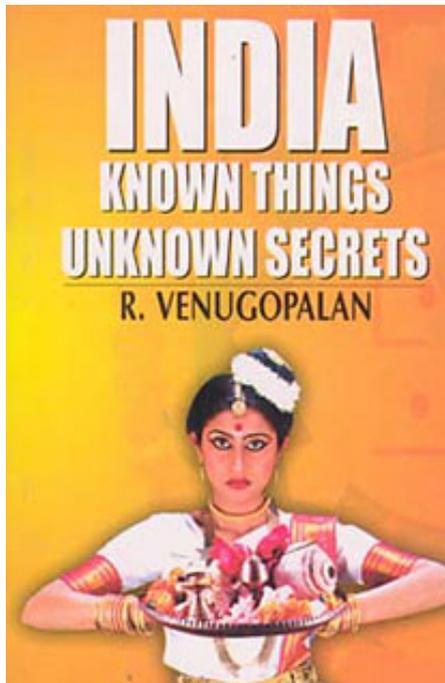


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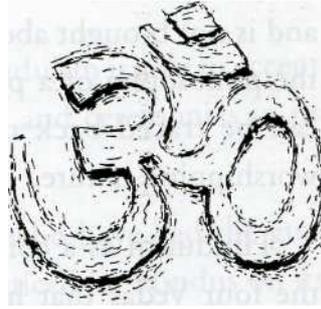
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BASIC HINDU QUESTIONS



Religion

Religion is actually combination of two Latin words re and ligare. The meaning of which is to bring a person back to his roots. The purpose of religion is to satisfy the inner carving of man to consolidate his spiritual consciousness. This consolidation is a process that marks the change in the nature of man; he starts looking inwards rather than looking outwards as been taught by the society.

Origins of Hinduism

Believably Hinduism is the religion, which is followed by Hindus in India. It is the oldest of all the religions and the date of the origin of Hinduism cannot be stated



for the simple fact that it has become part and parcel of every day life. It is the Sanatana Dharma (eternal religion) and is not brought about by certain section of people or the philosophy of a person. The origin of this religion can be traced back to the period when man started worshipping nature.

Hinduism as a concept that works on the pillars of the four Vedas that have withstood the time and also have made people accept the scientific knowledge of life as professed by the divine nature.

Hinduism way of salvation

Hinduism never claims that it is the only way to salvation. Hinduism is only a means to an end and all means, which will ultimately lead to the end, as equally approved.

Hinduism provides total freedom to man to understand the intricate details of life and after. It is the only religion that allows a person to investigate, reflect and understand the basics of all its tenets before accepting it. Thus it is rationale for a person to criticize and understand a particular aspect before following/or rejecting it. Hinduism does not force any person for doing



a specific thing that goes against the morale and belief of the individual.

Due to this openness only Hinduism is able to accept various forms of rituals, customs and ceremonies in its fold without difficulty.

There have been great saints who have had the guts to reject many of the rituals practiced by Hindus on its face, still they were always revered and not rejected. The philosophy of Kabir was entirely new to the world when it first came, yet it found its respectable place in the order of the Hindu philosophy.

The most astounding fact about Hinduism is that it does not hate any other religions; rather it absorbs the good aspects of it within its own fold. Hinduism can be described as an engine driver in a train with lot of compartments comprising different religions to follow. The Driver drives the train without thinking whether the compartments contain good or bad religions but to reach the goal.

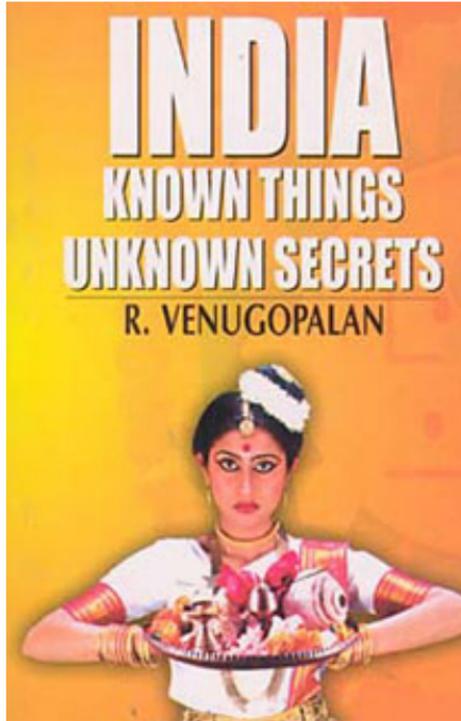


Hinduism the concept of boardroom discussion

Hinduism is a concept that thrives on the philosophy of letting everyone to learn the concept of spiritualism in the subtlest way. In India only you can find people from all walks of life who are well aware of their culture whether he is a simple cobbler, or rickshaw puller or farmer all will have the basic idea of spiritualism in them. They donot need to go to centres of learning to understand that God exists.

The choice that Hinduism offers for attaining knowledge is so vast that it will take thousands of years to understand its intricacies and understand them. For example, Tapa, Sadhana, Hatha-yoga, Kundalini Yoga, Raja Yoga, Karma Yoga, Bhakti yoga, Laya Yoga, Sahaja Yoga, Tantra Kriyas, and Mantra Kriya etc take one's lifetime to get the knowledge. There are thousands of other methods that Hinduism provides for a common man to reach the divine goals.

It has been said that every stone in India is a treasure house of knowledge waiting only to be picked up and polished. It is truly a divine land of Rishis, Sadhus, Yogis and divine seekers.



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