

disciple so that he will not fall into error. Pride will create obstacles in the path to wisdom and will mar the work.

It is important, then, that we purify our lower nature.

Purification of our lower mind will allow the divine intuitions of our higher minds, our true self, to manifest in a gentle, harmonious mind, which cannot be distorted by values that are tainted by partial philosophies or prejudices. The aim of both the eye and heart doctrines should be to transform the animal man into human man and the human man into a divine beacon of light. Man is a potential god on a pilgrimage to become an active divine potency in life. This is what all the Great Teachers of humanity have taught and embodied. These encouraging exemplars have followed the path of renunciation. They live to help mankind that is now struggling through the valley of sin and sorrow. The seeker of Wisdom should remember that commitment and engagement in service to others is the first step in the pilgrimage. The instruction in *The Voice of the Silence* is clear:

*If thou art taught that sin is born of action and bliss of absolute inaction, then tell them that they err.*

*Non-permanence of human action; deliverance of mind from thralldom by the cessation of sin and faults, are not for "Deva Egos." Thus saith the "Doctrine of the Heart."*

