

Western Admirers Of Ramakrishna And His Disciples

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Swami Vivekananda's History of Universal Religion and Its Potential for Global Reconciliation - Sister

Gayatriprana 2020-09-01

This book presents in the words of Swami Vivekananda (1863-1902) a history of Vedanta, the deep exploration of the inner

human world going back to the most ancient rishis or seers whose testimony is still revered in India. He traces the tradition up to the beginning of the twentieth century, showing how the dynamics of social structures within Vedanta and the appearance from within Vedanta of

traditions such as Jainism, Buddhism, Hinduism and Sikhism influenced and molded the tradition. In addition, he studies the impact of the Western, Abrahamic invasions of India that began around the eleventh century CE. These brought to bear on Vedanta a worldview which operated on the assumption that the physical world was the primary reality and that the kind of radical exploration of the inner world embraced by Vedanta was highly suspect and not valid. The Vedantic tradition adapted in many different ways, producing a variety of philosophical positions that are still extant today. Along with these traditions went various forms of yoga or self-transformation, in Vedanta the key to experiencing the inner meaning of not only philosophy, but also of our human condition, and of reality itself. This tradition presents four contexts of experience (chatuspad), suggesting the “right brain” mode of

approach as described by Iain McGilchrist (2009). Under the influence of Shri Ramakrishna (1836-1886) Vivekananda gained access to vijnana or a knowledge higher than those classically described and known in the chatuspad. Vijnana permitted the acceptance of not only the traditional, deeply experiential truths of Vedanta, but also of the validity of Western materialism when seen as related to each other on a continuum of consciousness to be traversed by contemporary forms of yoga. I see the result as a resolution of “right-left” brain conflict à la McGilchrist and thereby a model for universal human understanding, conciliation and co-operation. In my introduction I attempt to show how the whole picture can be related both experientially and conceptually to matrices of consciousness developed in India as far back as the early medieval period. A large glossary and index-cum concordance

indicate the various contexts and depths of thought that emerge from Vivekananda's multi-contextual vijñana.

The Complete Works of Swami

Ramakrishnananda Volume - 2 - Swami

Ramakrishnananda 2022-03-10

This book is the second of the three-volume Complete Works, which comprises the writings, letters, lectures, conversations, and reports of Swami Ramakrishnananda, a direct monastic disciple of Sri Ramakrishna. Affectionately known as Shashi Maharaj, the Swami pioneered the Ramakrishna movement in southern India. He was a great thinker, prolific writer, forceful speaker, and above all, a God-realised soul. This book, which is divided into three parts, comprises the following works of Swami Ramakrishnananda: (1) the writings, class notes and reports on Ramakrishna-Vivekananda; (2) Sri Krishna, Pastoral and King Maker and God and Divine

Incarnations; and (3) The Soul of Man. It also comprises a short biographical sketch of the illustrious Swami for the benefit of the readers. This book is a treasure trove of spirituality and is a must-read for all the devotees and the admirers of the Ramakrishna movement.

[Encyclopedia of Hinduism](#) - Constance Jones 2006

An illustrated A to Z reference containing more than 700 entries providing information on the theology, people, historical events, institutions and movements related to Hinduism.

Imagining the East - Erik Sand 2020-01-29

The Theosophical Society (est. 1875 in New York by H. P. Blavatsky, H. S. Olcott and others) is increasingly becoming recognized for its influential role in shaping the alternative new religious and cultural landscape of the late nineteenth and the twentieth century, especially as an early

promoter of interest in Indian and Tibetan religions and philosophies. Despite this increasing awareness, many of the central questions relating to the early Theosophical Society and the East remain largely unexplored. This book is the first scholarly anthology dedicated to this topic. It offers many new details about the study of Theosophy in the history of modern religions and Western esotericism. The essays in *Imagining the East* explore how Theosophists during the formative period understood the East and those of its people with whom they came into contact. The authors examine the relationship of the theosophical approach with orientalism and aspects of the history of ideas, politics, and culture at large and discuss how these esoteric or theosophical representations mirrored conditions and values current in nineteenth-century mainstream intellectual culture. The essays also look at how the

early Theosophical Society's imagining of the East differed from mainstream 'orientalism' and how the Theosophical Society's mission in India was distinct from that of British colonialism and Christian missionaries.

