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### **The Journey of Maps and Images on the Silk Road**

#### **In the Footsteps of Bodhisattvas**

*The long-awaited, complete guide to the popular, vigorous American method of yoga that is deeply rooted in ancient wisdom and scriptures "In this day and age of health and fitness trends, it is assuring to know that Sharon and David encourage their students to draw inspiration from the classical texts of Yoga and timeless scriptural sources."—Sri Swami Satchidananda* *Creators of the extremely popular Jivamukti Yoga method and cofounders of the New York City studios where it is taught, Sharon Gannon and David Life present their unique style of yoga for the first time in book form. As they explain their intensely physical and spiritual system of flowing postures, they provide inspiring expert instruction to guide you in your practice. Unlike many books about yoga, Jivamukti Yoga focuses not only on the physical postures but also on how they evolved—the origins of the practices in yoga's ancient sacred texts and five-thousand-year-old traditions—the psychotherapeutic benefits that accrue with a steady practice, and the spiritual power that is set free when energy flows throughout the mind and body. Jivamukti Yoga, which means "soul liberation," guides your body and soul into spiritual freedom, physical strength, peace of mind, better health, and Self-realization—the ultimate goal of any practice. Gannon and Life help you understand each of the practices that comprise the yoga path to enlightenment: AHIMSA—The Way of Compassion: choosing nonviolence, respecting all life, practicing vegetarianism, living free of prejudice ASANA—The Way of Connection to the Earth: postures and sequences, breathing, transforming energy, understanding the bandhas KARMA—The Way of Action: creating good karma, giving thanks NADAM—The Way of Sacred Music: appreciating the sacred sounds of yoga MEDITATION—The Way of the Witness: how to sit still and move inward BHAKTI—The Way of Devotion to God: living with love, grace, and peace Whatever yoga you practice, Jivamukti Yoga will help you to strengthen and deepen that practice and lead you onto a path of spiritual clarity and self-discovery. "If there is only one book you read about the practice of Yoga, this should be the one. . . . This book is for anyone who wishes to find transformation through Yoga. I'm grateful for their work and teaching."—Stephan Rechtschaffen, MD, Co-founder & CEO, Omega Institute*

#### **The Yoga Sutras of Patanjali**

*A perfect companion to the well-known Tibetan Book of the Dead. In life and in death, in meditation and in sleep, every transitional stage of consciousness, or bardo, provides an opportunity to overcome limitations, frustrations, and fears. The profound teachings in this book provide the understanding and instruction necessary to turn every phase of life into an opportunity for uncontrived, natural liberation. Like the Tibetan Book of the Dead, Natural Liberation is a term, a "hidden treasure" attributed to the eighth-century master Padmasambhava. Gyatrul Rinpoche's lucid commentary accompanies the text, illuminating the path of awakening to the point of full enlightenment. Natural Liberation is an essential contribution to the library of both scholars and practitioners of Tibetan Buddhism.*

#### **Awakening Inner Guru**

#### **The Origin and Development of Early Indian Contemplative Practices**

*This volume offers a complete translation of the Samyutta Nikaya, The Connected Discourses of the Buddha, the third of the four great collections in the Sutta Pitaka of the Pali Canon. The Samyutta Nikaya consists of fifty-six chapters, each governed by a unifying theme that binds together the Buddha's suttas or discourses. The chapters are organized into five major parts. The first, The Book with Verses, is a compilation of suttas composed largely in verse. This book ranks as one of the most inspiring compilations in the Buddhist canon, showing the Buddha in his full grandeur as the peerless "teacher of gods and humans." The other four books deal in depth with the philosophical*

