## <u>The Science of Upanishads – Part 36: Which of The Three Margas or Yogas (Jnana, Karma or Bhakti) Is The Best One to Achieve Moksha?</u>

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The short answer is that there is no such thing as the best or the worst Marga or Yoga! They are all equal in importance. None of the three is totally exclusive of the other two. They are part of the whole, and can never be totally separated from each other. Virtually all individuals have a predisposition toward one or the other, and it is important to recognize which of the three Margas (Paths) is in most alignment with one's own pre-disposition and choose that path, while the other two will automatically follow. Bhai Aravind Balasubramanya (see reference quoted below for additional reading) makes this very clear with a three-wheeler analogy. Consider for example three Rikshas, one with the tour name Jnana Marga, the second with the tour name Karma Marga, and the third with the tour name Bkakti Marga:



The three wheels in each of the Rikshas are of equal size and shape, but the front wheel, where the driver's seat is attached and from which the driver operates the Riksha in order to pull it forward, differs from one Riksha to the other. So, how fast the driver reaches his destination depends solely on the talent and predisposition of the driver to operate a particular Riksha whether with Jnana, Karma, or Bhakti as the front wheel. No matter which front wheel the driver chooses, he cannot totally ignore the other two as they will automatically follow the front wheel.

Though there are three different paths for attaining the Moksha, no single path is a totally closed room distinct from the other two. All three paths contain the same principles and aim at developing the same qualities and characteristics, and lead one to the same final destination. They only differ in practical implementation highlighting different principles that suit different spiritual practitioners of varied talents, aptitudes, and temperaments.

Read Here for More on Equality and Overlap of Three Margas or Yogas (Jnana, Karma or Bhakti) to Achieve Moksha