

RI.C3. World Religions – Part 2

1 Corinthians 9:19-22; James 3:1-12; James 5:7-20

Memory Verse

*"Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you."
-- Ephesians 4:32 (NIRV)*

Message

Live your faith each day.

Talk About It

Read through the following information before coming to class:

<u>Hinduism</u>	<u>Both</u>	<u>Buddhism</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Religion originated in India, today also in Pakistan, Nepal, and other middle Asian countries.- Nature Religion, not based on an individual founder- Worship many gods (animals, gods, things)- The Veda – the Holy writings of the Hindus (written in Sanskrit) much of which is on the “eternal world law”	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Believe in Reincarnation (animals, people, gods, etc.)- Belief that everything follows a birth to death cycle- Law of Karma (everything comes back to you – good deeds to goodness, evil deeds to evil, either during your current or “future” life.- Believe in Nirvana – escape for reincarnation (considered the greatest freedom)- Do not believe in God	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Founded on Indian prince Siddhartha Gautama “Buddha”- 4 Noble Truths: (all about “Misery”)<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Truth of misery2. Truth of the origin of misery3. Truth of the elimination of misery4. Truth that the elimination is the result of a methodical way that must be followed.- Wheel of Teaching (8 spokes symbolize the path of teaching that leads to Nirvana, the goal of redemption)- Has Spread in Asia- Emphasis on Tolerance for everyone- Believes that one can only achieve self-redemption as a monk.

Talk About It – Continued

In the Bible verses of today's lesson we read about doing good things, being a light and setting an example. Talk together about these things. Remind your child that since we are *Christians*, we *DO* believe in God. *Therefore, we must do as our Heavenly Father tells us and be a light to the world and do good things to others, no matter what they believe. This is how we "live our faith."* Talk about it.