*principles and meditative structures of early Buddhism. They combine into orderly chapters all the important short discourses of the Buddha on such major topics as dependent origination, the five aggregates, the six sense bases, the seven factors of enlightenment, the Noble Eightfold Path, and the Four Noble Truths. Among the four large Nikayas belonging to the Pali Canon, the Samyutta Nikaya serves as the repository for the many shorter suttas of the Buddha where he discloses his radical insights into the nature of reality and his unique path to spiritual emancipation. This collection, it seems, was directed mainly at those disciples who were capable of grasping the deepest dimensions of wisdom and of clarifying them for others, and also provided guidance to meditators intent on consummating their efforts with the direct realization of the ultimate truth. The present work begins with an insightful general introduction to the Samyutta Nikaya as a whole. Each of the five parts is also provided with its own introduction, intended to guide the reader through this vast, ocean-like collection of suttas. To further assist the reader, the translator has provided an extensive body of notes clarifying various problems concerning both the language and the mean*

## **The Hidden Power of Gayatri Mantra**

## **Hand-book of Chinese Buddhism**

*Patanjali Yoga Sutras is an age-old treatise written on the four-fold path of Yoga. It delves into the workings of our mind, body and spirit. Originally written in Sanskrit, this book is by Swami Vivekananda, detailing each sutra, simultaneously guiding us on ways to reach our goals. Starting from the very basics like concentration and meditation, to higher goals like attaining liberation and self-realization, these sutras are meant to teach us ways that help elevate lives and spirits. Easy to practice techniques, simplified life-philosophies and a modern rendering to the age-old wisdom make this book a collector's jewel.*

## **Nonviolence: The Transforming Power**

*This edition, comprising a sound recording, transcription, and English translation, provides a record of the Liberation Rite of Water and Land as a resource for the study, analysis, and further exploration of both the Medicine Buddha Sutra and the accompanying liturgical service. The editor created it at the invitation of Fo Guang Shan monastery, and it outlines both the textual and musical elements of the service. Designed as a chantbook, it is intended to be a tool for all those who wish to participate in the vocal elements of the service, from the uninitiated monastery visitor to musical ensembles that might use these musical fragments as inspiration for appropriately staged performances. It is especially conceived for non-Chinese speaking monastics in the Buddhist college and/or those who have experience reading Western musical notation.*

## **Mindfulness: Living in the Moment Living in the Breath**

*Providing a complete manual for the study and practice of Raja Yoga--the path of concentration and meditation--a new deluxe printing of a collection of timeless teachings is a treasure to be read and referred to again and again by seekers treading the spiritual path. Reprint.*

## **Natural Liberation**

*"We all have the seed, or "essence," of Buddha within us, and because we do we have the potential to become a Buddha. The journey to Buddhahood is not a journey measured in distance or time. Its markers are self-knowledge and a yearning for something within that beckons the soul to take the next step on her spiritual journey. Drawing on traditional and modern Buddhist teachings and stories, Elizabeth Clare Prophet gently traces the pathway to Buddhist enlightenment. She outlines the stages on that path and describes the ten virtues we are meant to perfect along the way, offering insightful tips for developing them. She also explores Buddhist teaching on awakening the heart and mind and explains how Buddhist mantras help us overcome obstacles to spiritual growth while increasing wisdom, compassion, forgiveness and joy. Includes a section on mantras for wisdom and compassion. The Buddhist Essence is the second book in the author's Mystical Paths of the World's Religions series. "*

## **Complete Enlightenment**

*Complete Enlightenment is the first authoritative translation and commentary on The Sutra of Complete Enlightenment, a central text that shaped the development of East Asian Buddhism and Ch'an (Chinese Zen). The text is set in the form of a transcription of discussions between the Buddha and the twelve enlightened beings(bodhisattvas), who question him on all aspects of spiritual practice. This new translation preserves all the liveliness and nuance of the text in the original Chinese. The sutra's ancient wisdom is brought to life by the commentaries of Master Sheng Yen, one of the most revered living Buddhist masters in the Ch'an lineage. This is truly a manual for the spiritual journey toward complete enlightenment, providing the key to the deep, poetic, and practical meanings of the scripture.*

