"What Do You Believe?"

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me. 2 In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you.

Thomas said to him, "Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the <u>way</u>?"

⁶ Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷ If you really knew me, you would know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him."



The **Hindu** god is **impersonal**

Neither Hinduism Nor Buddhism

- Neither have any mechanism for Forgiveness of sins
- Neither have any "Super Natural Help."

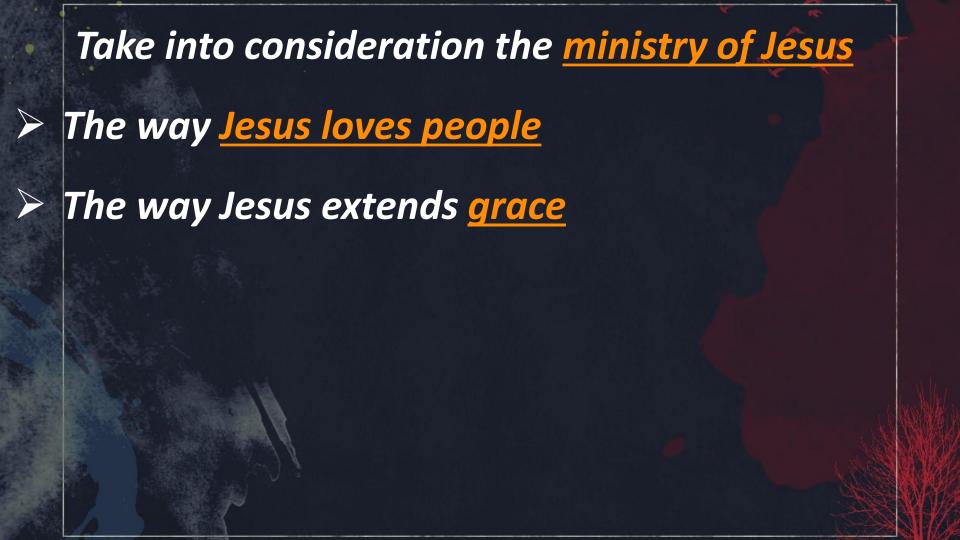


- Your religious devotion
- Your works
- Your faithfulness



Christianity believes in a **Personal God**

- > A God who loves His people unconditionally
- A God who became <u>human</u> in the <u>Person of</u>
 <u>Jesus</u>
- > A God who offers forgiveness of sins



"When the teachers of the law who were Pharisees saw him eating with the <u>"sinners" and tax collectors</u>, they asked his disciples: "Why does he eat with tax collectors and 'sinners'?"

¹⁷On hearing this, Jesus said to them, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

Mark 2:16-17

Take into consideration the Resurrection of Jesus

"Jesus said,
"Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."
Luke 23:34

"....darkness came over the whole land for the sun stopped shining. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Jesus called out with a loud voice, "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit."

When he had said this, he breathed his last.

The centurion, seeing what had happened, praised God and said, "Surely this was a righteous man."

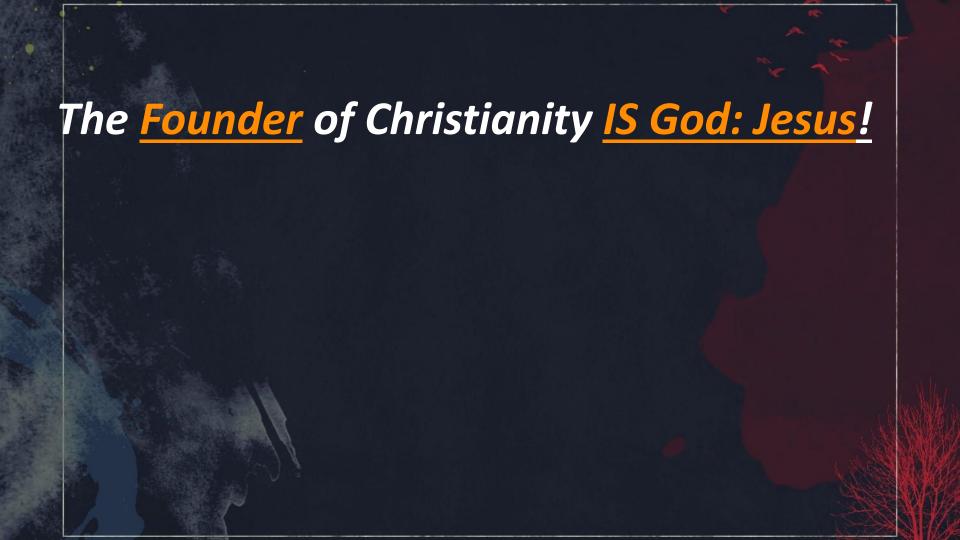
Luke 23:44-47

"You killed the author of life, but God raised him from the dead. We are witnesses of this." Acts 3:15

Take into consideration the Message of Jesus

"This is how you can recognize the Spirit of God: Every spirit that acknowledges that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God,"

1 John 4:2



"a man who said the sort of things Jesus said would not be a great moral teacher. He would either be a lunatic- on a level with the man who says he is a poached egg- or else he would be the Devil of Hell. You must make your choice.

Either this man was, and is, the Son of God: or else a madman or something worse. You can shut him up for a fool, you can spit at Him and kill Him as a demon; or you can fall at His feet and call Him Lord and God.

But let us not come up with any patronizing nonsense about His being a great human teacher. He has not left that open to us. He did not intend to."

C. S. Lewis