Title
Well-being, religious beliefs and virtual relations at the time of COVID-19 lockdown.

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Abstract
COVID-19 social distancing and lockdown are affecting individual lifestyles. We created a socio-economic survey addressed to a representative sample of the Italian (N=1,000) and US (N=1,400) population, focusing on three aspects of this phenomenon. (i) Firstly, we inquire about the impact of the COVID-19 crisis on well-being, specific relational activities and daily habits of households. We test the hypothesis that self-reported well-being increases after spending more time with the partner, whereas it decreases when being alone. (ii) Secondly, our analysis focuses on individual responses compliance with standards, altruistic punishment, and individual ability to overcome difficulties (coping). This analysis will be implemented considering variables like trust in institutions, generalized trust, (alter) but also different religious beliefs. (iii) Our third object of research consists in the topic of virtual worship and virtual spirituality. We are interested in studying the statistical relationship between the different religions and the main aspects of virtual worship, in particular how individuals holding different religious beliefs perceive and valuate virtual religious functions in respect of worship in presence.

Data description
Ad-hoc representative socio-economic survey data for Italy (N=1,000) and US (N=1,400).

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