

**2021 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL  
WAVE 96 SEPTEMBER SURVEY  
SEPTEMBER 20 – 26, 2021<sup>1</sup>**

**ASK ALL:**

SATIS

All in all, are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way things are going in this country today?

- 1 Satisfied
- 2 Dissatisfied

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☐ Satisfied

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**ASK ALL:**

CHURCHUNITE Do you think churches and religious organizations... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 & 2, 3 ALWAYS LAST]**

- 1 Mostly bring people together
- 2 Mostly push people apart
- 3 Neither **[anchor]**

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**ASK ALL:**

CHURCHIMPACT

Considering everything, what impact do churches and religious organizations have on American society? **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 & 2, 3 ALWAYS LAST; USE SAME ORDER FOR COVIDCHIMPACT]**

- 1 They do more harm than good
- 2 They do more good than harm
- 3 Don't make much difference **[anchor]**

<sup>1</sup> Open-end responses are excluded from public datasets to protect the confidentiality of ATP panelists

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**ASK ALL:**

KEEPOUT

In your opinion, should churches and other houses of worship... **[RANDOMIZE]**

- 1 Keep out of political matters
- 2 Express their views on day-to-day social and political questions

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- ☐ Keep out of political matters

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**ASK ALL:**

COVIDCHIMPACT

What impact do you think churches and religious organizations have had on the way the U.S. has handled the coronavirus outbreak? **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 & 2, 3 ALWAYS LAST; USE SAME ORDER AS CHURCHIMPACT]**

- 1 They have done more harm than good
- 2 They have done more good than harm
- 3 They haven't made much difference **[anchor]**

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**[SHOW ATTENDMONTH AND ATTENDONLINE ON SAME PAGE; DO NOT RANDOMIZE ORDER]**

**ASK ALL:**

ATTENDMONTH

In the last month, did you attend religious services in person at a church, synagogue, mosque or other house of worship?

- 1 Yes, attended religious services in person in the last month
- 2 No, did not attend religious services in person in the last month

**ASK ALL:**

ATTENDONLINE

In the last month, have you watched religious services online or on TV?

- 1 Yes, have watched religious services online or on TV in the last month
- 2 No, have not watched religious services online or on TV in the last month

In the last month, did you attend religious services in person at a church, synagogue, mosque or other house of worship?

- ☐ Yes, attended religious services in person in the last month
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- ☐ Yes, have watched religious services online or on TV in the last month
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**ASK IF ATTENDS RELIGIOUS SERVICES AT LEAST MONTHLY (XATTEND=1 OR ATTENDMONTH=1):**

COVIDCONG3 Which of the following best describes the current operating status of the house of worship you attend most often?

- 1 It is open to the public and holding religious services in the same way that it did before the coronavirus outbreak
  - 2 It is open to the public for religious services, but has made changes as a result of the coronavirus outbreak
  - 3 It is NOT open to the public for in-person religious services
- [SPACE]**
- 4 Not sure

Which of the following best describes the current operating status of the house of worship you attend most often?

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COVIDCONG4 Regardless of whether the house of worship you attend most often is currently open to the public, what do you think the operating status of your house of worship SHOULD be?

- 1 Should be open to the public and holding religious services in the same way that it did before the coronavirus outbreak
- 2 Should be open to the public and holding religious services, but with changes as a result of the coronavirus outbreak
- 3 Should NOT be open to the public for in-person religious services

Regardless of whether the house of worship you attend most often is currently open to the public, what do you think the operating status of your house of worship SHOULD be?

- ☐ Should be open to the public and holding religious services in the same way that it did before the coronavirus outbreak
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- ☐ Should NOT be open to the public for in-person religious services

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**ASK IF ATTENDS RELIGIOUS SERVICES AT LEAST MONTHLY (XATTEND=1 OR ATTENDMONTH=1):**

ATTENDCONF Thinking about the modifications, if any, that are currently in place at your house of worship, how confident are you that you could safely attend in-person religious services right now without spreading or catching the coronavirus?

