ABOUT THE VEDANTA SOCIETY:

The Vedanta Society of New York was founded in 1894 by Swami Vivekananda, the first teacher of Vedanta to come to the West. He drew wide acclaim by his historic addresses at the World Parliament of Religions held in Chicago in 1893. After that a group of students gathered about the swami, and the first Vedanta Society in the United States was started in New York City. At present there are fifteen such centers in the U.S. Each center is an official branch of the Ramakrishna Order, the monastic organization established by Swami Vivekananda in India.

MEMBERSHIP:

Those in regular attendance with sympathy for the principles of Vedanta living in the Tri-State area of New York, New Jersey and Connecticut are welcome to become members of the Society, subject to the approval of the Swami.

BOOKS:

The bookstall at the rear of the chapel is open to the public before and after services and classes. Books may also be purchased by mail.
SPECIAL NOTE

Center Remains Closed Until Further Notice

We will be monitoring the situation closely and post updates as necessary. We send our best wishes and prayers for the wellbeing of you and your families.

SUNDAY 11.00AM

June 6       What we can gain from the Buddha
Pravrajika Vrajaprana
Sarada Convent, VSSC, Santa Barbara

June 13      Ask Swami

June 20      The Yoga of Love

With the completion of the June schedule, classes will conclude for a summer recess resuming September 19th.

Physical attendance of services is suspended, we will be live streaming the above services at:

www.youtube.com/vedantany

After a while he started to give me some spiritual advice. I stopped him, saying: “I won’t listen to any advice. I have written cartloads of it myself. It doesn’t help. Do something that will transform my life.” Hearing these words, Sri Ramakrishna was highly pleased...A particular hymn was recited: “Go into solitude and shut yourself in a cave. Peace is not there. Peace is where faith is, for faith is the root of all.” I saw a smile playing on the lips of Sri Ramakrishna, and I felt at that moment that I was freed from all impurities. And at that moment my arrogant head bowed low at his feet. In him I found my sanctity and all my fear was gone. I prostrated myself before him and was about to return home. He followed me as far as the northern porch. There I asked him, “Now that I have received your grace, am I to continue the same kind of work that I have been doing?” Sri Ramakrishna replied, “Yes, why not?” From his words I understood that my connection with the theatre would not hurt my spiritual life.

My heart was filled with joy. I felt as if I were born anew. I was a totally changed man. There was no more doubt or conflict in my mind. “God is real. God is my sanctuary. I have found my refuge in this God-man. Now I can easily realize God.”

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