

MORMONISM: CHRISTIAN OR CULT

THE PURPOSE OF THIS INFORMATION

Mormonism is one of the fastest growing religions in the world! They are staking their eternal destination on the doctrine outlined below.

The following is information that is not made available to the general public. We feel you deserve to know the **facts** about the **true doctrine of the Mormon Church**, the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. We, as **Ex-Mormons for Jesus**, love the Mormon people! They **are** our people. It is **our** only motive for publishing this. We realize that many cannot help but see this as anything other than an “attack” on their church. The Mormons will say, “Why are you persecuting us?” We are only quoting their own leaders as published by the church and sold in their book stores. We are also quoting the Bible. We invite you to check out each quotation in its full context. If these sources are “anti-Mormon,” then “so be it.” **We feel you deserve to know the truth...**

IN MORMONISM THERE ARE MANY GODS

“In the beginning, the head of the Gods called a council of the Gods; and they came together and concocted a plan to create the world and people it—in all congregations when I have preached on the subject of Deity, it has been the **plurality of Gods.**” Joseph Smith, (Founder and First Prophet), *History of the Church*, Vol. 6 pp. 308 & 474.

THE BIBLE: There was and is and always will be only **ONE GOD!** (Isaiah 43:10-11, 44:6-8, 45:5-6, 18-22; Deuteronomy 6:4, 32:39; James 2:19)

MORMONISM’S GOD WAS ONCE A MAN

“**God himself was one as we are now**, and is an exalted **man**—I say, if you were to see him today, you would see him like a man in form—like yourselves in all the person, image, and very form as a man—**He was once a man like us**; yea, that God himself, the Father of us all, dwelt on an earth.” Joseph Smith, *History of the Church*, Vol. 6 p. 305.

THE BIBLE: God was never a man. He created man! **God has been God from all eternity to all eternity.** (Psalm 41:13, 90:2, 102:25-27; Romans 1:22-23)

MORMONISM’S GOD IS LIMITED

“The universe is filled with vast numbers of intelligences, and we further learn that Elohim is God simply because all of these intelligences honor and sustain him as such—if He should ever do anything to violate the confidence or ‘sense of justice’ of these intelligences, they would promptly withdraw their support, and the ‘power’ of God would disintegrate—**He would cease to be God.**” W. Cleon Skousen (BYU Professor & Founder of Mormon-based Freeman Institute), *The First 2000 Years*, p. 355. “The Father has a body of flesh and bones as tangible as man’s,” *Doctrine and Covenants*, 130:22. “If God possesses a form, that form is of necessity of definite proportions, and therefore is of **limited extension and space.** It is impossible for Him to occupy at one time more than one space of such limits.” James E. Talmage, *Articles of Faith*, p. 43.

THE BIBLE: God is **infinite!** Any other “god” is a false “god.” (2 Chronicles 6:18; Psalm 139:4-8; Jeremiah 23:24)

MORMONISM SAYS MAN MAY BECOME GOD

“Here then is eternal life—to know the only wise and true God; and **you have got to learn how to be Gods yourselves**, and to be kings and priests to God, the same as all gods have done before you—To inherit the same power, the same glory and the same exaltation, **until you arrive at the station of God.**” Joseph Smith, *History of the Church*, Vol. 6 p. 306.

THE BIBLE: The **sin of Satan** from the beginning was that man may become a god! (Genesis 3:1-5; Isaiah 14:12-15; Ezekiel 28:1-10)

MRS. GOD?

“In the heaven where our spirits were born, there are many Gods, each of whom has **his own wife or wives**, which were given to him previous to his redemption while yet in his mortal state.” Orson Pratt (Apostle), *The Seer*, p. 37. “This doctrine that there is a **Mother in Heaven** was affirmed in all plainness by the First Presidency of the Church.” Bruce R. McConkie (Apostle), *Mormon Doctrine*, p. 516.

