

4 - Goals or Pursuits:

1. **Dharma** – Righteousness merits earned
2. **Artha** – Wealth, Security
3. **Kāma** – Sense Pleasures
4. **Moksha** - Liberation

Artha and Kāma is controlled by **Dharma**

The pursuit of wealth and pleasure give only worldly enjoyment

Artha is the fundamental necessity of Food, Clothing and Shelter. Hence, Artha is the primary human pursuit.

To gain the Primary Human Pursuits (food, clothing and shelter) a person needs money. When he gains money or wealth, he feels secure.

Three kinds of Security:

1. Money
2. Emotional Security
3. Intellectual Security

Money makes us secure in that we can obtain the things we need.

One also seeks **Emotional** and **Intellectual security** to feel loved, wanted and respected.

Emotional *insecurity* makes us lonely, demanding, complaining, dependent, unstable and miserable.

When we continue seeking wealth beyond our basic need, then we become **GREEDY**. He may want money for the sake of money without a feeling of security with it. Wealth obtained by unscrupulous means causes one to want more money, then more misery arises and eventually, his downfall.

Kāma – Once a person feels physically and emotionally secure, he seeks pleasures and comforts.

Man enjoys pleasures indiscriminately, and then suffers from diseases. Pleasures can enslave one, harming him and others. Pleasures can tire the body and senses, agitate the mind and dulls the intellect.