

A PERSPECTIVE ON...

MORMONISM TRUTH OF GOD OR LIE OF THE DEVIL?

Truth of the Bible Restored?

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Dialogue between Joseph Smith
and the spiritual beings who appeared to him:

“I asked the Personages who stood above me in the light, which of all the sect was right – and which I should join. 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 are an abomination in his sight; that those professors were all corrupt; all their professors are corrupt and teach for doctrines the commandments of men having a form of godliness but deny the power thereof. He forbade me to join with any of them”

Writings of Joseph Smith. Pearl of Great Price 2:18-19

JOSEPH SMITH: “I have more to boast about 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.”

HISTORY OF THE CHURCH, VOL. 6, P. 408-409

Address of the Prophet--His Testimony Against the Dissenters at Nauvoo.

SOMEONE, SOMEDAY DAY,
WILL HEAR THESE DREADFUL WORDS OF JESUS:

“Not every one who says unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he who does the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your Name? And in Your Name have cast out devils? And in Your Name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, you that work iniquity”. Matt 7:21-23.

THIS IS WRITTEN SO THAT IT WILL NOT BE YOU

The difference between what the Bible teaches and what Mormon doctrine teaches is so great, that one is forced to either condemn the doctrine of the Bible or the doctrine of Mormonism. If you are a seeker of truth, then you must read this document.

God’s purpose for mankind and the way of salvation, the nature of the person of God, the person of Jesus Christ, the person of the Holy Spirit, are the very issues that make God’s revelation in the Bible what it is. Those who are looking for truth and who are desiring to know the Creator more than just wanting to be satisfied with a religion, are forced to choose between what “Bible only” believing Christians have been teaching for 2000 years, and what the founders and the teachers of the Mormon Church have been teaching for 200 years. There is no middle ground.

I will make my position clear right from the start. I did not write this because I hate Mormons but because of God’s love for them; for you, if you are one. We live in a world where many extra biblical teachings have created incredible confusion about who the true God is. The majority of people are in their religion not because they searched for truth but because they were born in a family that belonged to that particular religion. Many of the wonderful people that belong to the Mormon Church hold their religion dear to their heart and sincerely believe that Mormonism is just another branch of Christianity. It is not. As you will see, this belief is far from the truth. Those who persist in accepting those teachings just because they have been raised in a Mormon family, just want a nice religion, refuse to heed warnings such as this one until their dying day, and do not come to faith in the Jesus of the Bible, will hear His dreadful words as recorded.

After you have read this paper, you will know beyond the shadow of a doubt, that a person cannot be a Bible believing Christian and a believer of Mormon doctrine at the same time. And after your verification of the well-documented facts mentioned herein, you will have to make a decision either to stay in or to leave the Mormon Church. May God bless you with wisdom and understanding as you read this.

Please take a minute to pause and pray to the God of creation; the God of Abraham and Isaac and Jacob before you read any further, and ask that He gives you nothing but His truth.

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WHY MORMONISM WAS FOUNDED

Mormonism is founded on the premise that the God of the Bible was totally dissatisfied with the Church and that it had gotten away from His original revelation. Joseph Smith claims that the God of the Bible appeared to him and gave him the text of the Book of Mormon which is said to contain *“The fulness of the everlasting gospel.”*

In the words of Joseph Smith, God said of Bible believing Christians: *“all their creeds are an abomination; all their professors are corrupt and teach for doctrines the commandments of men having a form of godliness but deny the power thereof.”* The writings of Joseph Smith. Pearl of Great Price 2:18-19

This means that until today, according to the founder of Mormonism, Bible believing Christians who have not accepted Mormon doctrine and have not joined the Mormon Church must, of necessity, still be under the same condemnation. This is a serious claim for all Christians to be concerned about. As a Bible believing Christian myself, and after having studied the doctrines of Mormonism, I am satisfied that this claim is totally false. This is what this booklet is about.

To succeed Joseph Smith and Brigham Young, who were the greatest Apostles and Prophets of Mormonism, and as part of this restoration, God then raised many new Apostles and Prophets through whom He has been speaking until this day. Three books: **“The Book of Mormon”**, **“The Pearl of Great Price”** and **“Doctrines and Covenants”** are used by the Mormon Church today.

But the main documents (actually a set of volumes) that records the speeches and teachings in which the two Prophets – and of others - to whom the creator God supposedly revealed the restored truth is called *“The Journal of Discourses.”* The importance of the Journal of Discourses should be considered by the modern day Mormon prophet to the rest of their writings, as to what the writings of the Hebrew prophets were to the writers of the Apostolic Writings at the beginning of the Church. Because Brigham Young wrote: *“The Journal of Discourses is a vehicle of doctrine, counsel, and instruction to ALL people, but especially to the Saints. It follows then, that each successive volume is more and more valuable as the Church increases in numbers and importance in the earth.”* Brigham Young - Journal of Discourses, vol.11, p. iii (1867). This is very far from being the accepted conclusion of today’s Mormon leaders. Why is that? You will understand as you read.

AN IMPORTANT RESTORATION:

In the 5th printing of the second edition of his book “Mormon Doctrine” on page 635, (1966) Bruce R. McConkie writes: *“But when [Mormon] men in this day speak of the restoration of the gospel, they mean the final [emphasis mine] great restoration which has now taken place as part of the restoration of all things.”* And on the same page: *“Until the true doctrines of Christ are known, man cannot conform his life to that high standard of personal righteousness whereby salvation may be gained. Much of this gospel knowledge has been restored by way of the Book of Mormon, the host of latter-day revelations, and the manifestations of the Spirit to the faithful. Many more gospel truths are, of course yet to be revealed.”* To substantiate this claim, McConkie quotes the Ninth Article of Faith; Doctrines and Covenants 101:32-34; 121 26-32; 132:66.

These are serious statements to take into consideration for any seeker of truth. For if the God of the Mormons is truly the God of the Bible, then “Bible only” believing Christians trust a

flawed document, believe a false gospel, and in the words of Joseph Smith, “*all their creeds are an abomination, all their professors are corrupt and teach for doctrines the commandments of men having a form of godliness but deny the power thereof.*” [And indeed we all should still be if we have not adhered to Mormon doctrine]

If what Mormonism teaches is true, then all “Bible Only” Christians should become Mormons since the Book of Mormon is supposed to contain “*the fullness of the everlasting gospel*” for attainment of God’s righteousness; His absolute requirement for fellowship with Him.

If on the other end, what Mormonism teaches is not true, THEY believe a lie and should get out of Mormonism and return to the teachings of the Bible.

We know that there are false prophets out there; it is for us individuals to seek truth from God so as to identify them and not be prey to their seductions. As a result, we must take seriously the warnings of Christ Himself and of the words that He inspired to the writers of the New Testament:

“For false Christs and false prophets shall rise, and shall show signs and wonders, to seduce, if it were possible, even the elect. But take heed: behold, I have foretold you all things.”

Mark 13:22-23

“Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God; because many false prophets have gone out into the world.”

1 John 4:1

“For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works.”

2Co 11:13-15

This document will help you decide who they are.

- Either the God of Mormonism is the same true God of the Bible or he is not.
- Either the Jesus of Mormonism is the same true Jesus of the Bible or he is not.
- Either the Spirit of Mormonism is the same true Holy Spirit of the Bible or he is not.
- Either Joseph Smith, Brigham Young and Mormon prophets since them, are prophets of the creator God or they are not.
- Either the doctrines of Mormonism are the truth of God or they are the lie of Satan.

