

WHY BAPTISTS BELIEVE JESUS IS THE ONLY WAY
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I. WHY DO PEOPLE BELIEVE THERE IS MORE THAN ONE WAY TO GOD?

- A. One reason is that many people believe all religions are basically the same.
- B. Another reason is that many people believe most religions worship the same God just with different names.
- C. Another reason is that many people think truth is relative.
- D. Perhaps the most significant factor today for more than one way is cultural pluralism.

II. WHY DO BAPTISTS BELIEVE THAT JESUS IS THE ONLY WAY TO GOD AND HEAVEN?

- A. First, because this is what the Bible says—Matt. 11:27; John 6:40; John 11:25-26; John 14:6-7.
- B. Also, this is what Jesus' disciples said—Acts 4:12; Phil 2:10; 1 John 5:11-12.
- C. This is also what our Baptist Faith and Message says (IV. Salvation).
- D. What does it mean then when Baptists say “Jesus is the only way”?
- E. But is Jesus is the only way to God and heaven, what about all those people who have never heard the name of Jesus.
 - 1. Paul tells us that whether you ever hear the name of Jesus or not you can still know that there is one true God—Rom. 1:20.
 - 2. Further, James says if you want to find God then He will make a way—James 4:8.
 - 3. To such questions about those who have never heard the name Jesus we must trust a Savior who is both loving and just and whose understandings are far beyond our own.
 - 4. However, since Jesus is the only way we must take seriously our Lord's command in Matt. 28:19.