Do ALL Religions Lead to God?

Well, that seems to be the accepted 'truth' nowadays! The modern world pushes a view that it doesn't matter what you believe, and which god you worship, if you are a 'good' person, you will reach a happy place when you die. It teaches we should all be tolerant of each other's views, that you can have your 'truth', I can have mine, and we can all be happy together! The trick being played here is that the word 'truth' is being used as a substitute for 'opinion'. Of course, multiple opinions are acceptable and should be a healthy part of sharing ideas. But multiple truths are impossible.

This type of thinking is wrapped up in moral relativism – the idea that there is no universal, or <u>absolute</u> set of moral principles - and has also led to the growth of the ecumenical idea that all religions can be merged into one big happy family, if only we can focus on our similarities rather than our differences. Even Pope Francis has joined in with this idea and has therefore taken a stance that is completely at odds with the Bible. By doing this he is putting the salvation of millions of Catholics at even greater risk than they already are.

The trouble is, there can't be agreement when there are fundamental differences in beliefs that go right to the core of what it takes to be saved and have eternal life in heaven. Different religions are simply incompatible. For example, Islam and Christianity can't be merged, and we can see this by comparing each belief system's view of who Jesus was. Islam (much of which refers to the Bible) says He was an important prophet, that He was NOT crucified, and that He didn't rise again on the third day. Judaism also denies the divinity of Jesus but accepts that He existed. However, the Bible says Jesus was the Son of God, therefore divine, and that He conquered death with His resurrection.

All these positions can't be true at the same time – that's illogical. Only one of them is true. There can't be any compromise.

As another example, the New Age religion is the ultimate polytheistic religion as it pushes a 'Christ Consciousness' idea, which ultimately means <u>everyone</u> is their own god. Again, this is completely anti-Bible since the Bible says there is only one true living God and instructs us to not worship idols – including ourselves!

The ecumenical movement, and moral relativism, are tools of Satan. Satan is the father of lies and has been a liar and a murderer from the start. He hates humanity so much that he wants to stop people from finding THE truth. The method he uses is to steer people away from God – the God of the Bible – and Jesus, the ONLY way to salvation. It doesn't matter where people go, or who they choose to worship. In Satan's eyes, so long as it isn't Jesus, he doesn't care. The creation of a one world religion was foretold in the Bible and is part of the prophecies about the end times. This gives us a clue that we really must focus on THE truth as time is running out and a mistake made now could have eternal consequences.

It really doesn't matter how good we think we are in this world, the problem we must resolve is one of sin, and how we pay the penalty for the sins we have committed against a perfect and righteous God. All of us sin every day, and the Bible teaches us that sin is an abomination to God. He will not allow any sin in His presence. God provided us with the solution through His enduring kindness and love for us, and this is explained in the Bible. It is a free gift if you choose to accept it. Repent for your sins <u>from your heart</u> and put your trust in Jesus. Believe that Jesus paid the ultimate price by being cruelly crucified, then rising from the dead three days later to conquer death. Jesus led a perfect life but was sacrificed to pay for the sins of mankind. Belief in Jesus is the ONLY way to God and to achieve eternal life in the presence of God. THIS is THE truth. No other belief system makes this claim, as all others rely on our own good deeds for salvation, not the grace of God.

"I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me". John 14:6

"For God so loved the world that He gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life". John 3:16

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