

Although the New Age Religion became popular in the 1960s, its origins can be traced back centuries. Its core beliefs are that all is God, all is one, and all is well.

This is a mixture of pantheism and monism. The idea of pantheism is that God is in everything and therefore everything is God. The trees, animals, rocks, stars, planets and human beings are all divine.

This is one of the earliest philosophical theories known to man and also the most pervasive. Buddhism, Hinduism, Shinto, Baalism, Kabbalah and Theosophy, to mention just some, are all basically pantheistic in nature.

Similar to pantheism, the core teaching of monism is that only one substance or reality really exists, although it does not necessarily define it as spiritual. Some have regarded the primal substance as material.

But whatever the case, the totality of things includes evil. Therefore, there is no essential difference between God and Satan, because everything flows from one ultimate reality, to which it strives to return.

From our brief analysis, it is easy to see how these ancient philosophies have greatly contributed to the development of the most widespread religious belief systems of our day.

In it, the words sin and judgement have no real meaning, because man's problem is not sin, but ignorance of his true self and true potential, which is solved only through enlightenment, spiritual revelation and proper education.