## **World Peace: The Voice of a Mountain Bird**

*Bhagawan says that treading the spiritual path is like walking on a razor's edge. One has to be ever vigilant, train the mind to dwell on the Lord constantly. To quote Bhagawan, "Control the senses, which run helter-skelter; then, the origins of the disease will be destroyed. Let the mind keep a watch over its gymnastics; dam up the mad flood of thoughts and plans and schemes; then, there will be no room for worries and anxieties in the mind. To diminish the wanderings of your thoughts, repeat the name of the Lord; that will keep out your sorrows and troubles. Without the effacement of the mind, spiritual wisdom cannot dawn. The full person is one, who has succeeded in this." One should practise meditation assiduously, since it is the basis of all spiritual practice (Sadhana). Bhagawan says that one should fasten the mind on the Lord and keep off all other thoughts from the mental plane. That is the full fruition of meditation. For aspirants, who want to lead a God-centric life, careful reading of this Vahini will help them to reach the goal of life.*

## **The Great Means Expansive Buddha Flower Adornment Sutra**

*The Bodhicharyavatara, or Way of the Bodhisattva, composed by the eighth-century Indian master Shantideva, has occupied an important place in the Tibetan Buddhist tradition throughout its history. It is a guide to cultivating the mind of enlightenment through generating the qualities of love, compassion, generosity, and patience. In this commentary, Kunzang Pelden has compiled the pith instructions of his teacher Patrul Rinpoche, the celebrated author of The Words of My Perfect Teacher.*

## **Meditation: Insights and Inspiration**

*This book is a spiritual memoir on the life and explorations of Anthony Prem Carlisi, as well as a source of practical, applicable information about the practices of Ashtanga Yoga, Ayurveda and Tantra. The synergy of these three sciences are what Prem believes to be the key to living a healthy, rooted and ecstatic life! The book is written in a down to earth way so that anyone can pick it up and enjoy it. He writes with an openness about the ups and downs of his experiences along the yogic path. Prem shares his wisdom, in a light, funny and simple manner, making these esoteric topics approachable for yogi's and householders. It is a candid inner look, spoken from the heart of a devoted, 30 year yoga practitioner.*

## **OM Sutra: The Pathway to Enlightenment**

*This volume presents the first book-length study in English of the concept of Buddha nature as discussed in the Buddha Nature Treatise (Fo Xing Lun), attributed to Vasubandhu and translated into Chinese by Paramartha in the sixth century. The author provides a detailed discussion of one of the most important concepts in East Asian Buddhism, a topic little addressed in Western studies of Buddhism until now, and places the Buddha nature concept in the context of Buddhist intellectual history. King then carefully explains the traditional Buddhist language in the text, and embeds Buddha nature in a family of concepts and values which as a group are foundational to the development of the major indigenous schools of Chinese Buddhism. In addition, she refutes the accusations that the idea of Buddha nature introduces a crypto-Atman into Buddhist thought, and that it represents a form of monism akin to the Brahmanism of the Upanisads. In doing this, King defends Buddha nature in terms of purely Buddhist philosophical principles. Finally, the author engages the Buddha nature concept in dialogue with Western philosophy by asking what it teaches us about what a human being, or person, is.*

## **Yoga and the Luminous**

*Relations between China and India underwent a dramatic transformation from Buddhist-dominated to commerce-centered exchanges in the seventh to fifteenth centuries. The unfolding of this transformation, its causes, and wider ramifications are examined in this masterful analysis of the changing patterns of the interaction between the two most important cultural spheres in Asia. Tansen Sen offers a new perspective on Sino-Indian relations during the Tang dynasty (618–907), arguing that the period is notable not only for religious and diplomatic exchanges but also for the process through which China emerged as a center of Buddhist learning, practice, and pilgrimage. Before the seventh century, the Chinese clergy—given the spatial gap between the sacred Buddhist world of India and the peripheral China—suffered from a “borderland complex.” A close look at the evolving practice of relic veneration in China (at Famen Monastery in particular), the exposition of Mount Wutai as an abode of the bodhisattva Mañjuśrī, and the propagation of the idea of Maitreya's descent in China, however, reveals that by the eighth century China had overcome its complex and successfully established a Buddhist realm within its borders. The emergence of China as a center of Buddhism had profound implications on religious interactions between the two countries and is cited by Sen as one of the main causes for the weakening of China's spiritual attraction toward India. At the same time, the growth of indigenous Chinese Buddhist schools and teachings retrenched the need for doctrinal input from India. A detailed examination of the failure of Buddhist translations produced during the Song dynasty (960–1279), demonstrates that these developments were responsible for the unraveling of religious bonds between the two countries and the termination of the Buddhist phase of Sino-Indian relations. Sen proposes that changes in religious interactions were paralleled by changes in commercial exchanges. For most of the first millennium, trading activities between India and China were closely connected with and sustained through the transmission of Buddhist doctrines.*

