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buddhism is one of the oldest and largest of the world's religions but it is also a tradition that has proven to have enormous contemporary relevance founded by siddhartha gautama who came to be called the buddha the religion has spread from its origins in northeast india across asia and eventually to the west taking on new forms at each step of the way buddhism what everyone needs to know offers readers a brief authoritative guide to one of the world's most diverse religious traditions in a reader friendly question and answer format dale wright covers the origins and early history of buddhism the diversity of types of buddhism throughout history and the status of contemporary buddhism this is a go to book for anyone seeking a basic understanding of the origins history teachings and practices of buddhism

through a close analysis of zen encounter dialogues gong ans and huayan buddhist philosophy buddhism and postmodernity offers a new ethical paradigm for buddhist postmodern philosophy

this is a critical and philosophical analysis and assessment of the teachings of buddha as found in the early stratum of the pali canon and those of lord krsna as embodied in the bhagavadgītā it is the first time that the foundational works of the two most important traditions of indian thought have been brought together for comparative treatment the widely prevalent openion among scholars that hindu thought did not have any significant contact with pali buddhism might perhaps be one of the reasons why no attempt has previously been made to undertake a comparative study of bhagwadgītā and early buddhism the author covers the whole field of epistemology metaphysics and ethics in detail and depth and bases his conclusions throughout on the original texts making careful examinations of and paing due attention to the commentatiorialexegeses and scholarly interpretations

inhaltsverzeichnis exhibiting the senses encountering the buddha at the national museum of asian art debra diamond introduction robert decaroli and donald s lopez jr sight avoiding eye contact the negative aspects of sight in early south asian buddhism robert decaroli seeing splendor and envisioning hell the moral economy in thai buddhist merit making melody rod ari sound bewildering sounds of the bardo kurtis r schaeffer the sound of music donald lopez smell what is bad about bad smell relativity relationship and revelation in the buddhist olfactory imagination lina verchery thus have i smelled

john strong taste the case of the five pungent vegetables james robson sweetness and power the buddhist transformation of taste d max moerman touch infectious touch and the buddha s seven zombies spell saptavetā [?] aka dhāra [?] [?] bryan j cuevas a science of pleasurable touch sex rules in the vinaya reiko ohnuma contributors

how and when did the many schools of buddhism emerge how does the historical figure of siddhartha guatama relate to the many teachings that are presented in his name did buddhism modify the cultures to which it was introduced or did they modify buddhism leading buddhist scholar donald s lopez jr explores the origins of this 2 500 year old religion and traces its major developments up to the present focusing not only on the essential elements common to all schools of buddhism but also revealing the differences among the major traditions beginning with the creation and structure of the buddhist universe lopez explores the life of the buddha the core buddhist tenets and the development of the monastic life and lay practices combining brilliant scholarship with fascinating stories contemporary and historical sometimes miraculous sometimes humorous this rich and absorbing volume presents a fresh and expert history of buddhism and buddhist life

this short treatise explains in detail the principle of radical pluralism which asserts that the elements alone are realities while every combination of them is a mere name covering a plurality of separate elements the principle has been elucidated by its contrast with arambhavada which maintains the reality of the whole as well as of the elements and with parinama vada which ascribes absolute reality to the whole the work is divided into sixteen sections dealing with skandhas ayatanas dhatus elements of mind pratityasamutpada karma impermanence in sankhya yoga theory of cognition pre buddhaic buddhism etc it has two appendices dealing with the views of vasubandhu on the fundamental principles of sarvastivada and the classification of all elements of existence according to the sarvastivadins the two indices appended to the work record proper names and sanskrit terms occurring in the work

this curated collection of primary texts and secondary scholarship offers an engaging and comprehensive view of buddhism and its founder the wisdom of buddha drawn from the sacred books of buddhism this collection reveals the core insights and beliefs of the world s fourth largest religion it covers the birth and death of the buddha as well as the major tenets of buddhism including karma and the middle doctrine hinduism and buddhism a highly original discussion of the origins and tenets of the great eastern religions by a sri lankan theorist who introduced ancient indian art to the west buddhist texts through the ages a comprehensive collection of buddhist texts and scriptures translated from the original pali sanskrit chinese tibetan and japanese this edition also includes a glossary of english and foreign terms

