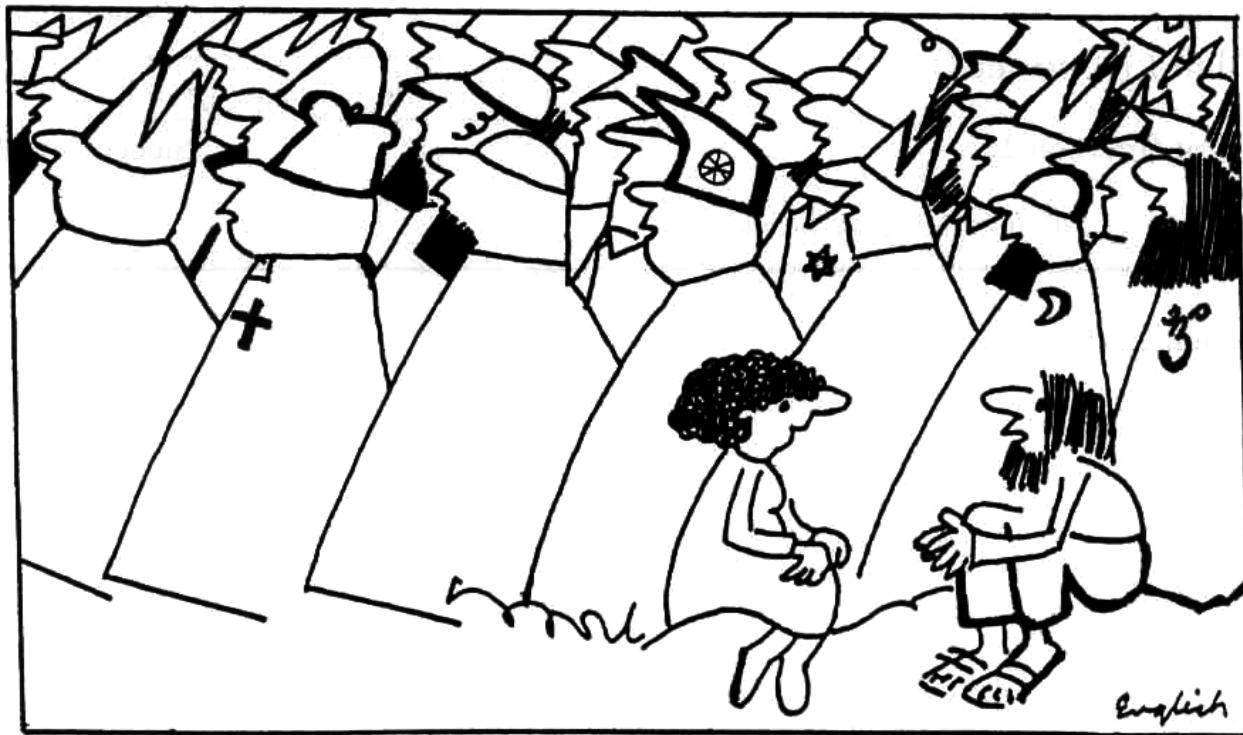


Question 22 (5 marks)



With reference to the illustration and your own knowledge, explain TWO reasons why an individual may explore new religious expressions and spiritualities.

In recent years, there has been a significant increase in individuals turning to new religious expressions and spiritualities to provide meaning in their world. This is due to a number of reasons. Firstly, many individuals have become disenchanted with what traditional religious traditions have to offer. As demonstrated in the illustration above, individuals have come to see traditional religious traditions as narrow, limited and unable to adapt to the needs of individuals in the modern world. Secondly, individuals are exploring new religious expressions and spiritualities because of the personal fulfillment they offer. They believe that these new spiritualities are able to offer something that traditional religious traditions can not as a result of their appealing nature such as the lack of an established authority figure like God.