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CHRISTIAN AND PHILOSOPHICAL PRINCIPLES OF GEORGIAN HISTORIOGRAPHY

The introduction of Christianity into Georgia significantly altered both the public life and consciousness. It played a crucial role in the political and cultural promotion of the country. The collection of historical works "*Kartlis Tskhovreba*" and the introductory part of its two oldest - "*Mariam*" and "*Machabeli*" - manuscripts, known as "The World History", are especially noteworthy.

The analysis of this text confirms finally the ideological basis of the worldview of the Georgian historians. They approached every problem on the basis of the Christian conception. They often used biblical plots and tried to analyze questions of epochal and local importance from the biblical viewpoint.