



Introduction to Swami Vivekananda's life and mission



"I fervently hope that the bell that tolled this morning in honour of this convention may be the death-knell of all fanaticism, of all persecutions with the sword or with the pen, and of all uncharitable feelings between persons wending their way to the same goal."

Swami Vivekananda
Representative of Hindus
Parliament of Religions
Columbian Exposition, Chicago World
Fair
11 September 1893.



Some famous quotes of Swamiji

**Arise!
Awake!
And
Stop Not
Till
The
Goal
Is
Reached!**





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Strength is life

Weakness is death

**“They alone live who live
for others, the rest are
more dead than alive.”**



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Weak brain is not able to do anything. We must strengthen it. First of all our young men must be strong. Religion will come afterwards. You will be nearer to Heaven through football than through a study of the Gita. You will understand Gita better with your biceps, your muscles, a little stronger. You will understand the mighty strength of Krishna better with a little of strong blood in you.





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GOAL



Take up one idea.

Make that one idea your life.

Think of it, dream of it.

Live on that idea.

Let the brain, muscles, nerves,

every part of your body Be full of that idea

and just leave every other idea alone.

This the way to "SUCCESS".

And this is the way great spiritual giants
are produced.

Others are mere talking machines.



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COMMITMENT

Even a fool can accomplish a task if it were after his or her heart. But the intelligent ones are those who can convert every work into one that suits their heart.





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CONCENTRATION



who has all the knowledge in the world been gained but by the concentration of the powers of the mind? The world is ready to give up its secret if we only know how to knock, how to give it the necessary blow. The strength and force of the blow come through concentration. There is no limit to the power of the human mind. The more concentrated it is, the more power is brought to bear on one point,

That is the secret.



Some famous quotes of Swamiji



The heart that understands;
At San Francisco (1900)

"Man-making is my mission of life. I am not a politician, nor am I a social reformer. It is my job to fashion man...I care only for the spirit: when that is right, everything will be righted by itself."

'Man-making': This really means rousing the purblind race to an awareness of its innate spiritual strength and essential divine nature. Human beings are by no means inheritors of any original 'sin'. But, truly 'amritasya putrah', children of immortality. Such is Vedanta's Magna Carta for humanity.

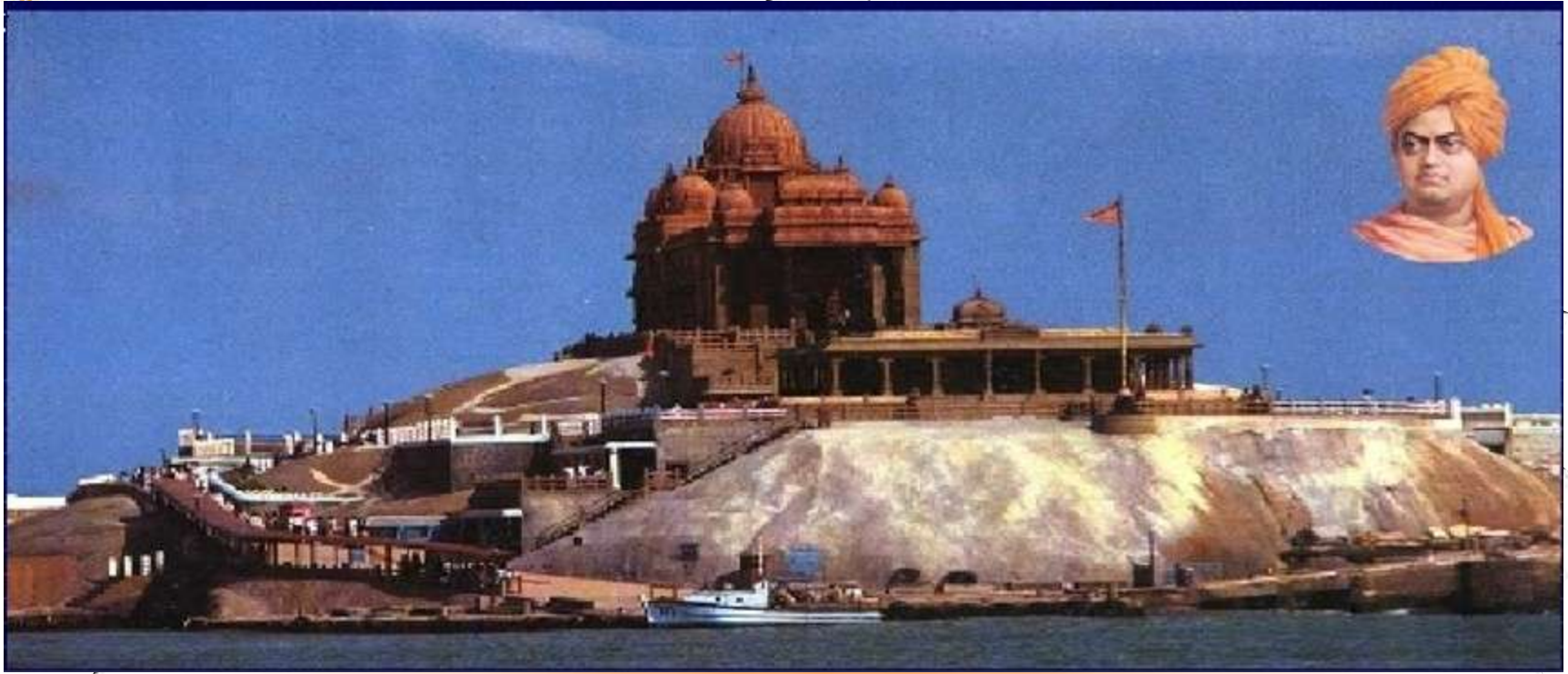


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- “What our country now wants are muscles of iron and nerves of steel - gigantic wills which nothing can resist, which can penetrate into the mysteries and secrets of the universe and will accomplish their purpose even if it meant going to the bottom of the ocean and meeting Death face to face.”
- “Be moral, be brave, be a whole-hearted man - strictly moral, brave unto desperation. Don't bother your head with religious theories; cowards only sin, brave men never. Try to love anybody and everybody. “
- Every duty is holy. Devotion to duty is the highest form of worship



Befitting memorial for Swamiji



"Vivekananda Rock Memorial" at Kanyakumari India. Sri Swami Vivekanandaji the structure was built in 1970 by the Vivekananda Rock Memorial Committee in honor of the great spiritual leader Swami Vivekananda who swam to the rock in rough sea (about 400m from the shore) in the winter month of December in 1892, and meditated here to attain enlightenment. This was built by the dedicated efforts of Sri Ekanath Ranade. Ekanath Ranade was a great social reformer, founder of Vivekananda Kendra. He was life time Pracharak (unmarried fulltime volunteer without pay) of RSS.

(<http://www.vivekanandakendra.org/>)