THE BIBLE: Absolutely no mention of any “wives” of God! (Matthew 22:29,30)

MORMONISM DENIES VIRGIN BIRTH

“Christ was begotten by an immortal Father in the **same way** that mortal men are begotten by mortal fathers—Christ was born into the world as the literal Son of this Holy Being; he was born in the **same personal, real and literal sense** that any mortal son is born to a mortal father.” Bruce R. McConkie, *Mormon Doctrine*, p. 547, 742.

THE BIBLE: Jesus was begotten by the **Holy Ghost.** Mary was indeed a virgin. (Matthew 1:18-23; Luke 1:35)

MORMONISM’S JESUS AND SATAN ARE BROTHERS

“The appointment of Jesus to be the Savior of the world was contested by one of the other sons of God. He was called Lucifer—**this spirit brother of Jesus** desperately tried to become the Savior of mankind.” Milton R. Hunter (First Council of the Seventy), *The Gospel Through the Ages*, p. 15.

THE BIBLE: The real **JESUS** is the **only** begotten Son and is God the Son (John 1:1-14). Satan was a created angel—not a son of God (Isaiah 14:12). Jesus created all things and in **Him the fullness of God dwells!** (Colossians 1:15-20; Philippians 2:5-11; Hebrews 1:1-13)

MORMONISM’S JESUS WAS MARRIED

“**Jesus was the bridegroom** at the marriage of Cana of Galilee—We say it was Jesus Christ who was married, to be brought into relation whereby he could see his seed.” Orson Hyde (Apostle), *Journal of Discourses*, Vol. 2, p. 82.

THE BIBLE: NO! Check out John 2:1-12! This doctrine generally is not taught today. However, since **marriage is a Mormon temple is mandatory to progress to become a god in Mormonism**, to fit the theology of Mormonism the Mormon “Jesus” **had** to be married. Otherwise He would only be a ministering **servant** to those in Mormonism’s heaven who have “celestial marriage.”

THE AUTHORITY OF THE BIBLE DENIED

“Ignorant translators, careless transcribers, or designing and corrupt priests have committed many errors—many plain and precious things were deleted, in consequence of which **error and falsehood poured into the various churches**. One of the greatest heresies of modern Christendom is the unfounded assumption that the Bible contains all of the inspired teachings now extant among men.” Bruce R. McConkie, *Mormon Doctrine*, pp. 82, 83.

MORMONISM SAYS ALL OTHER CHURCHES ARE FALSE

“I was answered that I must join none of them, for they were **all wrong**; and the personage who addressed me said that all their creeds were an **abomination** in his sight; and those professors were all **corrupt**.” *Pearl of Great Price*, Joseph Smith 2:19.

“This Church is the **only** true and living church upon the face of the whole earth.” *Doctrine and Covenants* 1:30. “There is **no salvation outside** the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.” Bruce R. McConkie, *Mormon Doctrine*, p. 670. “**All other churches are entirely destitute** of all authority from God; and any person who receives Baptism or the Lord’s Supper from their hands will highly **offend** God; for He looks upon them as the **most corrupt of all people**. **Both Catholics and Protestants** are nothing less than the **whore of Babylon**.” Orson Pratt, *The Seer*, p. 255.

THE BIBLE: The Church is the spiritual body of Christian believers with Jesus at its head. **That is the true church**—not an organization! (Ephesians 1:22-23, 4:11-16; I Corinthians 1:2 12:12; Matthew 16:18).

WHAT JOSEPH SMITH SAID ABOUT HIMSELF

“I have more to **boast** of than ever any man had. I am the **only man** that has ever been able to keep a whole church together since the days of Adam. A large majority of the whole have stood by me. Neither Paul, John, Peter, **nor Jesus** ever did it. I **boast** that no man ever did such a work as I. **The followers of Jesus ran away from Him**; but the Latter-day Saints never ran away from me yet.” Joseph Smith, *History of the Church*, Vol. 6, p. 408, 409.

