One Message: ONE GOD

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Human beings have a need to personalize and explain all things. We see this need in the fairy tales and other folklore of all cultures, including our own. When we don't understand something, we make up an explanation, and sometimes give that explanation such emotional power, that it becomes truth for us.

This need to understand makes us anthropomorphic. One who is vastly more powerful than we can comprehend. Sometimes, we turn from that One to lesser and more comprehensible beings, like saints and prophets. Tragically we have forgotten the teachings of the scripture and the monotheism we espouse. But it is clear from the following passage of the Bhagavad Gita that the reality of one God is at the root of Hinduism, in spite of the many cultures have a pantheon of divine beings, or gods. Though some religions have developed the multiplicity of gods, when there is a revealed scripture available it gives a different picture. In fact, the Quran tells us that monotheism is "the natural instinct placed into the people by God. (Quran 30:10)"

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There is only one religion, that of worshipping God alone:

F or many people, the signs of God are everywhere. They see these signs in themselves, in nature, and in the laws of science which point clearly to the existence of a creative force. They see unmistakable signs of that same force in the social arena also. There is scarcely a single culture among the tens of thousands of human cultures which does not have a concept of a divine being—one who creates and protects and provides.

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What then are all the gods of a religion like Hinduism? Again, its own scripture explains. This time from the Upanishads: Then Vidagdha Sakayana asked him: "How many gods are there, O Yajnavalkya?" He replied, "three and three hundred, three and three thousand."

Yajnavalkya replied, "They are only the various powers."
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