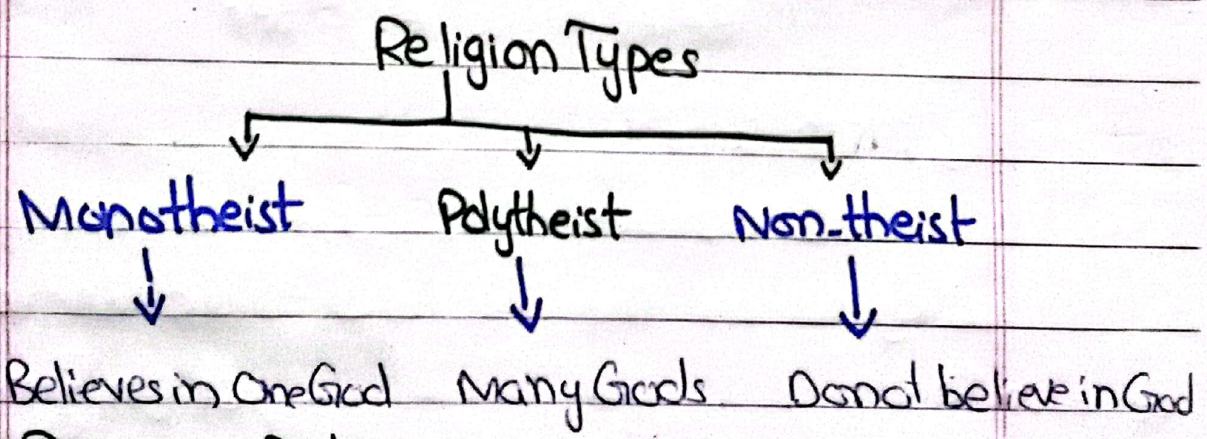


Q- Discuss and compare various forms of divine religions with other world religion including Hinduism, Buddhism and Jainism.

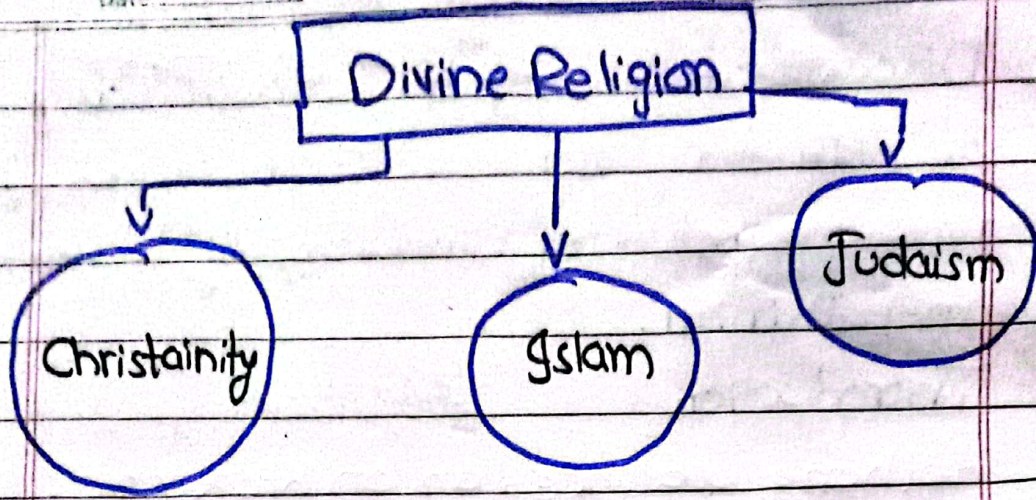
A- Introduction

Anthony Wallace, an anthropologist, defines religion as set of beliefs and rituals related to supernatural things or powers. Religion is an important aspect of the world. There are different religions which exist across the world. Out of these religions, divine religions are those religions which are revealed through the messenger of God.



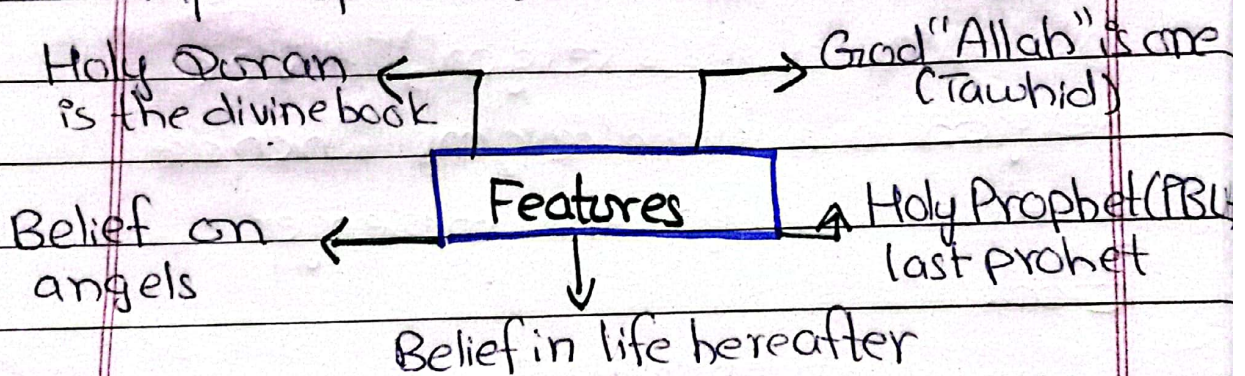
Divine Religion

All the divine religions are monotheist in nature means their follower believe in mess^{DE} of God.