THE BIBLE: No prophet of God ever spoke like that. Yet the Mormon people are trusting their **eternal salvation** in a system set up by him. See Daniel 4:28-33. King Nebuchadnezzar had such **pride** and was driven out to live with the animals by God. Just one month after delivering the above quoted speech, Joseph Smith was killed by a mob (but only after he had shot and killed two of the mob himself. *History of the Church*, Vol. 7, pp. 102, 103).

MORMON LEADERS’ VIEW OF THEMSELVES

“When our leaders speak, **the thinking has been done**. When they point the way, there is no other which is safe. When they give direction, it should mark the **end of controversy**.” *Improvement Era* (Official Church magazine), June 1945, p. 345.

“The living prophet is more vital to us than the Standard Works (Bible, Book of Mormon, etc.). The living Prophet is more important to us than a dead prophet (David, Moses, Isaiah, etc.). Those who would remove prophets from politics would take God out of government.” Ezra Taft Benson, address at Brigham Young University, Feb. 26, 1980.

THE BIBLE: In these last days God speaks through **His Son** (Hebrews 1:1-2). The authority claimed by the Mormon Church is through an “Aaronic Priesthood,” which cannot be valid since Jesus **abolished it, as He took its place** (Hebrews 7:11-19, 8:6-13); and a “Melchizedek Priesthood” which **never existed** as any “priesthood.” Jesus is our High Priest in the likeness of Melchizedek—He holds this **permanently** and **no one else!** (Hebrews 7:15-28, 9:11-15).

UNMASKING THE MYTHS

NEGRO WAS CURSED

“Not only was Cain called upon to suffer, but because of his wickedness, he became the father of an **inferior race**. A curse was placed upon him and that curse has been continued through his lineage and **must do so while time endures**. Millions of souls have come into this world cursed with a **black skin and have been denied the privilege of Priesthood** and the fullness of the blessings of the Gospel. (Joseph Fielding Smith, *The Way to Perfection*, p. 102)

“You see some classes of the human family that are **black, uncouth, uncomely, disagreeable and low in their habits**, wild, and seemingly deprived of nearly all the blessings of the intelligence that is generally bestowed upon mankind.” (Brigham Young, *Journal of Discourses*, Vol. 7, p. 290)

“Shall I tell you the law of God in regard to the African race? If the white man who belongs to the chosen seed mixes his blood with the seed of Cain, **the penalty, under the law of God, is death on the spot. This will always be so.**” (Brigham Young, *Journal of Discourses*, Vol. 10, p. 110)

COUNCIL IN HEAVEN

“The contention in heaven was—Jesus said there would be certain souls that would not be saved; and **the Devil said he could save them all**, and laid plans before the grand council, who gave their vote in favor of Jesus Christ. So the Devil rose up in rebellion against God, and was cast down, with all those who put up their heads for him. (Joseph Smith, *Journal of Discourses*, Vol. 6, p. 8)

ENDOWMENT MOCKS PREACHERS

One portion of the pre-1990 temple ceremony referred to as “The Lone and Dreary World,” portrays Preachers as being employed by the devil. The following dialog is given:

LUCIFER: **Do you preach the orthodox religion?**

PREACHER: **Yes, that is what I preach.**

LUCIFER: **If you will preach your orthodox religion to these people and convert them, I will pay you well.**

PREACHER: **I will do my best.**

Shortly after this, the preacher asks Adam if he believes in a God who “fills the universe, and yet is so small that he can dwell in your heart; who is surrounded by myriads of beings who have been saved by grace, not by any act of theirs, but by His good pleasure.” Adam responds, “I do not.” Several times in the same scene this doctrine is considered “false doctrine” which is intended to “lead the posterity of Adam astray.” Yet, Bible believing Christians DO believe in a God who fills heaven and earth and is capable of dwelling in a man’s heart. Jeremiah 23:24 states: “**Can any hide himself in secret places that I shall not see him? Saith the Lord. Do not I fill heaven and earth? Saith the Lord.**” Ephesians 2:8-9 gives this priceless information: “**For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God; Not of works, lest any man should boast.**”

