Can I Count on

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Hinduism is a way of life. It is one of the oldest

World Religions. Its teachings vary and

sometimes contradict. It has no

founder, no single

You probably hear about a lot of different beliefs. There are many religions in our world that do not follow the teachings of God. One of these religions is Hinduism. The Hindu faith is the third largest religious group in the world, with over 825 million followers.

What Is Hinduism?

"Hinduism" is the name given by the early Europeans to the religious, cultural, social, and philosophical beliefs that make up the Hindu way of life. Hindus call their religion the "Eternal Law."

leader, no official headquarters, and no official membership.

Hindus worship idols, observe ceremonial rites, and follow superstitions. They view god as the "Brahman," who is absolute. distant, and uncompassionate.

God is loving, merciful, and forgiving!

What's Karma?

One of the most distinctive beliefs of Hindus is related to karma. The idea of karma states that there is an accounting system in which each person must

experience the consequences of all his actions (karmas). Good actions bring good results, and bad actions result in suffering. Karma is not necessarily experienced in the present life—it can be carried

over into future lives. This teaching led me to question Hindu faith.

My Story

I have suffered with disability

since age 3. Then I found in the Bible that God created me in His own image. (See Genesis 1:27.) The concept of reincarnation and the law of karma are contradictory to the Bible, because karma offers no loving God or forgiving grace. Karma also denies the sacrifice of Christ on the cross as payment for my sin.

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The Bible does not support reincarnation: therefore, it is not true. Even for a Hindu. reincarnation is not a thrilling belief, nor even a good thing to expect. The Bible teaches that at the end of physical death, Christians enjoy eternal fellowship with Christ. A person's acceptance or rejection of Jesus as Savior and Lord determines his or her eternal destiny. (See John 3:36.)

Witnessing to Your Hindu Friends

- Pray for Hindu friends by name.
- ♣ Love your Hindu friends, invite them to your home, and share meals with them. Remember that God accepts and loves everyone.
- 9 Show high morals and ethics.
- 🕆 Live a true Christlike life.
- ₱ Be friendly and encourage your friend to talk about spiritual things.
- ी Ask what he believes about God. sin, and salvation.
- 🕆 Ask questions, but don't arque.
- The Share your personal testimony of how you became a Christian.
- Trust the Holy Spirit to use the gospel.