup>7</sup> गातुम्<sup>8</sup> ।
महना<sup>9</sup> महत्ऽभिः<sup>10</sup> पृथिवी<sup>11</sup> वि<sup>12</sup> तस्थे<sup>13</sup> माता<sup>14</sup> पुत्रैः<sup>15</sup> अदितिः<sup>16</sup> धायसे<sup>17</sup> वेः<sup>18</sup> ॥
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9. ²The great gods (These are they who) ^{1,5}set their steps ³on all things ⁴that have fair issue, ⁶making ⁸our path ⁷to immortality. ¹¹Earth ¹³stood ¹²wide ⁹in her greatness ¹⁰by the great Ones and ¹⁴the Mother ¹⁶Infinite (Aditi) ¹⁸came ¹⁵with her sons ¹⁷to uphold her.

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अधि श्रियं नि दधुश्चारुमस्मिन्दिवो यदक्षी अमृता अकृण्वन् । अध क्षरिन्त सिंधवो न सृष्टाः प्र नीचीरग्ने अरुषीरजानन् ॥ १० ॥ अधि श्रियम् ^2 नि ^3 दधुः ^4 चारुम् ^5 अस्मिन् ^6 दिवः ^7 यत् ^8 अक्षी ^9 अमृताः ^{10} अकृण्वन् ^{11} । अध^{12} क्षरिन्त ^{13} सिन्धवः ^{14} न^{15} सृष्टाः ^{16} प्र^{17} नीचीः ^{18} अग्ने ^{19} अरुषीः ^{20} अजानन् ^{21} ॥
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10. ¹⁰The Immortals ^{1,3,4}set ⁶in him ²splendour and ⁵beauty ⁸when ¹¹they made ⁹the two eyes ⁷of heaven. (¹²Then) ¹⁴The rivers of Truth ¹³are flowing, ¹⁶they have been let loose to their courses; ^{17,18}their downward waters ²⁰shone and ²¹knew, ¹⁹O Fire.

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रियर्न यः पितृवित्तो वयोधाः सुप्रणीतिश्चिकतुषो न शासुः ।
स्योनशीरितथिर्न प्रीणानो होतेव सद्म विधतो वि तारीत् ॥ १ ॥
रियः<sup>1</sup> न<sup>2</sup> यः<sup>3</sup> पितृऽवित्तः<sup>4</sup> वयःऽधाः<sup>5</sup> सुऽप्रनीतिः<sup>6</sup> चिकितुषः<sup>7</sup> न<sup>8</sup> शासुः<sup>9</sup> ।
स्योनऽशीः<sup>10</sup> अतिथिः<sup>11</sup> न<sup>12</sup> प्रीणानः<sup>13</sup> होता<sup>14</sup> इव<sup>15</sup> सद्म<sup>16</sup> विधतः<sup>17</sup> वि<sup>18</sup> तारीत्<sup>19</sup> ॥
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1. A divine Fire (³who) was the ¹treasure ⁴discovered by our fathers: ⁵he sets on us our birth to knowledge and ⁸is as if ⁶the excellent leading ⁹of a wise teacher, and ¹²he is like ¹¹a guest ¹³well pleased ¹⁰lying happy ¹⁶in our house, and ¹⁵he is like ¹⁴a priest ¹⁶come to our house of session and ^{18,19}brings to safety ¹⁷those that do him worship.

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देवो न यः सविता सत्यमन्मा क्रत्वा निपाति वृजनानि विश्वा ।
पुरुप्रशस्तो अमितर्न सत्य आत्मेव शेवो दिधिषाय्यो भूत् ॥ २ ॥
देवः <sup>1</sup> न<sup>2</sup> यः <sup>3</sup> सविता<sup>4</sup> सत्य<sup>5</sup> मन्मा<sup>6</sup> क्रत्वा<sup>7</sup> निञ्जपाति<sup>8</sup> वृजनानि<sup>9</sup> विश्वा<sup>10</sup> ।
पुरु<sup>10</sup> प्रशस्तः <sup>11</sup> अमितः <sup>12</sup> न<sup>13</sup> सत्यः <sup>14</sup> आत्मा <sup>15</sup> इव <sup>16</sup> शेवः <sup>17</sup> दिधिषाय्यः <sup>18</sup> भूत् <sup>19</sup> ॥
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2. ³He (who) is ²like ¹the god ⁴that creates, the Sun; ⁶his thought ⁵is truth and ⁸he guards ¹⁰all ⁹strengths (strong places) ⁷by his will. ¹⁹He is ¹⁴a true ¹²force ¹¹that is expressed ¹⁰by many (or, manifoldly) and ¹⁸is to be pondered on ¹⁶like ¹⁷a blissful ¹⁵self.