In the 1990 revised version of the “Lone and Dreary World” scene, LDS leadership removed the specific teachings that criticized the Christian doctrines. They also removed the preacher from the conversation with Lucifer, replaced him with Adam, and changed it as follows:

ADAM: **I am looking for messengers.**

LUCIFER: **Oh, you want someone to preach to you. You want religion, do you? There will be many willing to preach to you the philosophies of men, mingled with scripture.**

ADAM: **But I am looking for messengers from my Father.**

Though they removed the direct attack against Christian preachers, the LDS leadership preserved the idea that Christian churches teach false doctrine.

OF MORMONISM

JOSEPH STANDS IN JUDGMENT

“No man or woman in this dispensation will ever enter into the Celestial kingdom of God **without the consent of Joseph Smith**. From the day that the Priesthood was taken from the earth to the winding up scene of all things, **every man and woman must have the certificate of Joseph Smith, Junior, as a passport to their entrance into the mansion where God and Christ are**” (Brigham Young, *Journal of Discourses*, Vol. 7, p. 289).

LDS PERFORM RESSURECTIONS

“If we ask who will **stand at the head of the resurrection in this last dispensation**, the answer is—**Joseph Smith, Junior**, the Prophet of God. He is the man who will be resurrected and receive the keys of the resurrection, and he will seal this authority upon others, and they will hunt up their friends and **resurrect them...**” (Brigham Young, *Discourses of Brigham Young*, page 116)

WORKING FOR THE DEAD

“**We are the only people that know how to save our progenitors, how to save ourselves, and how to save our posterity in the Celestial kingdom or God**; that we are the people God has chosen by whom to establish his kingdom and introduce correct principles into the world; **and that we are in fact the saviors of the world...**” (John Taylor, *Journal of Discourses*, Vol. 6, p. 163)

SUN & MOON INHABITED

“Nearly all the great discoveries of men in the last half century have, in one way or another, either directly or indirectly, contributed to prove Joseph Smith to be a prophet. As far back as 1837, I know that he said that the moon was inhabited by **men and women the same as this earth**, and that they lived to a greater age than we do—**that they live generally to near the age of a 1000 years. He described the men as averaging near six feet in height, and dressing quite uniformly in something near the Quaker style**” (Oliver B. Huntington, *Young Women’s Journal*, Vol. 3 p. 264, 1892).

“Who can tell us of the **inhabitants** of this little planet that shines of an evening, called the moon?...So it is with regard to the **inhabitants of the sun**. Do you think it is inhabited? I rather think it is. Do you think there is any life there? **No question of it; it was not made in vain**” (Brigham Young, *Journal of Discourses*, Vol. 13 p. 271).

TOTAL PERFECTION DEMANDED

“We also have to forsake the sin and **never repeat it, not even in our minds**...In order to **remain forgiven**, we must **never commit the sin again**” (Discussion F, Uniform System of Teaching Families, p. 35, 36).

“And now, verily I say unto you, I, the Lord, will not lay any sin to your charge; go your ways and sin no more; **but unto that soul who sinneth shall the former sins return**, saith the Lord your God” (*Doctrine and Covenants* 82:7).

“In other words, if there is one **divine law that he does not keep** he is barred from participating in the (Celestial) kingdom, and figuratively guilty of all, **since he is denied all**” (Joseph Fielding Smith, *Answers to Gospel Questions*, Vol. 3, p. 26).

SOUND DIFFERENT?