Guest is God - Drew Thomases 2019-10-30
Every year, the Indian pilgrimage town of Pushkar sees its population of 20,000 swell by two million visitors. Since the 1970s, Pushkar, which is located about 250 miles southwest of the capital of New Delhi, has received considerable attention from international tourists. Originally hippies and backpackers, today's visitors now come from a wide range of social positions. To locals, though, Pushkar is more than just a gathering place for pilgrims and tourists: it is where Brahma, the creator god, made his home; it is where Hindus should feel blessed to stay, if only for a short time; and it is where locals would feel lucky to be reborn, if

only as a pigeon. In short, it is their paradise. But even paradise needs upkeep. In *Guest is God*, Drew Thomases uses ethnographic fieldwork to explore the massive enterprise of building heaven on earth. The articulation of sacred space necessarily works alongside economic changes brought on by tourism and globalization. Here the contours of what actually constitutes paradise are redrawn by developments in, and the agents of, tourism. And as paradise is made and remade, people in Pushkar help to create a brand of Hindu religion that is tailored to its local surroundings while also engaging global ideas. The goal, then, becomes to show how religion and tourism can be mutually constitutive.

Thinking Together - Angela G. Ray

2018-04-16

Changes to the landscape of higher education in the United States over the past

decades have urged scholars grappling with issues of privilege, inequality, and social immobility to think differently about how we learn and deliberate. *Thinking Together* is a multidisciplinary conversation about how people approached similar questions of learning and difference in the nineteenth century. In the open air, in homes, in public halls, and even in prisons, people pondered recurring issues: justice, equality, careers, entertainment, war and peace, life and death, heaven and hell, the role of education, and the nature of humanity itself. Paying special attention to the dynamics of race and gender in intellectual settings, the contributors to this volume consider how myriad groups and individuals—many of whom lived on the margins of society and had limited access to formal education—developed and deployed knowledge useful for public participation and public advocacy around these concerns.

Essays examine examples such as the women and men who engaged lecture culture during the Civil War; Irish immigrants who gathered to assess their relationship to the politics and society of the New World; African American women and men who used music and theater to challenge the white gaze; and settler-colonists in Liberia who created forums for envisioning a new existence in Africa and their relationship to a U.S. homeland. Taken together, this interdisciplinary exploration shows how learning functioned not only as an instrument for public action but also as a way to forge meaningful ties with others and to affirm the value of an intellectual life. By highlighting people, places, and purposes that diversified public discourse, *Thinking Together* offers scholars across the humanities new insights and perspectives on how difference enhances the human project of thinking together.

[Like Rolling River Free ...](#) - Vandana M. Jani
2023-01-03

Like Rolling River Free highlights three central characters: Swami Saradananda, Sara Bull, and Sarah Farmer, who played a critical role in the growth of American spirituality. The author examines Swami Saradananda's life in detail, weaving together strands from America's religious and cultural history. In the process, she reveals the importance of two women: Sara Bull, the daughter of a senator and the wife of a famous musician who became one of Swami Vivekananda's most significant supporters and trusted disciples; and Sarah Farmer, the creator of the Greenacre Conferences. The book details the captivating family history of both Bull and Farmer, providing readers a detailed view of nineteenth-century America. But most striking is the book's portrayal of Saradananda, who was Sri Ramakrishna's

one of the most influential disciple. His contributions to the Ramakrishna Order provided it with essential guidance and they continue to reverberate today. Join the author as she explores how Saradananda spread a message of religious harmony as you learn about Vedanta, one of the six schools of Hindu philosophy.

More About Ramakrishna - Swami Prabhananda

All the great personages of the past, who have left an indelible mark on the trail of events in the history of mankind, become a centre around which gathers, with the passage of time, a mass of legends and myths. These, more often than not, are later assumed to be facts that cannot be verified. The historicity of many of these legends begins to be questioned then, be they related to the life of a Christ, a Buddha or a Moses. Sri Ramakrishna, the latest in the line of these Great Masters, is an exception

to this historical dilemma, as he appeared just a century ago. Even today researches succeed in discovering hitherto unknown truths about him, and these can be easily verified. The author of this book published by Advaita Ashrama, a publication house of Ramakrishna Math, Belur Math, India, has brought to light some fresh findings on Sri Ramakrishna that will be extremely interesting for all his devotees and admirers.

