

THE NEW AGE MOVEMENT EXAMINED: -

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Briefly, the New Age Movement is not an organization but a philosophical direction that blends ideas from many Eastern religions with ancient pagan backgrounds. The power and prevalence of New Age ideas permeate the world, including Christianity and most other religions. We shall briefly examine what are the major New Age teachings. And then compare these beliefs with the teachings of the Christian Bible, to show the reader these two **worldviews** are in direct opposition with each other.

THE HISTORY OF THE NEW AGE MOVEMENT: -

The present “New Age” movement may be traced back to Helena Blavatsky, who founded the **Theosophical Society** in 1875. From 1867 to her death in 1891, she was said to have received telepathic instructions from “Masters”, spirit beings or humans who had died and evolved into a “higher plane”. Such as Jesus, Buddha, Mohammed, Confucious, etc. Along with evolution, she taught that all religions have common truths, especially the eastern Indian religion. Her central theme was that man could save himself because he is a god.

THE NEW AGE RELIGION: -

THE NATURE OF GOD: -

- **ALL IS GOD – PANTHEISM.**

The motto of the New Age movement is: - *“All is one, all is God, and we are God.”* God is not personal, but a force, which does not judge you, or impose moral absolutes upon you. You can manipulate this force to your own advantage.

- **THE FORCE.**

The purpose of occult rituals is to invoke and to manipulate the natural “Force” or “Collective Consciousness” of the cosmos, to selfishly use it to achieve health, wealth, and success or to curse one’s enemies.

- **MAN IS GOD.**

You can create your own reality, that you are god. You can ultimately elevate yourself to the god status by **“tapping into the force.”**

- **JESUS CHRIST IS NOT THE SAVIOUR.**

Jesus was merely a highly evolved man. He was another guru teaching the same as all the rest of the “great masters”.

BIBLICAL CHRISTIANITY: -

THE NATURE OF GOD: -

- **THE GOD OF THE BIBLE IS THE ALL POWERFUL CREATOR OF THE UNIVERSE.**

Jeremiah 10:10, 12: - **“But the LORD [is] the true God, he [is] the living God, and an everlasting king: at his wrath the earth shall tremble, and the nations shall not be able to abide his indignation. ... He hath made the earth by his power, he hath established the world by his wisdom, and hath stretched out the heavens by his discretion.”**

Revelation 4:11: - **“Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.”**

- **THE CREATOR GOD OF THE BIBLE IS THE ONLY TRUE GOD.**

Isaiah 44:6: - **“Thus saith the LORD the King of Israel, and his redeemer the LORD of hosts; I [am] the first, and I [am] the last; and beside me [there is] no God.”**

Isaiah 45:5: - **“I [am] the LORD, and [there is] none else, [there is] no God beside me: I girded thee, though thou hast not known me.”**

- **MAN IS MORTAL AND IS DEPENDENT UPON GOD FOR HIS EXISTENCE.**

Job 4:17: - **“Shall mortal man be more just than God? shall a man be more pure than his maker?”**

Acts 17:24, 28: - **“God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands; ... For in him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are also his offspring.”**

- **JESUS CHRIST IS THE ONLY SAVIOUR.**

Acts 4:10, 12: - “Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by **the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth**, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, [even] by him doth this man stand here before you whole. ... **Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.**”

THE NEW AGE MOVEMENT: -

THE NATURE AND DESTINY OF HUMANITY: -

- **MANKIND IS EVOLVING INTO GODHOOD THROUGH REINCARNATION.**

As nature came about by some impersonal force through the processes of evolution, the human family is **evolving** to its ultimate destiny, to become gods.

- **COMMUNICATION WITH THE DEAD.**

Channeling and contacting the long dead (through various occult means) opens the door so people can access “the force” or power of the “cosmos”, to enlighten , and to enable them to ultimately become gods.

- **AMORAL.**

Nature has no morals. Therefore there are no such things as **moral absolutes** or **sin** or a **Judgment**. The rules by which we live are “ours to make” as we individually see fit. This can only encourage lawlessness.

- **IT IS AN ANTI-CHRISTIAN RELIGION.**

“We are all taking different roads to get to the same place.” As Biblical Christianity asserts to be the **only source of absolute truth about the only true God**, it is opposed.

BIBLICAL CHRISTIANITY: -

THE NATURE AND DESTINY OF HUMANITY: -

- **WE NEED GOD BECAUSE WE ARE SINNERS AND NOT GODS. WE CAN'T SAVE OURSELVES. WE ONLY GET ONE CHANCE – ONE LIFETIME IN WHICH TO OBTAIN SALVATION.**

Romans 3:23: - **“For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.”**

Ephesians 2:8, 9: - “For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: [it is] the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.”

Hebrews 9:27: - “And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment.”

- **THE DEAD SLEEP IN UNCONSCIOUSNESS, AND THE BIBLE FORBIDS COMMUNICATION WITH THE SUPPOSED DEPARTED SPIRITS OF THE DEAD.**

Ecclesiastes 9:5, 6: - “For the living know that they shall die: but the dead know not any thing, neither have they any more a reward; for the memory of them is forgotten. Also their love, and their hatred, and their envy, is now perished; neither have they any more a portion for ever in any [thing] that is done under the sun.”

Isaiah 8:19, 20: - “And when they shall say unto you, Seek unto them that have familiar spirits, and unto wizards that peep, and that mutter: should not a people seek unto their God? for the living to the dead? To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, [it is] because [there is] no light in them.”

- **THE CREATOR GOD HAS IMPOSED MORAL LAWS BY WHICH HE EXPECTS HIS HUMAN CREATION TO LIVE BY, AS THERE IS A COMING DAY OF JUDGMENT. VIOLATION OF THESE LAWS IS SIN.**

Ecclesiastes 12:13, 14: - “Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this [is] the whole [duty] of man. For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether [it be] good, or whether [it be] evil.”

1 John 3:4: - “Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law.”

- **THE CHRISTIAN BIBLE IS THE ONLY PURE SOURCE OF TRUTH CONCERNING THE ONE TRUE GOD. TO KNOW HIM AND JESUS CHRIST IS THE ONLY WAY TO HAVE ETERNAL LIFE. JESUS CHRIST IS THE ONLY WAY TO COME TO GOD.**

2 Timothy 3:15: - “And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.”

John 17:3: - “**And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.**”

John 14:6: - “**Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.**”

It really is a choice of *where* a person chooses to place their faith in. Either in the New Age Movement, and its various gurus; Or in the God of the Christian Bible, which has revealed the **only** way to salvation and eternal life, through Jesus Christ. The choice we make will affect our eternal destiny. “As for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.” – Joshua 24:15.