Chap II-1 Cosmic Determinates

1. Book2: Evolution of Knowledge in the Ignorance 295

- A. Book 1 covers the Omnipresent Reality and the Universe
 - Conclusion: A Consciousness Force everywhere inherent in existence acting even when concealed is the creator of the universe
 - This is the occult secret of Nature
- B. Book 2 explains how the Infinite consciousness became the Ignorance and how it evolves back to knowledge through Spiritual Evolution.
- C. This first chapter examines various explanations for what determines reality in the world of ignorance we live in
 - Why are things the way they are?
 - Why do things happen the way they do?
 - What are the determinates of reality?

2. Theories of Creation

A. Answers

- Chance? luck?
- Law of Nature or Karma?
- Human Choice? Free will?
- God's will? Grace?
- B. Cause of World Creation is a Mystery
 - To our ordinary mental vision, the origin of the universe seems to be a suprarational mystery – a paradox
 - Out of it came the universe -- a 'boundless finite' which seems to go on forever in all directions of space with an infinite past and future in time
 - In this empty universe so many different things with different qualities appear
 - Immutable sameness as base for unaccountable variation on the surface

C. Science

- We call the Energy that created these things Nature
- Science sees Energy as the Determinate
- Science -formulas of a cosmic magician
- They describe the practical processes of Nature
- But not the intrinsic why and how

- D. First possible explanation Self-organizing dynamic Chance
 - How then to explain the iron insistence of order and law in the universe?
 - How to explain Mind of order which is so different than Energy of Chance?
- E. Second explanation Mechanical Necessity
 - Clockwork perfection of the universe as a Machine
 - Source of mechanical laws of Nature
 - Law explains uniformity
 - How to account for the unaccountable variation of multiplicity?
 - How to explain emergence of Consciousness of the Inconscient?
 - Consciousness has no place in a world of mechanical necessity?
- F. Third hypothesis -- Extracosmic Divinity
 - Consciousness is the Creator
 - Omnipotent and omniscient Mind and Will organized the universe
 - Divinity is veiled by screen of inconscient Energy & is Extracosmic
 - All we see is the thoughts of an extracosmic Divinity
 - Explains the mathematical law, beauty, artistry of the universe
 - Explains the works of Intelligence, law, design, formula, adaptation of means to ends, invention and emergence of Mind
 - One difficulty arbitrary nature, incomprehensive purpose, meaninglessness, unnecessary
 - Undivine elements -- ignorance, strife, suffering, evil

3. Sri Aurobindo's Answer – Immanent Creator is the Source of All Determinations

- A. Infinite casts infinite possibilities into form of an evolutionary cosmic order
- B. Secret involved Consciousness, cosmic, infinite acts from behind the material Energy as its frontal appearance
- C. Every finite contains or has behind it an concealed Infinite
- D. Its purpose is an evolutionary manifestation a creation out of itself
- E. Creation is a manifestation in disguise of truths and powers of the Infinite being
- F. Those truths and powers are the real cosmic determinates not chance or necessity or divine whim
- G. Forms or vehicles of these truths and powers are the general determinates of Nature

4. Solution to the Paradox

- A. Free variation natural to an infinite Consciousness explains the inconscient Chance
- B. It is inconscient only in appearance because it is involved in Matter
- C. Mechanical Necessity arises from truths and powers imperatively acting
- D. Explains the mathematical architecture of design, arrangement of number, adaption of means to ends, invention
- E. Emergence of Consciousness out of apparent Inconscience is also explained.