*The eleventh and twelfth centuries, however, witnessed dramatic changes in the patterns and structure of mercantile activity between the two countries. Secular bulk and luxury goods replaced Buddhist ritual items, maritime channels replaced the overland Silk Road as the most profitable conduits of commercial exchange, and many of the merchants involved were followers of Islam rather than Buddhism. Moreover, policies to encourage foreign trade instituted by the Chinese government and the Indian kingdoms contributed to the intensification of commercial activity between the two countries and transformed the China-India trading circuit into a key segment of cross-continental commerce.*

## **Dhyana Vahini**

*This is the classic in-depth text reference in meditation. By presenting the key meditation concepts clearly Dr. Ray enables readers to guide into the big picture of meditation. Written in clear and concise language, and beautifully illustrated, the book is enjoyable to read, and it provides a clear sense of the excitement of meditation in the light of modern science. As this book progresses though, it offers many more meditation techniques, and insights that will be useful even to those who have meditated for a long time.*

## **The Yoga Philosophy**

*In Sanskrit, the word "Sutra" means "thread", "hints" or "guidelines". The book explains the way to reach the ultimate zenith of human evolution. In this book the ultimate state of Om is adored and expounded. It includes fifty-five Sanskrit verses and their English translation and explanation. This is a book of wisdom for walking on the path of enlightenment. The Sutras provide the techniques and means to clear the mind from the accumulated experiences, conditioning and memories that bind humans to the world of sorrow. As one is established in Om, life is filled with peace, joy and harmony. The book is organized into twelve parts. Each part elaborates steps for breaking free of the limited identification and training the mind to achieve oneness with the universe. Each sutra is presented as Sanskrit text followed by transliteration, precise English translation and authoritative explanation.*

## **The Living Gita**

*Today we see humanity divided and threatened with nuclear war and mutual destruction, but The Gita teaches us that it is only when we rise above human schemes and calculations and awake to the presence of the indwelling Spirit that we can hope to find the answer to our need. Original.*

## **Guru Sutra - The Guru Who Wont Keep Spiritual Secrets**

*The book is about awakening your inner wisdom, inner power, inner beauty and your inner Self. Living a fulfilling life is a skill that requires both practice and understanding. This book provides both. It can be used for inspiration, or as an instruction handbook. It contains several meditation and other practices for self improvement. It is a very comprehensive manual for Self realization. This book is must for any sincere for spiritual development. It can be read countless times for added insight. You may also enjoy reading this book if you really want to explore the full potential of your inner strength. It offers a very down-to-earth approach to understanding, in detail and simple language. For those who are truly interested to attain spiritual freedom and fulfillment in every sphere of life, this book is a practical and personal guidebook.*

## **OM Chanting and Meditation**

*This book having gone through a first edition within four months, and there still being a great demand for it, the Managers of the Theosophical Publication Fund have thought it best to issue this second edition. Care has been taken to ensure accuracy in the text by comparing it with the Bhoja Vriti in Sanskrit, and in some places the translation into English by Dr. Rajendralala Mitra has been consulted. But the original text of Dr. Ballantyne has been principally followed.*

## **Compassion in Tibetan Buddhism**

*This reference text is a highly useful tool for the student of Chinese religious literature as well as for general readers in need of a handy companion text to the rest of this rich collection. The dictionary in this volume contains vocabularies of Buddhist terms in Pali, Singhalese, Siamese, Burmese, Tibetan, Mongolian and Japanese. If you find yourself hampered by the continual recurrence of Sanskrit and other foreign terms embedded in texts on Tibetan Buddhism, generally with no explanation, this volume will be quite helpful in smoothing the path to understanding.*