Your correct response to the above statements will decide whether or not you hear “*I never knew you: depart from me, you that work iniquity*”. Matt 7:21-23. Dear one, you owe it to yourself to be absolutely sure. Your eternal destiny depends on it. It means the difference between hell and heaven. I wrote this paper, not to rail against you if you are a Mormon; many of you are very fine and loving people. I wrote this, to bring before you some of the doctrines that Joseph and Brigham taught, many of which are left aside by the church today. Remember: “*The Journal of Discourses is a vehicle of doctrine, counsel, and instruction to all people, but especially to the Saints. It follows then, that each successive volume is more and more valuable as the Church increases in numbers and importance in the earth.*” *Journal of Discourses, vol.11, p. iii (1867).*

As a Mormon, one of the questions you should ask yourself is this:

- If the teachings of the founders of Mormonism as written in the Journal of Discourses were such important new revelations, why are they not re-printed and taught to the masses today? The reason for this will become clear as you read this document. Remember the words of the celebrated and highly esteemed Brigham Young: *"The Journal of Discourses is a vehicle of doctrine, counsel, and instruction to ALL people, but especially to the Saints. It follows then, that each successive volume is more and more valuable as the Church increases in numbers and importance in the earth."* Brigham Young - Journal of Discourses, vol.11, p. iii (1867).

Other questions to ask yourself as a Mormon:

- Is it possible that God would have left the world without a true witness about His will for so many centuries?
- Where are the writings from the early church that substantiate the claims of Joseph Smith so as to verify them?
- Can there really be such great differences with the Bible, if the new revelations are another testament of the same Jesus Christ?
- If it is another testament of the same Jesus, should it not complement the first gospel and not contradict it?
- What was lacking in the doctrines of the Bible that another revelation had to come, and where do they mesh together?

All these questions and more need to be answered if you are accepting additional revelation from the God of the Bible.

DO YOU KNOW THAT MORMON DOCTRINE TEACHES TO DISREGARD
THE REVELATIONS OF FORMER PROPHETS?

Look at their rationale for doing so:

As you go through the following pages, you will see a sample of many Mormon doctrines that are in total opposition one to another. It makes for much confusion! Who and what are you supposed to believe? Today's Mormon prophets have an answer for that:

"We believe that when the Prophet, the head of our church, says something that is definitely wrong he was not being inspired at that time He was only speaking as a man. We believe that the newer Prophets can override the older Prophets. We believe we have a prophet on earth today even though he never prophesies anything." "Beware of those who would pit the dead prophets against the living prophets, for the living prophets always take precedence." Ezra Taft Benson '14 Fundamentals in Following the Prophets' pgs 1-16, 1980

What kind of person would lend credibility to such incredible statement? In other words, it does not matter what was taught or revealed in the past, what is accepted as accurate revelation, is what is revealed today (*duh*). How convenient, but how confusing; who is telling the truth? How then can these people call themselves prophets of the one true God? Furthermore since the old prophets teachings were accepted as truth by the believers of that time, it means that earlier

believers were deceived! You must conclude from this statement that you may be deceived today, if you believe something that a later prophet will come to override!!! Do you see the insanity of such statement? The Bible says plainly: “*God is not the author of confusion*” 1 Cor 14:33.

In this booklet you will see for yourself why many of the teachings of Joseph Smith and Brigham Young are no longer taught today. And these fellows were the two main people who founded Mormonism! You will also understand why Ezra Taft Benson would have to make such an incredibly foolish statement (above) in 1980 to keep Mormonism going.

QUESTIONS THAT COULD BE ASKED OF THE AUTHOR OF THIS BOOKLET:

WHY DO YOU USE THE PHRASE “THE GOD OF MORMONISM”? DO YOU SEE HIM AS A DIFFERENT GOD THAN THE GOD OF THE BIBLE?

Yes, the god of the Mormons, according to the teachings of Joseph Smith and the beliefs of today’s Mormon prophets, their god is an exalted man; the God of the Bible is not. The god of Mormonism whom they call their “heavenly father” is nothing but a man made into a god. Mormons, actually hope to become a god themselves. Here is what Joseph Smith; the founder of the Mormon Church has to say about that: This is taken directly from the famous “King Follett Discourse” – more on this later - given April 7, 1844. “The History of the Church” and the “Teachings of the Prophet Joseph Smith, (compiled by Joseph Fielding Smith, pp. 345-347) record its content. Joseph Smith speaking: “God himself was once as we are now, and is an exalted man, and sits enthroned in yonder heavens! That is the great secret... I am going to tell you how God came to be God. We have imagined and supposed that God was God from all eternity. I will refute that idea, and take away the veil, so that you may see... he was once a man like us; yea, that God himself, the Father of us all, dwelt on an earth, the same as Jesus Christ himself did; and I will show it from the Bible. 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”. From this speech, we can conclude that the Mormon god cannot be the one all-powerful, all knowing, eternal, self-existent Being revealed in the Bible. The two are incompatible. Here is what the Bible says: “*The eternal God is thy refuge*” Deuteronomy 33:27. “*Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever You had formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, You are God.*” Psalms 90:2. “*For I am the LORD, I change not*” Malachi 3:6

DOESN’T THE BOOK OF MORMON ALSO SAY THAT GOD IS ETERNAL?

Yes, it does, in Moroni 8:18. “For I know that God is not a partial God, neither a changeable being; but he is unchangeable from all eternity to all eternity.” On one end, (false) Prophet Joseph Smith says that God is not eternal; on the other end the same Joseph Smith says that He is. This is just one example of what the late Walter Martin has called “the maze of Mormonism”.

IS THERE MORE THAN ONE GOD IN MORMON DOCTRINE?

Absolutely. Actually, Mormonism is a polytheist religion, meaning there are many gods. Traditional Christianity is monotheist; there is only one God; always has been always will be. As we saw it in the last paragraph, Mormonism teaches “*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.*” That certainly is not the teaching of the Bible. “*I am the LORD, and there is none else, there is no God beside me*” Isaiah 44:8. “*Is there a God beside me? Yea, there is no God; I know not any.*” Isaiah 45:5 “*For all the gods of the people are idols: but the LORD made the heavens.*” 1

Chronicles 16:26. Of course, in Mormon doctrine, these Bible verses mean that they recognize no god beside their heavenly father. When you press them on the issue, (I did that with one of them) they will tell you that they believe that there are many gods who were once a man; those are just not "their god".

WHY DO YOU USE THE PHRASE "THE MORMON JESUS?"

According to the letter of Paul to the Corinthians, a false "Jesus" would be preached. You will see that the Jesus of the Mormons is one of them. "For if he that comes preaches another Jesus, whom we have not preached" 2 Corinthians 11:4. You will see that according to Mormonism, Jesus is a created being who is nothing more than a spiritual brother of Lucifer.

The Jesus of the Bible is the eternal Word of God incarnate, God manifest in the flesh. "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God... And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us" John 1:1 - 14.

The Jesus of the Bible is the creator: "For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him; and he is before all things, and by him all things consist. And he is the head of the body, the church" Col 1:16-18. "I said therefore to you, that you shall die in your sins; for unless you believe that I am He, you shall die in your sins." John 8:24-25.

We will see later that the Jesus of Mormonism is not sufficient for all sins. The Jesus of the Bible is sufficient for all sins. As a matter of fact, Mormon doctrine itself proclaims that the Mormon Jesus is different. Bernard P. Brockbank, in the LDS Church's 147th General Conference, said "... It is true that many of the Christian churches worship a different Jesus Christ than is worshipped by the Mormons..." Ward Teachers Message, Deseret News, Church Section, p. 5 (May 26, 1945). Was this teaching denounced as heresy by the Church? No, on the contrary, it was re-printed in "The Ensign," p. 26 in May 1977.