Swami Vivekananda in India - Rajagopal Chattopadhyaya 1999

Swami Vivekananda in india: A Corrective Biography attempts to inform the reader accurately about his life both before and after his historic visits to the West. Much material has been translated anew from original Bengali books. At the same time it challenges current popular and pious notions held about this humanitarian-monk. The four major chapters in this book are about his meetings with Sri Ramakrishna,

his travels in India during 1886-1893, media waves about him in India, and his triumphant return from the West in 1897. Analysis of original eyewitness reports in both India and Western newspapers and periodicals forms an integral part of this biography.

Vivekananda as the Turning Point - A Compilation

This is a commemorative volume, published by Advaita Ashrama, a publication house of Ramakrishna Math, Belur Math, being a part of Swami Vivekananda's 150th birth anniversary publications. It is a collection of revealing articles on this great personality by writers from all walks of life, and they present Vivekananda as that Turning Point in modern history, which will usher a new era of hope, peace, and living spirituality the world over.

Reminiscences of Swami Vivekananda - His Eastern and Western Admirers

Swami Vivekananda's towering personality influenced innumerable persons in India and abroad in various ways. The impress which his life and character made on those persons who were about him and the recounting of those memories by them, reveal the multiple facets of Swamiji's magnanimous personality. This book published by Advaita Ashrama, Publication house of Ramakrishna Math, Belur Math, contains some of those reminiscences which would be not only interesting, but also a revelation to all the admirers of the great Swami. Twenty-two new reminiscences have been added in this edition - Swamis Shivananda, Turiyananda, Saradananda, Akhandananda, Vijnanananda, Achalananda, Atulananda, Virajananda, and Sadananda, as also Brajendranath Seal, C. Ramanujachari, Kumudbandhu Sen, Lillian Montgomery, Mohanlal Shah, Mary Tapan Wright, Sacchindranath Bose,

Manmathanath Chowdhury, Harbilas Sarda, G.G. Narasimhachari, Ella Wheeler Wilcox, Shailendranath Bandopadhyay and Alice Hansbrough.

Swami Vivekananda and Non-Hindu

Traditions - Stephen E. Gregg 2019-03-15

The Hindu thinker Swami Vivekananda (1863-1902) was and remains an important figure both within India, and in the West, where he was notable for preaching Vedanta. Scholarship surrounding Vivekananda is dominated by hagiography and his (mis)appropriation by the political Hindu Right. This work demonstrates that Vivekananda was no simplistic pluralist, as portrayed in hagiographical texts, nor narrow exclusivist, as portrayed by some modern Hindu nationalists, but a thoughtful, complex inclusivist. The book shows that Vivekananda formulated a hierarchical and inclusivistic framework of Hinduism, based upon his interpretations of a four-fold

system of Yoga. It goes on to argue that Vivekananda understood his formulation of Vedanta to be universal, and applied it freely to non-Hindu traditions, and in so doing, demonstrates that Vivekananda was consistently critical of 'low level' spirituality, not only in non-Hindu traditions, but also within Hinduism. Demonstrating that Vivekananda is best understood within the context of 'Advaitic primacy', rather than 'Hindu chauvinism', this book will be of interest to scholars of Hinduism and South Asian religion and of South Asian diaspora communities and religious studies more generally.

The Inspired Life of Sarah Ellen Waldo -

Amrita M Salm 2019

After his epochal speeches at the World Parliament of Religions, Chicago in 1893, Swami Vivekananda spent more than three years in the United States and Europe sowing the seeds of Vedanta through

illuminating his talks. These talks have come down to us through Sarah Ellen Waldo and J. J. Goodwin. Ellen, as Sarah Ellen Waldo was known by Swami Vivekananda became his staunch follower after she attended his talks. Swami Vivekananda initiated her into Brahmacharya with the name Sister Haridasi. A dedicated and intelligent woman in whom Swami Vivekananda reposed great faith, she was the transcriber of the Inspired Talks of Swami Vivekananda, as well as the editor of most of his talks, including Raja Yoga, a seminal work that has become a textbook for the students of Yoga Sutras of Patanjali. Apart from these works, she has contributed numerous articles on Vedanta on the lines of Vivekananda. She was the first Western woman requested by Swami Vivekananda to teach Vedanta in America. For this reason, this book published by Advaita Ashrama, a publication house of Ramakrishna Math, Belur Math, on Sarah

Ellen Waldo's life and her contributions is a valuable addition to the existing literature dealing with the history of the Vedanta movement in the West.