## **The Only Way Out Is In**

*A complete path of meditation training framed by the Buddha's words in the King of Samadhi Sutra--one of the most important Mahayana sutras--from a contemporary, accessible voice. The term "meditation" is often spoken of as a single, uniform practice, but in fact there are innumerable techniques that can be employed to achieve different ends. However, to make real progress in any practice, the methods need to be paired with a view of how our minds and our*

*experience of the world around us really work. In this uncommonly practical and experiential guide, Phakchok Rinpoche teaches us how to achieve this correct view so we can genuinely practice a meditation that will transform our lives by helping us abandon our own bad habits and hypocrisy. In this way, we will make real progress on the path to true freedom from the cyclic patterns we follow that only lead to unhappiness. Grounding this presentation is The King of Samadhi Sutra--one of the most important teachings in the Mahayana Buddhist tradition--which the author uses as a touchstone throughout. The simplicity will appeal to new and aspiring meditators, while the insightful approach based on living these practices will help seasoned practitioners get unstuck and make swift progress.*

## **Jivamukti Yoga**

### **Meditation Made Easy**

*Yoga has evolved into a popular fitness practice across the globe. With the various schools of practice, it is imperative for practitioners to study both traditional texts and emerging scientific research in this area. Research-Based Perspectives on the Psychophysiology of Yoga is a unique reference source for the latest academic material on the physiological effects of yoga and cultivating a deeper understanding of yoga practice through the intersection of traditional texts and contemporary research. Including a range of topics such as occupational health, neurobiology, and women's health, this book is ideally designed for professionals, practitioners, students, educators, and academics interested in the effects, challenges, and benefits of yoga practice.*

### **The Nectar of Manjushri's Speech**

*The essence of nonviolence is our ability to awaken the consciousness to a higher level. Nonviolence is considered as the highest virtue because nonviolence has the capacity to transform individual, society and the world. Transformation happens slowly and silently in every single moment, without notice. Nonviolence is only for the brave men and women of the world because it requires courage – courage to love the beauty of life, beauty of humanity and the beauty of the world. It also requires courage to discard the old beliefs and the old ideas of religions and spirituality in the framework of true humanity and love. In this book Dr.Ray explained the practical ways of practicing nonviolence in daily life. The seeds of violence exist in the daily feelings of suppression, guilt, shame and disappointments. These seeds can be eliminated by practicing simple techniques. The book deals with all the practical issues of practicing nonviolence*

### **The Connected Discourses of the Buddha**

*You've probably heard about the benefits of meditation: Sharper thinking, reduced stress, improved concentration, lower blood pressure, even increased sexual pleasure , all of these positive effects have been confirmed by science. In this uniquely accessible guide, Lorin Roche shows that meditation is that easy , and pleasurable. Roche answers questions and debunks meditation myths, and gives three easy-to-follow techniques for getting started ?he Do Nothing Technique," "Salute Each of the Senses," and "Feeling at Home Exercise". He and shows you how to integrate "mini meditations" into spare moments of the day, from savouring morning coffee to taking advantage of the five minutes before a meeting. He explains how to overcome meditation obstacles, customise meditation to your own needs, and use your breath, voice, and attention as meditation aids. And he shows how meditation will give you the power to explore your inner passions , and enrich your sense of self.*

## **Patanjali Yoga Sutras**

*How to realize your full potential through daily practice Step into your super consciousness to realize your dreams and goals! Found in the Rigveda, Gayatri mantra is one of the most important and powerful Vedic mantras even today. Since ages, seers and householders have used its sublime energy to realize their material and spiritual dreams. Also known as Vedmata or Savitri, correct invocation of goddess Gayatri has remarkable effects on your emotional and psychical wellbeing. Following on from his bestseller, The Ancient Science of Mantras, Om Swami brings to you a simplified method of unleashing the power of the Gayatri mantra. Razorsharp intuition or penetrating wisdom, working the law of attraction or gaining immense willpower, absorption and practice of Gayatri bestows it all. Full of firsthand experiences, reallife stories and insightful passages, The Hidden Power of Gayatri Mantra offers you the most authentic and yet practical method of invoking the mantra. Om Swami is a mystic living in the Himalayan foothills. He has a Bachelor's degree in business and an MBA from Sydney, Australia. Prior to his renunciation of this world, he founded and successfully ran a multimilliondollar software company. He is the bestselling author of A Fistful of Wisdom, The Ancient Science of Mantras, A Million Thoughts, Kundalini: An Untold Story, A Fistful of Love and If Truth Be Told: A Monk's Memoir.*

