



Two Churches, One Marriage

Learning to Manage Religious Differences



Discovery

Step One:

Each of you should take a moment to complete the inventory below. The questions assess different religious topics that you and your partner may or may not be different from one another. For each item, indicate whether or not you and your partner are very different, somewhat different, or not different.

Name:	Very Different	Somewhat Different	Not Different
1. What you consider to be right and wrong.	2	1	0
2. The church teachings you believe in.	2	1	0
3. Your beliefs about what it means to be saved.	2	1	0
4. The importance of attending church.	2	1	0
5. Your religious practices.	2	1	0
6. The importance of the Bible.	2	1	0
7. The importance of prayer.	2	1	0

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Step Two:

After both of you have completed the inventory, compare your answers to your partner's. Where do the two of you perceive that you have religious differences? Do the two of you have similar perceptions about where you are different? Or, are there areas where the two of you have discrepancies between your ratings? If so, what explains the discrepancy?