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http://www.religionfacts.com/

Subject

Religion--Encyclopedias

Accessibility

Free

Language

English

Brief History

This site was founded in March 7, 2004. Intension was to make a single website where one could quickly find information on just about anything related to religion.

Scope and Coverage

The purpose of ReligionFacts is to provide "just the facts" on the world's religions and topics of religious interest. Every effort has been taken to present material from an impartial, academic perspective. The ReligionFacts provides encyclopedic information on different world religions, provides key facts about those religions, meaning of different religion signs and symbols etc. This encyclopedia provides also big charts on world religion where it gives information on the basis of headings like adherents, history, Gods, meaning of life, after life, practices and texts. Here 40 world religions are compared on the basis of above headings.

Kind of Information

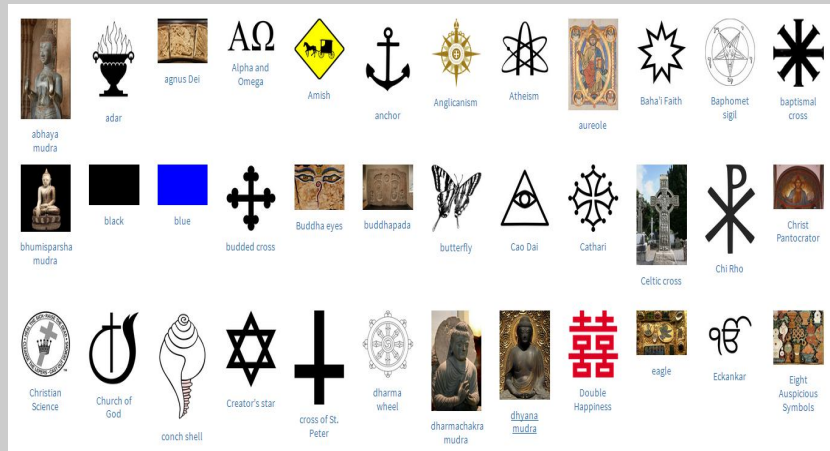
The ReligionFacts provides comprehensive and reliable information for students, teachers, journalists and religious professionals. This information is also accessible and useful to those with only limited knowledge of religion.

On a particular religion the encyclopedia provides key facts like meaning of the name of that religion, adherents, beliefs, practices, main holydays, and religion texts. As for example, an articles on Buddhist religion provides some important key facts (following screen shot) and then provides a history of Buddhism, different

Name Means	Teachings of the Buddha (Buddha means the "Enlightened One")
Adherents	500 million
Beliefs	Varies: Theravada atheistic; Mahayana more polytheistic. Buddha taught nothing is permanent.
Practices	Meditation, mantras, devotion to deities (in some sects), mandalas (Tibetan)
Main Holidays	Vary by region, but often include Buddha's birthday, Buddha's enlightenment, lunar quarters
Texts	Tripitaka (Pali Canon); Mahayana sutras like the Lotus Sutra; others.

Buddhist schools and short descriptions on those schools. The article have also links to Buddhist religion related books in Amazon; article on Buddhist beliefs, Buddhist holidays and festivals, Buddhist practices, Ritual Objects (like begging bowl, Buddha image, Buddhist art, incense burner, mala beads, mandala etc.). The article on Buddhism also have a links to different Buddhist schools and separate articles on that schools, separate article links to Buddhist symbols (like Buddha eyes, Buddhapada, color symbolism, dharma wheel, Eight Auspicious Symbols in Buddhism, golden fishes, mudras etc.), Buddhist religion texts, and link to an full article on the history of Buddhism. The time line of Buddhism is also provided.

The encyclopedia also includes a religion symbols gallery. The following screen shot shows some portion of that gallery:



Every symbol is hyperlinked with an article on that symbol. The article on a particular symbol provides meaning of the symbol, description of the symbols, significances of that symbol etc.

Special Features

- The encyclopedia provides glossary of religion.
- It offers detailed articles and treatments of specialized topics as well as just-the-basics overviews, facts and figures, timelines, maps and comparative charts.

Arrangement Pattern

The list of all religions is arranged alphabetically. Religion symbols are also displayed (the third screen shot) alphabetically. The symbols are also arranged category wise (categories are Buddhist Symbols, Christian Symbols, Symbols of Confucianism, Falun Gong Symbols, Hindu Symbols, Islamic symbols, etc.)

Remarks

ReligionFacts is intended to be a useful resource for people of any religious background or none at all.

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