

Q) What ~~are~~ were the basic principles which all the Bhakti saints emphasised?

Ans) i) They believed in the oneness of god - god was one, despite many names.

ii) They believed in Bhakti or total surrender and devotion to god.

iii) They believed in the equality of all human beings. God was inside every person.

iv) They believed that the way to realise god was through simple living, and loving and serving others.

v) They denounced elaborate rituals in religion and spoke against superstitions.

vi) They believed in a god who could be approached directly without the help of priests.

vii) They believed that people could pray to god in their own simple language and questioned the role of Sanskrit as the only language of prayer.