Much of the preaching of the celebrated Brigham Young is recorded in the Journal of Discourses. These Journals are not available to Mormons today. Why are they not? After all, the speeches of one of Mormonism founders should be water to the Mormon soul?

So why are these teachings not available today? The answer to this question will become abundantly clear to you, as you read the rest of the pages in this document.

As you read, pay attention to the "*Journal of Discourses*" volume numbers, the names mentioned, the dates of the various publications.

You will see that these astonishing teachings were actually endorsed by the founders of the Mormon Church.

You will see that these teachings were called the doctrine of the church, and that today, their same teachings are called heresy by the same church and by their new apostles, prophets and teachers.

In the face of opposition, false prophets have a way to recant on their teachings.

In the following pages, all the quotes that are in the tables are taken from Mormon literature. All references are given so that you can verify their accuracy. At the end of this document, a web address is given where you can actually see a facsimile copy of those direct quotes.

There are many great sources of info on Mormonism. This writer has drawn the information in these pages from several dozen books on that topic both from Mormon sources and analytical research from many people, and compiled them in this paper.

There are several complementary definitions to "The Fullness of the everlasting gospel" according to Mormon teachings. Here is one that is all important since it refers to salvation: "*The fullness of the everlasting gospel, meaning all that is needed to enable men to gain a fullness of everlasting salvation.*"

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Let us now look at what is taught by the early prophets and founders of Mormonism, and the new prophets who are able to override the old.

First, let us look at LDS endorsements for “*The Journal of Discourses*” and other written Mormon material.

George D. Watt – “*The Journal of discourses contains the words of Apostles and Prophets and will prove a source of light, information and joy.*” *Journal of Discourses, vol. 1, p. vii (1853).*

Brigham Young - Brigham Young endorses the work of Elder George D. Watt in compiling the Journal of Discourses. “*Elder George D. Watt, by our counsel, spent much time in the midst of poverty and hardships to acquire the art of reporting in phonography, which he has faithfully and fully accomplished; and he has been reporting the public Sermons, Discourses, Lectures delivered by the Presidency, the Twelve, and others in this city, for nearly two years without a fee or reward. Elder Watts now proposes to publish a Journal of these Reports, in England, for the benefits of the Saints at large, and to obtain means to enable him to sustain his highly useful position of Reporter. You will perceive at once, that this work will be a work of mutual benefit, and we cheerfully and warmly request your cooperation in the purchase and the sale of the above named Journal and wish all the profit arising therefrom, to be under the control of Elder Watt.*” Signed Brigham Young, Heber C. Kimball, Willard Richards. First Presidency of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints *Journal of Discourses, vol. 1, p.V (1853).*

Orson Pratt - “*The pages of the Seer will be mostly occupied with original matter, elucidating [sic] the doctrines of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, as revealed in both ancient and modern Revelations.*

“... And we say to all nations, subscribe to the Seer, and we promise you a True and Faithful description of all the principle features, characterizing this great and last 'dispensation of the fullness of times.’” *The Seer, p. 1. (1854).*

Brigham Young, Heber C. Kimball, and Willard Richards “*This certifies that Professor Orson Pratt of the University of Deseret, one of the Apostles of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, is appointed by us, with the sanction of the special Conference ... to write and Publish Periodicals, Pamphlets, Books &c, illustrative of the principles and doctrines of the Church.*” Statement signed by “Brigham Young, Heber C. Kimball, and Willard Richards - Presidency of said Church. *The Seer, p. 2 (1854).*

Orson Pratt - “*We are privileged to present to the Saints and the world, the Third Volume of the Journal of Discourses, containing the principles of the Gospel of salvation delivered to this generation through the Apostles and Prophets of the Most High, by the power of the Holy Ghost.*” *Journal of Discourses, vol.3, p.iii (1856)*

Brigham Young - “*The Journal of Discourses is a vehicle of doctrine, counsel, and instruction to ALL people, but especially to the Saints. It follows then, that each successive volume is more and more valuable as the Church increases in numbers and importance in the earth.*” *Journal of Discourses, vol.11, p. iii (1867).*

Brigham Young - “I will make a statement here that has been brought against me as a crime, perhaps, or as a fault in my life. Not here, I do not allude to anything of the kind in this place, but in the councils of nations -- that Brigham Young has said 'when he sends forth his discourses to the world they may call them Scripture.' I say now, when they are copied and approved by me they are as good Scripture as is couched in this Bible, and if you want to read revelation read the sayings of him who knows the mind of God.” *Journal of Discourses, vol. 13, p. 264 (1870)*

Endorsement of the teachings that are in the publications

“*When our leaders speak, the thinking has been done. When they propose a plan — it is God's plan. When they point the way, there is no other which is safe. When they give direction, it should mark the end of controversy. God works in no other way.*” *Ward Teachers Message, Deseret News, Church Section, p. 5 (May 26, 1945)*

Please take note as you compare both columns on each page of this booklet, that only Mormon materials have been used on both sides of the columns.

WHICH OF THESE TWO MORMON TEACHING SHOULD YOU BELIEVE?

THIS TRUTH?	OR	THIS TRUTH?
<p>ADAM, FATHER AND GOD OF MANKIND <u>TAUGHT AS DOCTRINE</u> BY ONE OF MORMONISM MOST CELEBRATED FOUNDER AND PROPHET.</p> <p>Brigham Young taught "When our father Adam came into the garden of Eden, he came into it with a celestial body, and brought Eve, one of his wives, with him. He helped to make and organize this world. He is MICHAEL, the Arch-angel, the ANCIENT OF DAYS! About whom holy men have written and spoken - HE is our Father and our God, and the only God with whom we have to do." <i>In volume 1 of the Journal of Discourses, pp. 50-51.</i> (1852)</p> <p><u>In volume 13, p. 95 of the J of D,</u> Brigham Young taught: "I have never yet preached a sermon and sent it to the children of men, that they may not call it Scripture." [Editor's note: we must therefore conclude that the above statement was scripture]</p> <p>Franklin D. Richards — "Adam is our Father and God, ... the Prophet and Apostle Brigham has declared it, and that it is the word of the Lord." <i>Millennial Star, vol. 16, p. 534</i> (1854)</p> <p>Millennial Star, vol. 17, page 195, we read: an affirmation of Brigham's teaching that Adam is "our Father and our God, and the only God with whom we have to do." <i>Millennial Star, vol. 17, p. 195</i> (1855)</p> <p>"Adam is the father of our spirits" (<i>Deseret News, 14. June 1873</i>)</p>	<p>ADAM, FATHER AND GOD OF MANKIND <u>CONDEMNED AS HERESY</u> OF THE DEVIL BY TODAY'S MORMON LEADERS</p> <p>"We warn you against the dissemination of doctrines which are not according to the scriptures and which are alleged to have been taught by some of the General Authorities of past generations. Such for instance is the Adam-God theory. We denounce that theory and hope that everyone will be cautioned against this and other kinds of false doctrine." <i>Spencer W. Kimball, Church News, October 9, 1976</i></p> <p>"There are those who believe, or say they believe, that Adam is our father and our God... The devil keeps this heresy alive... It is contrary to the plan of salvation... and anyone who has received the temple endowment and who yet believes the Adam-God theory does not deserve to be saved." (<i>Apostle Bruce R. McConkie, talk given at the BYU Marriott Center on June 1, 1980</i>)</p>	

