

God, why can't
different religions lead
people
to you?



**“All religions teach the same basic truths,
and worship the same God.”**

1. Different Religions Have Contradictory Gods

Christian God is personal; Hindu Brahma is an impersonal force

Christian God is triune; Jewish is single; Hindu has thousands

Christian God is accessible & good; Allah is inaccessible & responsible for evil

Buddhist God(s) are not there or are not knowable

2. Only One Religious Leader Claimed to Be God

(Jesus): “The **Father and I are one**...the Father is in me, and I am in the Father.” (John 10:30,38)

“Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father.” (John 14:9)

“No one has ever seen God. But his only **Son, who is himself God**...has told us about him”(John 1:18)

3. Different Religions Have Conflicting Teaching

Christian Goal: To know & enjoy God forever

Path: Believing in Christ to forgive sin & help us beat sin

Islam Goal: To earn entry into paradise

Path: Obeying the law & 5 religious duties

Buddhist Goal: To escape suffering

Path: Extinguishing desire through meditation and self control

Hindu Goal: To release the soul from the material world

Path: Reincarnation, religious duties, & worship of local gods

4. Only Christianity Offers

Free Pardon by God, not "pay-as-you go" by rules & rituals

Supernatural power from God, not "do-it-yourself"

Historical evidence not just mystical experience

(Jesus) "You can enter God's Kingdom only through the narrow gate...Beware of false prophets... Not all people who sound religious are really godly." (Matthew 7:13-15,21)

**“It's arrogant to say there's only one way.
Sincerity is more important than religion.
Behavior is more important than belief.”**

1. Behavior Is Determined By Belief

"Don't copy the **behavior**...of this world, but let God transform you...

by **changing the way you think.**" (Romans 12:2)

2. Sincerity Doesn't Make Something True

"There is a path...that seems right, but it ends in death." (Prov. 14:12)

(Jesus) "You are in error because you do not know the Scriptures" (Matt. 22:29 NIV)

3. All Religions Are Exclusive

4. One Way Isn't Arrogant If It Is True

(Jesus) "unless you believe that I am who I say I am, you will die in your sins" (John 8:24)

(Jesus) "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me." (John 14:6)

(Jesus) "All those who love me...my Father will **love them**, and we will **come to them and live with them.**" (John 14:23)