

Waiting for the Messiah: the Dead Sea Scrolls and the Origins of Christianity

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Who was the first Christian? What are the origins of Christianity? Most people would say, "Jesus." What if that were not true? What if Jesus and at least some of his disciples had been influenced by or were followers of the Essenes – the people who copied, collected and wrote the scrolls at the beginning of the 2nd century BCE? [more>>>](#)