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5. 内容提要：本书作者在“引言”中写道：基督教与伊斯兰教和佛教并列为世界三大宗教。其中，基督教流传最广，分布于 150 个国家和地区。

基督教有 1900 多年的历史。在历史发展过程中，它分成三大主要派系：(1) 罗马公教 (Catholica)，亦称“加特力教”。由于传入中国后，该教教士将基督教信仰的神译为“天主”，故我国习惯称罗马公教为“天主教”。(2) 正教 (Orthodox)，亦称“东正教”或“希腊正教”。(3) 新教，是 16 世纪欧洲宗教改革运动中脱离天主教会而产生的新宗派。西方一般称新教为 Protestantism，即“抗议宗”。在中国，习惯统称新教各派为“基督教”或“耶稣教”。除上述三大主要派系外，还有一些较小的独立派别，如聂斯托里派（我国古时称之为景教）、科普特教会和亚美尼亚教会等。

最初的基督教是从犹太教派生出来的一个新宗派，它继承了犹太教的一神论。又逐渐吸收各种东方神秘宗教和庸俗化的希腊哲学思想，形成自己的教义体系，并发展为独立的教会组织，最后同犹太教决裂，成为有自我意识的基督教。

基督教与许多国家，特别是欧、美各国的历史和文化密切相关，对当代的政治和社会生活也有较大影响。我们不论研究国际现状或世界历史，基督教史都是必不可少的研究课题。

本书共计 3 章：第 1 章讲述基督教的起源和它的早期历史；第 2 章论述中世纪的封建社会和反教会的“异端”运动；第 3 章介绍近代基督教状况。

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6. Précis: Below is an excerpt from the introduction. Christianity is one of the three most important religions in the world besides Islam and Buddhism. Christianity has spread into most places – 150 nations.

Christianity has a history of about two millennia. It consists of three major denominations: 1. Roman Catholicism. 2. Orthodox, or the Eastern/Greek Orthodox. 3. Protestantism – the new denomination broken away from Roman Catholicism as a result of the Reformation in the sixteenth century. Besides, there are some smaller denominations such as Nestorianism, the Coptic Church and the Armenian Church.

Early Christianity derived from Judaism, inheriting its monotheism, and gradually assimilated various Eastern mystical religions and secular philosophies as it formed its own doctrinal and ecclesiastical systems, which led to its eventual separation from Judaism.

Christianity is intricately interwoven in the history and culture of many countries, especially those in Europe and North America. It has exerted tremendous impact on contemporary politics and society. Therefore, history of Christianity is an indispensable subject in our studies of international affairs and world history.

The volume consists of three chapters: Chapter 1 touches on the origin and early history of Christianity; Chapter 2 on the feudalistic society in the Middle Ages and various heretic movements; and Chapter 3 on contemporary Christianity.