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Non-orthodox views in Russian Orthodoxy in the period of pre-Mongol Russia

Orthodoxy is the traditional religion of a majority of the population of modern Russia. After more than half a century of atheism this ancient religion is reborn. However, most of people who identify themselves as Orthodox faith, has about it a very superficial representation. For a long time, beginning with the Baptism of Russia, the Orthodox religion experienced a variety of influences, absorbed the foreign elements. On the one hand, it has been exposed to paganism for centuries lived in the popular mind, on the other – an unorthodox christianst Islands, which were of freethinkers. You also can not forget the ancient Indo-European mythology, the features of which eventually acquired and the Russian Orthodox Church, becoming a unique blend of attitudes and beliefs. On Mongol invasion violent religious life in Russia temporarily subsided, to be reborn after the end of the Mongol-Tatar yoke. But it was the pre-Mongol period of Russian Orthodoxy owes its uniqueness.

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