Kindred Spirits - Brenna Moore

2021-07-02

Kindred Spirits takes us inside a remarkable network of Catholic historians, theologians, poets, and activists who pushed against both the far-right surge in interwar Europe and the secularizing tendencies of the leftist movements active in the early to mid-twentieth century. With meticulous attention to the complexity of real lives, Brenna Moore explores how this group sought a middle way anchored in “spiritual friendship”—religiously meaningful friendship understood as uniquely capable of facing social and political challenges. For this group, spiritual friendship was inseparable from resistance to European xenophobia and nationalism, anti-racist

activism in the United States, and solidarity with Muslims during the Algerian War. Friendship, they believed, was a key to both divine and human realms, a means of accessing the transcendent while also engaging with our social and political existence. Some of the figures are still well known—philosopher Jacques Maritain, Nobel Prize laureate Gabriela Mistral, influential Islamicist Louis Massignon, poet of the Harlem renaissance Claude McKay—while others have unjustly faded from memory. Much more than an idealized portrait of a remarkable group of Catholic intellectuals from the past, *Kindred Spirits* is a compelling exploration of both the beauty and flaws of a vibrant social network worth remembering.

[The Vedanta Way to Peace and Happiness](#) -

Swami Adiswarananda 2007

Guarded for centuries by saints and ascetics in the forests and mountains of India, the

universal principles of Vedanta were deemed too precious to be understood by the masses until Swami Vivekananda first introduced them in the West at the end of the nineteenth century. Today Vedanta's principles of self-awareness, self-knowledge, and self-control are available for anyone who wants to enrich their life by following this ancient tradition. Fusing science, philosophy, meditation, and contemplation, these timeless teachings encourage spiritual growth by inviting critical inquiry, encouraging honest doubt, and providing realistic explanations of the mysteries of spiritual quest. This comprehensive guide examines in detail the tenets of Vedanta, its relationship to other spiritual paths, as well as its applications for your own spiritual journey, such as:

The Garden of Reality - Roland Faber
2018-06-20

The Garden of Reality addresses urgent

questions around the relativity of religious truth, religious pluralism, transreligious discourse, postmodern cosmology, and interspiritual mysticism in order to argue that relativity and multiplicity are inevitable for the multireligious conviviality and peace of the humanity of the future.

Sri Ramakrishna - M. Sivaramkrishna
2018-11-10

Sri Ramakrishna is one of the greatest spiritual masters to have walked this earth. His life was a demonstration of the true meaning of spirituality and the harmony of all religions. This book brings out the endearing simplicity and catholicity of Sri Ramakrishna. He was not a serious, formidable figure of dry religiosity but a beacon of joy who laced his teachings with humour. Sri Ramakrishna: Love That Knows No Limits provides fresh insights into the saint's life and teachings and is a valuable addition to the existing literature on the

Great Master.

Guru to the World - Ruth Harris
2022-10-18

From the Wolfson History Prize-winning author of *The Man on Devil's Island*, the definitive biography of Vivekananda, the Indian monk who shaped the intellectual and spiritual history of both East and West. Few thinkers have had so enduring an impact on both Eastern and Western life as Swami Vivekananda, the Indian monk who inspired the likes of Freud, Gandhi, and Tagore. Blending science, religion, and politics, Vivekananda introduced Westerners to yoga and the universalist school of Hinduism called Vedanta. His teachings fostered a more tolerant form of mainstream spirituality in Europe and North America and forever changed the Western relationship to meditation and spirituality. *Guru to the World* traces Vivekananda's transformation from son of a Calcutta-based

attorney into saffron-robed ascetic. At the 1893 World Parliament of Religions in Chicago, he fascinated audiences with teachings from Hinduism, Western esoteric spirituality, physics, and the sciences of the mind, in the process advocating a more inclusive conception of religion and expounding the evils of colonialism. Vivekananda won many disciples, most prominently the Irish activist Margaret Noble, who disseminated his ideas in the face of much disdain for the wisdom of a “subject race.” At home, he challenged the notion that religion was antithetical to nationalist goals, arguing that Hinduism was intimately connected with Indian identity. Ruth Harris offers an arresting biography, showing how Vivekananda’s thought spawned a global anticolonial movement and became a touchstone of Hindu nationalist politics a century after his death. The iconic monk emerges as a

counterargument to Orientalist critiques, which interpret East-West interactions as primarily instances of Western borrowing. As Vivekananda demonstrates, we must not underestimate Eastern agency in the global circulation of ideas.

