

# Religious philosophies of the West

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## West African Religion(s)

Largely ignoring or idealized views of how society should be, they focused on the pragmatic through the power of the and.

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Over the course of a lifetime humans are sometimes able to recapture the wisdom hidden within. Neo-Platonism Roman Philosophy was rarely more than a pale reflection of the Greek, with occasional flares of literary brilliance, but with few innovative ideas. In much the same manner as Homer and Hesiod before them, the playwrights examined historical and contemporary events and attributed the causes of those events to the gods.

## Philosophy of Religion: From East to West and Back Again

On a military campaign to Persia, he encountered a variety of Persian and Indian ideas that he blended with Plato's philosophy: God is the supreme being, the absolute unity, and is indescribable. Unlike early Judaism, Christianity and Mohammedanism all obsessed with time Hinduism and Buddhism have never been persecuting faiths, have preached almost no holy wars and have refrained from that proselytizing religious imperialism which has gone hand in hand with political and economic oppression of colored people.

## The Secularization of the West

It has often been described as an movement for its strong emphasis on self-control, austerities, and renunciation.

## Religion Problem for East and West

To believe what Cary does, one somehow must just trust that God is good and trustworthy, even though He predetermined Hitler would have his wicked desires and designed Hitler so he could only do what he desired, and did all this, simply so he could remain completely sovereign and glorify his wrath in torturing Hitler for all of eternity for doing what God predestined him want to do. One such approach has been offered by Marilyn McCord Adams 1943—.

## **Philosophy of Religion: From East to West and Back Again**

To Westerners, who tend to think in terms of categorization, definitions, and labels, this is a strange, even annoying, state of affairs.

### **Religion Problem for East and West**

Others, such as Parmenides and Plato, believed that the mind could gain knowledge without the aid of the senses; these thinkers were called rationalists. Imaging and Imagining the Ghost Dance: James Mooney's Illustrations and Photographs, 1891—1893. Light from the East: Eastern Wisdom for the Modern West.

### **Differences Between Eastern and Western Philosophy**

Thomas Aquinas, the view was that reason—philosophy—can tell us a great deal, but that faith in the teaching of the church is needed to answer the deepest questions of existence. He also seems to have taken some inspiration from Hinduism.

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