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<i>THIS TRUTH?</i>	OR	<i>THIS TRUTH?</i>
<p>ADAM <u>DOES NOT COME</u> FROM THE DUST OF THE EARTH</p> <p>Brigham Young clearly taught for over 20 years as a doctrine the following: "You believe Adam was made of the dust of this earth. This I do not believe, though it is supposed that it is so written in the Bible; but it is not, to my understanding." <u><i>Journal of Discourses, vol. 2, p. 6 (1854)</i></u></p> <p>Adam "brought the animals and seeds from other planets to this world." Brigham Young <u><i>Journal of Discourses, vol. 3, p. 319 (1856)</i></u></p> <p>"Mankind is here because they are the offspring of parents who were brought here from another planet." Brigham Young <u><i>Journal of Discourses, vol. 7, p. 285 (1859)</i></u></p>		<p>100 YEARS LATER, ADAM <u>DOES COME</u> FROM THE DUST OF THE EARTH</p> <p>Joseph Fielding Smith - "Adam is created from dust of this earth." <u><i>Doctrines of Salvation, vol. 1, pp. 90-91 (1954)</i></u></p>

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<p style="text-align: center;"><u>IT IS NOT</u> THE BLOOD OF CHRIST</p> <p>Brigham Young: "There is not a man or woman, who violates the covenants made with their God, that will not be required to pay the debt. The blood of Christ will never wipe that out; <u>your own blood must atone for it...</u> (<i>Journal of Discourses, vol. 3, p.247</i>)</p> <p><u>Editor's note:</u> The above quote is taken from the third volume of the Journal of Discourses, and praised below by Orson Pratt when he introduced it as you can see below:</p> <p>Orson Pratt - "<i>We are privileged to present to the Saints and the world, the Third Volume of the Journal of Discourses, containing the principles of the Gospel of salvation delivered to this generation through the Apostles and Prophets of the Most High, by the power of the Holy Ghost.</i>" <i>Journal of Discourses, vol.3, p.iii (1856)</i></p> <p>"But men may commit certain grievous sins - according to his light and knowledge - that will place him beyond the reach of the atoning blood of Christ." (<i>Joseph Fielding Smith, Doctrines of Salvation, vol. 1., p. 134 (1954).</i></p> <p>"We may talk of men being redeemed by the efficacy of his [Christ's] blood; but the truth is that that blood has no efficacy to wash away our sins. That must depend upon our own action." (<i>LDS Apostle Amasa M. Lyman, Journal of Discourses, Vol. 7, p. 299, 1859.</i>)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>IT IS</u> THE BLOOD OF CHRIST</p> <p>... "but men drink damnation to their own souls except they humble themselves and become as little children, and believe that salvation was, and is, and is to come, in and through the atoning blood of Christ, the Lord Omnipotent." Book of Mormon <i>Mosiah 3:18</i></p>	

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<i>THIS TRUTH?</i>	OR	<i>THIS TRUTH?</i>
THERE ARE MILLIONS OF GODS		THERE IS ONLY ONE GOD
<p>Orson Pratt – “Each God has more than one wife. The Virgin Mary was the wife of Heavenly Father. The fleshly body of Jesus required a Mother as well as a Father. Therefore, the Father and Mother of Jesus, according to the flesh, must have been associated together in the capacity of Husband and Wife; hence the Virgin Mary must have been, for the time being, the lawful wife of God the Father.” <u><i>The Seer, p.158 (1853).</i></u></p> <p>Orson Pratt said, "If we should take a million worlds like this and number their particles, we should find that there are more Gods than there are particles of matter in those worlds." <u><i>(Journal of Discourses, vol.2, page 345)(1854)</i></u></p> <p>[Editor’s note: Please notice that Orson Pratt, author of the two above mentioned quotes dated 1853 and 1854, is being endorsed in The Seer in 1854 as an Apostle by Brigham Young, Heber C. Kimball, and Willard Richards. See the evidence below.]</p> <p>“This certifies that Professor Orson Pratt of the University of Deseret, one of the Apostles of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, is appointed by us, with the sanction of the special Conference ... to write and Publish Periodicals, Pamphlets, Books &c, illustrative of the principles and doctrines of the Church." Statement signed by "Brigham Young, Heber C. Kimball [<i>author of the quote that follows</i>], and Willard Richards - Presidency of said Church. <u><i>The Seer, p. 2 (1854).</i></u></p> <p>“Adam brought animals and seeds to this earth from a different planet”. Heber C. Kimball <u><i>Journal of Discourses, vol. 8, p. 244 (1860)</i></u></p> <p>LDS sisters will become Eves on their own earths. <u><i>Brigham Young Journal of Discourses, vol. 8, p. 208 (1860)</i></u></p>		<p>"And Zeezrom said unto him: Thou sayest there is a true and living God? And Amulek said: Yea there is a true and living God. Now, Zeezrom said: <u><i>Is there more than one God? And he answered, No.</i></u>" <u><i>Book of Mormon Alma 11:26-30</i></u></p> <p>[Editor’s note: Of course in Mormon theology, they may very well say that this claim to being only one God refers only to the God of this earth, since it is evident that they believe in many gods on many worlds; the above verse out of the book of Mormon may not represent a contradiction from their perspective.]</p>

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<p>IN 1856 MORMON THEOLOGIANS <u>TAUGHT</u> THAT OUR OWN BLOOD CAN ATONE FOR OUR SINS</p>		<p>100 YEARS LATER MORMON THEOLOGIANS <u>HAVE NEVER TAUGHT</u> OUR OWN BLOOD CAN ATONE FOR OUR SINS</p>
<p>"I have never yet preached a sermon and sent it out to the children of men, that they may not call Scripture." <i>(Brigham Young, Journal of Discourses, vol. 13, p. 95).</i></p> <p>Sermon by Brigham Young to be called Scripture:</p> <p>"There are sins that men commit for which they cannot receive forgiveness in this world, or in that which is to come, and if they had their eyes open to their true condition, they would be perfectly willing to have their blood spilt upon the ground, that the smoke thereof might ascend to heaven as an offering for their sins; and the smoking incense would atone for their sins..." <i>Journal of Discourses, vol. 4, pp.53-54; also published in the Deseret News, Oct. 1, 1856, p.235)</i></p> <p>Brigham Young - For some the only way to be saved and exalted with the Gods is to have their own blood shed. "Will you love your brothers or sisters likewise, when they have committed a sin that cannot be atoned for without the shedding of blood? Will you love that man or woman well enough to shed their blood?" <i>Journal of Discourses, vol. 4, p. 219 (1857)</i></p> <p>Brigham Young -"That is what Jesus Christ meant. ... I could refer you to plenty of instances where men have been righteously slain, in order to atone for their sins." Loving our neighbor as ourselves means spilling his blood if that is what is necessary. <i>Journal of Discourses, vol. 4, p. 220 (1857)</i></p> <p>J.M. Grant, a member of the first presidency under Brigham Young, said: "...there are men and women that I would advise to go to the President immediately, and ask him to appoint a committee to attend to their case; and then let a place be selected, and let that committee shed their blood." <i>(Journal of Discourses, vol. 4, pp.49-50)</i></p> <p>Joseph Fielding Smith "True Doctrine of blood atonement. Just a word or two now, on the subject</p>		<p>No true references to blood atonement in Mormon history only false and slanderous stories made up by enemies of the Mormon church. <i>Bruce R. McConkie Mormon Doctrine, pp. 92-93 (1966)</i></p> <p>There is not one historical instance of so-called blood atonement in this dispensation, nor has there been one event or occurrence whatever, of any nature, from which the slightest inference arises that any such practice either, existed or was taught. <i>Bruce R. McConkie Mormon Doctrine p. 92 1966</i></p> <p>[Editor's note: was Brigham Young lying in the quote mentioned in the left column?]</p> <p>And moreover, I say to you, that there shall be no</p>

of blood atonement. What is that doctrine? Unadulterated, if you please, laying aside the pernicious insinuations and lying charges that have so often been made, it is simply this: Through the atonement of Christ all mankind may be saved, by obedience to the laws and ordinances of the gospel... ..But man may commit certain grievous sins - according to his light and knowledge - that will place him beyond the reach of the atoning blood of Christ. If then he would be saved he must make sacrifice of his own life to atone - so far as his power lies - for that sin, for the blood of Christ alone under certain circumstances will not avail..."

