

## Every Religion is Based on Something

Every religion has a starting point. They all have some basis for what they believe in. Some religions are inspired by the wisdom of some great leader or a prophet who has a connection to a deity. Often there is some holy book involved that is believed to contain divine knowledge that is considered the word of the creator of the universe. Whatever the story is, every religion has one that creates a starting point and an authority which belief is based upon.

So what is the starting point for the Church of Reality? As a reality based religion we can't just make something up and just choose to believe it. Nor can we base it on someone's subjective opinion. Because we are reality based we have an additional burden of having to explain why we do what we do in terms that will stand up to {In:Scrutiny}. That way other great minds can look at our work from an independent perspective and determine if we are on the right track.

The first of the {In:Sacred Contemplations} is {In:Contemplating the Name}. If you were going to create a "Church of Reality" - what would you do? One of the reasons behind this test is to see if other people working independently would create a Church of Reality that is at least similar to the one we have. We want to ensure the Church of Reality is in fact a logical extension of reality itself. Accomplishing this task is no small feat, but nonetheless, we endeavor to do so.

Although the Church of Reality has a higher burden of proof when it comes to church doctrine, in some ways we have an advantage. Since we are not sponsored by an infallible deity if we get something wrong we can fix it. If we come up with a better idea we can replace the old idea with the new one. All religions are evolving but the Church of Reality embraces its evolution. As we better understand the universe we live in we will continue to improve and refine our positions.