5. The Process

- A. All unexplained processes of Nature would be explained
- **B.** How does Energy become Matter?
- C. Energy is inherent in Consciousness-Force
- D. Spiritual substance is a manifestation of secret spiritual Existence
- E. Spiritual substance is not perceptible to material sense as Matter

6. Quantity and Quality

- A. Existence manifests Force
- **B.** Force manifests Energy
- C. Substance is inherent in Energy
- D. Design, quantity and number are powers of existence-substance
- E. Quality and property are powers of consciousness-force which resides in the existence
- F. How does the Tree emerge from the Seed?
 - The Real-Idea dwells in the energy-substance of the seed
- G. How are psychological characteristics inherited?
 - Similarly the gene/chromosome carries psychological elements in the human seed
- H. Objectivity of Matter and subjectivity of experience follow same process
 - Both result from evolution of a subtle form and power
- I. This also explains the relationship between Mind and Body
 - Body influences the mind's psychological actions
 - Body is occultly conscious
 - Mind influences Body opposite order of process

- Minor truth that Body determines Mind
- Major Truth is mind determines body
- Still deeper Truth a veiled spiritual entity ensouling substance is the original determinant of body and mind

7. American Civil War

A. Example

- Does this theory apply in the real world?
- It provides the ultimate explanation for everything that happens
- Let us take an example

B. Issue

- 151 years ago war was waged that would determine the future of the world we live in today.
- Yet at the time most of the world regarded it as a minor issue of domestic dispute of temporary significance
- It was the American Civil War
- Movement of secession occurred when Congress banned extension of slavery into new territories of the Western part of the continent.
- 11 southern states seceded and four more threatened to follow suit over the proposition to abolish slavery
- Americans fought one another for the first and last time in their history to determine two issues
 - Whether the country would remain united
 - o Whether slavery of black Africans would be abolished throughout the USA
- In 1862 the Civil War nearly destroyed the unity of the country.
- At risk was the very survival of the United States of America
- Five long years of civil war between fellow countrymen
- The most destructive war ever fought till then
- The first modern war with modern industrial weaponry

C. Determinates

- What made it happen?
- What determined the outcome?

D. Answers

- Political strategists say the outcome was INEVITABLE NECESSITY
 - **o** The stronger party won

- North had more men, more weapons, more money
- Yet the outcome seemed far from inevitable
 - South had the seasoned military leaders and spirited soldiers fighting on and for their own land
 - South dominated the fighting for the first 2 years
 - North had only 16,000 soldiers when war began
 - Northern generals were incompetent, inexperienced and competing with one another
 - Their leader, McClelland, wanted peace without victory so he could become president of a reunited USA and exhibited extreme indecisiveness
 - o European powers came close to recognizing the Confederacy & arming it
 - Border states could easily have changed sides and decided the issue
- CHANCE? The three cigars found at Antietam suggest the outcome
- GOD? Lincoln prayed to God for a sign and got it at Antietam

8. Spiritual determinates of Civil War

A. Role of the Individual

- In another sense the real determinate was Abraham Lincoln
 - o Raised in poverty in the wilderness
 - Self-educated
 - He embodied the values of freedom, justice, fairness, honesty and goodwill for all
- He had the wisdom to embrace his political enemies and include them in his cabinet
- He had the humility never to resent or seek revenge against those who criticized, opposed or harmed him
- He had the PATIENCE of a yogi to endure and wait
- Most of all he identified himself with the will of the people the subconscious social aspirations of Americans
- He exemplifies the role of the individual in social and spiritual evolution
 - The conscious peak of society that embraces higher values and gives expression to subconscious aspirations.
- He did not seek to impose his will
- He sought to know the Will of God
- He waited until he senses the country was ready and then he acted to abolish slavery
- He acted and the country followed
- He resorted to the principle of contradictions are complements.