- 1 Very confident
- 2 Somewhat confident
- 3 Not too confident
- 4 Not at all confident

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**ASK ALL:  
VAXCONF**

How much confidence, if any, do you have in each of the following to provide guidance about receiving the COVID-19 vaccine? **[SPLIT OVER TWO SCREENS; RANDOMIZE a-c ON FIRST SCREEN AND d-g ON SECOND SCREEN]**

- a. Your state elected officials
- b. Your local elected officials
- c. Public health officials such as those at the CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention)
- d. The news media
- e. **[ASK IF XATTEND=1 or ATTENDMONTH=1]** The clergy or other religious leaders at your house of worship
- f. **[ASK IF CATHOLIC (XCATHOLIC=1)]** Pope Francis
- g. Your primary care doctor

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

- 1 A great deal
- 2 A fair amount
- 3 Not too much
- 4 No confidence at all

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**ASK IF ATTENDS RELIGIOUS SERVICES AT LEAST MONTHLY (XATTEND=1 OR ATTENDMONTH=1):**

CLERGYVAX Have the clergy at your house of worship... [RANDOMIZE 1 & 2, WITH 3 ALWAYS LAST]

- 1 Encouraged people to get the COVID-19 vaccine
- 2 Discouraged people from getting the COVID-19 vaccine
- 3 Not said much about the vaccine either way

Have the clergy at your house of worship...

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**ASK ALL:**

GOD

Do you believe in God?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

Do you believe in God?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

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**ASK IF BELIEVES IN GOD (GOD=1):**

GODBIBLE

Which of these statements comes closer to your views, even if neither is exactly right?

**[RANDOMIZE]**

- 1 I believe in God as described in the Bible
- 2 I DO NOT believe in God as described in the Bible, but I do believe there is some other higher power or spiritual force in the universe

Which of these statements comes closer to your views, even if neither is exactly right?

- ☐ I DO NOT believe in God as described in the Bible, but I do believe there is some other higher power or spiritual force in the universe
- ☐ I believe in God as described in the Bible

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**ASK IF DOES NOT BELIEVE IN GOD (GOD=2):**

HGHPWR

Which of these statements comes closer to your views, even if neither is exactly right?

**[RANDOMIZE]**

- 1 I DO NOT believe in God as described in the Bible, but I do believe there is some other higher power or spiritual force in the universe
- 2 I do not believe there is ANY higher power or spiritual force in the universe

Which of these statements comes closer to your views, even if neither is exactly right?

- ☐ I do not believe there is ANY higher power or spiritual force in the universe
- ☐ I DO NOT believe in God as described in the Bible, but I do believe there is some other higher power or spiritual force in the universe

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**ASK IF REFUSED GOD (GOD=99):**

MISSINGGOD Which of these statements comes closest to your views, even if none is exactly right?

- 1 I believe in God as described in the Bible
- 2 I DO NOT believe in God as described in the Bible, but I do believe there is some other higher power or spiritual force in the universe
- 3 I do not believe there is ANY higher power or spiritual force in the universe

Which of these statements comes closest to your views, even if none is exactly right?

- ☐ I believe in God as described in the Bible
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- ☐ I do not believe there is ANY higher power or spiritual force in the universe

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**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: CREATE VARIABLE "TYPEGOD" AS FOLLOWS AND INSERT IN DATASET**

IF GODBIBLE=1 OR (GOD=1 AND GODBIBLE=99) OR MISSINGGOD=1 TYPEGOD=1

IF GODBIBLE=2 OR HGHPWR=1 OR MISSINGGOD=2 TYPEGOD=2

IF HGHPWR=2 OR (GOD=2 AND HGHPWR=99) OR MISSINGGOD=3 TYPEGOD=3

IF GOD=99 AND MISSINGGOD=99 TYPEGOD=4

VAL LABEL TYPEGOD 1 "BELIEVE IN GOD OF THE BIBLE" 2 "DON'T BELIEVE IN GOD OF THE BIBLE BUT BELIEVE IN SOMETHING ELSE" 3 "DON'T BELIEVE IN ANYTHING" 4 "UNCLEAR"

**ASK ALL:**

BIGQOFT

The coronavirus outbreak and other recent tragedies have caused some people to think about big questions such as the meaning of life, whether there is any purpose to suffering and why terrible things happen to people.