"Atonement and sins unto death. Joseph Smith taught that there were certain sins so grievous that man may commit, that they will place the transgressors beyond the atonement of Christ. If these offenses are committed, then the blood of Christ will not cleanse them from the sins even though they repent. Therefore their only hope is to have their own blood shed to atone, as far as possible, in their behalf... And men for certain crimes have had to atone as far as they could for their sins wherein they have placed themselves beyond the redeeming power of the blood of Christ." Joseph Fielding Smith *Doctrines of Salvation, 1954, Volume 1, pp. 133-138*

Brigham Young "I have known a great many men who have left this Church for whom there is no chance whatever for exaltation, but if their blood had been spilled, it would have been better for them. The wickedness and ignorance of the nations forbid this principle's being in full force, but the time will come when the law of God will be in full force. **This is 'loving our neighbor as ourselves;'** if he needs help, help him; and if he wants salvation and it is necessary to spill his blood on the earth in order that he be saved, spill it. And of you who understand the principles of eternity, if you have sinned a sin requiring the shedding of blood, except the sin unto death, would not be satisfied nor rest until your blood should be spilled, that you might gain that salvation you desire. That is the way to love mankind." *Brigham Young, 1857, Journal of Discourses Volume 4, Page 220*

other name given, nor any other way, nor means, whereby salvation can come to the children of men, only in and through the Name of Christ, the Lord Omnipotent. *Book of Mormon Mosiah 3:17*

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<p style="text-align: center;">JESUS, NOT BEGOTTEN BY THE HOLY GHOST</p> <p>President Ezra Taft "...The body in which He performed His mission in the flesh was sired by that Holy Being we worship as God, our Eternal Father. Jesus was not the son of Joseph, nor was He begotten by the Holy Ghost. He is the Son of the Eternal Father." <u><i>President Ezra Taft Benson in his book, "Come unto Christ," page 4:</i></u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">JESUS BEGOTTEN IN THE FLESH LIKE EVERY OTHER HUMAN BEING BUT HE WAS BEGOTTEN BY ADAM</p> <p>"...Christ was begotten of God. He was not born without the aid of Man, and that Man was God!" <u><i>(Doctrines of Salvation, Joseph Fielding Smith, 1954, 1:18).</i></u></p> <p>"Adam is the only God with whom we have to do," <u><i>(Journal of Discourses, vol. 1, p. 50)</i></u></p> <p>"...I will say that I was naturally begotten; so was my father, also my Savior Jesus Christ. According to the Scriptures, he is the first begotten of his father in the flesh, and there was nothing unnatural about it" <u><i>(Journal of Discourses, Heber C. Kimball, 8:211).</i></u></p> <p>"And 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. There is nothing figurative about his paternity; he was begotten, conceived and born in the normal natural course of events, for He is the Son of God and that designation means what it says". <u><i>Bruce McConkie Mormon Doctrine page 742.(1966)</i></u></p> <p>"Adam is our Father and God ... the Prophet and Apostle Brigham has declared it, and that it is the word of the Lord." Franklin D. Richards — <u><i>Millennial Star, vol. 16, p. 534 (1854)</i></u></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">JESUS, CONCEIVED BY THE HOLY GHOST</p> <p>And behold, he shall be born of Mary, at Jerusalem which is the land of our forefathers, she being a virgin, a precious and chosen vessel, who shall be overshadowed and conceived by the power of the Holy Ghost, and bring forth a son, yea, even the Son of God. <u><i>Alma 7:10 1981</i></u></p> <p>"He was overshadowed and conceived by the Holy Ghost, but the Holy Ghost is not the father of Christ and when the Child was born, he was the "Son of the Eternal Father". <u><i>Bruce McConkie Mormon Doctrine page 743.</i></u></p>	

<p>"The birth of the Savior was as natural as are the births of our children; it was the result of natural action. He partook of flesh and blood - was begotten of his Father, as we were of our fathers" (<u>Journal of Discourses, Brigham Young, vol. 8:115</u>).</p>	<p>And behold, he shall be born of Mary, at Jerusalem which is the land of our forefathers, she being a virgin, a precious and chosen vessel, who shall be overshadowed and conceived by the power of the Holy Ghost, and bring forth a son, yea, even the Son of God. <u>Alma 7:10</u></p>
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<p>"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." <u>Journal of Discourses, Brigham Young vol. 1, p. 51</u> (April 9, 1852)</p> <p>"Now, we are told in scriptures that Jesus Christ is the only begotten Son of God in the flesh. Well, now for the benefit of the older ones, how are children begotten? I answer just as Jesus Christ was begotten of his father ...Jesus is the only person who had our Heavenly Father as the father of his body" (<u>Family Home Evening Manual, 1972, Joseph F. Smith, pp.125,126</u>).</p> <p>"Only means only, begotten means begotten and Son means son. Christ was Begotten by an immortal Father in the same way that mortal men are begotten by mortal fathers" (<u>Bruce McConkie, Mormon Doctrine, 1966, pg.547</u>).</p> <p>As the Prophet [Joseph Smith] also taught, there is "a God above the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ" <u>Teachings, pp 370,373. Bruce McConkie, Mormon Doctrine p.322.1966</u></p> <p>Orson Pratt - God the Father was begotten by his own Father in Heaven who was begotten by still an earlier father on an earlier world and the regression is infinite. <u>The Seer, p. 132 (1853)</u></p>	<p>"When our leaders speak, the thinking has been done. When they propose a plan — it is God's plan. When they point the way, there is no other which is safe. When they give direction, it should mark the end of controversy. God works in no other way."</p> <p><u>Ward Teachers Message, Deseret News, Church Section, p. 5 (May 26, 1945)</u></p> <p>Bernard P. Brockbank, in the LDS Church's 147th General Conference, said that the Christ followed by the Mormons is not the Christ followed by traditional Christianity; he said: "... It is true that many of the Christian churches worship a different Jesus Christ than is worshipped by the Mormons..." (<u>The Ensign, " May 1977, p. 26.</u>)</p> <p>[Editor's Note: I could not agree more with this last statement.]</p>
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<p>GOD IS <u>NOT</u> ETERNAL</p> <p>"...every man has a natural, and, in our country, a constitutional right to be a false prophet, as well as a true one..." "...I am going to tell you how God came to be God. We have imagined and supposed that God was God from all eternity. I will refute that idea and take away the veil, so that you may see." He tells that "...God himself was once as we are now...and you got to learn how to be Gods yourselves... the same as all Gods have done before you..." <u>Joseph Smith, in 1844, as recorded in the Teachings of the Prophet Joseph Smith, pages 344-347.</u></p>		<p>GOD IS <u>E</u>TERNAL</p> <p>"For I know that God is not a partial God, neither a changeable being; but he is unchangeable from all eternity to all eternity." <u>Book of Mormon Moroni 8:18</u></p> <p>"For behold, God knowing all things, being from everlasting to everlasting," <u>Book of Mormon Moroni 7:22</u></p> <p>[Editor's note: from this, we can clearly see that the same Joseph Smith was inspired to teach totally opposite things about God. Can anyone take a guess at the source of his inspiration?]</p>
<p>Joseph Fielding Smith - "Mormonism as it is called must stand or falls on the story of Joseph Smith. He was either a prophet of God, divinely called, properly commissioned, or he was one of the biggest frauds this world has ever seen. There is no middle ground." <u>Doctrines of Salvation, vol. 1, p. 188 (1954)</u> [Editor's note: Thank you for saying it for me so eloquently Mr. Smith]</p>		

