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God Is Not One A.J. Kingston

"This volume is not a set of textbook answers on how to witness to Hindus, Buddhists, Muslims, and people with other religions based on simple formulas. It is the wrestlings, affirmations, and testimonies of those who have been deeply involved in ministries to people of other religious faiths and have thought deeply about the issues religious pluralism raises." - Paul G. Hiebert, Professor Emeritus, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School

The Religions of India iUniverse

The New Testament does not conform neatly to any modern attempts to define the Christian approach to other religions, argues Basil Scott. He confronts the questions: What does the New Testament tell us about religions? And what is its approach to those who were Gentiles, and to their beliefs and practices? He focuses his attention on the evidence presented by the New Testament itself, and especially on the attitude of its writers to the religions of their times. Written by a scholar with over twenty years experience in the South Asian context, this title makes a fine addition to the conversation and to the new Fortress Press efforts to bring South Asian scholarship to a wider readership.

What is Hinduism? Psychology Press

Religions Today provides a sympathetic account of what living religions really are. Fisher traces the historical development and practices of major religious movements and explores how these evolve into contemporary belief and teaching. She considers major faiths as well as indigenous religions and new religious movements, focusing on how living religions affect contemporary society. Case studies and interviews with living people ensure that this concise guide is both readable and stimulating.

Twin Cultures Separated by Centuries Harper Collins

The book contains 260 pages and is divided in 57 small easy-to-read chapters, containing authentic information about all the important aspects of Hindu religion, culture, and philosophy. It is designed to entice the young reader; in particular, the youthful Hindu Diaspora in America and other countries where Hindus are now settling in large numbers. At the same time, many others, including also the non-Hindus who would like to learn about Hindu philosophy and India may find the book useful. The book is written in story-telling method and it is easy to read and understand. It is presented with the fewest controversies, complex theories, and critical judgment. Hinduism is a dynamic and evolutionary religion, making periodic changes as the instance and circumstance demanded, over the millennia, without sacrificing the essential principles. The book is presented in chronological order, starting from the 'Origin of Creation' 18 billion years ago, 'Proto-Human creature in Africa' 6 million years, 'Modern Human Brain' 100,000 years, arrival of first human tribal race in Indian subcontinent 50,000 years, the pre-historic roots of Hinduism or the Sanathan Dharma tracing back

up to almost 10,000 years, and then covering the different times from the Vedic era till the present one, describing the Hindu populations and Hindu temples in all five continents of the world now! Religion-dharma-is basically like a classroom, a school, or a university, where we get the instruction for the moral and virtuous pedagogy. Ultimately it becomes our responsibility to learn and understand these spiritual teachings properly and put them into use in everyday living. Even more than that, we must imbibe dharma deep into our mindset (antahkaran), so that we think in a moral and spiritual manner, harboring no hatred, ill will, or harm to others. 'Spiritual Teachings' as such form the core of the book; without imparting and propagating the spiritual teachings, what other role any religion may have? It is a book on religion but every effort is made so it may pass the acid test of reason and rationality as far as possible. Also it is a book on religion that may be applicable to everyday living. The main purpose of religion is to impart moral guidance. It has been said repeatedly that Hinduism is not so much a set of dogmas but it is a way of life. There are many pearls of wisdom offered as guiding principles though not as dos and don'ts. More important, Hinduism is a living faith of nearly one billion people and is regarded as the most ancient religion in the world. Extensive coverage to religious teachings and principles is therefore given in the book. Perhaps a great number of diverse tribal and ethnic groups converged together on the sacred land of India, and some of the highly evolved souls among them meditated profoundly in the quest of many enquiries. They discovered that all beings of creation, human as well as nonhuman, are connected with each other through eons of birth cycles as one large family of the divine, Vasudhaiva Kutumbkam. Hindu thought repeatedly emphasizes this concept of spirituality. Across millennia, Hindu seers have propagated the idea of harmony of all mankind regardless of faith and place. They perceived the Divine as the transcendental universal being pervading all the creation Ota-prota; they called it Brahman. Hindu sages have believed that there is an essential unity and homogeneity of all the religions; the 'spiritual teachings' are very similar, if not the same. All religions lead to the same destination. Sincere and truthful endeavor is made to pursue this philosophy in the book. [Hinduism](#) Oxford University Press, USA

