

The Great Preacher

Every religion has a reason for its being, so the question comes, why was jainism created. That is, Vardhamana Mahavira was a **kshatriya** prince but he gave up his life of luxury, at the age of 30, became an ascetic, and left his home.

Some say that it was because during he lived during the later vedic period, in india, where there were a lot of sacrifices, superstitions, meaningless rituals and many evil customs and he thought there was more to life than following a religion so hard to follow. So maybe that's why he left home in the search of truth.

Early Life

Vardhamana Mahavira was the twenty fourth and the last **tirthankara** of the jains.

He was born in 540 BCE in *Kundagram* near *Vaishali*.

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