



Discern culture. Know truth.

## TOPIC 05x - REFERENCE HANDOUT

See below for how Naturalism and Transcendentalism answer the ultimate questions of life.

### Here is how Naturalism answers the ultimate questions:

Origins - Our origin is by natural means; there is no outside Creator.

Meaning - If we have any meaning at all, it is accidental.

Morality - We decide what is right and what is wrong.

Destiny - There is no destiny and no judgment. Live for the moment.

### Here is how Transcendentalism answers the ultimate questions:

Origins - The universe has always existed.

Meaning - We recognize our own divinity, along with the divinity of everything else.

Morality - We are constantly seeking peace and a desire of oneness.

Destiny - There are numerous incarnations towards a path of total enlightenment.