

Swami Vivekananda: A Spiritual Luminary and Patriotic- Saint

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A b s t r a c t

Swami Vivekananda was one of the greatest souls ever born in India. He was saint, patriot and philosopher. His indomitable courage, broad vision, spiritual outlook, mature wisdom and deep knowledge blended with an unending spirit of patriotism made him an outstanding personality of the India as well as world. India is justly proud of this great genius. The philosophy of oneness of religion is of his universal appeal and he also believed that who had completely and unreservedly dedicated themselves to the worship of God through service of man. For this vision he started Rama Krishna Mission which stands as a shining example of his lofty ideals, such as humanity, caste system, spirituality, and ardent Nationalism. His teachings helped in revitalising the people of India from Himalayas to Cape of Comorin, by harmonising all differences and infusing enormous strength in their minds and helping to raise them from stupor, lethargy and despair. His contribution to awaken the people of India to a realisation of their cultural and spiritual heritage is immense. He is one of the immortals who have given a new direction to our thinking and action in the cultural and political fields. In this connection an attempt has been made in the paper to throw the light on the spirituality, humanity, outlook on caste system and patriotic thoughts of Vivekananda.

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