 He succeeded because he gave expression to the underlying spiritual determinates that were seeking to express in American Society

B. Spiritual Determinates were freedom and unity

- Freedom in unity is the basis of true individuality
- Freedom and Unity are the twin values on which USA has risen to greatness
- Freedom and Unity were the reasons the Civil War was fought
- These are spiritual values aspects or powers of Infinite Existence
- The original colonists and later immigrants were drawn to America by the promise of freedom – political, religious, economic, social and intellectual
- They had little else in common or to bind them together
- Freedom alone kept America united and made it great
 - On visiting American in 1832 Alexis De Tocqueville was astounded by the atmosphere of freedom
 - A century later his countryman Charles de Gaulle commented walking the streets of NYC that he could feel the freedom.
- Freedom is the source of the country's astonishing energy and continued dynamism

C. Strength of America founded on Unity

- The Unity of the USA is founded and based on that freedom
- The strength of America and its rise to world leadership is based on the unity
- a vast territory larger than Western Europe, nearly three times the size of India,
- a vast population 3/4th as large as the combined population of the 28 countries of the EU.
- Freedom and Unity are the foundations on which America has rise

D. Determinate of Civil War

- In retrospect it appears it was not military strength or political power that won the war.
- IT WAS THE COMBINED POWER OF FREEDOM AND UNITY
- The South wanted freedom for themselves, not for the slaves
- The South wanted unity for the sake of oppressing others, not for liberty
- Abolition of slavery was an essential movement of social evolution
 - Most European countries and most Northern states had already outlawed slavery
 - Even people in slave owning border states recognized it was inevitable

- Freedom and Unity are the essential foundations for the development of every nation today
- Freedom and Unity are the essential basis for the evolution of the global community today

E. Spiritual Freedom

- What is freedom? Why is it so powerful?
- Freedom makes harmony natural.
- Mutual interest in harmony results in Unity.
- Freedom is to think freely unfettered by dogma.
- To act without a thought of possible limitation is freedom in action.
- One who feels uninhibited and enjoys that feeling, acts in utter freedom.
- Freedom is to be free to expand in space and express in words.
- Freedom in the soul is the Presence of God there.
- Freedom of Brahman, He says, is capable of losing itself, inviting fetters.
- Freedom of one's body is its immortality.
- Mind enjoys freedom and gives it full expression in Knowledge that is light.
- The law that matures as Freedom feels it as its final form and knows it is its consummation.
- FREEDOM IS THE FINAL LAW AND LAST CONSUMMATION.

F. Unity

- Freedom is unity and the sensation of Unity loves to express itself in the Freedom of humanity.
- INTENSIVE UNITY is the Nature of Brahman
- Sri Aurobindo says that Nature has attempted in India that higher unity seen as territorial integrity so that the spirit that has grown to great heights can evolve further expressing in the lower faculties of Mind and Life.

9. Limitations of Mind

- A. How can we discover the determinates and know them in our own lives?
- B. In Life, consciousness is still submental
- C. Mind cannot know this reality?
 - Reality is concealed by a thick veil of original Inconscience
 - Mind divides and aggregates
 - Mind emerges in the physical and limits to the external

- Mind relies on sense data it mistakes sense data for reality
 - What is the sound of falling tree?
- Mind is too involved in its actions, preoccupied with physical needs, impulses, desires, emotions, sensations
- Mind is involved in the whirl of its own thoughts
- It's very reasonings are determined by the conditions of its temperament, mental turn, past formation and line of energy, preference
- FOR MIND TO KNOW THE REALITY
 - **Would be like Darcy discovering he is a character creation of Jane Austen**
 - Mind would have to discover the secret Consciousness of which it is an expression

Transcending Mental Consciousness

D. Quieting Mind

- Quieting the mind makes possible self-observation
- Mental energy throws it into forms of determinations of itself thoughts, concepts, sentiments, will, feeling
- Mind is subtle substance
- When the energy is quiet, the substance falls into immobile silence or selfexistent peace

E. Thoughts come from outside, behind and above

- Currents of mental energy come from outside
- Determinations of mind are not all from itself
- They take form in our minds or appear already formed in universal Mind or other minds
- They appear as our own thinking
- An occult subliminal mind in us is another source
- Also though descends from higher planes of mind

