
MORMON DOCTRINES VERSUS THE BIBLE

MORMONISM

Doctrine of God: "In the beginning, the Head of the Gods called a council of the Gods." *Teachings of Prophet Joseph Smith*. p.349

"In the Heaven where our spirits were born, there are many Gods." *The Seer*, Orson Pratt. p.37.

"The Father has a body of flesh and bones as tangible as man's." *Doctrines and Covenants*, p.462 Joseph Smith.

"When our Father Adam came into the garden of Eden, he came with a celestial body, and brought Eve, one of his wives with him." *Journal of Discourses*, 1:50. Brigham Young

Jesus Christ: "He was not begotten by the Holy Ghost. And who was the Father? He was the first of the human family...Jesus our elder brother, was begotten in the flesh by the same character that was in the garden of Eden, and who is our Father in Heaven." *Journal of Discourses*, 1:50. B. Young

Jesus was a polygamist; "Mary and Martha, the sisters of Lazarus were his plural wives, and Mary Magdalene was another..." *Wife No. 19*, Ch. XXXV Brigham Young.

"...the Son of God cometh on the face of the earth. And behold, he shall be born of Mary at Jerusalem." *Alma* 7:9,10.

Finally a true confession: Mormon President Gordon B. Hinckley, speaking June 6, 1999 in Switzerland acknowledged that Mormons do not believe in the Jesus of the Bible. He said, "The traditional Christ of whom they speak is not the Christ of whom I speak." -*Calvary Contender*

Salvation: "Abraham received concubines and they bare him children, and it was accounted to him for righteousness." *Celestial Marriage*, Joseph Smith

"Keeping the commandments of God will cleanse away the stain of sin." *Journal of Discourses*, Vol.2, p.4

"This sectarian doctrine of justification by faith alone has exercised an influence for evil ever since the early days of Christianity." *The Articles of Faith*, p.120. James Talmadge.

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Doctrine of God: "The LORD our God is One LORD." *Deut. 6:4*.

"God is one..." *Gal.3:20*.

"For there is one God..." *I Tim.2:5*.

"No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son...he hath declared him." *John 1:18*

"Thou canst not see my face: for there shall no flesh see me and live." *Ex.33:20*.

Jesus Christ: "Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost...That which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost." *Matt.1:18-20 and Luke 1:35*.

To make Jesus a polygamist is a gross distortion of the Scriptures! There is not one hint in the Bible that Jesus was ever married, much less to a plurality of wives. None of the apostles ever spoke of or endorsed polygamy. An Elder or Deacon must be the husband of one wife. *I Tim.3:2,12*.

"But thou Bethlehem...shall he come forth."
Micah 5:2.

Jesus was clearly born in Bethlehem. *Luke 2:1-5* agrees with the prophecy of *Micah 500* years before. How could anyone claiming to be inspired by God make such a blunder? There are hundreds of similar errors in the Book of Mormon.

Salvation: "Abraham believed God and it was counted unto him for righteousness." *Rom.4:3, Gal.3:6*, etc.

"...a man is justified by faith without the deeds of the law." *Rom.3:28, 4:5; Gal.2:16, 3:11*, etc.

"Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." *Rom.5:1*. Also *Acts 13:38,39* clearly says we are justified from all things by faith alone in Christ.

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"Now that the blessing of redemption from individual sins, while free for all to obtain, is nevertheless conditioned on individual effort." Above. p.92

"Latter Day Saints place a great emphasis on the responsibility of the individual in the attainment of his own salvation...Man is not saved by grace alone." *An Intro. to the Gospel*, Mormon S.S. Book

"Yea, blessed are those who shall...be baptized, for they...shall receive remission of sin." *3 Nephi 12:2*

Mormons believe in universal salvation that all men will be saved, but each one in his own order." Mr. Evans, Mormon Apostle in *Look* magazine, 10/5/54.

Resurrection of the unsaved: "The statement that the heathen dead will have place in the first resurrection is sustained by the word of Scripture." *Articles of Faith*, p.404. Talmadge.

The Priesthood: "But there are two divisions or grand heads - one is the Melchizedek Priesthood and the other is the Aaronic, or Levitical Priesthood," *Doctrines and Covenants*, p.384. Joseph Smith.

"Not by works of righteousness which we have done but according to his mercy he saved us." *Titus 3:5*

"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: It is the gift of God lest any man should boast." *Eph.2:8,9*.

The Bible is so clear throughout that there can be no mistake that it's message is one of salvation through believing on the merit and work of Jesus Christ on the cross.

Jesus taught that it is Heaven or Hell forever - *Matt.7:13,14, 25:41,46; John 3:18,36;* etc. The only salvation from hell is faith in the atoning work of Christ - not one's own dead works!

Resurrection for the unsaved: They will surely be resurrected but they will then be cast in the Lake of Fire, *Rev.20:11-15*. While this is not a pleasant or popular doctrine it is what the Bible teaches. Universal salvation is a grand hoax of Satan!

The Priesthood: The whole point of Heb. 7 is to show that the Aaronic Priesthood is no longer operative but has been replaced by the Melchizedek Priesthood. Since the Levitical Priesthood could make no one perfect, v.11, it has been replaced, v.12. Christ's Priesthood is unchangeable, v.17,21. The Church knows no such priesthood as in Mormonism or Roman Catholicism.

"Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." Rom.5:1. Many books have been written on the errors, inconsistencies, frauds, etc. in the writings of Joseph Smith and his followers. Because they have been proved wrong so many times, the Book of Mormon and other writings have been edited and reedited. One reliable source says there have been "...over 4,000 changes (in the Book of Mormon) since the original writing in 1830." *The God Makers*, by Decker and Hunt. For example, *Alma 46:15* says believers were first called Christians in 73 B.C. while Bible says they were first called Christians in Antioch, (Acts 13) about 12 years after Christ died, or in approximately 42 A.D. There is little point in going further. There is sufficient proof here that Mormonism and the Word of God are not compatible. Mormonism cannot be of God for anything from God must be without error or contradiction or in need of amending. **"God is not the Author of confusion."** We can recommend a number of books to read on the subject. The truth is, the Jesus Christ of Mormonism is far from the Jesus Christ of the Bible! Their light is darkness! Mormonism is just another false, soul damning, "gospel." See God's strong warning in **Galatians 1:7-9**. Like every heresy it has three basic flaws. First, their *truth* is always changing to correct errors or to keep up with the times (Like now allowing blacks into the priesthood). Of course, they say this is why your religion needs a prophet. But none of God's prophets contradict other true prophets! Secondly, it contradicts the Bible, God's Word. Finally, it teaches salvation by works. Only God's true Book brings the message of salvation by grace through faith in Jesus Christ, period! Jesus Christ and His Word are the same yesterday, today and forever!

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