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Christianity, Cults and World Religion Definitions

The following choices below will give you a basic outline of some of the key doctrines of Christianity and what other cults and sects believe about them. If you are interested in a cult or religion that is not listed below, please [email us](#).

Select Religion from list:

Agnosticism

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Religion:	Agnosticism, Atheism, Evolutionism, Humanism, Materialism, Secularism
Category:	Cult
Founder/Leader:	
<p>This area has different titles to it because these categories all are essentially the same. Even though there are differences between the above six categories, their core beliefs and values are the same. The subject of a Christian world view comes into play here. As with examining non-Christian religions, it becomes necessary to look at how a person views different things. For example: What is truth? Where did the universe come from? Are miracles possible? Is man just a highly evolved animal? These type of questions are what you will need to deal with when looking at these systems of belief. For the purpose of this section, all of the above groups will be referred to Humanists.</p> <p>The beginning of this movement in Western culture came in the period known as the Renaissance from about 1400 to 1600. It was during this time that the first serious questioning of the Church by scientists. Galileo carried this stigma with him for a long time. Galileo was a believer in God. Jealous and scared university professors whose beliefs and teachings were challenged by Galileo found them selves to be unable to answer him. They turned this into a "church" vs. "science" matter so the church would take up their battle and attack and by this they would be seen as heroes and keep their positions. Galileo's heliocentric view of the solar system was seen to be in direct contradiction to Psalm 104:22. Thus was the beginning of the idea that the Bible and Science would be forever incompatible. The Bible was no longer seen as a 100% reliable source to find truth.</p> <p>The next period of History from 1600-1800 is known as The Enlightenment. It was during this period that science became the ultimate tool for the seeking, understanding and learning of truth. Philosophers like Thomas Hobbes, David Hume and Immanuel Kant began to take their toll on the populous. These men taught us to deny the possibility of miracles and to see man as the highest thing in the universe. They taught us to scoff at the church and the Bible. Even with all this people in general still believed in God because there was no good alternative to explain life, the universe and everything.</p> <p>The next division of time from 1800- the present time is termed by some as the Modern Age. During this time Charles Darwin introduced the theory of evolution. This spread like a cancer throughout Europe and the US. This was finally the one piece of the puzzle that the Humanist was looking for to make his religion complete. There is no scientifically verified data that proves this today, yet it is taught in Schools, colleges and universities like it is as well established as the Law of Gravity. See the Evolution Page for more information on this subject. During this time the Bible, the Deity of Christ, the Virgin Birth, Miracles, and the existence of God began to be openly attacked by liberal writers, philosophers and educators in colleges and universities.</p>	

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Today this continues under the guise of liberalism and the tolerance movement.

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Foundational Documents:

There is no one foundational document. You would need to read the works of the above cited authors, philosophers, scientists and many more. The following documents however serve as a rallying point for humanists all over the world. To help in understanding the foundational assumptions of these groups, read the "[Humanist Manifesto I.](#)" This was written on 1933. Click on it to view it. This was updated 40 years later in 1973. Click on "[Humanist Manifesto II](#)" to read it. To put it in layman's term here is a list of "[Humanist Affirmations.](#)" Click on it to view. It would be good to take time to read these, these are the philosophical base and guiding momentum for most schools, colleges and universities today as well as liberal politicians!

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God is...

Humanist have an anti-supernatural bias built into their belief system. They reject an notion of God or any deity. Matter in one form or the other is the only thing that has existed forever and that will exist forever.

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Jesus is...

In general, most Humanists see Jesus as a good moral teacher whose followers exaggerated his claims and messages until things got way out of hand and people begin making up God-myths about him and stories of miracles. From there it snowballed. People kept adding stories and myths and that is how we have the Christian religion we know today. They maintain that we know very little of his actual historical life because of the lack of reliable records. (The New Testament, the writings of the church fathers and other early Christians are considered unreliable because they accept the existence of God and believe in the supernatural and therefore must be deemed to be worthless. This is a very closed minded way of thinking. For example, if a humanist were to meet God and attempted to tell other humanists that there was indeed a God, anything he said would automatically be considered unreliable and not trustworthy simply because he accepted the existence of God.)

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The Holy Spirit is...

The Holy Spirit is not considered to exist in these belief systems.

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Method of Salvation:

Humanists believe that, by using scientific method and rational analysis of life's issues, man can solve all of his own problems. They believe that man is capable of creating a perfect world of harmony, peace, justice and perfection while maintaining a sense of caring for the individual. Man's salvation will come from the mind and work of man himself.

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Death and Beyond...

When a person dies there is no continuance of that person. He or she simply ceases to exist and that is all.

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Other Beliefs:

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If you have not read it, see ["Humanist Affirmations."](#)

Empirical Sciences are looked up to in an almost god-like manner by humanists.

There is a strong anti-supernatural bias that rejects God, miracles or anything beyond this physical universe.

Evolution is seen as a FACT.

All truth is relative. In other words there is no ultimate authority for truth. Truth is what ever you make it to be. It all depends on the times, cultures, and circumstances you live in. A humanist will say that "There is no absolute truth." This is a contradiction in itself in that it becomes and absolute truth itself! Millions of them quote and accept this and do not see the flaw in the logic of this.

Religion is seen as something that had been good for mankind in the past but, now we have evolved beyond the need for supernatural religion. Religion and those who believe in God are seen as a negative influence in society and get in the way of the way humanists see the world must become. In their own words from Humanist Manifesto II:

We believe, however, that traditional dogmatic or authoritarian religions that place revelation, God, ritual, or creed above human needs and experience do a disservice to the human species."

"Promises of immortal salvation or fear of eternal damnation are both illusory and harmful."

"We find insufficient evidence for belief in the existence of a supernatural; it is either meaningless or irrelevant to the question of survival and fulfillment of the human race."

"No deity will save us; we must save ourselves."

Man is seen as having unlimited potential for good and to develop or evolve into a virtually perfect being with the ability to cure all of the world's problems.

Death is final, there is nothing that survives a human after death. There is no immaterial or spirit part to man.

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