ourvan offers a succinct but illuminating overview of zen tibetan and soka gakkai buddhism publishers weekly approximately four million americans claim to be buddhist moreover hundreds of thousands of americans of various faiths read about buddhism are interested in its philosophical tenets or fashionably view themselves as buddhists they re part of what s been described as the fastest growing religious movement in america a large group of people dissatisfied with traditional religious offerings and thirsty for an approach to spirituality grounded in logic and consistent with scientific knowledge the star spangled buddhist is a provocative look at these american buddhists through their three largest movements in the united states the soka gakkai international tibetan vajrayana buddhism and zen buddhism the practice of each of these american schools unlike most traditional asian buddhist sects is grounded in the notion that all people are capable of attaining enlightenment in this lifetime but the differences are also profound the spectrum of philosophical expression among these american buddhist schools is as varied as that observed between reformed orthodox and hasidic judaism the star spangled buddhist isn t written from the perspective of a monk or academic but rather from the view of author jeff ourvan a lifelong practicing lay buddhist as ourvan explores the american buddhist movement through its most popular schools he arrives at a clearer understanding for himself and the reader about what it means to be and how one might choose to be a buddhist in america

by chronicling how buddhism and psychotherapy shaped his own growth the author of going to pieces without falling apart has written an intimate chronicle of the evolution of spirit and psyche and presents a highly inviting guide for anyone seeking a new outlook on life

constituting communities explores how community functions within theravāda buddhist culture although the dominant focus of buddhist studies for the past century has been on doctrinal and philosophical issues this volume concentrates on discourses that produced them and why and how these discourses and practices shaped theravāda communities in south and southeast asia from a variety of perspectives

including historical literary doctrinal and philosophical and social and anthropological the contributors explore the issues that have proven important and definitive for identifying what it has meant individually and socially to be buddhist in this particular region the book focuses on textual discourse how communities are formed and maintained within pluralistic contexts and the formation of community both within and between the monastic and lay settings

this book examines the interface between buddhism and the caste system in india it discusses how buddhism in different stages from its early period to contemporary forms theravāda mahāyāna tantrayāna and navayāna dealt with the question of caste it also traces the intersections between the problem of caste with those of class and gender the volume reflects on the interaction between hinduism and buddhism it looks at critiques of caste in the classical buddhist tradition while simultaneously drawing attention to the radical challenge posed by dr b r ambedkar s navayāna buddhism or neo buddhism the essays in the book further compare approaches to varṇa and caste developed by modern thinkers such as m k gandhi and s radhakrishnan with ambedkar s criticisms and his departures from mainstream appraisals with its interdisciplinary methodology combining insights from literature philosophy political science and sociology the volume explores contemporary critiques of caste from the perspective of buddhism and its historical context by analyzing religion through the lens of caste and gender it also forays into the complex relationship between religion and politics while offering a rigorous study of the textual tradition of buddhism in india this book will be useful to scholars and researchers of indian philosophy buddhist studies indology literature especially sanskrit and pāli exclusion and discrimination studies history political studies women studies sociology and south asian studies

in all likelihood it was the form of buddhism labeled esoteric buddhism that had the greatest geographical spread of any form of buddhism it left its imprint not only on its native india but far beyond on southeast asia central asia including tibet and mongolia as well as the east asian countries china korea and japan not only has esoteric buddhism contributed substantially to the development of buddhism in many cultures but it also facilitated the transmission of religious art and material culture science and technology this volume the result of an international collaboration of forty scholars provides a comprehensive resource on esoteric buddhism and the tantras in their chinese korean and japanese contexts from the first few centuries of the common era right up to the present edited by charles d orzech general editor henrik h s. renzen and richard k payne contributors include barbara ambrose anna andreeva sarah aptilon ian astley clemente beghi heather blair william bodiford chen jinhua paul copp ronald m davidson lucia dolce athanasios drakakis donald drummond ruth dunnell jay ford david gardiner rolf giebel robert m gimello david gray elizabeth ten grotenhuis nobumi iyanaga george keyworth martin lehnert hun y lye shinya mano richard m mcbride laura meeks regan murphy charles d orzech richard k payne klaus pinte fabio rambelli thierry robouam james robson brian ruppert neil schmid gaynor sekimori shen weirong henrik h s. renzen mark unno pamela winfield

the buddhist monk buddhasada bhikkhu 1906 1993 injected fresh life into thai buddhism by exploring and teaching little known transcendent aspects of the religion his investigations excited both monks and lay people and gave rise to the vigorous discussion in shops temple yards and newly founded buddhist associations moreover he was a prolific author who produced a rich array of publications that are indicative of his popularity and the impact of his teachings while these discussions included serious exchanges on doctrine and practice they also included jokes and light humor criticisms of weak evidence for certain positions and a defamation campaign arising from rumors that buddhadasa was a communist sympathizer buddhadasa s thoughts and historical context coincide with the general picture of modern buddhism and he may be seen as an agent of buddhist modernity but he worked predominantly in thailand through the medium of the thai language and he contributed much more significantly to thai buddhists than to buddhist practice outside the country an enormous amount of material relating to buddhadasa bhikkhu has been captured in religious journals and in numerous pocket books aimed at a general audience departing from the classical method of studying buddhism through philology tomomi ito s account of buddhadasa bhikkhu draws on this popular literature and on conversations with a broad spectrum of the people involved in these discussions to develop an account of buddhism as it is experienced by thai people the result is a lively intellectual and social history of contemporary thai religion and society built around the life of an exceptional monk who captured the interest of buddhists pursuing spiritual depth in the context of the ideological conflicts of the cold war

