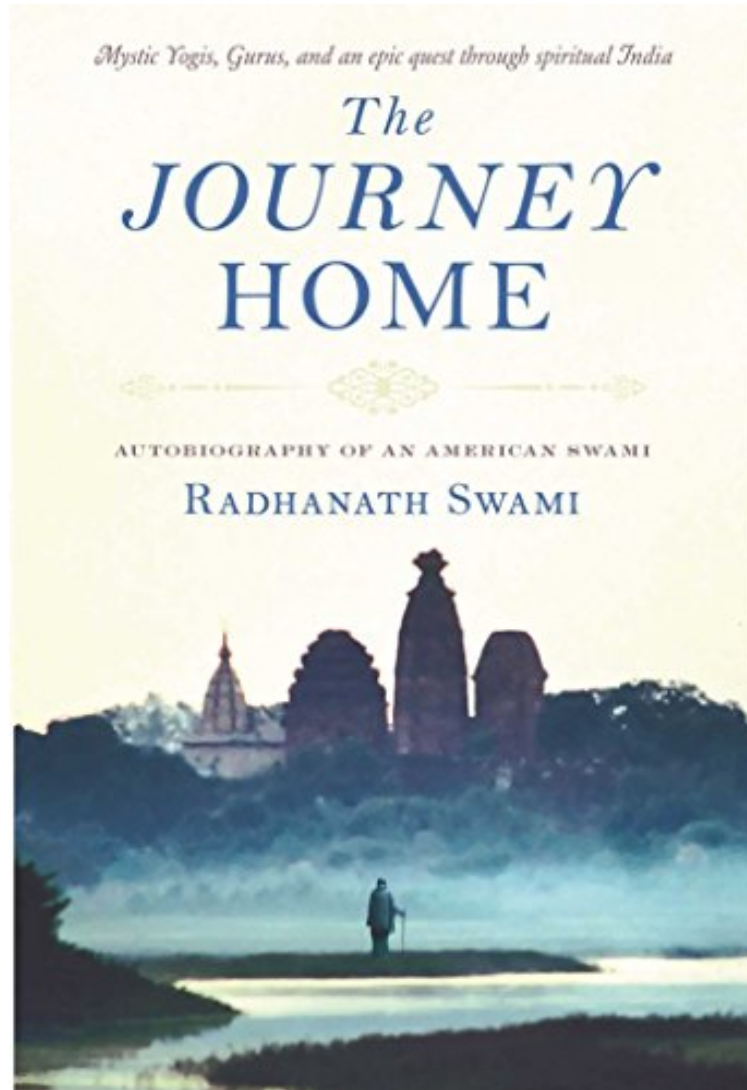


[Free and download] The Journey Home: Autobiography of an American Swami

The Journey Home: Autobiography of an American Swami

Radhanath Swami

ePub | *DOC | audiobook | ebooks | Download PDF



DOWNLOAD



READ ONLINE

#181648 in Books Swami Radhanath Radhanath 2010-01-19 2010-01-19 Original language: English PDF # 1
9.25 x 1.20 x 6.00, 1.56 #File Name: 1601090560368 pages The Journey Home | File size: 15.Mb

Radhanath Swami : The Journey Home: Autobiography of an American Swami before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Journey Home: Autobiography of an American Swami:

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. A Spiritual Seeker's Adventure By Robert S. This is one of the most amazing stories of the search for God I have ever read. I traveled much of the same route in India and Nepal and find his descriptions of people, places and hospitality to be much the same as mine. I had no previous knowledge of Radhanath Swami and several times I found the experiences of this teenager immediately falling into the inner circle

