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**“How do you know that Christianity is true and not some other religion like Buddhism or Islam?”**

Jesus said it was. Jesus testified that the Bible, upon which Christianity is based, was without error (John 17:17), historically reliable (cf. Matthew 12:40, 24:37-39), divinely authoritative (Matthew 4:4-10), scientifically accurate regarding the origin of man (Matthew 19:4-5), infallible (John 10:35) and indestructible (Matthew 5:18). If Jesus was a prophet of God, as even the Qur'an teaches,<sup>33</sup> or even if He was a good teacher,<sup>34</sup> as so many are willing to believe, it would be wise for us to take His word on the matter. Jesus *proved* that He was the trustworthy Son of God by: His miraculous fulfillment of



hundreds of Old Testament prophecies,<sup>35</sup> His sinless life,<sup>36</sup> His miracles<sup>37</sup> and His resurrection from the dead.<sup>38</sup> Buddha and Muhammad both admitted their sinfulness,<sup>39</sup> performed no miracles, and both of their bodies are in their tombs to this day. Jesus' grave is empty.<sup>40</sup> He is the reliable authority on life after death and spiritual matters.

## ON THE RESURRECTION:

“I have been used for many years to study the histories of other times, and to examine and weigh the evidence of those who have written about them, and I know of no one fact in the history of mankind which is proved by better and fuller evidence of every sort, to the understanding of a fair inquirer, than the great sign which God hath given us that Christ died and rose again from the dead.”

—**Thomas Arnold** (1795-1842), Regius Professor of Modern History at Oxford University and author of the famous three volume *History of Rome*. Quote cited in *Evidence That Demands A Verdict* (Vol. 1) by Josh McDowell, 1979, p. 191.

“The evidence for the resurrection is better than for claimed miracles in any other religion. It's outstandingly different in quality and quantity.”

—**Antony Flew, Ph.D.** (1923- ), British philosopher, author, debater and former atheist; interview with Gary Habermas, 2004. See [www.biola.edu/antonyflew](http://www.biola.edu/antonyflew).