**Other Religions**

**This is one of the biggest challenges at some point many face. The question some ask is there must be more than one way to get to heaven. Everyone has such a deep belief in their religion and how do I know what is true. It appears everyone is saying that their religion is the truth. What do I do? It is true that there are many religions in the world today and years past. All religions except for Christianity, are based on the writings of men and not the life of any specific individual. Judaism, the sister religion to Christianity, is based on the Old Testament of the Bible, rejecting the entire New Testament and holding that the Messiah has not yet come. However even that is rejecting the Old Testament in the bible as the prophets who prophesized Jesus Christ and his coming and the fulfillment of those prophecies did come to pass and now you are rejecting it. None of the other religions of the world talks about true salvation. Christianity deals with a personal God and not some god who cannot understand his greatest creation. Yes, most feel that they have the truth. Let’s see what the bible says on this:**

[**1 John 4:5-8**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+John+4%3A5-8&version=ESV) **They are from the world; therefore they speak from the world, and the world listens to them. We are from God. Whoever knows God listens to us; whoever is not from God does not listen to us. By this we know the Spirit of truth and the spirit of error. Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love.**

[**John 14:6**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+14%3A6&version=ESV) **Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.**

[**1 Corinthians 8:5-6**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Corinthians+8%3A5-6&version=ESV) **For although there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as indeed there are many “gods” and many “lords”— yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.**

[**John 13:34-35**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+13%3A34-35&version=ESV) **A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”**

[**Galatians 1:6-10**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Galatians+1%3A6-10&version=ESV) **I am astonished that you are so quickly deserting him who called you in the grace of Christ and are turning to a different gospel— not that there is another one, but there are some who trouble you and want to distort the gospel of Christ. But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach to you a gospel contrary to the one we preached to you, let him be accursed. As we have said before, so now I say again: If anyone is preaching to you a gospel contrary to the one you received, let him be accursed. For am I now seeking the approval of man, or of God? Or am I trying to please man? If I were still trying to please man, I would not be a servant of Christ.**

[**John 3:16-18**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+3%3A16-18&version=ESV) **“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.**

[**Deuteronomy 12:29-31**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Deuteronomy+12%3A29-31&version=ESV) **“When the Lord your God cuts off before you the nations whom you go in to dispossess, and you dispossess them and dwell in their land, take care that you be not ensnared to follow them, after they have been destroyed before you, and that you do not inquire about their gods, saying, ‘How did these nations serve their gods?—that I also may do the same.’ You shall not worship the Lord your God in that way, for every abominable thing that the Lord hates they have done for their gods, for they even burn their sons and their daughters in the fire to their gods.**

[**2 Thessalonians 2:9-12**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=2+Thessalonians+2%3A9-12&version=ESV) **The coming of the lawless one is by the activity of Satan with all power and false signs and wonders, and with all wicked deception for those who are perishing, because they refused to love the truth and so be saved. Therefore God sends them a strong delusion, so that they may believe what is false, in order that all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness.**

[**Deuteronomy 13:6-10**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Deuteronomy+13%3A6-10&version=ESV) **“If your brother, the son of your mother, or your son or your daughter or the wife you embrace or your friend who is as your own soul entices you secretly, saying, ‘Let us go and serve other gods,’ which neither you nor your fathers have known, some of the gods of the peoples who are around you, whether near you or far off from you, from the one end of the earth to the other, you shall not yield to him or listen to him, nor shall your eye pity him, nor shall you spare him, nor shall you conceal him. But you shall kill him. Your hand shall be first against him to put him to death, and afterward the hand of all the people. You shall stone him to death with stones, because he sought to draw you away from the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.**

[**James 1:26**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=James+1%3A26&version=ESV) **If anyone thinks he is religious and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his heart, this person's religion is worthless.**

[**John 15:16**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+15%3A16&version=ESV) **You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you.**

[**Micah 4:1-13**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Micah+4%3A1-13&version=ESV) **It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the house of the Lord shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and it shall be lifted up above the hills; and peoples shall flow to it, and many nations shall come, and say: “Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.” For out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between many peoples, and shall decide for strong nations far away; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore; but they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree, and no one shall make them afraid, for the mouth of the Lord of hosts has spoken. For all the peoples walk each in the name of its god, but we will walk in the name of the Lord our God forever and ever. ...**

[**John 12:47**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+12%3A47&version=ESV) **If anyone hears my words and does not keep them, I do not judge him; for I did not come to judge the world but to save the world.**

[**Galatians 1:8-9**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Galatians+1%3A8-9&version=ESV) **But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach to you a gospel contrary to the one we preached to you, let him be accursed. As we have said before, so now I say again: If anyone is preaching to you a gospel contrary to the one you received, let him be accursed.**

[**Deuteronomy 10:17**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Deuteronomy+10%3A17&version=ESV) **For the Lord your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great, the mighty, and the awesome God, who is not partial and takes no bribe.**

[**Jude 1:22**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Jude+1%3A22&version=ESV) **And have mercy on those who doubt;**

[**John 6:44**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+6%3A44&version=ESV) **No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day.**

[**1 Timothy 2:5**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Timothy+2%3A5&version=ESV) **For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus,**

[**Ephesians 2:8-9**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ephesians+2%3A8-9&version=ESV) **For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.**