In the last year, how much, if at all, have you personally thought about these kinds of questions?

- 1 A lot
- 2 Some
- 3 Not much
- 4 Not at all

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**ASK ALL:**

BADTHINGSOE

In your own words, why do you think terrible things happen to people through no apparent fault of their own?

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**ASK ALL:**

**BADFEELINGS** When you see or hear news about terrible things happening to people, how often do you personally feel each of the following? **[RANDOMIZE; SPLIT OVER TWO SCREENS]**

- a. Sadness for those who are suffering
- b. A desire to help those who are suffering
- c. The need to make changes in your own life so you don't end up in a similar situation
- d. The need to tune out the news because it's just too much to take
- e. **[ASK IF BELIEVES IN GOD OR HIGHER POWER (TYPEGOD=1,2)]:** Angry with God for allowing so much suffering
- f. Worried that something similar will happen to you
- g. Thankful for the good things in your own life
- h. Happy if the person seems to have deserved it

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Rarely
- 4 Never

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The need to make changes in your own life so you don't end up in a similar situation

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The need to tune out the news because it's just too much to take

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A desire to help those who are suffering

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- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Never

Worried that something similar will happen to you

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Never

Thankful for the good things in your own life

- ☐ Often
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**ASK IF BELIEVES IN GOD OR HIGHER POWER (TYPEGOD=1,2):**

GODSUFF Some people have struggled to make sense of their belief in God and the fact that suffering exists in the world. How well does each of the following reflect your own views?

**[RANDOMIZE a-c ON ONE SCREEN AND RANDOMIZE d-f ON SECOND SCREEN.  
DO NOT RANDOMIZE ORDER OF SCREENS.]**

- a. Most of the suffering in the world comes from the actions of people, not from God
- b. God chooses not to stop the suffering in the world because it is part of a larger plan
- c. Sometimes I think the suffering in the world is an indication that there is no God
- d. Sometimes the suffering in the world makes me doubt that God is all-powerful
- e. Sometimes the suffering in the world makes me doubt that God is entirely loving and kind
- f. Satan is responsible for most of the suffering in the world

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

- 1 Very well
- 2 Somewhat well
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**ASK IF BELIEVES IN GOD OR HIGHER POWER (TYPEGOD=1,2):**

**PUNISH** How much of the suffering in the world do you think is a punishment from God?

- 1 All or most of it
- 2 Some of it
- 3 Only a little of it
- 4 None at all

How much of the suffering in the world do you think is a punishment from God?

- ☐ All or most of it
- ☐ Some of it
- ☐ Only a little of it
- ☐ None at all

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**ASK ALL:**

**BADTHINGSEXP** How well does each of the following explain why suffering exists in the world?  
**[RANDOMIZE]**

- a. To provide an opportunity for people to come out stronger
- b. Sometimes bad things just happen
- c. Suffering is mostly a consequence of people's own actions
- d. Suffering is mostly a result of the way society is structured

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

- 1 Very well
- 2 Somewhat well
- 3 Not too well
- 4 Not at all well

How well does each of the following explain why suffering exists in the world?

Suffering is mostly a consequence of people's own actions

- ☐ Very well
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**ASK IF BELIEVES IN GOD OR HIGHER POWER (TYPEGOD=1,2):**

**FREEWILL** Which comes closer to your view, even if neither is exactly right? **[RANDOMIZE]**

- 1 God or a higher power directly influences everything that occurs in the world
- 2 Human beings are free to act in ways that go against the plans of God or a higher power

Which comes closer to your view, even if neither is exactly right?

