## Some Sayings of Swami Aseshananda (From Devotees)

- "You *must* transcend the ego."
- "All troubles cease when the ego dies."
- "What you put in your mouth is nothing compared to what you put in your mind."
- "Mind your own business."
- "People would rather die than think."
- "Today's imagination is tomorrow's realization."
- "This [the Vedanta Society] is not a social club."
- "Don't see fault in others," quoted from Holy Mother's sayings.
- "Pray and leave it up to the Divine Mother."
- "If you don't take care of the body, the body won't take care of you."
- "Don't beat the horse from which you cannot dismount," referring to taking care of your body. "It is your chariot."
- Regarding reincarnation: "If you don't make it this time, better luck the next time."
- "Do or die, but you'll never die."
- "What you learn in pain you teach in song."
- "Death is an auspicious time because it determines the future of man."
- "When we face our aversions, we will free ourselves of our opposite attachment."
- "God is like a mother who comes to a child when he or she calls."
- "Find it [truth/realization] now. Do not wait for post-mortem emancipation."
- "Meditation is the only way to God."
- "In samadhi, nothing can hurt you, not even tigers."

"Do not read and eat at the same time."

"God vision and television don't go together."

"The closer to church the farther from God."