Islam

Islam is the world's second largest religion. It is spreading at rapid speed across the world.



Christainity

Christainity is the largest religion in the world. It is a divine religion.



Judaism

Its followers are termed as Jews.

They also believe in oneness of God.

Comparison of Divine Religion with Buddhism

1) Concept of God

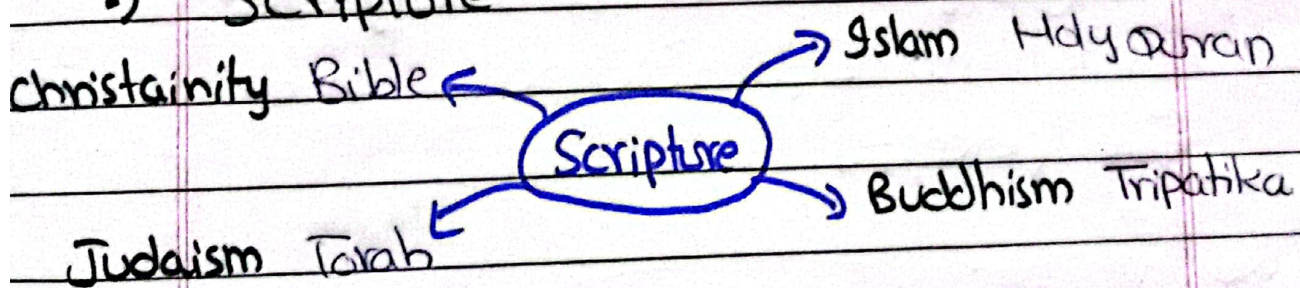
Christianity: God as Father, Son, Holy Spirit in one even.

Judaism: Oneness of God

Islam: Belief in Allah Almighty

Buddhism: Do not believe in God, it is philosophical in nature based on rituals and practices.

2) Scripture



3) Worship

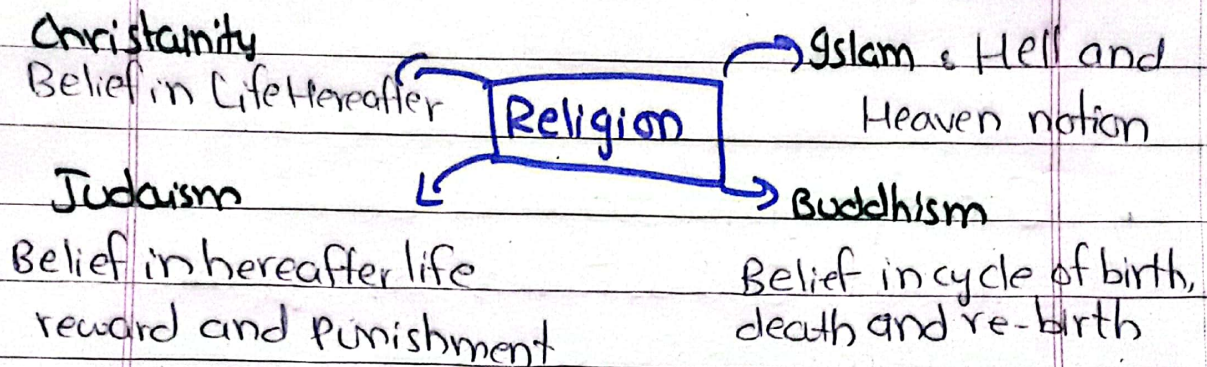
Christianity: offering prayer, fasting, reciting Bible

Judaism: Reciting Torah, offering prayer

Islam: Recite Holy Quran, Salat, Fasting, Zakat, Pilgrimage

Buddhism: meditation, visiting temples
chanting etc.

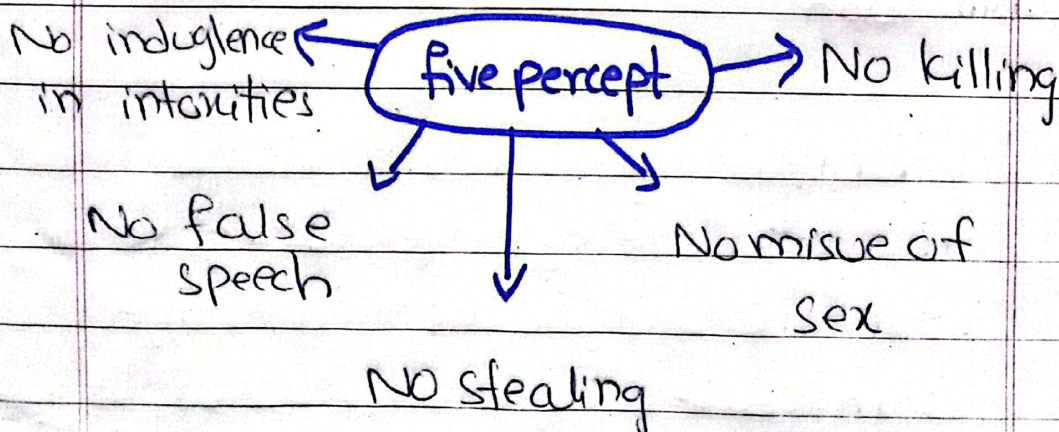
Belief in Life Hereafter



Moral and Ethical Teachings

Christianity, Judaism and Islam all believe in moral and ethical way of living. They call for peace, decent living style, truthfulness, honesty etc.

