

? Why does the Gita use battles vs. some other descriptive activity
“Because human nature is violent. Do you see yourself getting angry?”
?yes.

“You think you are right. The other party thinks they are right. A mini battle starts. But here, killing is not human to human. Here killing is your inborn enemy. You can say I don’t have inborn enemy, but anything that veils our real nature is the enemy.”
All battles are rooted in our internal nature.”

? Path of karma yoga in affluence and privilege. Duty to be Active in world like Gandhi.
“The gita’s main teaching is karma yoga. Gandhi was a child of Gita’s teaching. He understood the spirit of karma yoga. He sacrificed personal ego and put himself in the service of the public.

?Should we put aside ease and comfort and act as Gandhi
“Yes, but first we should have a deep conviction.”
?Several paths. How one is drawn to certain path. Mind-body complex or higher consciousness which decides.
“What we choose is the act of the ego. What is chosen for us, is the act of our inborn qualities. Everyone can’t be passionate. Some are naturally compassionate.

?What inner battles did Gandhi face.
“Passion. He was madly attached to his wife. When he saw his weakness, he started living an austere life.”

?Did he have conviction when he started his movement or did it develop as he went along
“He was from a very spiritual family of Gujarat in India. He studied scriptures and lived a pure life. He went to England to study law and there his friends wanted him to be as they are. He had inner purity, yet external impurities attacked him.”

?Professor organized 50,000 farmers in India by laughing 8 hours against govt, which crumbled.how does this happen?
“When?” ? recent. Saw on video.

?How to be so successful in organization and outcome without telecommunications. Americans don’t seem to do as well.
“It is not an external organizing. It is an inner conviction which brings all like minded together. Gandhi did not go out to organize. I hadn’t heard about the organizing of the farmers.”

?Is conviction absolute or is it qualified in terms of good or evil conviction.
“The negative and positive-pairs of opposites are in everything.”

