

OTHER MAJOR FAITHS AND RELIGIONS
SIGNIFICANT DIFFERENCES WITH THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Eastern Rites:

Do not accept teaching of the Immaculate Conception and the Filioque

Orthodox:

Are not in Union with the Pope

Baptized Christian Churches (Most Protestant churches):

Sacramental presence of Grace (everything is symbolic only)

Deny Apostolic authority and Grace of ordination of Priests

The Eucharist is not the real Body and Blood of Christ

Grace received through the sacrament of reconciliation

You can be baptized many times

Principle of Solo Scriptura

Once Saved, always saved

I am powerless in my salvation

Exclude 7 books of the Bible

Non-Baptized Christian Churches (i.e. Mormon, Jehovah's Witness, Church of Christ Scientists)

Not baptized in the Holy Trinity

Commonly believe that no members outside of their church will be saved

Differ in the Humanity and divinity of Christ

Use additional sets of scriptures

Judaism:

Continue to follow the Torah and God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

Await the coming of the Messiah and will recognize him at the Second Coming.

Islam:

Jesus was not the Son of God

Salvation is rewarded by submission

Replaced the Old and New Testaments with the Quran

Muhammed claimed as the last and greatest prophet

Religions of other gods (i.e. Hinduism, Buddhism, Sufiism):

There are many gods, or the greater power is like or not really god

Scriptures have no relationship to the Bible

Atheist:

There is no god

Can use whatever 'scriptures' give wisdom for a better life

Agnostic

We cannot even know if there is or is not a god

If there is a truth that exists, we cannot know it, but most likely there is not a single truth.

This is where *Relativism* naturally leads people.