The above information, as unbelievable as it may seem to some, is true Mormon doctrine. The quotations have not been taken out of context. We will send you a copy of the original text of **any** quotation, upon request. Mormon leaders have said such things and mean what they have said. As former Mormons who once sincerely believed—and staked our lives on them—we assure you that they are accurate. This is being sent to you because you deserve to have the **facts. Millions of dollars can create any image** through “Readers Digest” and television specials, but the doctrines of Mormonism are **NOT** Christian. They are:

A **different** “Jesus”—A **different** “God”—A **different** “Gospel”

Read what Paul said about different “gospels” and those who brought them, in Galatians 1:6-9 and 2 Corinthians 11:3-15. Read what God has to say about false prophets in Deuteronomy 13:1-11; 18:20-22; Jeremiah 23:16-22 and what Jesus said in Matthew 7:15-20; 24:3-26.

MISSIONARIES AT YOUR DOOR:

In 1977 the California Arcadia Mission sent out a directive to the Mormon Missionaries entitled: “**THE BAPTIZE NOW PLAN**—Teach to commit—**Don’t make the people think too much**—Baptism must be our prime goal!!!!”

We know the missionary strategy well. Many of us were formerly Missionaries for the Church. When they come to your door, asking to help you start a “Family Home Evening” or to tell you about their Church, ask them to give you the real “**meat of the gospel**” as above; not just the “milk” that sounds appealing but is designed to make you doubt your current faith and lead you into a system.

They will constantly repeat a “**testimony** of the truthfulness of the Church” and ask you to read the Book of Mormon and pray about it to receive your own “testimony”—What they want is a **feeling**, or a “Burning in the bosom.” If you ignore the facts, Satan can cause you to experience feelings and sensations. Why not do as recorded in Acts 17:11 and check the “meat” of Mormonism out with **God’s Word, the Bible!** Why pray about the Book of Mormon if the facts don’t check out?

Ask them why the Book of Mormon doesn’t even contain most foundational teachings of Mormonism! **Nowhere** does it teach on the plurality of gods, that God was once a man, that man can become a god, that Jesus and Satan are brothers, that you must have celestial marriage and temple endowments, that there are three heavenly kingdoms, a heavenly mother, eternal progression, pre-existent spirits, baptism for the dead, etc. Check an original Book of Mormon and Book of Commandments against today’s versions and you will find thousands of material changes.

THEY WILL NOT TELL YOU

About their secret (not sacred) Temple Ceremonies.

About secret names, signs, and words that you must know to go into godhood.

About secret, magical underwear you must always wear.

About blood oaths you must swear—death penalties for the disobedient.

They will not tell you how they use your tithing and offerings.

How rich they are in the business world; how well their leaders are paid; how many businesses the church owns or controls.

TO THE MORMON

This information has been given to you in love. We can assure you that is accurate and honest. The programs, and certainly the people, of the Mormon Church are good. However, you can have the greatest organization, and a sincere faith—but if that organization directs your faith to a “god” who is not the one and only true God of the Bible, but rather a false god who cannot save—then after your own death, that organization and that faith will amount to nothing. Take up the challenge! Dare to question and become a genuine seeker of the truth. Were you given the information on the “meat” of Mormonism, which we have outlined here, during the missionary lessons before you joined the church? Were you asked to make an eternal decision, based upon incomplete and inaccurate information? WE URGE YOU to call out to the One True God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob to reveal Himself to you—and to ask the One True Jesus to apply His sacrifice on the cross to your sins personally! There is no other God and no other way! Write to us! We will give you all the information available.

TO THE CHRISTIAN

If you are an ex-Mormon who has never requested that your name be removed from membership, we urge you to do so! By leaving your membership in the church, you are directly aiding Mormonism’s missionary efforts, as it claims to be growing rapidly—yet by its own statistics, only about 12% of its membership is active to the point of even being allowed into its temples today. We want to help you remove your name, and have a strong relationship with the Lord Jesus. Write to us.

If you are a Christian with a burden to reach Mormons, and inform the public on the real doctrines of Mormonism—we need your help! Write to us for information that you can share with your Mormon friends. We will use designated contributions from the Christian body to inform the public, as we have done here, before Mormon missionaries are invited in the door. Above all else, people deserve to have complete and accurate information before making decisions that will determine their eternal destiny!

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