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Letters...



“Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.” ~ John 14:6

Two Main Myths:

Myth 1: All religions are basically the same.

Christianity cannot be reconciled with any other religion.

“Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved.”
~ Acts 4:12

Myth 2: All religions have equal claim on the truth.

¹⁶“He went to Nazareth, where He had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day He went into the synagogue, as was His custom. And He stood up to read. ¹⁷The scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to Him. Unrolling it, He found the place where it is written: ¹⁸“The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because He has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed, ¹⁹to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.” ²⁰Then He rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on Him, ²¹and He began by saying to them, “Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.” ~ Luke 4:16-21

“All the people in the synagogue were furious when they heard this.” ~ Luke 4:28

“Coming to His hometown, He began teaching the people in their synagogue, and they were amazed. “Where did this man get this wisdom and these miraculous powers?” they asked.”
~ Matthew 13:54

“The Jews were amazed and asked, “How did this man get such learning without having studied?” ~ John 7:15

“The chief priests and the teachers of the law heard this and began looking for a way to kill Him, for they feared Him, because the whole crowd was amazed at His teaching.”
~ Mark 11:18

Four Reasons He is the Greatest Teacher

1. Because of how He taught.

“The people were amazed at His teaching, because He taught them as one who had authority, not as the teachers of the law.” ~ Mark 1:22

“When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were amazed at His teaching.” ~ Matthew 7:28

“They were amazed at His teaching, because His message had authority.” ~ Luke 4:32

Jesus taught with authority.

Jesus is not just after information. He is after transformation.

2. Because of who He taught.

“She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord’s feet listening to what He said.” ~ Luke 10:39

3. Because of what He taught.

4. Because of how He lived.

²“The teachers of the law and the Pharisees sit in Moses’ seat.
³So you must obey them and do everything they tell you. But do not do what they do, for they do not practice what they preach.” ~ Matthew 23:2-3