Buddhism: Eight fold path and five precept



Comparison of Divine Religion with Hinduism

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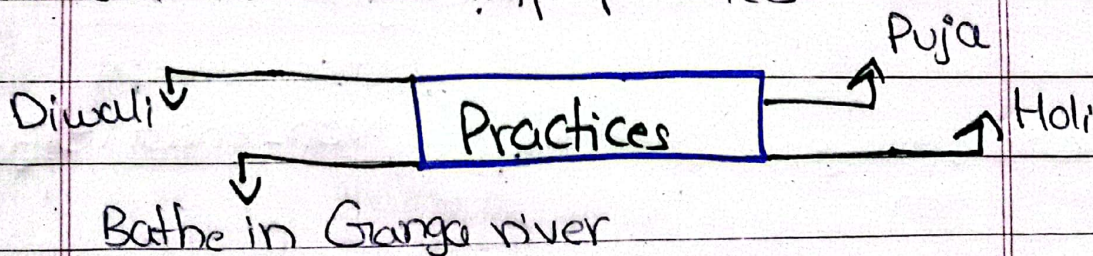
It is polytheist in nature and have faith in multiple God and Godesses who perform different functions. like Shiv, Kali mata, devi

2) Scripture

The holy book of Hinduism is called as **Vedas** which contain all the guidelines for Hindu.

3) Worship Practices

Followers of Hinduism perform various worship practices



4) Concept of Life Hereafter

Hindus like Buddhism also believe in births, death

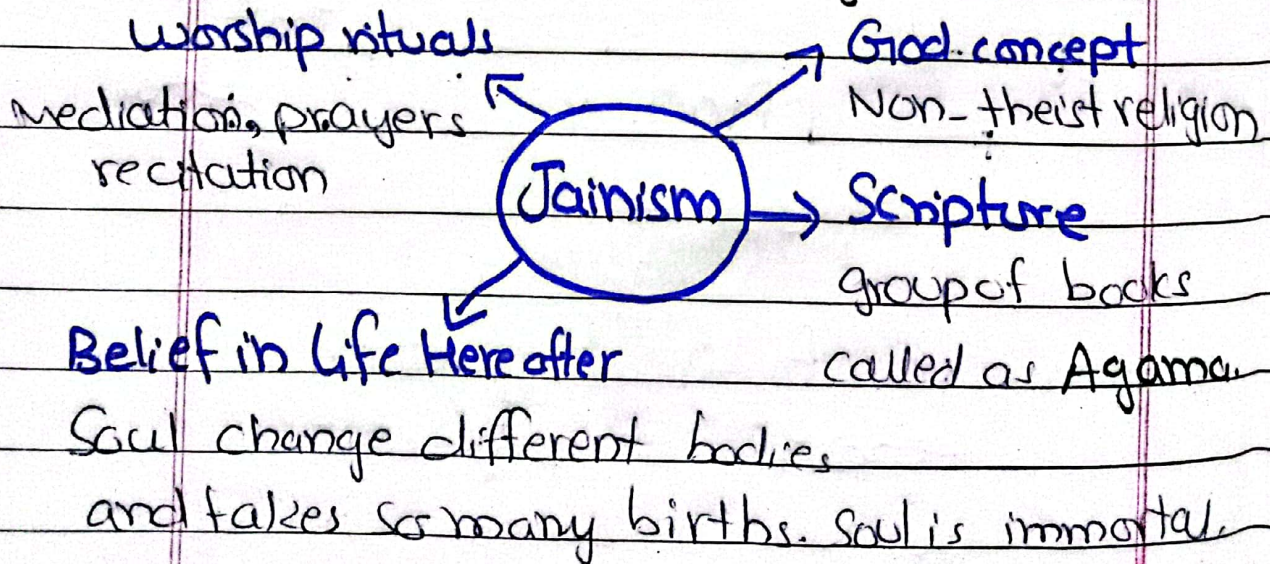
and rebirth. Moreover, they believe in karma.

Moral and Ethical Guidelines

Hinduism concept of **Karma** is the base of their ethical behaviour. Karma is the concept which underscores the reality of "what you sow, so shall you reap". Karma has cause and effect cycle. If one wants to get love, he or she must be loving to others.

This is how hinduism differ from Divine religions.

Comparison of Jainism with Divine Religions



Conclusion

As world has followers of different religions, so different set of beliefs, ritual, practice exist across the globe. Divine religion are monotheist while other world religions are polytheist and non-theist. Religion is the fundamental institution of society which moulds the behaviours of their followers.
