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## JUDAISM:

The Jewish faith began with Abraham,  
Who led the Hebrew people to the Promised Land.  
Hebrews, also known as Jews,  
Were unusual at this time.  
There was only one god, and they didn't paint his picture,  
They didn't believe that he had a little sister.  
Their god was a jealous god; that's what he said,  
So don't pray to false idols, it'll make him mad.  
Moses had commandments, there were ten,  
Claimed they were God's law and commanded men...  
To honor thy mother and father, don't steal or kill,  
And every week, take a day off and just chill.

## CHRISTIANITY:

Now Jesus was a Jew who started something new,  
Said, "Treat others like you'd want 'em to treat you."  
Rolled with a crew, that's the apostles,  
Got crucified, that's in the gospel,  
But Christians have faith that his death is the way  
From sins on Earth to a Heavenly grace,  
Then his followers spread those beliefs,  
Throughout Europe and Asia from the Middle East,  
Romans beefed, but eventually switched,  
The emperor converted in 306,  
Catholics gathered to discuss their beliefs,

Came up with a trinity, yeah that'd be:  
God the father, the Son, that's Jesus,  
And the Holy Ghost that's what they believed in,  
It was their mission to spread faith,  
That's why the religion's so big today.

Thou shall not kill.  
Turn the other cheek.  
Avoid extremes,  
Find the middle way.  
Fixed in yoga, do thy work.  
There is no God but Allah, and  
Muhammad is his prophet.

ISLAM:

Now, the same angel who showed up to Mary,  
To tell her she was going to give birth to God's kid,  
This angel appeared to Muhammad,  
Told him he was going to be the next prophet.  
Now he's Islamic, and he founded Islam,  
And he wrote a holy book, that's the holy Qur'an.  
Called God Allah; that means one true god,  
Laid down five pillars and here they are.  
One, there's no god but God, I testify.  
Two, every day you've gotta pray five times.  
Three, if people don't have money, give them some.  
Four, better fast during Ramadan.  
Five, if your mommy and your daddy let ya,  
Make the holy pilgrimage over to Mecca.  
After Muhammad died, two groups started to fight,  
That's the Sunnis and the Shiite, alright?

## HINDUISM:

They say I'm the body of philosophies,  
Barely understood, but I crossed the seas.  
India, 1500 BC,  
Other thoughts came together with me.  
Reincarnation, that's when you come back,  
Depending on your karma, how you interact.  
So stay calm and do your yoga,  
I'll bring you wisdom; I'm Hinduism.

## BUDDHISM:

Buddha, my name, the awakened one,  
Embrace the pain, it all became one.  
Follow me, I bring thought elevation,  
Then bring you closer through meditation.  
And I'm life, so with words I'll trade you,  
I'm so popular, all through Asia.  
India, China, then Malaysia,  
I'll amaze you, like Ali and Frazier.