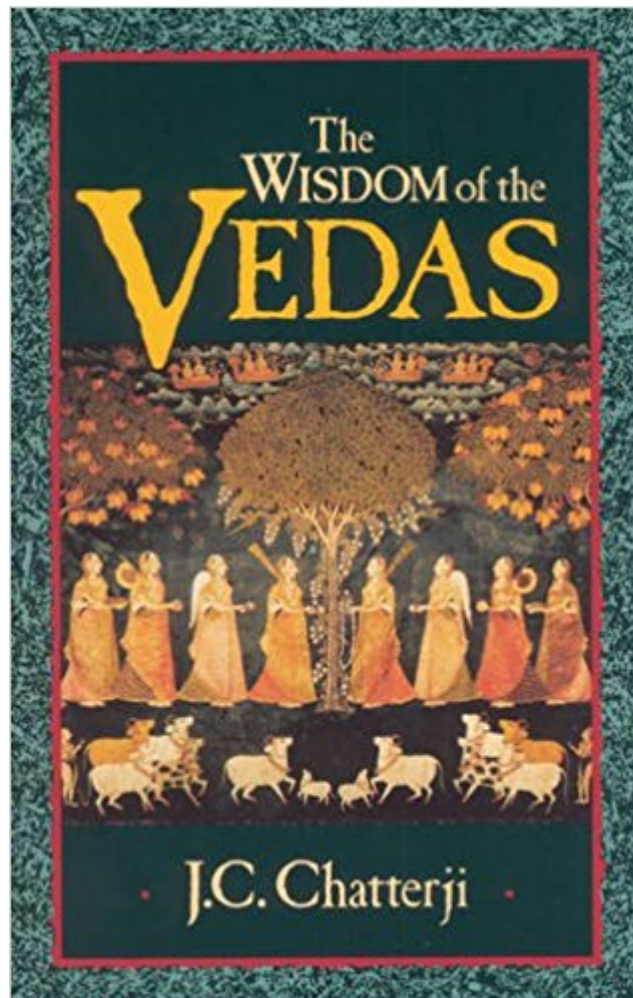




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Synopsis

How did the universe come into being? What is the nature of God? Of the human spirit? All who seek understanding will find this book an illuminating presentation of India's oldest and most profound religious and philosophical tradition. The Wisdom of the Vedas was first published in 1931 by Kailas Press under the title India's Outlook on Life. The Theosophical Publishing House published a second edition in 1973, and again in 1980 under the Quest imprint. The present 1992 edition was edited to reflect the modern use of inclusive language, and includes an introduction by Vedic scholar David Frawley. Mr. Frawley explains to the Western reader, "The Vedas are the original scripture or source teaching of the Hindu tradition, from which its many branches of Vedanta, Yoga, and Tantra have emerged through time, and to which they all look back with reverence." The Vedas are also "...the background relative to which the Buddhist religion evolved, and Buddhism also preserves many Vedic terms and practices." The study then, of the Vedas is important to understanding many different Eastern teachings. The author is from India, and has an unusual ability to frame the subtleties of Eastern thought for the Western world.

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Customer Reviews

Vedic wisdom is the basis of the Hindu religion, & it's basic principles are scattered about in many different places. This book was a bit of a dry read for me, it is written in an academic sort of way that while it addressed the topics thoroughly for study, it doesn't make them 'come alive' in a way that perhaps reading a direct translation might. But this is good for comparative studies perhaps

This book is good if you want to look into the veda's to see the fuss to get you prepared to look into the real veda's sure to come..I suggest this book to anyone who needs a intro

I am disappointed. The reviews were rich but the book itself falls short. I would not recommend this to anyone who would liketo be introduced to Vedas even at beginner level.

Awesome so enjoying this read!!

very nice book

I've spent decades searching out truths about existence which made sense, gradually gravitating toward Hinduism. The ancient Vedas contained details about the physical nature of reality (corresponding to quarks and string theory etc) which only recently have started to be confirmed by modern science, due to the increasing power and sophistication of microscopes and telescopes. They were written thousands of years ago, allegedly revealed by "higher masters."This incredibly informative and concise book explains the deepest, most profound beliefs in clear simple terms. Beautifully written, there is nothing excessive about the prose. Every page contains important information explaining everything you need to know about God and life and the nature of the universe.Hinduism is the only major monotheistic religion on earth which acknowledges there is some truth in the others, and it is (to my mind) clearly the most objective and intelligent.Forget all the "New Age" books and read this instead. It is the REAL DEAL.

I have studied many philosophical texts, and have also studied in depth many holy scriptures - and therefore, I can say with at least some authority, this book is just hot air without much to say. I am giving it two stars generously, on the possibility that it is just way above my head, but really after at least a week of trying to make sense of even the first part of the book and coming up with contradictory nonsense, I gave up. I would just read the Vedas directly, especially the Upanishads.

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