Hinduism, the world's oldest living religion, embodies a wide spectrum of philosophies, beliefs, and customs. It has prompted thinkers from an array of cultures and ages-from Apollonius Tyaneus, a first century Greek thinker, to Voltaire, Mark Twain, and Albert Einstein-to extol its influence. Now, Dr. Hiro G. Badlani brings you Hinduism: Path of the Ancient Wisdom, an easy-to-understand guidebook that delves into Hinduism's spiritual and historical perspectives. For more than ten years, Dr. Badlani has passionately channeled his resources and inner reflections into learning about this ancient religion. His meticulous research, combined with guidance from spiritual masters, sages, and swamis has brought forth in this volume. This mini-encyclopedia covers all aspects of Hinduism in a series of small chapters. Spiritual teachings form the book's core, for without the spiritual teachings, what function can any religion play? Still, however, information is presented in a non-dogmatic manner, stressing the basic unity and homogeneity of all religions. With its powerful narrative and roots in spiritual storytelling, this book is perfect for anyone who desires authentic information on

Hinduism. Engaging with this book will not only educate you, but imbue you with personal peace and happiness, becoming an experience both elegant and empowering.

Religion, Science, and Empire State University of New York Press

For curious readers young and old, a rich and colorful history of religion from humanity's earliest days to our own contentious times. In an era of hardening religious attitudes and explosive religious violence, this book offers a welcome antidote. Richard Holloway retells the entire history of religion—from the dawn of religious belief to the twenty-first century—with deepest respect and a keen commitment to accuracy. Writing for those with faith and those without, and especially for young readers, he encourages curiosity and tolerance, accentuates nuance and mystery, and calmly restores a sense of the value of faith. Ranging far beyond the major world religions of Judaism, Islam, Christianity, Buddhism, and Hinduism, Holloway also examines where religious belief comes from, the search for meaning throughout history, today's fascinations with Scientology and creationism, religiously motivated violence, hostilities between religious people and secularists, and more. Holloway proves an empathic yet discerning guide to the enduring significance of faith and its power from ancient times to our own.

Hinduism: A Very Short Introduction Infobase Publishing

India is home to the world's oldest religions, Hinduism and Buddhism, as well as Jainism. All three evolved from shared beliefs and traditions, such as reincarnation, karma, and liberation and achieving nirvana. These beliefs and traditions evolved in the Indus River Valley around 3500 BCE. This volume explores the religions of ancient India, including rituals practiced and deities worshipped, to provide students with an understanding of the beliefs of the peoples of ancient India. With engaging text, rich and colorful illustrations, and an enhanced e-book option, this title is a valuable resource for reports.

Hindu Civilisation and the Twenty-first Century University of Illinois Press

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their religion was" and got a very particular answer, giving rise to the West's perception of a singular religious Indian tradition known as Hinduism. If the British had not centered their investments in Calcutta, they may have asked a different group of Indians what their religion was and received a different answer, thus changing the popular conception of Hinduism altogether. In other words, Hinduism is as much defined by the non-native "Other" as it is by the so-called native. Hinduism as a religion spans more than 3,000 years, and today it includes nearly 1 billion people. At the same time, it is not a specific term, since there are clear sectarian boundaries, the same way there are differences between Protestantism and Catholicism, and even differences between the various Protestant sects and the various Catholic sects, Hinduism may be broken down into many major sub-groupings that may or may not have much in common at all. Additionally, in the same way Christianity contains many smaller, spirituality heterodox groups like Gnostic Christianity (which are sometimes called cults), Hinduism also contains many groups that have beliefs that do not fit easily within the common corpus of Hindu belief systems. All of these divisions came well after the time of the Aryans, and Hinduism likely began to divide around the 1st century A.D., about 1,000 years after the arrival of the Aryans into the Indian subcontinent. Religions of the World: The History of Hinduism examines the history and main tenets of Hinduism, explaining the way the religion has evolved over time, the similarities it shares with other religions and the differences that make it unique. Along the way, it clears up some of the common misconceptions about the religion, and it includes pictures of important figures and places that will help you learn about Hinduism like you never have before, in no time at all.