### **Research-Based Perspectives on the Psychophysiology of Yoga**

*A fresh look at Yoga philosophy.*

## **Becoming Enlightened**

*The renowned spiritual leader outlines an accessible approach to the pursuit of enlightenment that draws on traditional Buddhist meditative practices, in a step-by-step guide that includes coverage of such topics as embracing a positive attitude and overcoming suffering. 150,000 first printing.*

## **The Buddhist Essence**

*The Sanskrit word "Guru" means teacher or guide. To the Pandavas, "Guru" meant a man by the name of Dronacharya. To Eklavya, "Guru" meant a clay statue. Yet both of these are examples of a Guru-Disciple relationship. There are many applications of the concept of Guru. Guru Sutra explains the relationship between the Shishya (the Disciple) and a SiddhGuru (the Spiritual teacher). How can you identify the Guru in your life? And how can you as a disciple maximize the learning from your Guru? Find all the answers in the Guru Sutra.*

## **A SERIES OF Lessons in Gnani Yoga**

*This is a story of a mountain bird, which had a vision to change the world and bring peace on earth. Life was beautiful but war devastates everything. The story runs through her joy, pain, anguish, struggle and wisdom. For most birds life is simply eating, drinking and raising their chicks. This bird finds a higher purpose which turns to a mission in her life. Through the nightmare of war, she comes to the realization that she needs to do something for healing the soul of humanity. With the help of her guide Yashir, she follows her dream to spread peace on earth. This is a fable about the healing and raising the human consciousness on earth for peace on our planet. We are not helpless, each of us has a role and the story shows us the way.*

## **Buddha Nature**

*Drawing on evidence from the many civilizations that shared the Silk Road, this book examines specific cases of the mobility of maps and images through the centuries.*

## **The Tibetan Book of the Dead**

*The book provides some powerful Om chanting and meditation techniques to bring balance health and harmony in life. In this book Amit Ray describes several Om chanting and Om meditation methods in detail in a lucid and plain English. In Eastern religions, Om (AUM) is considered as the most sacred mantra. Om is the mantra of integration; integration of individual with the Whole. Om is the mantra of harmony and celebration. Om is the mantra to access the Supreme Divinity residing within us. Om chanting and meditations have healing effects on the body and the mind. This book is a step-by-step guide to practise meditations with the Om. As you practise, a long-lasting sense of well-being manifests in your life. You will notice a sense of joyfulness entering your life along with an ability to appreciate the many gifts that surround you. This book will help both the beginners as well as the advanced practitioners.*

## **Buddhism, Diplomacy, and Trade**

*In this book Dr. Amit Ray describes the principles, algorithms and frameworks for incorporating compassion, kindness and empathy in machine. This is a milestone book on Artificial Intelligence. Compassionate AI address the issues for creating solutions for some of the challenges the humanity is facing today, like the need for compassionate care-giving, helping physically and mentally challenged people, reducing human pain and diseases, stopping nuclear warfare, preventing mass destruction weapons, tackling terrorism and stopping the exploitation of innocent citizens by monster governments through digital surveillance. The book also talks about compassionate AI for precision medicine, new drug discovery, education, and legal system. Dr. Ray explained the DeepCompassion algorithms, five design principles and eleven key behavioral principle of compassionate AI systems. The book also explained several compassionate AI projects. Compassionate AI is the best practical guide for AI students, researchers, entrepreneurs, business leaders looking to get true value from the adoption of compassion in machine learning technology.*

