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## "Wazifa" or the Concept of Duty

There is a single aspect of the Tradition that is recognized and empasized above all others, and it shares this most important aspect with most philosophies. This is the developmental aspect in the sense of the development of the inner being, which helps a person achieve what has been described as a higher degree of consciousness.

Now I do not often go into great flights of intellectualization or explanations of extreme complexity. This is not because I don't think you are of a sufficiently high intellectual standard, but because the message is supposed to be a) understood, and b) put into function. There is no useful purpose served by giving people great chunks of the "philosophy of the Tradition" either verbally or in writing. They would have difficulty in understanding, and it would therefore not be clearly enough understood by them for it to be put into function.

Without being in any way criticial or disrespectful towards some of our great teachers and writers in the Tradition, some of their books and textbooks were, in fact written in order to be explained.