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## Emaho Tibet! Blessings from the Land of the Snows: A Photographic Pilgrimage of Ongoing Spirituality

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The holy books of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam take themselves very seriously. They are not funny. They do not use artwork or inviting design to attract readers. Scratch-and-sniff technology is definitely not the way to teach the tenets of Ramadan and eating kosher.

Buddhism, too, has its sacred texts, but the fundamentals of the religion, as taught by Guru Rinpoche (founder of Tibetan Buddhism), aren't the stuff of sin and damnation. This "photographic pilgrimage of ongoing spirituality" is an homage to "marvelous" Tibet. The many dozens of stunning photographs of the land and people are often accompanied with Buddhist wisdom and teaching "as a means to transmit certain secrets, revelations, and meditations, thereby allowing for a greater comprehension of the game that is life."

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