

## HINDUISM

The Rishi said: When that most valiant but evil-natured Mahisasura and the army of that foe of the devas were destroyed by the Devi, Indra and the hosts of devas uttered words of praise, their necks and shoulders reverently bent, and bodies rendered beautiful with horripilation and exultation.

“To that Ambika who is worthy of worship by all devas and sages and who pervades this world by her power and who is the embodiment of the entire powers of all the hosts of devas, we bow in devotion. May She grant us auspicious things!

May Chandika, whose incomparable greatness and power Bhagavan Vishnu, Brahma and Hara are unable to describe, bestow her mind on protecting the entire world and on destroying the fear of evil.

O Devi, we bow, before you. Who are yourself good fortune in the dwellings of the virtuous, and ill-fortune in those of the vicious; intelligence in the hearts of the learned, faith in the hearts of the good, and modesty in the hearts of the high-born. May you protect the universe.

Devi-Mahatmyam, Ch 4

## BUDDHISM

Verily, there is an Unborn, Unoriginated, Uncreated, Unformed. If there were not this Unborn, Unoriginated, Uncreated, Unformed, escape from the world of the born, the originated, the created, the formed, would not be possible. (Ud. VIII. 3)

Mere suffering exists, no sufferer is found; The deed is, but no doer of the deed is there;

Nirvana is, but not the person that enters it; The Path is, but no traveller on it is seen.

(Vis. XVI)

## ZOROASTRIANISM

I'll speak about the Greatest One of All.  
Praising Him, Lord of Wisdom through His Truth,  
And all the Lords of Wisdom that are His; May  
He through His Good Spirit hear our call,  
Through Vohu Man' my Faith to Him I pledge,  
He is His Wisdom guides me to His Light.

Yasna 45:6

This do I ask, Ahura, tell me true:  
Reveal Thy purpose , Mazda, for my Soul;  
I seek Thy Teachings true through Vohu Man,  
Through Asa's Wisdom seek the Goal of Life;  
With all my Soul Thy orders I'll obey,  
And thus attain Thee and Eternal Light.

Yasna 44:8

## JUDAISM

In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple.

2 Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly.

3 And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.

4 And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke.

5 Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts.

6 Then flew one of the seraphims unto me, having a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar:

7 And he laid it upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged.

8 Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me.

## CHRISTIAN

### **Luke 4:5-7**

5 And the devil took him up and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time,

6 and said to him, “To you I will give all this authority and their glory, for it has been delivered to me, and I give it to whom I will.

7 If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.”

8 And Jesus answered him, “It is written, ‘You shall worship the Lord your God, and Him only shall you serve.’”

### John 4:23

But the hour is coming, when the true worshippers will worship God in Spirit and in Truth, for this is the way God seeks to be worshipped.

God is Spirit, and those who worship God must worship in Spirit and in Truth.

ISLAM

Say: He, Allah, is One.

Allah is He on whom all depend.

Allah begets not, nor is He begotten. And none is like Him.

Koran 112

## Gayan

Wherever I look, I see Thy beloved face, covered under many different veils. The magic power of my ever-seeking eyes lifted the veil from Thy glowing countenance, and Thy smile won my heart a thousand times over. The lustre of Thy piercing glance hath lighted my darkened soul, and lo! Now I see the sunshine everywhere.

In the brightness of day and in the darkness of night what didst Thou not teach me! Thou hast taught me what is meant by wrong and what is called right. Thou hast shown me the hideous face of life, and Thou hast unveiled before me life's beautiful countenance. Thou hast taught me wisdom out of utter darkness of ignorance. Thou hast taught me to think after my thoughtless moments. Thou playest with me, my Beloved Lord and Master, hide and seek! Thou closest mine eyes and Thou dost open them.