Subject: Re: hope none of you are them Posted by Nukelt15 on Thu, 13 Jul 2006 17:39:35 GMT

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I wonder why it is that people insist on saying that there must be one and only one true path through life. There are billions of people living on this planet, and no faith has ever been able to claim more than a quarter to a third of them at any given time. Does that mean all the rest are automatically doomed because they believe something different? Even if your faith tells you that anyone who doesn't follow your faith is destined for damnation, is it not possible to accept the fact that they don't believe that to be true? It isn't always so clear-cut as "If you're wrong, you're fucked." What happens if the hereafter turns out to be just another stage of a continuing existence, where one's words and actions before death have little to do with what happens to them afterwards? What happens if everyone ends up exactly where they believed they would, according to what they really believed to be the absolute truth?

The entire span of human history has never seen a single, unified faith for all. How can any one claim that all the others are by their very nature wrong, when there are so many out there who believe otherwise? Try to see people with different beliefs not as people who have strayed from "the Truth" but as people who have merely found a different "Truth" to follow. It puts things in a whole new perspective.