



Rod Stryker: Enlightened Sleep



Rod Stryker, the founder of ParaYoga® is a world-renowned yoga and meditation teacher, and author of the book *The Four Desires: Creating a Life of Happiness, Prosperity and Freedom*. His online offerings include one of the most comprehensive yoga training programs in the world and the app Sanctuary, for those wanting to experience guided meditation and yoga nidra, also known as Enlightened Sleep. Learn about what yoga nidra is, why it works and how to use it in a practical or spiritual practice.

TOP EMBODIMENT TIP: God is still in the building, it's a crowded panic-filled building, but if you slow down you can see the truth.

Yoga Nidra: What is it?

- Yoga nidra is a transcendent sleep. It suggests that in sleep we can also be aware.
- This practice has been around for 1,300-1,400 years despite some saying it's a new process
- Because of limitations of our perception, we do not encounter reality. All of the ups and downs we go through in our life is a dream in both the waking and dreaming states.
- Yoga nidra is a deep state of sleep of which we become awakened, the fourth state, a complete unification of the observer and the observed.
- Meditation is cutting through all of distractions whereas yoga nidra is letting go of all identification.
- There are 4 levels of yoga nidra: relaxation, ideation/imagination, conscious negation (yoga nidra begins at level 3), beyond feeling, beyond emotion and beyond any ideas of concept.

Practice: How to Stay Aware

- Human beings are tired so the potential to fall asleep is great
- Put your elbow on the floor vertical while lying down, if you fall asleep, the hand will drop and will remind you to stay aware
- Feel free to lie down or sit in a lounge chair, eyes closed

Resources

♦ **Book:** The Four Desires: Creating a Life of Happiness, Prosperity and Freedom

Courses: Sanctuary with Rod Stryker - App on Google Play

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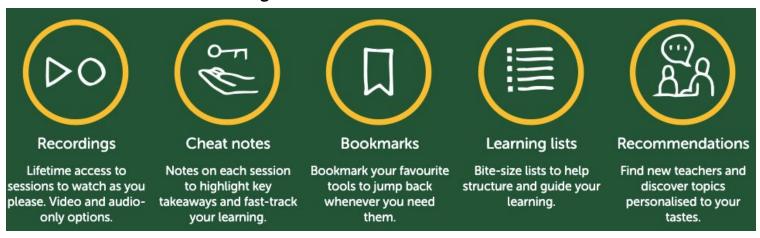
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YogaAnatomy.net is how Kaminoff connects with his students all over the world - and the first ever online yoga studio for advanced studies. His passion is teaching teachers, and YogaAnatomy.net has become the go-to resource for Teacher Trainers planning a YTT, and advanced teachers who want to deepen their knowledge and transform their teaching.

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