## **Silver Screen Buddha**

## **Chanting the Medicine Buddha Sutra**

*How do contemporary films depict Buddhists and Buddhism? What aspects of the Buddhist tradition are these films keeping from our view? By repeatedly romanticizing the meditating monk, what kinds of Buddhisms and Buddhists are missing in these films and why? Silver Screen Buddha is the first book to explore the intersecting representations of Buddhism, race, and gender in contemporary films. Sharon A. Suh examines the cinematic encounter with Buddhism that has flourished in Asia and in the West in the past century – from images of Shangri-La in Frank Capra's 1937 Lost Horizon to Kim Ki-Duk's 2003 international box office success Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter and*

*Spring. The book helps readers see that representations of Buddhism in Asia and in the West are fraught with political, gendered, and racist undertones. Silver Screen Buddha draws significant attention to ordinary lay Buddhism, a form of the tradition given little play in popular film. By uncovering the differences between a fictionalized, commodified, and exoticized Buddhism, Silver Screen Buddha brings to light expressions of the tradition that highlight laity and women, on the one hand, and Asian and Asian Americans, on the other. Suh engages in a re-visioning of Buddhism that expands the popular understanding of the tradition, moving from the dominance of meditating monks to the everyday world of raced, gendered, and embodied lay Buddhists.*

### **Compassionate Artificial Intelligence**

*A new and precise verse rendition of one of Mahayana Buddhism's finest poetic treatise concerning the bodhisattva's practise and training. The translation by Stephen Batchelor is based upon a commentary by the 14th century Tibetan saint Thogme Zangpo.*

### **The Yoga-sutras of Patanjali**

*The book discusses the art of living in the moment and living in the breath. It has five parts. Part one discusses the hierarchy of mindfulness, factors of mindfulness, micro-mindfulness, frameworks of mindfulness, goal setting and planning with mindfulness, and many other aspects of mindfulness. Part two, three and four discusses different practices of mindfulness meditation. Written in clear and concise language, and beautifully illustrated, the book is enjoyable to read and easy to practice. In this book Dr. Ray explores mindfulness as an art of living in the moment and living in the breath. He explores mindfulness as the source of inspiration and inner peace. Ray explains how to apply mindfulness to everything we encounter so we can transcend unconscious habits that have imprisoned us for so long. He shows the ways to transform our fear, expectation, anger, regret, cravings, frustration, and fatigue into positive energy of love and compassion.*

### **A Guide to the Bodhisattva's Way of Life**

*The Tibetan Book of the Dead is one of the texts that, according to legend, Padma-Sambhava was compelled to hide during his visit to Tibet in the late 8th century. The guru hid his books in stones, lakes, and pillars because the Tibetans of that day and age were somehow unprepared for their teachings. Now, in the form of the ever-popular Tibetan Book of the Dead, these teachings are constantly being discovered and rediscovered by Western readers of many different backgrounds--a phenomenon which began in 1927 with Oxford's first edition of Dr. Evans-Wentz's landmark volume. While it is traditionally used as a mortuary text, to be read or recited in the presence of a dead or dying person, this book--which relates the whole experience of death and rebirth in three intermediate states of being--was originally understood as a guide not only for the dead but also for the living. As a contribution to the science of death and dying--not to mention the belief in life after death, or the belief in rebirth--The Tibetan Book of the Dead is unique among the sacred texts of the world, for its socio-cultural influence in this regard is without comparison. This fourth edition features a new foreword, afterword, and suggested further reading list by Donald S. Lopez, author of Prisoners of Shangri-La: Tibetan Buddhism and the West. Lopez traces the whole history of the late Evans-Wentz's three earlier editions of this book, fully considering the work of contributors to previous editions (C. G. Jung among them), the sections that were added by Evans-Wentz along the way, the questions surrounding the book's translation, and finally the volume's profound importance in engendering both popular and academic interest in the religion and culture of Tibet. Another key theme that Lopez addresses is the changing nature of this book's audience--from the prewar theosophists to the beat poets to the hippies to contemporary exponents of the hospice movement--and what these audiences have found (or sought) in its very old pages.*

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