

	Christianity	BK	Hinduism
1	God is transcendental	God is transcendental	God is both transcendental and immanent. (Significantly, Hinduism's definition of God is very different from Christianity's or BK's.)
2	God communicates with man only through a chosen person (Jesus Christ)	God communicates with man only through a chosen person (Dada Lekhraj and Dadi Gulzar)	Every man can establish communication with God
3	Man cannot communicate with God, only God can initiate the communication	Man cannot communicate with God until God first initiates the communication, and for only a limited time.	Man can directly communicate with God at any time of his choosing
4	Man cannot understand the creation unless God explains it	Man cannot understand the creation unless God explains it	Man can acquire knowledge about the creation by raising his level of consciousness
5	Jesus Christ is a prophet	Jesus Christ (and others like Mohommad) are prophets	There is no need of a prophet as an agent for any purpose
6	There was paradise on earth a few thousand years ago (4004BC)	There was paradise on earth a few thousand years ago (2500BC)	Life on Earth goes through many cycles lasting hundreds of thousands of years
7	Paradise is about to arrive again	Paradise is about to arrive again	Golden age will arrive, but is many hundreds of thousands of years away
8	After Jesus Christ died, he is slated to come again (second coming) as a King who will rule the Earth for 1000 years in peace and justice	After Lekhraj Kripalani died, he is slated to be born as a King who will rule the Earth for 2500 years (through multiple births) in peace and justice	No such belief.
9	Before the second coming, the world will be devastated, millions of people will perish, and the most evil person in all history will be ruler of the entire world.	Before Lekhraj Kripalani is born again, the world will be devastated, millions of people will perish, and there will be evil in the entire world	There will be destruction at the end of Kali Yuga before the Sata Yuga begins many many thousand years from now, but this event is not tied to any one person.
10	Before the second coming, all those who are saved will first rise up to heaven before descending to the paradise on Earth	Before the Golden age starts (paradise), all BKs will "melt away" and rise up to the soul world before taking birth on the Earth	No such belief.
11	This is the only way to know God and to paradise, which is salvation	This is the only way to know God and to paradise (Golden/Silver age), which is Jivan Mukti	There are multiple ways to know and attain God, which is Moksha

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12	Merely accepting Jesus Christ qualifies one for salvation (entry to paradise)	Merely doing the 7 day course qualifies one for entry to Golden or Silver age	Moksha requires long work on the self, not just faith. (Moksha is not the same as salvation or entry to Golden/Silver age)
13	This is the only lifetime in which you can do anything about salvation	This is the only lifetime in which you can do anything about Jivan Mukti	You always have a chance to raise your consciousness and move towards Moksha
14	Purported history of Jesus Christ is key to the legitimacy of the faith	Purported history of Lekhraj Kripalani is important for the legitimacy of BK knowledge	No reliance on history, but only on self experience for legitimacy.
15	Believer must believe in Christ, his history, and future	Believer must believe in Dada Lekhraj, his history, and future	No believers, only seekers, who must seek and discover the answers themselves
16	There is one central place of knowledge and guidance (Vatican). Interpretations may vary in different churches, but the history-centric Nicene creed remains the fundamental tenet.	There is one central place of knowledge and guidance (Mt. Abu). There is not much variation in interpretation, but different centers may follow different norms. The history-centric basis remains the fundamental tenet.	Decentralized system with many centers of knowledge (but hardly any central guidance). There is a generally understood fundamental tenet of Hinduism, which Hindu Gurus have failed to articulate precisely!
17	A central authority defines scriptures that have to be believed to be true and are not debatable	A central authority defines scriptures that have to be believed to be true and are not debatable	"Truths" in scriptures can be debated and are meant to be rediscovered individually
18	Church as a quiet place of gathering with minimal iconography	Center as a quiet place of gathering with minimal iconography	Temple full of iconography as a place of gathering with a mad dash of color and din
19	A leader sermonizes adherents collectively in a church	A leader (sister-in-charge) conducts Murli classes for adherents collectively at the center	People may pray/study collectively under a priest's/guru's guidance, or individually by themselves
20	Role of nuns to serve people after taking a vow of poverty, celibacy, and obedience.	Role of BK sisters to serve people after taking a vow of poverty, celibacy, and obedience	No such explicit role for women
21	Meditation involves thinking about the Bible's teachings and the history as defined by Christianity	Besides concentrating on the point of light-form of Shiva in the soul world, and variations thereof, meditation involves thinking about Murli's teaching and the history as defined by BKs	This is a subtle comparison. In Hinduism, meditation involves minimizing thoughts and focusing on only one or few thoughts (which can be a mantra, some form of God, or even some aspect of the creation). But recalling of history is not prescribed.
22	A periodic congregation is essential	A periodic congregation is essential	After a point, a seeker prefers isolation

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23	Proselytizing is essential	Proselytizing is essential	Hinduism's focus is on the self, and has no concept of proselytizing
24	White is sign of purity	White is sign of purity	Saffron is color of Hinduism (represents sacrifice)
25	Role of Satan in the narrative as one who causes man to sin	Role of Maya in the narrative as one who causes man to sin	No external agency is used to explain cause of unhappiness
26	Procreation by sexual intercourse results in an impure body	Procreation by sexual intercourse results in an impure body	No concept of impure body (besides its physical condition)
27	Sex is the reason for man's downfall	Sex is the main reason for man's downfall	There is no concept of man's downfall, rather man strives for higher levels of consciousness
28	Sex is sinful	Sex is sinful	Sex is part of life (but overindulgence can bring sorrow). To attain Moksha, however, one must eventually withdraw from all sense pleasures, including sex. But sex is not a sin.
29	Asexual procreation is possible. Only this leads to a pure body.	Asexual procreation is possible. Only this leads to a pure body.	No such belief
30	Idol worship is satanic - only primitive people do it	Idol worship is done by spiritually primitive people	Idols are merely representation of God and may be readily used as an aid to connect with Him.
31	Rituals are satanic	Rituals are unimportant	Rituals are one way to attain God
32	Ramayana and Mahabharata are mythology	Ramayana and Mahabharata are retelling of present times in story form	Main characters and events of Ramayana and Mahabharata are historical records
33	Vedic literature is meaningless	Vedic literature is mostly false	Vedic literature contains all basic knowledge there is to be known
34	Concept of Angels as spiritual beings who bring God's messages to people and protect them.	Concept of Angels as spiritual beings ("farishtas") who bring God's messages to people and protect them.	No concept of Angels. God can be directly contacted. God (or the deity worshipped) her/himself protects.
35	Notion of a special combined form of God, the Son of God, i.e., Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit	Notion of a special combined form of God and Brahma Baba (Baap-Dada). (There is no third entity.)	There is a notion of Avatars, but no notion of a special combined form of God with a human messenger-every human is already inherently divine.

The notion of a Supreme Being, referred to by the word "God" in English, is common to Christianity, BKs, and Hinduism. However, their definition of the Supreme is not the same. Nonetheless, I have used "God" in the above table to refer to the Supreme in each system.