

JUDAISM

who or what is worshipped

Yahweh

one God (monotheism)

names of holy books

the Holy Writ, the Torah, the Law and the Prophets

where and how worshipped

the Temple (now destroyed) and synagogues later

rituals/customs

circumcision

bury worn-out holy books

side curls, prayer shawl, yarmulke, mezuzah

important leaders in the past

Abraham, Joseph, Moses, Saul, David, Solomon
prophets like Jeremiah and Isaiah

the High Priest

title of religious leaders now

rabbi (teacher and guide)

countries where religion is common

Israel

Jews were scattered throughout Europe in the *Diaspora*

what they believe

"Hear oh Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is One."

rules for what people should do

10 commandments

worship God and obey His laws

**"to do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly
with your God"**

CHRISTIANITY

who or what is worshipped

one God (monotheism): Father, Son and Holy Spirit

names of holy books

the Holy Bible (**Old Testament** and New Testament)

where and how worshipped

churches
prayer, hymns and songs
reading Scripture, preaching

rituals/customs

baptism
communion (bread and wine)

important leaders in the past

**Abraham, Joseph, Moses,
Saul, David, Solomon**
prophets like Jeremiah and Isaiah
and Jesus, Peter and Paul

title of religious leaders now

elders, bishops, priests
Roman Catholic—pope

countries where religion is common

Roman Catholic and Protestant in western Europe/USA
Orthodox in eastern Europe and Russia

what they believe

Jesus is the Incarnation—fully God and fully man

rules for what people should do

10 commandments
worship God and obey His laws
**“to do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly
with your God”**
repent and love other people

ISLAM

("submission to God")

who or what is worshipped	Allah one God (monotheism)
names of holy books	Koran (Quran)
where and how worshipped	mosques (wherever Muslims are gathered)
rituals/customs	veiled women wash before prayer, kneeling, facing Mecca
important leaders in the past	Abraham, Isaac, Moses , Jesus as a prophet Mohammad as the great prophet
title of religious leaders now	muezzins call faithful to prayer imams lead people in prayer
countries where religion is common	Arab nations and north Africa through Asia to Indonesia (1/7 of world's population)
what they believe	There is one God—Allah—and Mohammad is his prophet
rules for what people should do	profess the faith pray five times a day charity —give alms to the poor fast during month of Ramadan make a pilgrimage to Mecca once during life