F. Discovery of the Mental Being

- We discover a mental being supports mind substance and energy
- They could not exist without its sanction
- Purusha first appears as silent passive witness
- It appears that Nature, Prakriti, is imposing its mental experience (determinations) on the Purusha
- Purusha can become source of reactions, accept, reject, rule and regulate, command the movements of mental substance

- Mental energy is consciousness-force of the being
- All mind determinations arise from the being of Purusha
- G. Impact of Universal Mind complicates
 - Our personal mind appears as a formation of universal Mind
 - Mind is engine for reception, modification, propagation of thought-waves, sense-suggestions, will-suggestions, feelings, form-suggestions
 - What we receive depends on the predisposition, propensities and temperament of our personal mind
 - Our minds reflect what the personal Prakriti of the Purusha accepts

Mind cannot see the complete process

- H. Mind sees only possibilities determine themselves into actualities
 - When she calls Darcy last man, he believes it
 - Eliza thinks Lydia is lost forever
 - When Darcy leaves Lambton Inn, she believes she will never see him again
- I. Mind is observer of actuals, inventor or discoverer of possibilities, not a seer of occult imperatives
 - No one in the story is conscious of the spiritual determinates that determine its outcome.
 - Perhaps Iane Austen herself is not conscious
- J. Mind does not see predetermining truth, imperative, behind which decides the actualities
 - Lady Catherine fails to see power of Eliza's fine eyes
 - She fails to understand the power of the French Revolution
- K. Front of universal existence reveals only forces determining results by some balance of their powers
 - Darcy tells Bingley he cannot marry Jane, then is forced to reverse
 - Darcy rejects Wickham as a brother-in-law and then is compelled to accept him
 - Mr. Bennet does not believe any harm can come to Lydia in Brighton
 - Lizzy says Wickham can never be persuaded Lydia has no money or brothers
- L. Original Determinant is veiled in Mind
- M. These complexities leave the question unanswered
 - Need to enter cosmic state of being and consciousness more aware of the totality and integral principle

To answer, rise to Overmind

10. Overmind

- A. Overmind is beyond individual mind and universal mind in the Ignorance
 - First direct cognition of cosmic truth
- B. Transcend determines Individual and Cosmos
 - Here it becomes evident that individual and cosmos come from a transcendent Reality which takes form in them
 - Individual mind and life are partial self-expressions of cosmic Being
 - Individual and Cosmos are self-expressions of transcendent Reality
 - Conditional, half-veiled expressions
- C. Individual has a determining role
 - What expresses is also determined by the individual himself
 - Individual M, L, B only express what his nature can receive, assimilate, formulate of cosmic being and transcendent Reality
 - Only a portion of what derives from Reality and expressed in the cosmos takes form in him

Three views of Creation – 3 possibilities in Overmind

- D. Original question not solved by overmind knowledge
- E. Is thought, world experience and perception of mind Purusha a true selfexpression, self-determination from some truth of his own spiritual being?
- F. Or is it a creation or construction presented to him by Nature, Prakriti and individualized in him?
- G. Or a play of cosmic imagination, fantasia of the Infinite imposed on blank indeterminable existence?

H. P&P

- Was the arrival at Meryton of Bingley, Darcy, Wickham and Collins simply a matter of chance?
- Was Darcy's meeting with Eliza at Pemberley just romantic wishful thinking?
- Is P&P pure fantasy, imagination?
- Is it a play of Austen's creative imagination unrelated to her real Self?
- Is the story a true expression of the inner truth of Austen's Self?
- Is Lizzy really an expression of Austen's cheerfulness, courage and individuality?

- Does Mrs. Bennet's aspiration really have the power to attract 4 suitors and bring about three marriages?
- Is Mr. Bennet's honor an expression of a real value of English society?
- Is Darcy's love wishful thinking or a true expression of human love?
- Are Jane's goodness and Eliza's goodwill real qualities acting and bringing results or just literary imagination?
- I. Overmind views them as equal possibilities
 - Mind is incapable of deciding
 - Each view is armed with its own mental logic, intuitive appeal and experience
- J. Overmind adds to the complexity
 - Allows each possibility to formulate and express its right to existence
- **K.** Unanswered Questions
 - What is the real relationship between Brahman and the real world?
 - How can we explain the Divine Governance of the Universe?

