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It is not only Rambachan, but all of Arsha Vidya Gurukulam who criticizes Vivekananda. They are hardliners who say that there is only one way, and one interpretation, and it is theirs. They totally deny experience in favor of dry scholarship, while insulting Vivekananda, Ramakrishna, Chandrashekarendra, Ramana Maharishi, and every other legendary proponent of Sanatana Dharma by saying they were not authentic Vedantins and they reinterpreted scripture. Shameful.

Its important to know straight off, that this book is largely an attack on Vivekananda's views of Vedanta. Therefore, you'd think it would be lucid, burning and deadly in its aim. Instead, its a loosely cobbled evaluation of his position on various things, and comes to a conclusion that he contradicted himself, made some wooly remarks, and just didn't provide a one size fits all solution to moksha. The only good thing about this book was that it gave a good insight into the starting of the Brahmo Samaj in India, and a bit of an insight into various figureheads such as Ramakrishna etc. Oh, and at \$24 is one of the most expensive books per page I've bought. Can't say I'd recommend it to anyone.

Rambachan's writing style is amazing and the book was very insightful on the Vedas. I found it a very good book for those interested and it provides excellent background on the area of knowledge. I highly recommend it

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