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**ASK ALL:**

BELIEVE

Which of the following, if any, do you believe in? [**RANDOMIZE ITEMS**]

a. Heaven

b. Hell

**NO ITEM c**

d. Reincarnation (people will be reborn again and again in this world)

**NO ITEMS e,f**

g. Everything in life happens for a reason

h. Some things happen in life that can't really be explained by science or natural causes

i. Fate (the course of your life is predetermined)

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

1 Yes, I believe in this

2 No, I do not believe in this

Which of the following, if any, do you believe in?

Fate (the course of your life is predetermined)

☐ Yes, I believe in this☐ No, I do not believe in this

Heaven

☐ Yes, I believe in this☐ No, I do not believe in this

Some things happen in life that can't really be explained by science or natural causes

☐ Yes, I believe in this☐ No, I do not believe in this

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**ASK IF DOES NOT BELIEVE IN HEAVEN AND DOES NOT BELIEVE IN HELL (BELIEVE\_a=2,99 AND BELIEVE\_b=2,99):**

AFTLIFE1 Do you believe in an afterlife?

- 1 Yes, I believe in an afterlife
- 2 No, I do not believe in an afterlife

Do you believe in an afterlife?
  
☐ Yes, I believe in an afterlife
  
☐ No, I do not believe in an afterlife

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**ASK IF BELIEVES IN AN AFTERLIFE (AFTLIFE1=1):**

AFTLIFE0E In your own words, what do you think the afterlife is like?

**[TEXT BOX]**

In your own words, what do you think the afterlife is like?

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**ASK IF BELIEVES IN HEAVEN (BELIEVE\_a=1):**

HEAVENATH Do you believe that people who do not believe in God can go to heaven?

- 1 Yes, they can go to heaven
- 2 No, they cannot go to heaven

Do you believe that people who do not believe in God can go to heaven?
  
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**ASK IF BELIEVES IN HEAVEN (BELIEVE\_a=1):**

HEAVENCHAR What do you think heaven is like? In heaven, people... **[RANDOMIZE, SPLIT ACROSS THREE SCREENS]**

- a. Have perfectly healthy bodies
- b. Can see what is happening on Earth
- c. Are able to have relationships with people who are still living on Earth
- d. Are reunited with loved ones who died previously
- e. Are reunited with pets or animals they knew on Earth
- f. Can meet God
- g. Are free from suffering
- h. Can choose whether they want to stop existing
- i. Can become angels

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

- 1 Heaven is definitely like this
- 2 Heaven is probably like this
- 3 Heaven is probably not like this
- 4 Heaven is definitely not like this

What do you think heaven is like? In heaven, people...

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- ☐ Heaven is definitely like this
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- ☐ Heaven is probably not like this
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Can choose whether they want to stop existing

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Are free from suffering

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- ☐ Heaven is probably not like this
- ☐ Heaven is definitely not like this

**Are able to have relationships with people who are still living on Earth**

- ☐ Heaven is definitely like this
- ☐ Heaven is probably like this
- ☐ Heaven is probably not like this
- ☐ Heaven is definitely not like this

**Can see what is happening on Earth**

- ☐ Heaven is definitely like this
- ☐ Heaven is probably like this
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What do you think heaven is like? In heaven, people...

