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Christianity grew out of Judaism as a Second Temple Judaic sect in the 1st century in the Roman province of Judea. Other religious influences of early Christianity are Zoroastrianism and Gnosticism. First published in 1988, Peter Brown's *The Body and Society* was a groundbreaking study of the marriage and sexual practices of early Christians in the ancient Mediterranean and Near East. Early Christianity covers the period from its origins (c. 30–36) until the First Council of Nicaea (325). This period is typically divided into the Apostolic Age (c. 30–100) and the Ante-Nicene Period (c. 100–325). Beginnings of persecution. The story of Christianity's rise to prominence is a remarkable one, but the traditional story of its progression from a tiny, persecuted religion to the established ...