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देवो न यः पृथिवीं विश्वधाया उपक्षेति हितमित्रो न राजा ।
पुरःसदः शर्मसदो न वीरा अनवद्या पतिजुष्टेव नारी ॥ ३।।
देवः<sup>1</sup> न<sup>2</sup> यः<sup>3</sup> पृथिवीम्<sup>4</sup> विश्वऽधायाः<sup>5</sup> उपऽक्षेति<sup>6</sup> हित<sup>7</sup> मित्रः<sup>8</sup> न<sup>9</sup> राजा<sup>10</sup> ।
पुरः<sup>11</sup> सदः<sup>12</sup> शर्म<sup>13</sup> सदः<sup>14</sup> न<sup>15</sup> वीराः<sup>16</sup> अनवद्या<sup>17</sup> पतिजुष्टा<sup>18</sup> इव<sup>19</sup> नारी<sup>20</sup> ॥
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3. ³He (who) is ²as if ¹the Godhead ⁵that foundeth all things ⁶lodging ⁴on the wide earth ⁹like ¹⁰a king ⁷with many loving ⁸friends. ¹⁵He is like ¹⁶a band of heroes ¹²marching ¹¹in our front, ¹⁴marching ¹³to the house of bliss. ¹⁹He is like ²⁰a woman ¹⁷faultless and ¹⁸beloved of her lord.

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तं त्वा नरो दम आ नित्यिमद्धमग्ने सचंत क्षितिषु ध्रुवासु । अधि द्युम्नं नि दधुर्भूर्यिस्मन्भवा विश्वायुर्धरुणो रयीणाम् ॥ ४ ॥ तम् । त्वा^2 नरः^3 दमे^4 आ^5 नित्यम्^6 इद्धम्^7 अग्ने^8 सचन्त^9 क्षितिषु ^{10} ध्रुवासु ^{11} । अधि ^{12} द्युम्नम् ^{13} नि ^{14} दधुः ^{15} भूरि ^{16} अस्मिन् ^{17} भव ^{18} विश्व ^{19} आयुः ^{20} धरुणः ^{21} रयीणाम् ^{22} ॥
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4. Therefore ³men ^{5,9}cling ²to thee, ⁸O Fire (Agni), ⁷kindled ⁶eternal ⁴in the house, ¹¹in the abiding ¹⁰worlds of thy habitation; ^{14,15}for they have placed ¹²in ¹⁷thee ¹⁶a great ¹³light. ¹⁸Be ¹⁹our universal ²⁰life; ²¹be the hold ²²of our treasure.

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वि पृक्षो अग्ने मघवानो अश्युर्वि सूरयो ददतो विश्वमायुः ।
सनेम वाजं समिथेष्वर्यो भागं देवेषु श्रवसे दधानाः ॥ ५ ॥
वि<sup>1</sup> पृक्षः<sup>2</sup> अग्ने<sup>3</sup> मघडवानः<sup>4</sup> अश्युः<sup>5</sup> वि<sup>6</sup> सूरयः<sup>7</sup> ददतः<sup>8</sup> विश्वम्<sup>9</sup> आयुः<sup>10</sup> ।
सनेम<sup>11</sup> वाजम्<sup>12</sup> सम्डइथेषु<sup>13</sup> अर्यः<sup>14</sup> भागम्<sup>15</sup> देवेषु<sup>16</sup> श्रवसे<sup>17</sup> दधानाः<sup>18</sup> ॥
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5. ³O Fire (Agni), ^{1,5a}let ⁴the masters of the wealth ^{5b}enjoy ²thy satisfying things and (^{1,5a}let) ⁷the illumined seers, ⁸the givers (^{5b}enjoy) ⁹the universal ¹⁰life. ¹⁴Warriors ¹³in the clashes of the battle, ¹¹let us conquer ¹²plenitude, ¹⁸let us set ¹⁵our portion ¹⁶in the gods ¹⁷for an inspired knowledge.

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ऋतस्य हि धेनवो वावशानाः स्मदूध्नीः पीपयन्त द्युभक्ताः ।
परावतः सुमितं भिक्षमाणा वि सिंधवः समया सस्रुरद्रिम् ॥ ६ ॥
ऋतस्य<sup>1</sup> हि<sup>2</sup> धेनवः³ वावशानाः⁴ स्मत्ऽऊध्नीः⁵ पीपयन्त<sup>6</sup> द्युऽभक्ताः<sup>7</sup> ।
पराऽवतः<sup>8</sup> सुऽमितम्<sup>9</sup> भिक्षमाणाः<sup>10</sup> वि<sup>11</sup> सिन्धवः<sup>12</sup> समया<sup>13</sup> सस्रुः<sup>14</sup> अद्रिम्<sup>15</sup> ॥
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6. ³The cows ¹of the Truth, ³the cows ⁷enjoyed in heaven, ⁶have given us to drink ⁴lowing ⁵with happy udders; ¹²its rivers ^{11,14}have flowed ¹³evenly ¹⁵over the mountain and ^{10a}claim ⁹right thinking ^{10b}as an alms ⁸from the Truth's supreme region.