**Are reunited with pets or animals they knew on Earth**

- ☐ Heaven is definitely like this
- ☐ Heaven is probably like this
- ☐ Heaven is probably not like this
- ☐ Heaven is definitely not like this

**Can meet God**

- ☐ Heaven is definitely like this
- ☐ Heaven is probably like this
- ☐ Heaven is probably not like this
- ☐ Heaven is definitely not like this

**Have perfectly healthy bodies**

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**ASK IF BELIEVES IN HELL (BELIEVE\_b=1):**HELLCHAR      What do you think hell is like? In hell, people... **[RANDOMIZE]**

- a. Experience physical suffering
- b. Experience psychological suffering
- c. Cannot have a relationship with God
- d. Become aware of the suffering they created in the world
- e. Can meet Satan

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

- 1      Hell is definitely like this
- 2      Hell is probably like this
- 3      Hell is probably not like this
- 4      Hell is definitely not like this

What do you think hell is like? In hell, people...

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- ☐ Hell is definitely like this
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- ☐ Hell is probably not like this
- ☐ Hell is definitely not like this

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- ☐ Hell is probably like this
- ☐ Hell is probably not like this
- ☐ Hell is definitely not like this

Experience psychological suffering

- ☐ Hell is definitely like this
- ☐ Hell is probably like this
- ☐ Hell is probably not like this
- ☐ Hell is definitely not like this

Become aware of the suffering they created in the world

- ☐ Hell is definitely like this
- ☐ Hell is probably like this
- ☐ Hell is probably not like this
- ☐ Hell is definitely not like this

Can meet Satan

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- ☐ Hell is definitely not like this

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**ASK IF BELIEVE IN HEAVEN (BELIEVE\_a=1):**

ETERNALHEAV Which of these two statements comes closer to your own views, even if neither is exactly right? **[RANDOMIZE]**

- 1 My religion is the one true faith leading to eternal life in heaven
- 2 Many religions can lead to eternal life in heaven

Which of these two statements comes closer to your own views, even if neither is exactly right?

- ☐ Many religions can lead to eternal life in heaven
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**ASK IF CHRISTIAN AND MANY RELIGIONS (XCHRISTIAN=1 AND ETERNALHEAV=2):**

HEAVENCHR Do you think... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 & 2 IN SAME ORDER AS ETERNALHEAV]**

- 1 Only Christian religions can lead to eternal life in heaven
- 2 Some non-Christian religions can lead to eternal life in heaven

Do you think...

- ☐ Some non-Christian religions can lead to eternal life in heaven
- ☐ Only Christian religions can lead to eternal life in heaven

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**ASK ALL:**

SPIR1

Do you believe it is possible for people to experience each of the following?

**[RANDOMIZE]**

- a. Getting a definite answer to a specific prayer request
- b. Receiving a direct revelation from God or other higher power
- c. Feeling the presence of someone who has died
- d. Getting help from someone who has died
- e. Communicating with someone who has died
- f. Having a near-death experience in which their spirit actually leaves their body

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

- 1 Yes, this is possible
- 2 No, this is not possible

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- ☐ Yes, this is possible
- ☐ No, this is not possible

Getting help from someone who has died

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- ☐ No, this is not possible

Having a near-death experience in which their spirit actually leaves their body

- ☐ Yes, this is possible
- ☐ No, this is not possible

Communicating with someone who has died

- ☐ Yes, this is possible
- ☐ No, this is not possible

Receiving a direct revelation from God or other higher power

- ☐ Yes, this is possible
- ☐ No, this is not possible

Getting a definite answer to a specific prayer request

- ☐ Yes, this is possible
- ☐ No, this is not possible

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**ASK ALL:**

SPIR2

Have you, personally, ever experienced any of the following? **[DISPLAY IF POSSIBLE TO EXPERIENCE (SPIR1a-e=1); RANDOMIZE IN SAME ORDER AS SPIR1]**

- a. Gotten a definite answer to a specific prayer request
- b. Received a direct revelation from God or other higher power
- c. Felt the presence of someone who has died
- d. Gotten help from someone who has died
- e. Communicated with someone who has died

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

- 1 Yes, I have experienced this
- 2 No, I have not experienced this

Have you, personally, ever experienced any of the following?