of the many saints and holy men he was seeking to be un-believable. With so much synchronicity I began to believe this was complete fiction. There are several videos on youtube where he speaks of these adventures. I see now that his dedication and suffering has paid off in finding what he was seeking and bringing him to what he has become today. Perhaps the lesson for me is that when we truly have our heart set on achieving something and are willing to do whatever it takes to get there we have magical and sometimes unbelievable help from higher powers than our own. If you have ever experienced this part of the world from ground level you will especially enjoy Radhanath's excellent descriptions of the people, places and events.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. A Light on the Path By Anna Bella Radhanath Swami is the spiritual name of Richard Slavin, an American-born guru and one of the current spiritual advisors of ISKON, the International Society for Krishna Consciousness. That group, founded by Sri Pradhupada, is dedicated to promoting spiritual consciousness by developing inner states of awareness and promoting ecstatic joy during the practice of bhakti yoga. What makes this approach to spirituality so unique is that it transcends the body entirely and facilitates states of direct communion with Krishna himself. The spiritual benefits raise and uplift the world one devotee at a time as taught by Srila Pradhupda, who became Richard Slavin's lifelong guru and teacher after an intense pilgrimage through India to find him. This book is deeply charismatic and ingenuously personal. Slavin takes you into his heart and invites you along to find your true self, even as he has done. The needs of his human body are many, but he learns to transcend them all, one by one, in a most dramatic and mind-bending fashion. The journey lasts about two years and is filled with descriptions of countless tests of personal self-mastery, most all involving life-threatening dangers of some sort, such as homelessness, sickness, near-starvation, violence, extreme weather, rabid and venomous animals, quicksand, dysentery, lack of sanitary services, etc -- all borne with supreme self-effacement and deep humility. For each extreme trial or test, there is also a blessing in the form of instant connection with Source. The love he expresses for himself and his fellow man is clearly what sustains his body and heart. Gradually his inner will to commit to lifelong service as a devotee of Krishna becomes stronger until he is able to surrender totally to his Path and ultimate Guru. It is the story of a man who leaves his family and friends behind and sets off on an unplanned and arduous international search to find God in imitation of countless saints of the past. It is richly told, a magnetic tale with special appeal that only comes from a genuine spiritual intention to reveal one's truest self. It is a gift to the heart. I was deeply touched by this book.

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Inspiring By Homeschooling mom I enjoyed the read and feel as if like the author, I too was being led to this book. I had never heard of Radhanath Swami before until I began searching for a yoga instructor class which led to me finding a free lecture by him. It mentioned this book which I purchased to read before going to hear him. I didn't get to read it all prior to but finally finished it a few months later. If you are looking for a story about a spiritual quest to find a home within then you will enjoy this book. It shows us how perseverance toward a goal and faith it will happen can conquer all. It gives me hope that I will achieve my same goal though my path is greatly different.

Within this extraordinary memoir, Radhanath Swami weaves a colorful tapestry of adventure, mysticism, and love. Readers follow Richard Slavin from the suburbs of Chicago to the caves of the Himalayas as he transforms from young seeker to renowned spiritual guide. *The Journey Home* is an intimate account of the steps to self-awareness and also a penetrating glimpse into the heart of mystic traditions and the challenges that all souls must face on the road to inner harmony and a union with the Divine. Through near-death encounters, apprenticeships with advanced yogis, and years of travel along the pilgrims path, Radhanath Swami eventually reaches the inner sanctum of India's mystic culture and finds the love he has been seeking. It is a tale told with rare candor, immersing the reader in a journey that is at once engaging, humorous, and heartwarming.

About the Author New York Times best-selling author Radhanath Swami was born in Chicago in 1950. At age nineteen, he traveled overland from London to India, where he lived in Himalayan caves, learned yoga from revered masters, and eventually became a world-renowned spiritual leader in his own right. His acclaimed memoir, *The Journey Home*, has been translated into over twenty languages and sold in over forty countries worldwide. Radhanath Swami presently travels in Asia, Europe, and America teaching devotional wisdom but can often be found with his community in Mumbai, where he works tirelessly to help develop communities, food distribution initiatives, missionary hospitals, schools, ashrams, emergency relief programs, and eco-friendly farms.