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"The highest truth is this: God is present in all beings. They are His multiple forms. There is no other God to seek. . . . It is a man-making religion that we want. . . . Give up these weakening mysticisms, and be strong. . . . For the next fifty years, let all other gods disappear from our minds. This is the only God that is awake, our Request PDF on ResearchGate | Swami Vivekananda’s Legacy of Service: A Study of the Ramakrishna Math and Mission | Was the concept of “social service” rooted in Hindu traditions or did it originate from India’s encounter with the West? Did the Ramakrishna Math and Mission’s commitment to seva, later known as sadhana of service, owe more to Vivekananda than to Ramakrishna himself? This...Â These historical precedents have continuities with contemporary yoga practices, and for many Indians today, yoga is understood as the essence of Indian spirituality.Â Swami Vivekananda has been recognised as one of the most influential but arguably controversial Hindu gurus of the last two centuries.