Religions of the World: the History and Beliefs of Hinduism Routledge

This book establishes that Hinduism is really of very recent origin. Evidences based on Archeology, Linguistics and History establishes beyond reasonable doubt that the modern Hinduism is an outgrowth of Thomas Christianity under the influence of Syrian Gnosticism. The myths of Mahabali and Parasurama refers to the defeat of Christians at the hands of the Vaishnavite gnostics. Evidences include the archeology of temples and idols. Earliest temples dates only from 150 AD. Earliest Sanskrit document dates only from 150 AD. Vedic gods disappeared new concept of Iswara came soon after the first century AD. In fact Hinduism appeared Kerala only after 6th C AD. This revised edition attempts to explain the Indian terms and history so that the book may be understood by non-Indian and non-Hindu readers.

Hindu Bioethics for the Twenty-first Century Yale University Press

Authoritative and accessible, this fascinating volume provides a concise, illustrated introduction to five of the great religious traditions of the world--Buddhism, Hinduism, Taoism, Confucianism, and Shinto. 125 illustrations.

A Little History of Religion Literary Licensing, LLC

One Religion Too Many is a Hindu pilgrim's progress through the world's religious traditions. An eminent scholar of comparative religion, Arvind Sharma provides a first-hand account of how he came to be a party to the dialogue of religions—first with his own religion, then with the comparative study of religion, and finally with the religious universalism he has come to espouse because of this heritage. Starting with an account of the Hinduism of his family in Varanasi, India, Sharma then heads west, finding himself dumbfounded by the Christian Eucharist, wondering if there is a "Hinjew

Connection," grappling with Zen in Massachusetts, and pressed into service to teach about Islam. Sharma writes with a light touch, but even when his encounters and perceptions are amusing, they are always insightful and thought-provoking. Western readers, in particular, will enjoy seeing their own traditions through the eyes of an Easterner who has come to know them well. Sharma's ultimate perspective on religious universalism is a welcoming vision for the globalizing world of the twenty-first century.

America's Religions Madathil Mammen Ninan

fascinating guide to religion and its place in the world today. In *God Is Not One*, bestselling author Stephen Prothero makes a fresh and provocative argument that, contrary to popular understanding, all religions are not simply "different paths to the same God." Instead, he shows that the differences between the major religions are far greater than we think: they each ask different questions, tackle different problems, and aim at different goals. *God Is Not One* highlights the unique aspects of the world's major religions, with chapters on Islam, Christianity, Confucianism, Hinduism, Buddhism, Yoruba religion, Judaism, Daoism and atheism. Lucid and compelling, *God Is Not One* offers a new understanding of religion for the twenty-first century.

Religions: The Story Of Faith State University of New York Press

Peter Gottschalk offers a compelling study of how, through the British implementation of scientific taxonomy in the subcontinent, Britons and Indians identified an inherent divide between mutually antagonistic religious communities. England's ascent to power coincided with the rise of empirical science as an authoritative way of knowing not only the natural world, but the human one as well. The British scientific passion for classification, combined with the Christian impulse to differentiate people according to religion, led to a designation of Indians as either Hindu or Muslim according to rigidly defined criteria that paralleled classification in botanical and zoological taxonomies. Through an historical and ethnographic study of the north Indian village of Chainpur, Gottschalk shows that the Britons' presumed categories did not necessarily reflect the Indians' concepts of their own identities, though many Indians came to embrace this scientism and gradually accepted the categories the British instituted through projects like the Census of India, the Archaeological Survey of India, and the India Museum. Today's propagators of Hindu-Muslim violence often cite scientific formulations of difference that descend directly from the categories introduced by imperial Britain. *Religion, Science, and Empire* will be a valuable resource to anyone interested in the colonial and postcolonial history of religion in India.

