

Basics of religion common to many religions

- Bullets found in text
- Each religion is based on a world view or beliefs about the world and humanity. These beliefs deal with the world's origin, how it works, and its final destiny. It also considers a person's relationship to the world and to other people.
- Faith is an essential component of each. It can change the way you act and think. True faith relates to your experiences and not necessarily your teachings.
- Depending on the world view, the religion usually recognizes a supreme being/deity, which will be referred to as a "god" for convenience. The Christian God is spelled with a capital letter.
- The religion follows a sacred book and laws.
- Deliberate refusal to obey the religion is often referred to as a sin.
- Nearly all religions follow special rites called sacraments.