

# 100 Religious Allusion Examples

1. **Garden of Eden** (Bible) - A paradise or utopia.
2. **Prodigal Son** (Bible) - Someone who returns after rejecting or abandoning his family.
3. **David and Goliath** (Bible) - A small force defeating a much larger one.
4. **Pandora's Box** (Greek Mythology) - A source of extensive troubles or problems.
5. **Nirvana** (Buddhism) - A state of perfect happiness or liberation.
6. **Judas** (Bible) - A traitor.
7. **Moses** (Bible) - Leading people to freedom or salvation.
8. **Sacrificial Lamb** (Bible) - An individual sacrificed for the greater good.
9. **The Four Horsemen** (Bible) - Symbols of conquest, war, famine, and death.
10. **Promised Land** (Bible) - A destined place of fulfillment or happiness.
11. **Lot's Wife** (Bible) - A warning against disobedience or looking back.
12. **Samson and Delilah** (Bible) - Betrayal by someone trusted.
13. **Achilles' Heel** (Greek Mythology) - A single vulnerability or weakness.
14. **Burning Bush** (Bible) - A divine message or epiphany.
15. **Doubting Thomas** (Bible) - Someone who demands proof before believing.
16. **Good Samaritan** (Bible) - A person who helps others selflessly.
17. **Lazarus** (Bible) - Coming back from apparent defeat or ruin.
18. **Armageddon** (Bible) - A catastrophic confrontation or conflict.
19. **Manna from Heaven** (Bible) - An unexpected benefit or assistance.
20. **Golden Calf** (Bible) - Idolatry or misplaced reverence.

21. **Babel** (Bible) - Chaos or confusion, especially in communication.
22. **Karma** (Hinduism/Buddhism) - The universal law of cause and effect.
23. **The Middle Path** (Buddhism) - A balanced approach to life.
24. **Valhalla** (Norse Mythology) - A warrior's paradise.
25. **Original Sin** (Bible) - An inherent flaw or imperfection in humanity.
26. **Alpha and Omega** (Bible) - Beginning and end; comprehensiveness.
27. **Raising the Dead** (Bible) - Restoring something lost or extinct.
28. **Wandering Jew** (Christian Legend) - A person who never finds peace or rest.
29. **Sodom and Gomorrah** (Bible) - Wickedness or corruption.
30. **Wrath of God** (Bible) - Severe punishment or retribution.
31. **Holy Grail** (Christian Legend) - An elusive and highly sought-after object or goal.
32. **Buddha's Enlightenment** (Buddhism) - A profound realization or awakening.
33. **Solomon's Wisdom** (Bible) - Exceptional wisdom or judgment.
34. **Mark of Cain** (Bible) - A sign of someone's guilt or cursed nature.
35. **Cross to Bear** (Bible) - A personal burden or challenge.
36. **Apocalypse** (Bible) - An event involving destruction or damage on a catastrophic scale.
37. **Noah's Ark** (Bible) - A sanctuary during times of immense disaster.
38. **Turn the Other Cheek** (Bible) - Responding to aggression without violence or retaliation.
39. **Bread and Wine** (Bible) - Symbols of sacrifice and communion.
40. **Fatted Calf** (Bible) - A celebration of return or reconciliation.
41. **Loaves and Fishes** (Bible) - An unexpected abundance from limited resources.
42. **Midas Touch** (Greek Mythology) - Everything one touches becomes valuable, often with negative consequences.
43. **Sacred Cow** (Hinduism) - Something immune from criticism or questioning.

