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Surveying the battle lines, Arjuna realizes if he fights he will kill his near relatives. (The battle would be fought between two sides of the same family. One side [Arjuna's] had been forced to leave the country and wanted to return; the other side [Arjuna's near relatives] had the power to keep them out.

The battle would decide the issue of power and whether Arjuna's family members could return to their homeland.)

Bhagavad-Gita

Arjuna sees the people on the battlefield as his near relatives. He pulls up and refuses to fight. He orders Bhagavan to take him off the battlefield.

After considerable discussion, both men conceptually learn what they need to understand about fighting their respective battles:

Bhagavad-Gita

Bhagavan tells Arjuna he must fight. He explains the five horses are Arjuna's five senses. The chariot driver is his intelligence. The rein is Arjuna's "driving instrument" (his mind).

Arjuna has everything he needs to do what he was made to do: Fight the battle the best he can.

The Legend of Bagger Vance

Junah sees two people on the golf course as his heroes. He pulls up at the second hole and refuses to play. He orders Bagger Vance to take him off the golf course.

The Legend of Bagger Vance

Bagger Vance tells Junah he must play. He will find his "authentic swing" when he lets his body and all his senses work together.

Junah has everything he needs to do what he was made to do: Play golf the best he can.

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Arjuna and the Five Horses

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