what kind of person should i strive to be what ideals should i pursue in my life these basic human questions and others like them are components of the overall question that guides this book what is enlightenment as dale wright argues any serious practitioner of human life religious or not confronts the challenge of living an authentic life of overcoming common human disabilities like greed hatred and delusion that give rise to excessive suffering why then wright asks is this essential question often avoided even discouraged among buddhists one reason frequently cited by buddhists is that pondering a

distant goal might be a waste of energy that would be better applied to practice quiet the flow of obsessive thinking put yourself in a mindful state of presence and let enlightenment take care of itself in this book however wright contends that pondering this question is meditative practice that attentive inquiry of this kind is essential as the starting point and guide for any mindful practice of life meditative reflection on the meaning of enlightenment focuses us on our aim and direction in life it guides us in shaping our practices our ideals and the kinds of lives we will live asking what enlightenment is as a basic form of meditation helps to activate our lives and get transformative practice underway from wright s perspective there is no more important question to ask than this one what is buddhist enlightenment offers a wide ranging exploration of issues that have a bearing on the contemporary meaning of enlightenment including a concluding section with 10 theses that answer the title s question written by a leading scholar of buddhism the book balances deep learning and an accessible style offering valuable insights for students scholars and practitioners alike while he takes an examination of what enlightenment has been in past buddhist traditions as his point of departure wright s historical considerations yield to the question that our lives press upon us what kinds of lives should we aspire to live here now and into the future

an account of the impact of tibetan buddhism upon the western imagination which deploys a wide range of sources and draws together diverse strands in surveying the extensive literature of travel and exploration jungian interpretations of tibetan themes and the self projection of tibetan buddhism within contemporary western culture this study in cultural psychology places the east west exchange of spiritual ideas within social and psychological contexts bishop s other titles include the myth of shangri la 1989

merging buddhist mindfulness practices with the twelve step program this updated edition of the bestselling recovery guide one breath at a time will inspire and enlighten you to live a better healthier life many in recovery turn to the twelve steps to overcome their addictions but struggle with the spiritual program but what they might not realize is that buddhist teachings are intrinsically intertwined with the lessons of the twelve steps and offer time tested methods for addressing the challenges of sobriety in what is considered the cornerstone of the most significant recovery movement of the 21st century kevin griffin shares his own extraordinary journey to sobriety and how he integrated the twelve steps of recovery with buddhist mindfulness practices with a new foreword by william alexander the author of ordinary recovery one breath at a time takes you on a journey through the steps examining critical ideas like powerlessness higher power and moral inventory through the lens of the core concepts of buddhism the four noble truths the eightfold path mindfulness loving kindness and more the result is a book that presents techniques and meditations for fi

synopsis the way and the mountain is a selection of marco pallis most important writings on tibetan buddhism pallis traveled extensively in the himalayas and studied buddhism from lamas within the tradition before the communist invasion of tibet in 1949

if buddhism is to remain relevant to the contemporary era through providing effective solutions to the proliferating and protean discursive problems encountered by its present day practitioners it cannot continue to ignore the role of discourse in the formation of subjectivity in the interest of problematizing such ignorance this book explores the potential interface between foucaultian discourse analysis and the development of an indigenous rationale for the practice of contemporary western buddhism along with the growing significance of such a rationale for traditional buddhism in an era dominated by disciplinary bio power through doing so this book radically re conceptualizes the role of buddhism in the world today by linking buddhist practice with acts of discursive transgression

with over fifteen hundred entries and forty six illustrations a concise dictionary of buddhism and zen is the most complete compact reference work of its kind available in the english language it is designed not only for students and meditators but also as a tool to help familiarize all readers with buddhist terms and concepts such as chakra karma koan nirvana and tantra that are encountered with increasing regularity in the literature of a wide range of fields today the lives and teachings of important philosophers and meditation masters the variety of practices the basic texts and scriptures and the range of sects and schools of thought are among the subjects covered pronunciation tables a comprehensive bibliography and a ch an zen lineage chart are also provided

charting the flights of western fantasies of tibet and its buddhist legacy lopez presents fanciful visions of tibetan life and religion ranging from the utopian to the demonic

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