

## STUDENT WORKBOOK

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## Christianity vs. World Religions

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This series is a brief guide to understanding World Religions. It examines the many types of religions and how they compare to Christianity.



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#### 1. Introduction: Unorganized Religions

This lesson begins our study of world religions by defining the word religion and what groups will be included. We also begin by exploring Primitive Religions.

<b>Intro:</b> For most of history the majority of the world's population has not known the true God.
- Acts 4:12
- II Peter 3:8-13
We need to understand what others believer because:
A
В
C
This course has 3 objectives:
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Religion
The dictionary defines religion as
When we discuss the religions of this world

We believe th	nat Christianity is <b>not</b>	a man-made religion .		
There are ma	ny non-religious mov	ements and ideas to e	xplain the world:	
- New Age				
- Communisn	n			
- Naturalism				
- Climatism _				
Religions of	f the World – Featu	res		
1. History/Or	rigins			
2. Concept of	Deity			
3. Concept of	Mankind			
4. Salvation _				
5. Worship _				
6. Scriptures				
7. Geography				
Primitive Ro				
11 Major Reli				
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9	10	11		

Primitive Religions are:
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Feature of Primitive Religions:
1
2
Various forms of Primitive Religions:
A. Animism
B. Dynamism
C. Fetishism
D. Totemism
Brief history of Primitive Religions:
1. Tribal – 6000 BC
2. Egyptian – 3200 BC
3. Assyro / Babylonian – 2700 BC
4. Canaanite – 1500 BC
5. Greek – 800 BC
6. Roman – 500BC to 400AD

#### 2. Christianity vs. Judaism

categories used to describe major religions and use this as a base to compare it to Judaism.
Intro: We will use "comparative" method to examine Christianity vs. the other major world
religions.
Christianity

In this lesson, Mike will list the information about Christianity in the nine

#### **NEAR EASTERN**

	Christianity	Judaism
Founders		
Origins		
Deity		
Mankind		

Salvation	
Cultus	
Scriptures	
Geography	
Misc.	

#### 3. Christianity vs. Zoroastrianism and Islam

In this lesson we continue looking at Near Eastern Religions by seeing how Zoroastrianism and Islam compare to Christianity.

	Christianity	Zoroastrianism
Founders	Jesus, son of Joseph of Nazareth, called the Christ.	
Origins	Ancient Christianity – 30-476 AD  Medieval Christianity – 476-1517  Modern Christianity – 1517-1960  Postmodern Christianity – 1960-now	
Deity	God is one yet diverse.	
Mankind	Created by God in His image. Fallen through sin. Redeemed by Christ.	

Salvation	Vicarious atonement results in regeneration and eternal life.	
Cultus	Baptism Communion	
Scriptures	Inspired Bible	
Geography	Israel → World	
Misc.	Clergy Evangelistic Revelational Return of Jesus	

#### Islam

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#### 4. Christianity vs. Hinduism

This entire lesson is devoted to comparing Hinduism to Christianity.

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#### 5. Christianity vs. Jainism and Sikhism

In this lesson, we compare the religions of Jainism and Sikhism to Christianity.

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## 6. Christianity vs. Taoism, Confucianism, Shinto and Buddhism

In this lesson we compare religions from China, Japan and India to the religion of Christianity.

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