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Responses to 101 Questions on Hinduism.

This is the second of three volumes by John Renard, St Louis University, on Eastern religions. The other two are on Islam and Buddhism. Together they offer handy and easy comparisons of similar issues across the three traditions.

Renard's Responses to 101 Questions on Hinduism is a learned but down-to-earth volume that makes it easier to begin to learn about Hinduism by clearing away many of the inevitable confusions and doubts. Its excellent questions and answers introduce a wide set of issues and topics essential to understanding Hinduism, including ancient origins, classic traditions, different gods and goddesses, key texts, ritual practices, popular myths, historical developments, and features of contemporary Hindu belief and practice. Christians involved in Hindu-Christian dialogue will surely want to keep this book near at hand.

Francis X. Clooney, SJ


This little book offers a clear, concise introduction to Vedanta for the lay reader who is unfamiliar with the topic. A concluding section covers the revitalization movement of the last century which led to the establishment of the Ramakrishna Order and Vedanta Societies in the West. A short reading list provides primary source materials.

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