

# I Love Knowledge!

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**Joseph:** Dearest James, it clicked this morning that what I am really in love with is Vedanta, self-knowledge. Every time I attend *satsangs* in your physical presence my mind becomes more *sattvic*, clear, attentive and the assimilation of the body of knowledge called Vedanta increases. It fascinates me to listen to you; it is better than any sublime music or experiential ecstasy and bliss.

To listen to your readings of Dayananda the other day in *satsang* was pure joy, pure ecstasy. Nothing compares to knowledge! Squeezing knowledge out of your words is what I love the most.

It is not that I need to listen to you in order to know that I am awareness... the confidence in that knowledge is firm. But I just love the knowledge more than anything else in life. The wisdom contained in the scriptures you so well disclose is the most joyful experience available, the best game in town. It is fascinating!

I am sorry, James, but I am not that much in love with you anymore. It appeared so only because I had superimposed the love I have for knowledge on you, the teacher.

However, James' body is but an old meat tube, his personality, the one of the Montana guy who likes fishing, Vedanta and burritos... but what in reality is the nature of the Vedanta teacher called James, the one I appear to appreciate and love so much? His nature is knowledge! 😊

**James:** It breaks my heart to hear that you don't love me anymore, this Joseph. Where is my potassium cyanide?

You need to thank *Isvara* for that; it would have definitely been unrequited love insofar as I am in love with my wife, and even if I weren't you would have to get into a long queue of others who seem to think that they are in love with James.

As your spiritual advisor I appreciate the logic that has convinced you that James is knowledge so I suggest that you climb in bed with knowledge. It is always present and eager to be loved.

~ As always, I am your own Self