

**Reasonable Doubt: Real People...Real Questions!
Do All Roads Lead To Heaven?
(Don't All Religions Lead To God?)
Acts 17:16-34 (page 770)**

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Do All Paths Lead to the Same Destination? (Acts 17:16-21)

- *Religious Pluralism*: the differences between religions is *superficial* and they are *overshadowed* by their similarities.
- *Problem*: For the Christian, it means a denial of the uniqueness of Christ and His claims.

Let's Consider... (Acts 17:22-31)

- the Similarities (Acts 17:22-23)
 - Moral and ethical similarities
 - Theological similarities
- the Differences (Acts 17:24-31)

	Hinduism	Islam	Christianity
	<u>Many</u> gods	<u>One</u> God	One <u>triune</u> God
GOD:	<u>Impersonal</u>	<u>Distant</u>	<u>Personal</u>
HUMANITY:	<u>Extension</u> of Brahman	<u>Good</u> by nature	<u>Sinful</u> by nature
JESUS:	<u>Irrelevant</u>	Is <u>not</u> God's <u>Son</u>	Is the <u>Son</u> of God
SOLUTION:	<u>Liberation</u> from <u>ignorance</u>	<u>Good</u> works vs. <u>bad</u> works	God's <u>grace</u> / receive by <u>faith</u>
OUTCOME:	Individuality <u>lost</u> in <u>universal</u> self	<u>Judgment</u> : Hell or heaven	Eternal <u>fellowship</u> with God

- **Issue**: If two religions make truth claims that contradict each other, they cannot *both* be correct.

Conclusion

- All paths cannot lead to the same destination.

A final question...

So what will you believe and why will you believe it?