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Everyday around the world, millions of people fear violence, hostility and discrimination because of their religion or belief resulting in instability, mass migration and untold suffering.

Studies show that over 80% of the global population believe in God or a higher power and yet at the same time, roughly two thirds of humanity live in countries with significant restrictions on faith practices. This is a recipe for gross human rights violations as individuals and communities struggle to peacefully live out their faith.

Sadly, religious persecution is as old as human history itself, but it doesn't mean that we have to accept it. There are many practical steps that can be taken to press back on this tsunami of repression and to help those suffering because of their beliefs.

This site provides a global overview of religious persecution. It explains why it should be a matter of profound concern to Christians. It suggests some very simple steps that Christians can take in response.

These pages do not claim to be an exhaustive or in-depth survey of a complex global phenomenon. Rather, they provide a pathway to allow Christians to learn more about this issue and to respond faithfully.

A global problem

While the world has become more, not less religious, the daily practice of exercising one's religion or belief has become harder.

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Why it matters

Religion is a set of religious teachings and practices. But in many countries, it is also a sense of identity and belonging to a group.

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Standing up for religious freedom

There are many ways in which Christians can stand up for freedom of religion or belief.

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Resources

Courses, tools, films and more to help you learn about this issue and how you can be an agent of change.

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