

Key Vocabulary

Salvation	The saving of a person from sin or evil.
Heaven	A place where people are believed in some religions to be rewarded with eternal life after death
Reincarnation	Being born into another life, this can be in a different form.
Karma	The law of cause and effect, the idea that every action we take will have consequences either positive or negative. (Hindu)
Repent	feel or express sincere regret or remorse about one's wrongdoing or sin. (saying sorry)
Dharma	It is a person's duty, the right thing to do in any situation (Hindu).

In what ways are some Christians supported by their faith?

For many Christians, belief in God is a source of strength and support when times are good and when they get hard. They believe God loves them and ultimately wants good for them. Their involvement in church communities can also provide practical and emotional support. The example of Jesus inspires many Christians to care for others.



God's work. Our hands.

What or who motivates people to make the world better?

Many people seek to support other when times get hard. They may be inspired to make the world a bit better by the stories and examples of others. Examples of inspiring people can show ways in which they help others. Some may be inspired by ideas of love and justice, drawn from religious teachings or non-religious values.

How do beliefs about life after death support some people when times get hard?

Most religious traditions teach about life after death. Belief in a perfect afterlife can comfort when facing hardship now, or when a relative has died. Some people are motivated because they believe they will face God's Judgment (e.g. Muslims). People who don't believe in life after death may prefer to focus on this one life (e.g. Humanists)