Reappraising Modern Indian Thought - Ankit Tomar 2022-10-05

Reappraising Modern Indian Thought: Themes and Thinkers is a lucid and comprehensive account of the thread of socio-political thought of major Indian thinkers over the decades. In contrast to the existing texts on the subject, it explores the social and political conditions that formed the basis of political thinking of the thinkers in the past two centuries. The book begins with a detailed discussion on the development and articulation of socio-political thought that have evolved in modern India. It then goes to give a comprehensive coverage and makes an

analysis of great thinkers of modern India, namely Rabindranath Tagore, Madan Mohan Malaviya, Swami Vivekananda, Aurobindo Ghose, Abul Kalam Azad, Bal Gangadhar Tilak, Bipin Chandra Pal, Lala Lajpat Rai, Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay, Vinayak Damodar Savarkar, Madhav Sadashiv Golwalkar, Deen Dayal Upadhyaya, Syed Ahmed Khan, and Muhammad Iqbal. Divided into four thematic sections; Ideal-Humanist Thought, Militant-Extremist Thought, Cultural-Revivalist Thought and Radical-Pragmatist Thought — the chapters on such thinkers not only talks about their lives and times but also discusses and examines the contributions of those to contemporary period. This multi-authored compendium has contributions from professionals and experts of the subject from different premier universities of India and it will be an indispensable and immensely helpful basic text to students, researchers, academicians

as well as for general readers across India and also abroad who will take interest to develop a critical understanding of the modern Indian thinkers on the issues such as colonialism, India's freedom struggle, nationalism, nation building, economic reconstruction, education, democracy, secularism, socialism, integral and universal humanism.

[A Place for Utopia](#) - Smriti Srinivas
2016-01-27

Exploring several utopian imaginaries and practices, *A Place for Utopia* ties different times together from the early twentieth century to the present, the biographical and the anthropological, the cultural and the conjunctural, South Asia, Europe, and North America. It charts the valency of "utopia" for understanding designs for alternative, occluded, vernacular, or emergent urbanisms in the last hundred years. Central to the designs for utopia in this book are the

themes of gardens, children, spiritual topographies, death, and hope. From the vitalist urban plans of the Scottish polymath Patrick Geddes in India to the Theosophical Society in Madras and the ways in which it provided a context for a novel South Indian garden design; from the visual, textual, and ritual designs of Californian Vedanta from the 1930s to the present; to the spatial transformations associated with post-1990s highways and rapid transit systems in Bangalore that are shaping an emerging “Indian New Age” of religious and somatic self-styling, Srinivas tells the story of contrapuntal histories, the contiguity of lives, and resonances between utopian worlds that are generative of designs for cultural alternatives and futures.

Multidimensional Personality of Swami Vivekananda - Dr. Bonani Sinha 2021-03-16

Ramakrishna and His Disciples - Christopher

Isherwood 1986

A biography of Ramakrishna, who spent most of his adult life meditating and teaching in a temple on the banks of the Ganges near Calcutta. During his lifetime he was known to relatively few people but his disciples carried his message to the United States and Europe at the turn of the century.

Indian Traffic - Parama Roy 1998-09-06
“Fresh and insightful. . . . Roy introduces readers and literary critics to nonliterary examples including religious mentoring and discipleship, public figures, and Bombay movie stars and their films. This is the most exciting and interesting book I have read in the field for some time.”—Caren Kaplan, author of *Questions of Travel*

The Story of Yoga - Alistair Shearer 2020-02-15

How did an ancient Indian spiritual discipline turn into a \$20+ billion-a-year mainstay of

the global wellness industry? What happened along yoga's winding path from the caves and forests of the sages to the gyms, hospitals and village halls of the modern West? This comprehensive history sets yoga in its global cultural context for the first time. It leads us on a fascinating journey across the world, from arcane religious rituals and medieval body-magic, through muscular Christianity and the British Raj, to the Indian nationalist movement and the arrival of yoga in the twentieth-century West. We discover how the practice reached its present-day ubiquity and how it became embedded in powerful social currents shaping the world's future, such as feminism, digital media, celebrity culture, the stress pandemic and the quest for an authentic identity in the face of unprecedented change. Shearer's revealing history boasts a colorful cast of characters past and present, who tell an

engaging tale of scholars and scandal, science and spirit, wisdom and waywardness. This is the untold story of yoga, warts and all.