Overmind Affirms Nirguna and Saguna

- L. Dichotomy remains in Overmind between silent, featureless, self and dynamic creative consciousness force which forms the universe
 - These apparent contradictions appear as complementaries
 - They sublimate into Saguna and Nirguna Brahman

M. Nirguna

- an impersonal Brahman without qualities
- The supreme Absolute is the farthest self-experience of Nirguna freed from relations and determinates

N. Saguna

- a Brahman of infinite qualities, a Reality which is the source, container
- Leading to the experience of the divine Absolute, a personal supreme and omnipresent Godhead transcendent, universal, Master of all relations and determination
- "it can uphold a million universes and pervade each with a single ray of its self-light.."
- O. Overmind affirms both Saguna & Nirguna as truths of the Eternal
 - They appear to mind as mutually exclusive alternatives
 - Overmind admits both as supreme aspects of one Reality

- A still greater Transcendence originates and upholds them both
- P. What is this indeterminable Mystery?
 - Overmind can know its fundamental negatives and positives
 - But it remains unknowable
- Q. Overmind gives no final positive solution

11. Supermind gives the solution

- A. Supramental Truth-Consciousness is at once SELF-AWARENESS of the Infinite and Eternal and also POWER OF SELF-DETERMINATION
- B. Conscious power manifests in Time-eternity what the timeless eternity of self-awareness sees in itself as truth of being.
- C. Absolute is an Infinite of Power containing in itself an eternal repose and quiescence
- D. All creation is of itself out of itself
- E. Infinite Power must have endless powers of its being and energy
- F. Infinite Consciousness must hold within it endless truths of its own selfawareness
- G. Creation is a self-manifestation
- H. Creation is an ordered deploying of the infinite possibilities of the Infinite
 - Every possibility implies a truth, a reality behind it
- I. Each fundamental reality of the Existent would appear as a fundamental spiritual aspect of the Divine Absolute

12. The Spiritual determinates of the Absolute

- A. Spiritual experience of the Absolute is an infinite & eternal Existence, Consciousness & Delight of Existence
- B. In Overmind, we can separate the three aspects and experience them separately
- C. In Supermind, the three are always inseparable Trinity
 - Even though one may stand in front
 - The three together are original to the triune Absolute

13. Fundamental Determinates of Divine Delight

- Love, Joy, Beauty
- The very stuff of delight

 Truths of the Absolute, powers of its consciousness, not imposed on it from outside

14. Fundamental Determinates of absolute Consciousness

Knowledge and will are truths and powers of it

15. Fundamental Determinates of absolute Existence

Self, Divine, Conscious Being – Atman, Ishwara, Purusha,

16. One becomes Three

- A. Each aspect or power becomes by its first act a TRINITY or triad
 - Knower, known, knowledge
 - Lover, Beloved, Love
 - Lord of Will, object of Will, executive Force
 - Enjoyer, Enjoyed, Delight
 - Self as subject, Self as object, Self-awareness holding together Self as subjectobject

B. These are among the fundamental spiritual determinations of the Infinite

- All others are determinates of the fundamental determinates
- Significant relations, powers, forms of being, consciousness, force, delight
- Energies, conditions, lines of truth process of the Consciousness-Force, imperatives, possibilities, actualities of its manifestation.
- C. Supermind cognition holds them all together in an intimate oneness
 - It maintains the harmony of the Truths they manifest

D. Mind of Ignorance

- In Mind they appear as imagination, arbitrary creation, division, fragmentation, irreconcilable opposition or disparateness.
- Limited consciousness sees everything as if separate objects and existences

