Why is Jesus the Only Way of Salvation?

Well first of all, and there are other reasons, He is the One Who said it. In John 14:6 He said " I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life. No one can come to the Father except through Me." (That in itself pretty much answers the question.) In other words Jesus is saying that eliminates Buddhism, Islam, Mormons, Jehovah Witnesses, Catholics, and the modern day false gospel that is emerging from the Church, which has quit teaching the vital part of the gospel , that of repentance.

But why is Jesus the only way of salvation. Why can't there be other ways- such as being a good person or some other religion? To answer that calls for a small exposition. Let's start with:

**1. God's Holiness.** God is completely and absolutely righteous, just and separate from sin. He cannot sin nor can sin be in His presence, because sin is disobedience to His own perfect will.

Since sin is disobedience to God and sin cannot be in His presence of Holiness, then sin has to be done away with if we are to enter into God's presence. In other words, there is a penalty that has to be paid to eradicate sin.  **Ezekiel 18:4;20** states the penalty, "the soul who sins will die." So the penalty for sin is death.

God's Word tells us that the penalty for sin can be paid for in a substitute for man's death. In Leviticus, chapter four, it speaks of The Sin offering. (When a person sinned under the Law, in order to have that sin forgiven, he had to take an animal to the priest and have him kill that animal and pour out it's blood on the altar and has he did the penitent would confess his sin while looking at the Holy of Holies.

Why does God have to punish sin. Leviticus 19:2 says "Be holy for I am Holy"' Isaiah 6:3 says "holy, holy, holy is the Lord."Since God is holy and righteous He must punish sin. As stated above there can be a substitute sacrifice for our sins, but if there is no sacrifice then we ourselves will be punished. Revelation 20:11-15 tells us the irreversible separation of the person from God for eternity. They are placed into a Lake of Fire for eternity. This is the ultimate penalty for sin.

God loved us so much that He Himself said He would be our sacrifice for sin. He sent His Son, Jesus Christ, to earth to die for our sins. Romans 5:8 says "He demonstrated His love for us in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." (This is love we cannot understand because it's beyond our comprehension. It's hard enough to think of someone dying for us let alone our Holy God Himself.)

But we still haven't answered entirely why it is Jesus is the only way of salvation.

John 1:1 says "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning." The Greek word for "Word" in that sentence is 'logos', which means 'communication;, meaning God was the communicator.

John 1:14 says "the Word became flesh and lived for a while among us. We have seen His glory, the glory of the one and only Son, Who came from the Father full of grace and truth". (In other words, God in the person of Jesus became a man, Who is the communication of the Father. He is God in human flesh.) He is both God and man.

Philippians 2:5-7 tell of His "emptying Himself of His Glory in heaven and becoming a servant". ( but He never gave up His Deity.)

Jesus Christ is God's solution to man's separation from God due to his sin. Jesus Christ was a man, and therefore he could be our substitute dying in our place on the cross. dying for the sins of men. (if He didn't become a man He could not have died.)

Galatians 4:4-5 says "when the time had fully come, God sent His Son, born of a woman, born under law, to redeem those under law, that we might receive the full rights of sons." -(God sent a perfect sacrifice as a substitution for our sins.)

Since He was perfect in every way, He could pay for the sins of the world. God place on Him the penalty for our sins and He paid that penalty in full by dying and shedding His blood. He therefore took our punishment upon Himself. ( Ephesians 1:7)

Since He was and is God and therefore sinless, He did not have to die for His own sins and was in a position to die for our sins. 2nd Corinthians 5:21 says "God made Him Who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God."

Jesus Christ was God's sin offering for us.

(Only God Himself was without sin and therefore the only sacrifice that could satisfy God .)

There is no other way of salvation because no one is worthy to pay the penalty for sin except God Himself.

I hope this helps those who believe there are many ways to God. No my friend, there is only One Way and that is through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Why don't you ask Him now to be your Savior. He wants to and if you ask Him to come into your heart and forgive you of your sins and be your Savior, you will then come into eternal life and live forever in the presence of our Holy God.