Introduction to New and Alternative Religions in America - Eugene V. Gallagher 2006

A thorough and spirited account of new and alternative religions in the U.S., including a discussion of specific groups, issues, themes, and other topics of interest

Handbook of Research on Examining Global Peacemaking in the Digital Age - Cook, Bruce L. 2017-11-30

Violent behavior has become deeply integrated into modern society and it is an unavoidable aspect of human nature. Examining peacemaking strategies through a critical and academic perspective can assist in resolving violence in societies around the world. The Handbook of Research on Examining Global Peacemaking

in the Digital Age is a pivotal reference source for the latest research findings on the utilization of peacemaking in media, leadership, and religion. Featuring extensive coverage on relevant areas such as human rights, spirituality, and the Summer of Peace, this publication is an ideal resource for policymakers, universities and colleges, graduate-level students, and organizations seeking current research on the application of conflict resolution and international negotiation.

Handbook of Hinduism in Europe (2 vols) - 2020-07-27

The Handbook of Hinduism in Europe portrays and analyses Hindu traditions in every country in Europe. It presents the main Hindu communities, religious groups, forms and teachings present in the continent and shows that Hinduism have become a major religion in Europe.

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His Disciples - Gopal Stavig 2010-10-02
This classic work of research published by Advaita Ashrama, a Publication centre of Ramakrishna Math, Belur Math, India, brings under a single volume around 600 persons inspired by the ideals of Sri Ramakrishna and his disciples. Notable personalities whose connection with the Vedanta Movement in the West is delineated include Aldous Huxley, Arnold Toynbee, Albert Einstein, Ralph Waldo Emerson, Carl Jung, Mark Twain, J D Salinger and Joseph Campbell among others. For the scholars it is a mine of information presented precisely, and for the devotees of Ramakrishna, it is an inspiring account of western admiration for Ramakrishna and his disciples. (Pdf version).

Companions and Followers of Ramakrishna - A Compilation

The book is based on the Bengali book 'Sri Ramakrishna Parikrama' by Kalijivan

Devsharma and contains brief information about 1273 persons who were either companions or followers of Sri Ramakrishna. It will help readers who want to know more about the lesser-known characters who find mention in Sri Ramakrishna's literature as well as tradition. Published by Advaita Ashrama, a publication house of Ramakrishna Math, Belur Math

America's Alternative Religions -

Timothy Miller 1995-07-01

This is a source of reliable information on the most important new and alternative religions covering history, theology, impact on the culture, and current status. It includes a chapter on the Branch Davidians.

William Lethaby, Symbolism and the Occult -

Amandeep Kaur Mann 2022-03-24

This book delves into the life and work of architect William Richard Lethaby (1857-1931) and his relationship with the occult and alchemy, in particular. Using

detailed analysis of Lethaby's drawings and architecture, the research uncovers Lethaby's familiarity with occult concepts and ideology during the spiritual revolution of the nineteenth century. Throughout this time, countless individuals, particularly members of the avant-garde, rejected more traditional religious pathways and sought answers through experimental and mystical alternatives. William Lethaby, Symbolism and the Occult reveals how the architect was profoundly influenced by the Zeitgeist, which was saturated with references to spiritualism, mysticism and the occult, and explores the impact of occultism on his contemporaries and the wider Arts and Crafts Movement. This book is written for upper-level students, researchers and academics interested in architectural history, William Lethaby and nineteenth century culture and society.

Vedanta for the West - Carl T. Jackson

1994-05-22

"This important book fills a gap in our knowledge.... Highly recommended." -- Library Journal "... highly recommended..." - Choice "With admirable clarity and remarkable brevity, Jackson surveys the history of the movement and raises... important issues..." -- The Journal of American History An important history of the Ramakrishna movement, the very first and in many ways the most important Asian religious group to appear in the United States.