Felt the presence of someone who has died

- ☐ Yes, I have experienced this
- ☐ No, I have not experienced this

Gotten help from someone who has died

- ☐ Yes, I have experienced this
- ☐ No, I have not experienced this

Communicated with someone who has died

- ☐ Yes, I have experienced this
- ☐ No, I have not experienced this

Received a direct revelation from God or other higher power

- ☐ Yes, I have experienced this
- ☐ No, I have not experienced this

Gotten a definite answer to a specific prayer request

- ☐ Yes, I have experienced this
- ☐ No, I have not experienced this

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**ASK ALL:**

PPLFAV

Is your overall opinion of... **[RANDOMIZE]**

a. Pope Francis

**NO ITEMS b,c**

d. Boris Johnson

e. Emmanuel Macron

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

- 1 Very favorable
- 2 Mostly favorable
- 3 Mostly unfavorable
- 4 Very unfavorable

**[SPACE]**

- 8 Never heard of this person

Is your overall opinion of...

Pope Francis

- ☐ Very favorable
- ☐ Mostly favorable
- ☐ Mostly unfavorable
- ☐ Very unfavorable
- ☐ Never heard of this person

Boris Johnson

- ☐ Very favorable
- ☐ Mostly favorable
- ☐ Mostly unfavorable
- ☐ Very unfavorable
- ☐ Never heard of this person

Emmanuel Macron

- ☐ Very favorable
- ☐ Mostly favorable
- ☐ Mostly unfavorable
- ☐ Very unfavorable
- ☐ Never heard of this person

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**ASK IF CATHOLIC (XCATHOLIC=1):**

POPEDESC Which of the following, if any, describe Pope Francis? **[ASK a, then b; RANDOMIZE c-g]**

- a. Humble
- b. Compassionate
- c. Open-minded
- d. Too liberal
- e. Naïve
- f. Out of touch
- g. In good physical health

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

- 1 Yes, describes Pope Francis
- 2 No, does not describe Pope Francis

Which of the following, if any, describe Pope Francis?

Humble

- ☐ Yes, describes Pope Francis
- ☐ No, does not describe Pope Francis

Compassionate

- ☐ Yes, describes Pope Francis
- ☐ No, does not describe Pope Francis

In good physical health

- ☐ Yes, describes Pope Francis
- ☐ No, does not describe Pope Francis

Too liberal

- ☐ Yes, describes Pope Francis
- ☐ No, does not describe Pope Francis

Naïve

- ☐ Yes, describes Pope Francis
- ☐ No, does not describe Pope Francis



## Out of touch

- ☐ Yes, describes Pope Francis
- ☐ No, does not describe Pope Francis

## Open-minded

- ☐ Yes, describes Pope Francis
- ☐ No, does not describe Pope Francis

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**ASK IF CATHOLIC (XCATHOLIC=1):**

TLM1 How much, if at all, have you heard about the recent decision by Pope Francis to place limits on the use of the traditional Latin Mass?

- 1 A lot
- 2 A little
- 3 Nothing at all

How much, if at all, have you heard about the recent decision by Pope Francis to place limits on the use of the traditional Latin Mass?

- ☐ A lot
- ☐ A little
- ☐ Nothing at all

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**ASK IF HEARD AT LEAST A LITTLE (TLM1=1,2):**

TLM2 Do you approve or disapprove of the decision by Pope Francis to place limits on the use of the traditional Latin Mass?

- 1 Approve
- 2 Disapprove
- 3 No opinion either way

Do you approve or disapprove of the decision by Pope Francis to place limits on the use of the traditional Latin Mass?

- ☐ Approve
- ☐ Disapprove
- ☐ No opinion either way

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- 1 Ask
- 2 Do not ask

Note: Flag to ask for those who attend religious services at least monthly.

**XCATHOLIC**

- 1 Catholic
- 2 Not Catholic

**XCHRISTIAN**

- 1 Christian
- 2 Not Christian