E. Soul seeks beyond the ignorance

- Soul seeks for the Reality, Truth, Consciousness, Power, Delight by which they exist - that of which all else are only parts, aspects, expressions
- Mind has to awaken to this true seeking and knowledge which are veiled

F. Self-manifestation

 This limitation of consciousness and awakening to integrality of consciousness is a process of self-manifestation

- They are a self-determination of Spirit
- Even in the Ignorance, things of limited consciousness have a divine significance
- They bring out a truth or possibility of the Infinite.
- This is what Supramental cognition would see the one Truth everywhere and know the significance of the universe

17. Fundamental affirming positives

- A. Source of all determinations and can be all things
- B. Self that becomes all things
- C. Saguna Brahman
- D. Eternal with infinite qualities
- E. One who is the Many
- F. Infinite Person source of all persons and personalities
- G. Lord of Creation, the Word, Master of all works, action
- H. That which being known, all is known

18. The Absolute is Indeterminable

- A. What does it mean to say that the Absolute is indeterminable?
- B. Does it mean Absolute is incapable of determining anything?
- C. Absolute is indeterminable, but capable of all determinations
- D. The Power that creates the universe must proceed from the Absolute, since that is the sole reality
- E. If the world is a real creation of this Power of Maya, it must be determined by and made of the Absolute
 - It cannot be made of Nothing or Non-existence
 - Otherwise it would mean another dualism
- F. Reality cannot be a rigid Indeterminable
 - All creation must be from it and in it
 - What it creates must be real
- G. Absolute is indeterminable
 - In the sense that it cannot be limited by any determination or sum of them
 - Not in the sense that it is incapable of self-determination

19. Indeterminability

- A. Indeterminability is also a necessary element of our conception of the Absolute
- B. Absolute is not limitable or definable by any sum of determinations
 - It is also not bound down to indeterminable vacancy of pure existence
- C. The negative positives are also fundamental spiritual determinates or indeterminates
- D. The negatives carry in themselves the Infinite's freedom from determination
- E. This freedom enables Consciousness to create a world of determinations without being bound by it
 - Also enables it to withdraw from what it has created and create a higher truthformula
- F. Freedom is the basis for spirit's power of infinite variation
 - It also enables it to create every form of Necessity or order without being bound to its workings

20. Fundamental negative positives

- A. Its Indeterminability is the necessary condition of its infinite of being and power
- B. It translates in our consciousness as the fundamental negative positives of spiritual experience
- C. Immobile immutable Self
- D. Nirguna Brahman
- E. Eternal without qualities
- F. Pure featureless One
- G. The Impersonal,
- H. Silence void of activities
- I. Non-being, ineffable, Unknowable

21. Separate Cognition have their validity

- A. In Supermind these two sides are inseparable
 - They co-exist as one-existence and sustain one another
 - They found the self-manifestation of the Infinite
 - But the separate experience also has its role
- **B.** Silent Self
 - The individual can participate in this dynamic liberty

- It can pass from one order of self-formulation to a higher order
 - 。 Eliza and Darcy do it
- A nirvana of mental ego is helpful, almost indispensable experience in the move from mind and to Supermind
- Realization of the pure Self is needed for a clear vision of the world stair and possession of the free power of ascent and descent

C. Identification with each primal aspect and power

- Infinite Consciousness has the power for independent identification with each
- Not a narrowing to mind's sole engrossing experience which is incompatible with integral truth
- This is necessary to carry each aspect, power to its independent fullness.
- Each state is given its whole delight of itself, power, value

D. Supermind retains realization of the Unity of all

- Intimate presence of unity is there even within completest grasp of each state
- When truth of the negative is accepted, affirmative aspects remain in sight

22. All aspects of the omnipresent Reality have their fundamental truth in the Supreme Existence

A. Superconscient

- State of cosmic or infinite trance-sleep on heights of Spirit
- Appears as a luminous Superconscience

