Why I need a religion?
How it instructs me?
Questions which trouble me

Why is their asymmetry?  Why is their suffering?

Who am I?  Why is the world transient?  What is my goal?

The philosophy of Karma
The philosophy of Advaita

The theory of Evolution
The theory of random causation!

Convergence: Work to arise the suffering millions
My Ideal: Swami Vivekananda

There is but one Atman, one Self, eternally pure, eternally perfect, unchangeable, unchanged; it has never changed; and all these various changes in the universe are but appearances in that one Self. Upon it name and form have painted all these dreams; it is the form that makes a wave different from the sea.

- Swami Vivekananda
Unattached means attached to all!

- The true Nishkama karmi is neither to be a brute, nor to be inert, nor heartless. He is not tamsika, but of pure Sattva. His heart is so full of love and sympathy, that he can embrace the whole world with his love. The world at large can’t generally comprehend his all embracing love and sympathy.

Expand your love to all (Advaita); Samdrishti, See everyone as same;
Do it the positive way!
Start somewhere…Hold to it

• …because they all lead to the same goal. Ceremonies, books and forms – all these are the links in the chain. Get hold! That is the one thing. If you are sincere and have really got hold of one link, do not let go; the rest is bound to come… Get hold of any one of these chains that are stretched out from the common centre… Blame no view of religion so far as it is sincere…. Your heart itself will teach the rest. The teacher within will teach all the creeds, all the philosophies…

It taught me: Find your link and move ahead of ego-satisfying discussions… Speculation takes you no where, Karma does, Act-Act-Act!
Fix thy goal, “work day and night”

It is blasphemy to think you can help any one.

Serve the living God

God comes to you in the blind, in the poor, in the weak…

What a glorious chance for you to worship!

Nar-Seva Narayan Seva
Take the philosophy that suits your temperament…

If you are strong, take up the Vedanta philosophy…
If you cannot do that, Worship God,
If not, worship an image….
Vivekanand speaks….

Work for work’s sake,

Worship for Worship’s sake

Do good, because it is good to do good!!!

Ask no more…
The one “Practical” Message of Gita

Arise, O prince! Give up this faintheartedness, this weakness!

Stand up and fight….

Vivekananda’s fierce call…
Vivekananda speaks....

God-fearing to the FEARLESS

I am THE ALL POWERFUL SELF
Only my Karma hits me, and karma is anyway an illusion of the transitory world!

ALL POWER IS WITHIN YOU. You can do anything and everything. Believe in that. Do not believe that you are weak; do not believe that you are half-crazy lunatics, as most of us do nowadays. Stand up and express the divinity within you.

Anything that brings spiritual, mental, or physical weakness, touch it not with the toes of your feet.

Are great things ever done smoothly? Time, patience, and indomitable will must show.

Astrology and all these mystical things are generally signs of a weak mind; therefore as soon as they are becoming prominent in our minds, we should see a physician, take good food, and rest.
Religion gives me...

- An objective in life which resonates with my temperament and reconciles with the view of random causation (!).

- An all-encompassing concept of LOVE and SERVICE.

- The benchmark of the Gita, of Advaita, of “Vaishnava Jan..” to guide my actions.

- It makes me FEARLESS and far from the deluge of superstition.

- Anything can be achieved by dedicating ones life to a sincere goal, persistence and hardwork. “Arise and awake till the goal is not achieved”

- Who cares if the reality is dualist or non-dualist, soul or no soul, God or no God; Life is short, let us play our part with sincerity… If Krishna is there, he will come by, by our sincerity, surely he doesn’t believe in dogma, surely he doesn’t want us to follow this book or that book, this God or that God, surely he will embody Allah for the muslim, Isn’t this common sense (!), be sincere and do your duty! ☺
Sri Ramakrishna Paramhamsa speaks:

An empty stomach cannot take the name of God.

Uplift the starving millions....