Reminiscences of Swami Vivekananda - Swami Chidatmananda 1964

The Temple Road Towards a Great India - Marta Kudelska 2019-11-30

This book presents an analysis of the foundations organised by the Birla family in India. Several generations were involved in the renovation and establishment of

sanctuaries, temples and other sacral buildings. As a result, between 1933 and 1998, nineteen Birla Mandirs were established, mainly in northern and central India. All the temples have the capacity to surprise with their various decorative motifs, not seen in other places, which – apart from their aesthetic function – above all bear important symbolic content. Therefore, is it possible to treat the Birla Mandirs as a specific medium – the carrier of a particular message that is not only religious, but with a significance that permeates other layers of social and political discourse. This message, as the authors of the book claim, have a bearing on the socio-political thought of India – supported by the creation and propagation of ideas related to identity and a national art. It also conveys the idea of hierarchical Hindu inclusivism which, although considering all religions as equal, treats Hinduism in a unique way – seeing

within it the most perfect form of religion, giving man the opportunity to learn the highest truth. The book also examines whether the temples founded by the Birla family and the religious activities undertaken therein apply the concept of “inventing” tradition, and whether traditions created (or “modernised”) in contemporary times are a way of enhancing the appeal of the message conveyed from temple to society. “The Vastness of Culture” is a series of publications presenting cultural studies and emphasizing the role of comparative research and analyses that reveal similarities, differences and intercultural influences. In our publications, cultures and civilizations are in a state of constant flux, engaging in dialogue, creating new understandings, competing for meaning under the influence of global content, without any clear boundaries, but with a vastness that forces questions to be raised.

A Short Life of Sri Ramakrishna - Swami Tejasananda 1940

Sri Ramakrishna's life is a life of spirituality in practice, a sublime sonnet with a singular note of God consciousness, a summary of all that the scriptures of the world have to say, and even much more. To contain such a boundless life and personality within a few pages is certainly as audacious a task as to attempt to contain the ocean in a pot. Yet this book published by Advaita Ashrama, a Publication House of Ramakrishna Math, Belur Math, humbly attempts to portray his life and personality in a clear and candid style.

Female Ascetics - Wendy Sinclair-Brull 2013-12-16

This book examines in rich detail the neglected topic of female ascetics. Based on field research, it documents the social forces which facilitated the establishment of an Order of Ascetics for women, defying

tradition in many respects. It describes the subtle methods by which the individual is transformed into a full member of the Order, and how hierarchy and purity are indeed integral to the process.

Global Perspectives on Indian Spirituality and Management - Sanjoy Mukherjee 2022-07-07

This book brings together a collection of articles from eminent scholars and practitioners from India, Europe, the USA, and Australia and investigates the applicability of spiritually inspired business models in Indian and Western contexts. This book is a tribute to the revered Indian management scholar and philosopher Professor S. K. Chakraborty, a pioneer of human values and Indian ethos in management. It explores the potentials and pitfalls of spiritual-based leadership and provides directions for renewing business education to embrace human values and

spirituality. The forty contributions in the book are divided into seven sections—introduction; business ethics and management; developing new organizational models and processes; potentials and pitfalls of spirituality-based leadership; leaders and their world; education, spirituality, and society; ways to go—to bring out different aspects of the spirituality in business model endorsed by Chakraborty. The book is a treasure trove for researchers of not only business ethics, but also of leadership and strategy studies, in addition to the organization professionals and the general reader for expert insights on the topic.

The Disciples of Sri Ramakrishna - Swami Gambhirananda 1943

This is an enlarged edition of our earlier publication, the Apostles of Sri Ramakrishna. The book contains the life and teachings of the sixteen monastic disciples of Sri

Ramakrishna. Brief life sketches of some of the lay disciples of Sri Ramakrishna, both men and women, have also been added. Compiled and Edited by Swami Gambhirananda and published by Advaita Ashrama, a publication house of Ramakrishna Math, Belur Math, India, readers will find in this work invaluable guidance and instructions for enriching their spiritual life, as well as plenty of much needed inspiration.

FACETS OF CONTEMPORARY HISTORY -

M. Thilakavathy 2019-06-05

This book "Facets of Contemporary History" is a selection of research papers, presented in the International Conference on Contemporary History which was held on 30th and 31st January 2015. This conference was organized by the Department of History, Tourism and Travel Management, Ethiraj College for Women, Chennai. It gives us great pleasure to put

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