B. Inconscient

- At the other end, even the power of Inconscience
- It seems an opposite or negation of Reality
- It corresponds to a Truth of the Infinite
- It is the Infinite's power of plunging into trance of self-involution,
- Self-oblivion of the Spirit veiled in its own abysses
- Nothing is manifest, but all can emerge from latency
- Spirit's potency of presenting to itself the opposites of its own truths of being
- An abyss of non-existence, Night of Inconscience, insensibility

C. Ignorance

- All forms of being, consciousness, delight manifest from this Inconscient
- They appear in limited forms slowly emerging
- The play of a secret all-being, knowledge, delight

- It observes the rules of its own self-oblivion and self-limitation
- Not a denial but one term or formula of the infinite and eternal Existence

23. Place of Ignorance in the spiritual economy of universe

- A. If universe were unreal creation in the absolute
 - Or if creation were an arbitrary self-effective cosmic construction
 - Then cosmic and individual existence would be an Ignorance
 - Real Knowledge would only be self-awareness of the Absolute
- B. But if all is manifestation of the Reality
 - Awareness of individual being and world being must be a play of infinite selfknowledge and all-knowledge
 - Ignorance is only a subordinate movement
 - A partial imperfect evolving knowledge
 - It would conceal a true self-awareness and all-awareness
- C. Ignorance is a temporary phenomenon
 - Not the cause and essence of cosmic existence
- D. Its inevitable consummation
 - Return to spirit in integral self-knowledge & all-knowledge within the cosmos
 - Not an escape out of cosmos to a sole supracosmic self-awareness

24. Supermind is power of Sachchidananda

- A. Some may argue that Supermind is not the final truth of things
 - Final truth is Sachchidananda (SCA)
 - In highest planes of manifest Spirit, they say there would only be Oneness and no existence based on multiplicity
- B. Supramental Truth-Consciousness is not absent from those planes
 - It is inherent power of SCA
 - Here determinations would not be demarcations
 - They would be plastic, interfused, each a <u>boundless finite</u>
 - There all are in each and each are in all integrally
 - There would be awareness by identity, mutual inclusion and interpenetration of consciousness
- C. Still relations of consciousness, delight, self-power would still be present
 - Highest spiritual planes are not a field of blank indeterminability or vacancy

25. Beyond SCA

- A. Some argue the determinations of SCA itself would cease in the Absolute
- B. But these must be inherent truths of the supreme being
- C. They pre-exist in the Absolute, even if ineffable to spiritual mind
- D. Absolute is not a mystery of infinite blankness or sum of negations
- E. Nothing can manifest that is not justified by some self-power of the original and omnipresent Reality.

26. Cosmic Determinates in P&P

- A. What does this chapter tell us about the outcome of the story?
- B. It shows that the Cosmic Determinates are ever-active and powerful even in the evolution of the Ignorance.

C. High Achievement

- Darcy gives up his sense of egoistic separateness. He identifies with all in Unity. His LOVE of Elizabeth is purified and fulfilled
- Elizabeth's sincerity, goodwill, cheerfulness, courage and individuality and spiritual in essence
- Charlotte's goodwill
- Jane's goodness of character which is inner Beauty accomplishes
- Mr. Bennet's freedom attracts Grace to bless his family
- Mr. Bennet's sense of honor is based on spiritual truthfulness
- Bingley's patient humility is rewarded
- The Gardiner's culture is reflective of spiritual refinement

D. Failure

- Mrs. Bennet's selfish assertion is defeated
- Wickham's falsehood is exposed
- Caroline's jealousy and meanness (opposite of goodwill) fails
- Lady Catherine's assertive self-importance

E. The power of Spiritual Values is not altogether a myth

- Each time we affirm a spiritual value in our lives, we align ourselves with the spiritual evolution of the universe, with Mother's work and His Will
- Defying gravity, we flow upward in the evolutionary ascent from Ignorance to Knowledge, from pain to Delight, from humanity to Divinity.