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కిం జ్యోతిస్తవభానుమానహని మే రాత్రౌ ప్రదీపాదికం
స్యాదేవం రవిదీపదర్శనవిధౌ కిం జ్యోతిరాఖ్యాహి మే ।
చక్షుస్తస్య నిమీలనాదిసమయే కిం ధీర్ధియో దర్శనే
కిం తత్రాహమతో భవాన్పరమకం జ్యోతిస్తదస్మి ప్రభో ॥

ఇతి శ్రీమత్పరమహంసపరివ్రాజకాచార్యస్య
శ్రీగోవిందభగవత్పూజ్యపాదశిష్యస్య
శ్రీమచ్ఛర్మకైరభగవతః కృతౌ ఏకశ్లోకీ సమూర్ధ్నా ॥

Is it your light that shines in the day as the sun and as the bright lamp in the night? Let it be. Which light shines when i close my eyes? (in mental vision) Which light illumines in my intelctual perception? You are that supreme light that illumines the awareness of 'aham' and I am that light. In short 'that thou art' or 'ahambrahmasmi.'


I am that by the light of which the world is illumined in the day and the night also by the lamp, beause the Brahman is the source of all light, agni or surya. He is the light through which the indriyas function . When the eyes are closed, there is no perception, the eyes implying perception through all indriyas, then the mind functions with the help of the intellect , which in its turn functions by the light of the atman, which is beyond body, mind and intellect and that am I, the supreme reality, Brahman.

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