

Destroyed 12 Years in a Few Days

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Seeker: Dear Ramji, yesterday I finished your book, so I would like to write you a big thank you letter. I entered your course in the end of Tiruvannamalai last year, and not only did you destroy all the spiritual ideas which I collected from a lot of hard work over the last 12 years in a few days, you also showed me the self in a way I could finally understand it.

I was travelling for more than 10 years, from the Amazonian jungles to the Himalayas, from *guru* to *guru*, and after all that there it was, so simple... awareness shining on the three bodies. ☺ So reading your book this summer was a real adventure. I was so much getting into it that many times I would not want to meet anyone. The videos and the book together were a powerful tool. I read it very slowly. It took me four months to study and examine it and put it into practice bit by bit.

After reading the book I can honestly say there is “before and after” Vedanta. Your book is such a great help for spiritual seekers because of the enlightenment myths and your compact presentation of Vedanta for the Western mind. Obviously I still have lots of work to do, but the difference to before is that I can clearly see what is lacking.

The biggest difference though is that the search is over. I know I am the self now and just have to get more confident, minimize my *vasanas*. I am so much in love with Vedanta that I am planning to go back to Tiru this year.

A small story to end this: when I came back from India to my home base in Berlin, a good friend of mine told me I could meanwhile stay at his place until I found my own place, as he was going on a trip. But he was renting from a friend who went travelling for a half-year.

When I entered the house, I opened the cupboard to look for something and there was your card shining into my face! The man's name who actually owns the place called [...], maybe you know him. I still haven't met him though.

Thank you very much, Ram. I am happy!