Special Issue

Perspectives on Reincarnation: Hindu, Christian, Scientific, and Beyond—Second Edition

Message from the Guest Editor

In 2019, a Special Issue of Religions, with the title Perspectives on Reincarnation: Hindu, Christian, and Scientific, was published to great acclaim, tapping into the considerable interest on the topic of reincarnation that exists in both popular and scholarly discourse. The intent of this seguel is both to deepen the work of the previous Special Issue, inviting further contributions tapping into Hindu, Christian, and scientific points of view, and to broaden it, inviting contributions that focus on the topic of reincarnation from Buddhist or Jain perspectives, Esoteric Jewish, Christian, and Islamic perspectives, New Age perspectives, and perspectives drawn from the ancient or classical cultures of Europe: Graeco-Roman, Celtic, and so forth, as well as perspectives from the varied indigenous traditions across the globe. The hope is that sufficient interest will be garnered in this Special Issue to enable it, as with its first edition, to be published as a freestanding volume. The deeper hope, of course, is that it will spark further discussion and investigation of this fascinating topic and advance reincarnation studies as a field of academic inquiry.

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