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Bhagavad-Gita as It is is a version of the holy Hindu text, Bhagavad Gita, that contains a translation and commentary by A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, founder of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON), commonly known as the Hare Krishna movement.

The Bhagavad-gita is the main source-book on yoga and a concise summary of India's Vedic wisdom. Yet remarkably, the setting for this best-known classic of spiritual literature is an ancient Indian battlefield.

At the last moment before entering battle, the great warrior Arjuna begins to wonder about the real meaning of his life. Why should he fight against his friends and relatives? Why does he exist? Where is he going after death? In the Bhagavad-gita, Lord Krsna, Arjuna's friend and spiritual master, brings His disciple from perplexity to spiritual enlightenment. In the course of doing so, Krsna concisely but definitively explains transcendental knowledge; karma-yoga, jnana-yoga, dhyana-yoga, and bhakti-yoga; knowledge of the Absolute; devotional service; the three modes of material nature; the divine and demoniac natures; and much more.

Bhagavad-gita As It Is is the largest-selling, most widely used edition of the Gita in the world.

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Thomas Chong says

Not the clearest book, this version of the Gita is very wordy (unnecessarily so), and I do not agree with Swami Prabhuhada's analysis of the ideas in terms of Krishna-consciousness.

Heather says

Yup, I bought it from a real live Hare Krishna. They wear civilian clothes rather than robes these days; it lets them get closer to you before you realize what's happening.

Nice fella.

Yash Lucid says

A few things dawned upon me after reading.

1. This book deeper than I am intellectually/spiritually/ knowledgeably capable of truly grasping, at this moment.
2. I realized that much like Shakespeare, it needs to be re-read as you revisit the book with new knowledge, to connect more of the dots that are lurking in the depths.³
3. I wish I understood Sanskrit so as not to risk the "broken telephone wire" issue. (meanings lost in translation)
4. Subtle and not so subtle bits and bobs of sexism can make you deeply question the credibility, however this is a very deep and layered subject. What surprised me though, was seeing internet discussions stay incredibly civil, having men (mostly from India) actually condemning the sexism too.

Point 4 disturbs me deeply because this is the only part of the book that I see, slowly creeping over and into a "thou shall pick and choose" mentality, which I'm not looking for in what I want to believe is, a simplified reality encyclopaedia.

5. Many post mushroom and DMT stories that I've read and experienced beautifully connect so many dots.
6. This book needs to be studied like Shakespeare. A 91 year old Swami I was lucky enough to meet, explained to me that there is one word in Chapter 3 for example, which he could elaborate deeply for hours for, but most people skip over it in 0.2 seconds. This is why he said he wrote a commentary which I'm planning to read.

I'm just trying to understand it all because it's easy to read this book like most, but it is...weirdly different.

Serenity says

A lovely book on spirituality.

Alexander Craig says

Only read the words from the Bhagavad Gita, not the commentary.

Anurag Paul says

Jai Shri Krishna!

Jared Fixico says

A classic gem, worthy of keeping handy when deep and piercing insight is what is needed for precarious times.