[The Encyclopedia of World Religions](#) Northern Book Centre

Explores contemporary controversies in bioethics from a Hindu perspective. S. Cromwell Crawford breaks new ground in this provocative study of Hindu bioethics in a Western setting. He provides a new moral and philosophical perspective on fascinating and controversial bioethical issues that are routinely in the news: cloning, genetic engineering, the human genome project, reproductive technologies, the end of life, and many more. This Hindu perspective is particularly noteworthy because of India's own indigenous medical system, which is stronger than ever and drawing continued interest from the West. The Hindu bioethics presented in this book are philosophically pluralistic and ethically contextual, giving them that conceptual flexibility which is often missing in Western religions, but which is demanded by the twenty-first century's complex moral problems.

Comprehensive in scope and passionate in nature, Crawford's study is an important resource for analyses of practical ethics, bioethics, and health care. S. Cromwell Crawford is Professor and Chair of Religion at the University of Hawaii and the author of many books on Hindu ethics, including *Dilemmas of Life and Death: Hindu Ethics in a North American Context*, also published by SUNY Press.

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The Emergence of Hinduism from Christianity Routledge

Andrew B. Spurgeon works directly from the Greek text of 1 Corinthians in a study of reverse-contextualisation, highlighting the commonalities between the contexts of Corinthian and Indian cultures and applying the epistle's principles to Indian Christians today. In this unique commentary, Spurgeon first presents Indian similarities to those in Corinth, moves on to biblical principles the Apostle Paul raises for the Corinthian church's attention—especially where culture was in conflict with biblical standards—and finally reapplies these principles to the context of life in twenty-first century India. This is an excellent resource for anyone wishing to study 1 Corinthians, showing that God's Word is not only true, but is just as relevant centuries later as when it was written.

Hindu View of Christ Routledge

Introducing "Religions: The Story Of Faith," the ultimate 4-in-1 comprehensive study of the world's major religions. This bundle features four powerful books that examine the core beliefs and history of Christianity, Islam, Hinduism, and Buddhism. In Book 1, "The History of Christianity," you'll explore the origins and development of the world's largest religion, examining its core beliefs and the key figures that have shaped its history. From the life of Jesus to the rise of the Roman Catholic Church, this book is the perfect introduction to Christianity for anyone seeking a deeper understanding of this faith. Book 2, "The Straight Path," is a comprehensive study of Islam, one of the world's fastest-growing religions. You'll delve into the history of Islam, examining its core beliefs and practices, and exploring the life of the Prophet Muhammad and the rise of the Islamic empire. Whether you're a Muslim seeking to deepen your faith or a non-Muslim interested in learning more about this powerful religion, "The Straight Path" is the perfect guide. Book 3, "The Path to Moksha," takes you on a journey through the ancient wisdom of Hinduism. You'll learn about the core beliefs of this complex and fascinating religion, including the concepts of karma, dharma, and moksha. You'll also explore the rich history of Hinduism, from its origins in ancient India to its modern-day practice around the

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The Religion and Beliefs of Ancient India Createspace Independent Publishing Platform

Understanding the where of the world's religious traditions is an important component of understanding the what. Now, as part of a brand-new series of atlas resources, Fortress Press is pleased to offer an affordable, compact yet comprehensive atlas of world religions. Atlas of World Religions is newly built from the ground up. Featuring more than fifty new maps, graphics, and timelines, the atlas is an immensely helpful companion to any study of world religions. Concise, helpful text written by acknowledged authorities guides the experience and interprets the visuals. Consciously written for students at any level, the volume is perfect for independent students, as well as those in structured courses. The atlas provides ample and equal coverage of all of the world's major religious traditions, as well as generous coverage of regional or indigenous traditions in specific regions of the world. The atlas is grounded in a helpful section on the earliest humans and the spread of the first organized religions, and it culminates in up-to-date maps of religion in the world today.

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