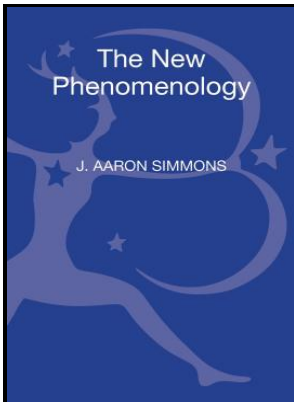


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More extreme and unnatural ascetic Taoist practices have included public self-drowning and self-cremation.

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However, during the four months of monsoon rainy season known as chaturmaas, they stay at a single place to avoid killing life forms that thrive during the rains. Jain monks and nuns practice complete celibacy.

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According to Allan Nadler, two most significant examples of medieval Jewish asceticism have been Havoth ha-Levavoth and Hasidei Ashkenaz. According to John Cort, outer austerities include complete fasting, eating limited amounts, eating restricted items, abstaining from tasty foods, mortifying the flesh and guarding the flesh avoiding anything that is a source of temptation.

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In the , the sacred scriptures of Zoroastrianism, fasting and mortification are forbidden. Ascetic life may include nakedness symbolizing non-possession of even clothes, fasting, body mortification, penance and other austerities, in order to burn away past karma and stop producing new karma, both of which are believed in Jainism to be essential for reaching siddha and moksha liberation from rebirths, salvation.

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