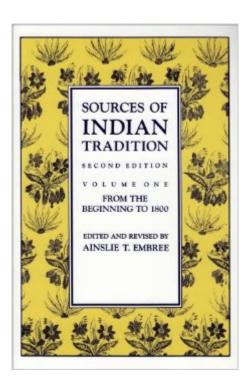
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This book is an essential part of one's study of India and her history (to the end of the Mughal dynasty). In fact, it might very well be the most often used "textbook" in college courses on the subject. Countless students of Indic civilization, including myself, have cut their teeth on it and there is good reason. Professor Embree, the father of South Asian Studies in the USA, and an array of other notable scholars have written introductions to, and translated excerpts from, some of the most important texts in Indic religious, political and social history. That said, however, the emphasis is on religious developments - with major chapters on Vedic, Upanishadic, Buddhist, Jain, Sikh, Hindu devotional and Islamic traditions (among other topics). In sum, this is a wonderful resource for anyone interested in India. A must have - period!

I found it quite useful. What I liked most in the book was its objective approach to Indian traditions rather than stuffing on our throats the prejudices of the Western thought over Indian civilizational values.

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