



MARTIN LUTHER



Martin Luther lived from 1483-1546 in the country we now call Germany. When Martin was a young man he made a promise to God to become a monk if God would protect him through an especially dangerous storm. When Martin survived the storm he became a monk, but he wasn't happy. He tried very hard to serve God by obeying all the rules of the monastery, but he could find no peace in his heart. While he was there he began to study the





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Bible and the writings of early Christian leaders. He became a priest and a professor, but none of this made him happy until he realised that none of his hard work would save his soul. Only by trusting in Jesus to forgive his sins did Martin find peace. With joy Martin began to teach his students and congregation about how they could be saved by faith in God and not through works. As Martin studied the scriptures more and more, he began to realise that the church leaders were teaching wrong doctrine to the people. So he began to write books challenging the church leaders and that got him into a lot of trouble.