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<p>ETERNAL LIFE AND SALVATION CAN BE HAD ONLY THROUGH CELESTIAL MARRIAGE AND OUR OWN WORKS</p> <p>"Only through celestial marriage can one find the straight way, the narrow path. Eternal life cannot be had in any other way." <u>(Spencer W. Kimball, Church News, 11/12/1977).</u></p> <p>"I want you to see this, and to comprehend that the whole matter of your salvation is your own business and work. What else has Jesus done? ...You examine principle in the Gospel as it is taught to you, and what requirement of that Gospel has been obeyed for you [by Christ]? None." <u>(LDS Apostle Amasa M. Lyman, Journal of Discourses, Vol. 7, p. 301, 1859).</u></p>		<p>CHRIST AND GRACE ALONE FOR ETERNAL LIFE AND SALVATION BUT THEN AGAIN, BY US ALSO</p> <p>"And moreover, I say to you, that there shall be no other name given, nor any other way, nor means, whereby salvation can come to the children of men, only in and through the Name of Christ, the Lord Omnipotent. Book of Mormons <u>Mosiah 3:17</u></p> <p>"For we labor diligently to write, to persuade our children, and also our brethren, to believe in Christ, and to be reconciled to God; for we know that it is by grace that we are saved, <u>after all we can do.</u>" <u>(Book of Mormon, 2 Nephi 25:23).</u></p>

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<p>IN 1854 A BOY <u>CANNOT BE A DEACON</u></p> <p>Brigham Young – “I dare not even call a man to be a Deacon, to assist me in my calling, unless he has a family.’ It is not the business of an ignorant young man, of no experience in family matters, to inquire into the circumstances of families, and know the wants of every person. ... select a man who has got a family to be a Deacon, whose wife can go with him.” <i>Journal of Discourses, vol. 2, p. 89 (1854)</i></p>		<p>IN 1992 A 12 YEAR OLD BOY <u>CAN BE A DEACON</u> AGAINST BRIGHAM YOUNG’S TEACHINGS</p> <p>"A boy who has been baptized and confirmed a member of the Church and is worthy may be ordained to the office of deacon when he is twelve years old." <i>Gospel Principles, 1992 ed., p. 88</i></p> <p>[Editor’s note: Do not forget that new prophets override the old; they even override the founders]</p>

<p>THE MOON IS INHABITED</p> <p>Oliver B. Huntington - As far back as 1837 Joseph Smith said the moon was inhabited. "He described the men as averaging near six feet in height, and dressing quite uniformly in something near the Quaker style. In my patriarchal blessing, given by the father of Joseph the Prophet, in Kirtland, 1837, I was told that I should preach the gospel before I was 21 years of age; that I should preach the gospel to the inhabitants upon the islands of the sea, and — to the inhabitants of the moon, even the planet you can now behold with your eyes. The first two promises have been fulfilled, and the latter may be verified." <i>Young Woman's Journal, vol. 3, p. 263-264 (1892)</i></p>	<p>Bruce McConkie To the Church the Lord commands: “Give heed unto all Joseph Smith’s words and commandments which he shall give unto you as he received them, walking in all holiness before me; “For his word ye shall receive, as if from mine own mouth, in all patience and faith.” <i>Doctrines and Covenants 21:4-5 Bruce McConkie, Mormon Doctrine page 396.</i></p>
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<p>It is important to note that the quote in the left column below is written in the same Volume 13 of the Journal of Discourses as the quote in the right column below.</p>	
<p>THE SUN IS INHABITED</p> <p>Brigham Young “So it is with regards 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. It was made to give light to those who dwell upon it, and on other planets; and so will it be with this earth when it is celestialized.” <i>Journal of Discourses Vol 13, page 271 (1870)</i></p>	<p>BRIGHAM YOUNG WORD IS SCRIPTURE</p> <p>Brigham Young: "I have never yet preached a sermon and sent it out to the children of men, that they may not call Scripture." <i>Brigham Young, Journal of Discourses, vol. 13, p. 95 (1870)</i></p>

<p>"What man or woman on earth, what spirit in the spirit-world can say truthfully that I ever gave a wrong word of counsel or a word of advice that could not be sanctioned by the heavens?" Brigham Young - <i>Journal of Discourses, vol. 12, p. 127 (1867)</i></p>
<p>"I think a full, free talk is frequently of great use; we want nothing secret nor underhanded, and for one I want no association with things that cannot be talked about and will not bear investigation." <i>LDS President John Taylor Journal of Discourses 20:264, March 2, 1879</i></p>

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<p>IN 1958 <u>NO BLACKS IN THE PRIESTHOOD</u></p> <p>Joseph Fielding Smith (in <u>1958</u>) - Restrictions on blacks not getting the priesthood will not happen till the "far distant future" <u>and</u> "on some other world." <i>Answers to Gospel Questions, vol. 2, p. 188 (1958)</i></p> <p>"Negroes in this life are denied the priesthood; under no circumstances can they hold this delegation of authority from the Almighty. ...The present status of the negro rests purely and simply on the foundation of pre-existence. ...The Negroes are not equal with other races where the receipt of certain spiritual blessings are concerned, particularly the priesthood and the temple blessings that flow there from." <i>Mormon Doctrine (1958 ed.), pp. 476-477 (1972)</i></p> <p>"And he had caused the cursing to come upon them, yea, even a sore cursing, because of their iniquity. For behold, they had hardened their hearts against him that they had become like unto a flint; wherefore, as they were white, and exceedingly fair and delightsome, that they might not be enticing unto my people the Lord God did cause a skin of blackness to come upon them. And it came to pass that those Lamanites who had united with the Nephites were numbered among the Nephites; And their curse was taken from them, and their skin became white like unto the Nephites; And their young men and their daughters became exceedingly fair, and they were numbered among the Nephites, and were called Nephites. And thus ended the thirteenth year. <i>The Book of Mormon 2 Nephi 5:21 & 2 Nephi 2:14-16</i></p>		<p>20 YEARS LATER <u>BLACKS IN THE PRIESTHOOD</u></p> <p>Bruce McConkie (in <u>1978</u>) - In all past ages and until recent times in this dispensation, the Lord did not offer the priesthood to the Negroes. However, on June 1, 1978, in the Salt Lake Temple, in the presence of the First Presidency and the Council of the Twelve, President Spencer W. Kimball received a revelation from the Lord directing that the gospel and the priesthood should now go to all men without reference to race or color. <i>Bruce R. McConkie Mormon Doctrine, 2d ed. Salt Lake City, Utah: Bookcraft, 1966., p 527. Mormon Doctrine, pp. 526-528 (1979)</i></p> <p><u><i>The following is an excerpt of the above mentioned revelation signed by Spencer W. Kimball, N. Eldon Tanner, Marion G. Romney, The First Presidency, June 8, 1978.</i></u></p> <p>"He has heard our prayers, and by revelation has confirmed that the long-promised day has come when every faithful, worthy man in the Church may receive the holy priesthood, with power to exercise its divine authority, and enjoy with his loved ones every blessing that flows therefrom, including the blessings of the temple. Accordingly, all worthy male members of the Church may be ordained to the priesthood without regard for race or color"... <u><i>Introduced September 30, 1978, at the 148th Semiannual General Conference of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.</i></u></p>

