

# *World Religions*

## Buddhism Questions

(*The World's Religions* by Houston Smith)

The Image of the Crossing (pp. 144-147) and The Confluence of Buddhism and Hinduism in India (pp. 147-149)

1. Let's review: List the three "rafts" we have discussed thus far.
2. In what two ways do all three deserve to be considered aspects of a single religion?
3. What image is central to all of Buddhism?
4. The first bank of the river represents what?
5. Once they decide to cross, what do Theravadins do? What do Mahayanists do?
6. At what point in the crossing is the moment for Buddhism's Three Vows?
7. List the Three Vows.
8. What are widely considered to be the culminating texts of Buddhism?
9. Once the crossing is made, what things drop from view and are not part of the new world?
10. What happens to Form and Emptiness on the far shore?
11. What categories disappear?
12. What is the final paradox of Buddhism?
13. What is the deeper fact of Buddhism in India?
14. Contributions of Buddhism accepted by Hindus include what things?