

## WordPress Just Got a 'Religious Makeover'

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Godinterest Launches WordPress Blogging Portal For Students And Teachers Of Religion

London, England. Over a week ago, using the fully hosted version of the popular open-source WordPress content management system, Dean Jones a Christian introduced a blog portal that focuses specifically on religion to help people share their faith online.

Jones, a 36-year-old ex-lecturer from London argues that "godinterest.org gives occasion to a whole new set of conversations about religion in public life and represents the possibility of a common conversation among a diverse set of voices."

There is no doubt that WordPress.com is one of the most popular blogging platforms so when asked what's special and about Godinterest.org? Jones stated the following points: "

- Only for Religion- Godinterest.org is targeted at those in Religion rather than general blogging. We envision blogs being used to facilitate discussion, replace paper newsletters, encourage students to blog, post videos podcasts and presentation and create class publications. To achieve this, we have built in a few features that you won't see on your regular WordPress.com account (but could get via self-hosting).
- Accounts Godinterest.org offers a range of accounts not limited to an individual. The basic version is a free account which gives you basic features comparable to WordPress.com but without some of the themes and Ad free (a nice incentive to an educator) after that there are pro accounts which opens up more options like embedding html videos and the ability to set up, and monitor, blogs for students. Other perks of an educators account include custom domains, use of plugins and visitor stats. godinterest.org also offers free upgrades for students when attached to a Pro blog.
- Wikis can be a great features for project work and collaboration. However, they can also be a useful way to provide resources for students to access in their own time and at their leisure to continue their learning beyond the walls of the classroom. Although you can set this up on a self-hosted blog it requires more skill than some people have.
- Privacy students might be more self-concious about their work than your average blogger. The built in privacy features (including password protection) are a great way to help students to build up their confidence.

Modules - We also plan to implement modules in Scripture, Worship (including Sacraments), Church History and Beliefs on Theology Challenges and provide a variety of resources to help teachers and students explore many aspects of religious knowledge. "

The future of education is with online technology and there are fewer and better things to be innovating on than just that right now, Godinterest.org offers that opportunity for any religious educator or faith blogger with specific themes and features that will make learning even more effective.

#### About us

Godinterest.org is a blog-publishing service built with WordPress for religion that lets you share your faith online

For a limited time <u>godinterest.org</u> is offering free Pro upgrades for religious educational institutions worldwide.

For more information visit <a href="http://godinterest.org">http://godinterest.org</a> To connect on Facebook and Twitter click on <a href="http://godinterestUK">www.Facebook.com/GodinterestUK</a> and <a href="http://godinterestUK">www.Twitter.com/GodinterestUK</a> respectively.

**Note to Editors:** To arrange an interview with Dean Jones, please contact Dean Jones at +44(0)7939024086 or via e-mail at <a href="mailto:pr@godinterest.org">pr@godinterest.org</a>.

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