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<p><u>SACRIFICE OF JESUS NOT SUFFICIENT SACRIFICES TO BE RESTORED</u></p> <p>Joseph Smith - There will be an eventual restoration of sacrifices as part of the restitution of all things. Those who say that sacrifice was entirely done away with by the sacrifice of Jesus Christ are certainly not acquainted with the duties, privileges and authority of the priesthood, or with the Prophets. <u><i>History of the Church Vol. 4 page 211-212.</i></u></p>		<p><u>SACRIFICE OF JESUS INFINITE AND ETERNAL</u></p> <p>Therefore it is expedient that there should be a great and last sacrifice, and then there shall be, or it is expedient there should be, a stop to the shedding of blood; then shall the law of Moses be fulfilled; yes, it shall be all fulfilled, every jot and tittle, and none shall have passed away. And behold, this is the whole meaning of the law, every whit pointing to that great and last sacrifice; and that great and last sacrifice will be the Son of God, yea, infinite and eternal. <u><i>The Book of Mormon Alma 34:13-14</i></u></p>

Brigham Young - "no man or woman in this dispensation will ever enter into the celestial kingdom of God without the consent of Joseph Smith. ... 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". *Journal of Discourses Volume 7 page 289.*

[Editor's note: Note that the above statement was written in Volume 7. Six (6) volumes later, after he had plenty of time to think about his incredible statement, Brigham says in Volume 13 page 95 Journal of Discourses: "I have never yet preached a sermon and sent it out to the children of men, that they may not call Scripture."
[Editor's note: Would you rather trust the Jesus Christ of the Bible, or Joseph Smith for your salvation?]

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<p>ONE MUST BE A POLYGAMIST TO BECOME A GOD</p> <p>Brigham Young. "The only men who become gods, even the Sons of God, are those who enter into Polygamy. Others attain unto a glory and may even be permitted to come into the presence of the Father and the Son; but they cannot reign as kings in glory, because they had blessings offered to them, and they refused to accept them". <u>Journal of Discourses vol. 11, p.269</u></p> <p>Heber C. Kimball. "Plurality [of wives] is a law which God established for his elect before the world was formed. It would be easier for the United States to build a tower to remove the sun, as to remove polygamy, or the Church and the kingdom of God. <u>Millenial Star, vol.28, p. 190</u></p> <p>WITHOUT POLYGAMY ONE WILL BE DAMNED</p> <p>Brigham Young. "Now if any of you deny the plurality of wives, and continue to do so, I promise that you will be damned; and I will go further and say, take this revelation, or any other revelation that the Lord has given, and deny your feelings, and I promise that you will be damned. <u>Journal of Discourses, Vol. 4, p. 108 (1856).</u></p>	<p>POLYGAMY IS FALSE DOCTRINE</p> <p>Inasmuch as Richard Hewitt has called on me today, to know my views concerning some doctrines that are preached in your place, and states to me that some of your elders, say that a man having a certain priesthood, may have as many wives as he pleases, and that doctrine is taught here; I say unto you that that man teaches <i>false doctrine</i> for there is no such doctrine taught here. <u>Hyrum Smith Times and Seasons, vol 5, p. 474.</u></p> <p>POLYGAMY A CRIME</p> <p>"Inasmuch as this Church of Christ has been reproached with the crime of fornication and polygamy: we declare that we believe, that one man should have one wife; and one woman but one husband, except in the case of death when either is at liberty to marry again." <u>Doctrines and Covenants, Section C1, p. 251.</u></p> <p>POLYGAMY NEVER WAS TAUGHT</p> <p>"But, for the information of those who may be assailed by those foolish tales about two wives, we would say that no such principle ever existed among the Latter Day Saints, and never will; this is well known to those who are acquainted with our books and actions, the Book of Mormons, Doctrines and Covenants". <u>Millennial Star, vol. 3p.74</u></p> <p>CITY OF NAUVOO. Notice: As we have lately been credibly informed, that an elder of the Church of Jesus Christ, of Latter-Day Saints, by the name of Hiram Brown, has been preaching Polygamy, and other false and corrupt doctrines, in the county of Lapeer, state of Michigan. This is to notify him and the Church in general, that he has been cut off from the Church, and he is further notified to appear at the special conference on the 6th of April next, to make answer to these charges. Signed Joseph Smith and Hyrum Smith. Presidents of said Church. <u>Times and Seasons, Vol.5, p. 474</u></p>

Brigham Young - "We do not wish incorrect and unsound doctrines to be handed down to posterity under the sanction of great names, to be received and valued by future generations as authentic and reliable, ... Errors in history and doctrine, if left uncorrected by us who are conversant with the events, and who are in a position to judge of the truth or falsity of the doctrines, would go to our children as though we had sanctioned and endorsed them". *Millennial Star, vol.27, p. 659. (1865).*

"What Scriptures Do We Have Today — The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints accepts four books as scripture: the Bible, the Book of Mormon, the Doctrine and Covenants, and the Pearl of Great Price. These books are called the standard works of the Church. **The inspired words of our living prophets are also accepted as scripture**". *Gospel Principle Page 52. (1992)*

Please notice how the "Journal of Discourses" which contains the revelations of the founders of the Mormon Church and central to the revelation of God to them, has been conveniently dropped from the list of inspired words. You should no longer wonder why. You should also wonder what else the Mormon Church teaches today that is not in accordance with the Bible.

Joseph Smith "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 earth and people it." *Journal of Discourses vol.6, p 5. (1844)*

HERE IS JOSEPH SMITH'S KING FOLLET DISCOURSE,
MADE IN APRIL 7, 1844,

HERE IS THE TEXT AS IT APPEARS IN THE "HISTORY OF THE CHURCH":

"I will prove that the world is wrong, by showing what God is. I am going to enquire after God; for I want you all to know him and to be familiar with him; and if I am bringing you to a knowledge of him, all persecutions against me ought to cease. You will then know that I am his servant; for I speak as one having authority.

"I will go back to the beginning before the world was, to show what kind of being God is. What sort of being was God in the beginning? Open your ears and hear, all ye ends of the earth, for I am going to prove it to you by the Bible, and to tell you the designs of God in relation to the human race, and why he interferes with the affairs of men.

"God himself was once as we are now, and is an exalted man, and sits enthroned in yonder heavens! That is the great secret. If the veil were rent today, and the great God who holds this world in its orbit, and who upholds all worlds and all things by his power, was to make himself visible, — 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 . . .

" . . . I am going to tell you how God came to be God. We have imagined and supposed that God was God from all eternity. I will refute that idea, and take away the veil, so that you may see.

" . . . he was once a man like us; yea, that God himself, the Father of us all, dwelt on an earth, the same as Jesus Christ himself did; and I will show it from the Bible.

"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"

(*History of the Church*, vol. 6, pp. 304-306, see also, *Teachings of the Prophet Joseph Smith*, compiled by Joseph Fielding Smith, pp. 345-347).

"It was the Lord Himself who installed prophets in this modern Church. ... This, too, has He done for the successors to the Prophet Joseph, even down to our present wonderful and humble leader. He, too, is inspired of God. He, too, is a revelator. He, too, is the voice of the Almighty to the saints of this day." *Editorial, Church News, September 26, p. 12 (1981)*

In 1997, Mormon Church President Gordon B. Hinckley was interviewed by Time Magazine and was confronted with the Mormon teaching that God was once a man and that man will become a god one day. His embarrassment over this teaching was very visible through his answer. The Mormon Church has denied President's Hinckley's comments saying that they were taken out of context.