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त्वे अग्ने सुमितं भिक्षमाणा दिवि श्रवो दिधरे यज्ञियासः । 
नक्ता च चक्रुरुषसा विरूपे कृष्णं च वर्णमरुणं च सं धुः ॥ ७ ॥ 
त्वे^1 अग्ने^2 सुङमितम्^3 भिक्षमाणाः^4 दिवि^5 श्रवः^6 दिधरे^7 यज्ञियाः^8 । 
नक्ता^9 च^{10} चक्रुः^{11} उषसा^{12} विरूपे^{13} कृष्णम्^{14} च^{15} वर्णम्^{16} अरुणम्^{17} च^{18} सम्^{19} धुः^{20} ॥
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7. ²O Fire (Agni), ^{4a}praying ¹in thee ³for right thinking ^{4b}as for an alms from on high, ⁸the masters of sacrifice ⁷set ⁶inspired knowledge ⁵in the heavens: ¹¹they made ⁹night ¹⁰and ¹²day ¹³of two different forms ¹⁵and ²⁰joined ¹⁹together ¹⁴the black ¹⁸and ¹⁷the rosy ¹⁶hue.

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यान्नाये मर्तान्त्सुषूदो अग्ने ते स्याम मघवानो वयं च ।
छायेव विश्वं भुवनं सिसक्ष्यापप्रिवान् रोदसी अन्तरिक्षम् ॥८॥
यान्<sup>1</sup> राये<sup>2</sup> मर्तान्<sup>3</sup> सुसूदः<sup>4</sup> अग्ने<sup>5</sup> ते<sup>6</sup> स्याम<sup>7</sup> मघडवानः<sup>8</sup> वयम्<sup>9</sup> च<sup>10</sup>।
छाया<sup>11</sup> इव<sup>12</sup> विश्वम्<sup>13</sup> भुवनम्<sup>14</sup> सिसक्षि<sup>15</sup> आपप्रिडवान्<sup>16</sup> रोदसी<sup>17</sup> अन्तरिक्षम्<sup>18</sup>॥
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8. (⁵O Agni), ³The mortals ¹whom ⁴thou makest to haste (speedest) ²to felicity, ⁷make us ⁶of them, even ⁹us ¹⁰and ⁸the masters of riches. ¹⁶Fill(ing) ^{17a}earth and ¹⁸(mid-)air and ^{17b}heaven; ¹⁵cling ¹³to the whole ¹⁴world ¹²like ¹¹a shadow.

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अर्वद्भरग्ने अर्वतो नृभिर्नॄन्वीरैर्वीरान्वनुयामा त्वोताः ।
ईशानासः पितृवित्तस्य रायो वि सूरयः शतिहमा नो अश्युः ॥ ९ ॥
अर्वत्ङभिः¹ अग्ने² अर्वतः³ नृङभिः⁴ नॄन्⁵ वीरैः⁰ वीरान्<sup>7</sup> वनुयाम<sup>8</sup> त्वा<sup>9</sup> ऊताः¹० ।
ईशानासः¹¹ पितृवित्तस्य¹² रायः¹³ वि¹⁴ सूरयः¹⁵ शतङिहमाः¹७ नः¹<sup>7</sup> अश्युः¹8 ॥
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9. ²O Fire (Agni), ^{9,10}give us thy protection (or, ¹⁰safe-guarded ⁹by you); ⁸may we vanquish ³their war-horses ¹by our war-horses, ⁵their strong men ⁴by our strong men, ⁷their heroes ⁶by our heroes: ^{11a}may ¹⁵the seers ^{11b}have the mastery (or, become masters) ¹³of the riches ¹²discovered by our fathers and ^{14,18}may they enjoy them ¹⁶living a hundred winters.

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एता ते अग्न उचथानि वेधो जुष्टानि संतु मनसे हृदे च । शकेम रायः सुधुरो यमं तेऽिध श्रवो देवभक्तं दधानाः ॥ १० ॥ एता^1 ते^2 अग्ने^3 उचथानि^4 वेधः^5 जुष्टानि^6 सन्तु^7 मनसे^8 हृदे^9 च^{10} । शकेम^{11} रायः^{12} सुऽधुरः^{13} यमम्^{14} ते^{15} अधि^{16} श्रवः^{17} देव^{18} भक्तम्^{19} दधानाः^{20} ॥
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10. ⁵O creator, ³O Fire (Agni), ^{7a}may ¹these ⁴words ^{7b}be ⁶pleasant ²to thy ⁸mind ¹⁰and ²to thy ⁹heart. ¹³Let our yoke be firm and ¹¹(let) our strength ¹⁴control the reins ¹⁵of thy ¹²opulence; ²⁰let us hold ¹⁷the inspired knowledge ¹⁹that is enjoyed (or, distributed) ¹⁸by the gods.