

## **BOOK REPORT: RECOMMENDED TITLES**

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Seekers after truth often ask for a recommendation of books on Theosophy, metaphysics and allied subjects. They may be surprised to know how large a library of such books exist. Not every book on these subjects, however, can be recommended, for some are false or misleading, some very harmful. Neither can all the good ones be included in this short listing, but the following especially may be recommended as more or less basic:

### THE OCEAN OF THEOSOPHY by William Q. Judge.

This is a rather small volume but comprehensive, written in simple language for the most part. Excellent for the newcomer who wants a general knowledge of the field, yet equally valuable for the advanced student.

### COSMIC CONSCIOUSNESS by Dr. Maurice Bucke.

The evolution of consciousness covers the first portion of the book. The remainder is concerned with case histories of those who have broken through the ceiling of relative consciousness, what they found there and how it affected them. The book is enlightening for those who never knew such a state existed, and few are they who do know of it.

### The works of Mme. H. P. Blavatsky.

Her SECRET DOCTRINE is the majestic work of Theosophy, but not always easy reading and heavily veiled; but for those who can unlock its secrets, here is great treasure.

ISIS UNVEILED, an earlier work, is perhaps more introductory. Here she crusades against false teachings and practices, especially of science and theology. These and other of her writings will be discussed in later detail at another time.

### The works of Sri Aurobindo.

THE LIFE DIVINE and ON YOGA may perhaps be of most importance. He is concerned not so much with bursting the bubble of unreality as with raising humanity for as long as it must remain in its dream state.

### THE BHAGAVAD GITA (The Lord's Song)

This is available in many editions and stands as one of the greatest books of all time. Very instructive commentaries have been written on this work by W.Q. Judge, Sankaracharya, Sri Aurobindo, others, and the more profound student may find it worth his time to compare them.

### LIGHT ON THE PATH, "written down" by Mabel Collins.

The teachings of a Master in the form of aphorisms, together with commentaries.

Other listings will be made at another time, and some may be reviewed much more comprehensively. Information on where to order these books will be sent on request.