44. **Nectar and Ambrosia** (Greek Mythology) - Food and drink of the gods; something incredibly pleasing.
45. **Moses in the Bulrushes** (Bible) - Rescued from danger in infancy.
46. **Icarus** (Greek Mythology) - Failed attempt due to arrogance or overambition.
47. **Daniel in the Lion's Den** (Bible) - Faith and deliverance in the face of adversity.
48. **Casting the First Stone** (Bible) - Criticizing when one has similar faults.
49. **Pearls Before Swine** (Bible) - Offering something valuable to those who can't appreciate it.
50. **Burning the Midnight Oil** (Bible) - Working late into the night or early morning.
51. **Delphic Oracle** (Greek Mythology) - A mysterious or ambiguous prediction or message.
52. **Jezebel** (Bible) - A wicked woman.
53. **Job's Patience** (Bible) - Remaining patient and steadfast during trials.
54. **Jonah and the Whale** (Bible) - Running from one's destiny or duty.
55. **Tower of Babel** (Bible) - Ambitious failure due to miscommunication.
56. **Lamb's Book of Life** (Bible) - A record of those who will be saved.
57. **Bhagavad Gita's Dharma** (Hinduism) - Righteous duty or moral responsibility.
58. **Wheels within Wheels** (Bible) - Complex interplay of events or intricacies.
59. **The Seventh Seal** (Bible) - A final catastrophic event.
60. **Dionysian Revelry** (Greek Mythology) - Wild celebration or ecstasy.
61. **Sisyphean Task** (Greek Mythology) - A never-ending, futile task.
62. **Gordian Knot** (Greek Mythology) - A problem solved easily by bold action.
63. **Jacob's Ladder** (Bible) - Connection between earth and heaven.
64. **Absalom's Rebellion** (Bible) - Betrayal by one's own family or close associates.
65. **Balm in Gilead** (Bible) - A healing or soothing remedy.
66. **Asherah Pole** (Bible) - Symbols of idolatry or false worship.
67. **Camel Through the Eye of a Needle** (Bible) - Something nearly impossible.

68. **Golden Fleece** (Greek Mythology) - A prize or objective that's difficult to obtain.
69. **Mount Olympus** (Greek Mythology) - The dwelling of gods; a place of great importance.
70. **Herculean Effort** (Greek Mythology) - A task requiring immense strength or effort.
71. **Labors of Hercules** (Greek Mythology) - A series of nearly impossible tasks.
72. **Trojan Horse** (Greek Mythology) - A deceptive strategy.
73. **Augean Stables** (Greek Mythology) - A huge mess that seems impossible to clean.
74. **The Last Supper** (Bible) - Final moments with someone before a significant change.
75. **Arm of Flesh** (Bible) - Human strength or efforts without divine assistance.
76. **Salt of the Earth** (Bible) - Referring to a person or group of people regarded as the best or most noble.
77. **Blind Leading the Blind** (Bible) - Inexperienced individuals trying to guide others, often leading to a poor outcome.
78. **Pharisee** (Bible) - Someone who is self-righteous or hypocritical in their beliefs.
79. **Pass the Buck** (Bible) - Avoiding responsibility; originally related to the scapegoat ritual.
80. **Feet of Clay** (Bible) - A hidden flaw or vulnerability in someone who is otherwise strong or revered.
81. **Serpentine** (Bible) - Anything that's deceptive or treacherous, drawn from the serpent in the Garden of Eden.
82. **Burning Incense** (Multiple Religions) - A symbol of prayer, meditation, or an offering to the divine.

83. **Atlas** (Greek Mythology) - Carrying the weight of the world; refers to the Titan who held up the heavens.
84. **Draupadi's Dignity** (Hinduism) - Unwavering honor and resilience in the face of humiliation, from the Mahabharata.
85. **White Elephant** (Buddhism) - An unwanted or burdensome possession, based on a legend where receiving a rare white elephant was both an honor and a curse.
86. **Render unto Caesar** (Bible) - Separation of spiritual and temporal responsibilities; give what's due.
87. **Walking on Water** (Bible) - Performing an incredible or miraculous feat.
88. **Sacred Lotus** (Hinduism/Buddhism) - Purity and spiritual awakening, emerging from the mud.
89. **Elysian Fields** (Greek Mythology) - Paradise or a blissful afterlife.
90. **Mjölnir** (Norse Mythology) - Symbol of protection and power, referring to Thor's hammer.
91. **Casting Pearls** (Bible) - Offering something valuable to those who can't or won't appreciate it.
92. **Kairos** (Ancient Greece) - The opportune moment for action, often seen as divinely inspired.
93. **Ragnarok** (Norse Mythology) - An epic battle or event leading to renewal, similar to an apocalypse.
94. **Moksha** (Hinduism) - Liberation from the cycle of rebirth, representing ultimate freedom and enlightenment.
95. **Buddha's Middle Way** (Buddhism) - The path of moderation away from the extremes.
96. **Harvest Moon** (Various Cultures) - Full moon closest to the autumnal equinox, representing bounty and preparation.

97. **Odyssean Journey** (Greek Mythology) - A long, adventurous, and eventful journey or experience.
98. **Chariot of Fire** (Bible) - A divine vehicle representing ascension or heavenly intervention.
99. **Tree of Life** (Various Religions) - A universal symbol of interconnectedness, growth, and immortality.
100. **Krishna's Flute** (Hinduism) - Symbol of divine music, cosmic communication, and spiritual love.

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