

Religious Perspectives in Social Ethics

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1. **What** are the religious perspectives in social ethics?

There are numerous religious perspectives in social ethics. Christianity and Judaism share some common scriptures, most notably what Jews call "the Hebrew Bible" or "Tanakh" and Christians call "the Old Testament". These scriptures are open to different interpretations about how human beings should treat one another in society, and are heavily influenced by two key ideas: the idea of equality before God and the idea of the sanctity of life. Make a note about equality before God and the sanctity of life.

Equality before God

Sanctity of Life

2. **How** do the religious perspectives in social ethics work?

The religious perspectives in social ethics are many and varied. Even among Christians, differing interpretations of the Bible lead to widely diverging approaches to social issues. Make a note about religious perspectives on sexism, racism, and ableism.

How the Religious Perspectives in Social Ethics Works	
Social Issue	How
Sexism	

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Social Issue	How
Racism	
Ableism	

3. **Why** are the religious perspectives in social ethics important?

One significant reason why the religious perspectives in social ethics are important is because there are so many religious people on Earth. The numbers involved mean religious leaders are incredibly powerful. Make a note about how the religious perspectives in social ethics can effect change.

How the Religious Perspectives in Social Ethics Effect Change

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Beyond the effect they have on change, the religious perspectives in social ethics are important for other reasons related to the nature of both religions and societies. Make a note of three additional reasons why the religious perspectives in social ethics are important.

Why the Religious Perspectives in Social Ethics Are Important

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