

Christianity

Christianity is not a religion because it does not involve humanity's attempt to reach God, but rather God's attempt to reach humanity. Christianity is centered on a personal relationship between a creator God and His human creation. It's about a loving God who initiates the relationship by revealing who He is to His human creation by coming to us in the person of Jesus. Through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus a person is given the way to become acceptable to God who is holy and experience the true meaning for their life.

God gave birth to a man named Abraham and through him a people called Israelites. Through Abraham and the Israelites, God instituted a system of worship that made them distinctive from all other peoples and their religious practices. We know it as Judaism. Judaism began God's movement to prepare the way for Him coming to earth in the person of Jesus. The life, work, crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus, an Israelite Jew, were the pivotal transition point from Judaism to Christianity.

"Repentance and faith infallibly and inseparably flow from regeneration. True repentance takes place when God enables a heart to turn away from sin. This does not mean believers will not still struggle with sin, but rather they are aware of their sin and they feel sorrow and conviction before God. Faith is more than intellectual assent. It is a God-given, unmistakable holding on to Christ and a total surrender to God's authority (Rom. 3:21-31). This change from rebellion to submission, from unbelief to intelligent trust, is the unambiguous fruit of regeneration."

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