I have a copy of the letter sent by the Mormon Church to Luke P. Wilson, Executive Director of the Institute for Religious Research and Gospel Truth Ministries stating that the comments of President Hinckley were taken out of context. This letter Dated September 3, 1997 is signed by F. Michael Watson, Secretary to the First Presidency.

I also have a copy of the transcript portion of the interview as sent at the same organization's request by Time Magazine.

Based on the evidence presented I am absolutely satisfied that President's Hinckley's comments were definitely not taken out of context. Instead, it is obvious that he was avoiding a direct answer to the direct question.

The following page gives the exact wording used during the interview between Mr. Ostling and President Hinckley.

The next page also contains the email address where you can obtain a copy of the same material I have in my possession.

TRANSCRIPT OF THE PORTION OF THE INTERVIEW OF
PRESIDENT GORDON B. HINCKLEY
BY TIME MAGAZINE
DEALING WITH THE QUESTION ABOUT KING FOLLET DISCOURSE

President Gordon B. Hinckley seemed to dodge and dissemble in an August 4, 1997 *Time* cover story when veteran religion writer Richard N. Ostling asked him about the distinctive Mormon teaching that humans can become gods, and that God the Father was once a man.

Questions asked to Mr. Hinckley by Mr. Ostling listed below, are taken directly from the transcript of that interview. Photocopies of the original correspondence about the transcript with Time Magazine, including the relevant section of Time's transcript of the Hinckley interview are available on demand. Please be sure to include your postal address when you write. mit@irr.org

Question by Mr. Ostling: *"Just another related question that comes up is the statements in the King Follet discourse by the Prophet."*

Answer by President Hinckley: *"Yeah"*

Question by Mr. Ostling: ... *"about that, God the Father was once a man as we were. This is something that Christian writers are always addressing. Is this the teaching of the church today, that God the Father was once a man like we are?"*

Answer by President Hinckley: *"I don't know that we teach it. I don't know that we emphasize it. I haven't heard it discussed for a long time in public discourse. I don't know. I don't know all the circumstances under which that statement was made. I understand the philosophical background behind it. But I don't know a lot about it and I don't know that others know a lot about it."*

It is clear that this doctrine is still taught today. The first chapter of the Latter-Day Saint teaching manual, *Gospel Principles* (Church of Jesus Christ Latter-day Saints, 1992 ed., p. 9.), quotes from the above passage under the heading What Kind of Being Is God?:

....The Prophet Joseph Smith said: *"If the veil were rent today, and the great God who holds this world in its orbit, and who upholds all worlds and all things by his power, was to make himself visible — I say, if you were to see him today, you would see him like a man in form"* (*Teachings of the Prophet Joseph Smith*, p. 345). *"God is a glorified and perfected man, a personage of flesh and bones"* (*see Doctrines & Covenants 130:22*).

What Joseph Smith declared proudly and unambiguously

— that God the Father was once a man —

President Hinckley apparently now wishes to conceal from the public.

IN MORMON THEOLOGY,
THE ORIGINAL SIN IS NOT A CURSE BUT A BLESSING

Thus, the first commandment on record is the commandment to Adam and Eve to be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth. Mormonism teaches this was a greater and more important commandment than the commandment not to eat of the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil. Talmage, *Articles of Faith*, pp. 64-5.

IN MORMON THEOLOGY, BEFORE THE FALL
MAN COULD NOT PROCREATE THEREFORE THE FALL WAS NECESSARY

In fact, according to Mormon doctrine, the two commandments stood in opposition to each other (McConkie, *NWAF*, p. 91). Notwithstanding the great importance of procreation to the purpose of earth life, when God made Adam and Eve, He supposedly made them in a condition where they could not procreate. *"There was as yet neither procreation nor death. These would enter the scheme of things only after the fall"* (*Ibid.*, p. 84). *"Adam and Eve had to break the lesser commandment, and incur the Fall, in order to fulfill the greater commandment"* (*Ibid.*, p. 91).

According to Mormon scripture, Eve is supposed to have exclaimed, *"Were it not for our transgression we never should have had seed, and never should have known good and evil, and the joy of our redemption, and the eternal life which God giveth unto all the obedient"* (*Pearl of Great Price*, Moses 5:11).

The Book of Mormon says the same: *"Vs 22...if Adam had not transgressed... Vs 23... they would have had no children; wherefore they would have remained in a state of innocence, having no joy, for they knew no misery; doing no good, for they knew no sin. Vs 24... But behold, all things have been done in the wisdom of him who knows all things. Vs 25...Adam fell that men might be; and men are that they might have joy"* (*Book of Mormon*, 2 Nephi 2:22-25).

IN MORMON THEOLOGY THE FALL OF MAN WAS NOT A SIN

Mormon Apostle and Prophet Joseph Fielding Smith, Jr. wrote, *"I never speak of the part Eve took in this fall as a sin, nor do I accuse Adam of a sin"* *Doctrines of Salvation*, (DS), vol. 1, p. 114.

Again, *"This was a transgression of the law, but not a sin in the strict sense, for it was something that Adam and Eve had to do!"* (*Ibid.*, p. 115).

"The 'fall' of Adam and Eve was not a sin but an essential act upon which mortality depends" (*Smith, Answers to Gospel Questions*, vol. 5, p. 15).

He goes so far as to cast the Fall in terms of obedience rather than transgression: *"After they had thus complied with whatever the law was that brought mortality into being..."* and *"He [Adam] chose the Lord's way;"* *Ibid.*, pp. 86, 91.

Assistant to the Twelve Apostles Sterling W. Sill spoke of Adam's fall: *"Adam fell, but he fell in the right direction. He fell toward the goal.... Adam fell, but he fell upward"* (*Deseret News, Church Section*, 31 July 1965, p. 7).

IN MORMON THEOLOGY THE FALL WAS ONE OF THE
GREATEST BLESSINGS EVER GIVEN OF GOD TO MANKIND

Since the mortal condition was essential to the Mormon plan of salvation, the act which introduced mortality of necessity becomes a great blessing. *"We can hardly look upon anything resulting in such benefits as being a sin, in the sense in which we consider sin"* (*Smith, DS*, vol. 1, p. 115). *"Properly understood, it becomes apparent that the fall of Adam is one of the greatest blessings ever given of God to mankind"* (*McConkie, NWAF*, p. 87).

2 JOHN 7 REVISED ACCORDING TO THE MORMON GOSPEL

On July 13, 1862, Brigham Young declared, "...he that confesses not that Jesus has come in the flesh and sent Joseph Smith with the fullness of the Gospel to this generation, is not of God, but is anti-christ" *Journal of Discourses D 9:312.*

JOSEPH SMITH THE NEW SAVIOR

George Q. Cannon, former member of the First Presidency: "If we get our salvation, we shall have to pass by him [Joseph Smith]; if we enter into our glory, it will be through the authority that he has received" *Gospel Truth, pp. 199, 200.*

Prophet Brigham Young in 1859, stated: "From the day that the priesthood was taken from the earth to the winding up things 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 -- I with you and you with me. I cannot go there without his consent" *Journal of Discourses 7:238 Quoted in: "Joseph Smith Among the Prophets" June 1994 issue of "Ensign" magazine, Mormon writer Robert L. Millet*

Joseph Fielding Smith tenth President of the Latter-Day Saints Church: There is "no salvation without Joseph Smith." *Doctrine of Salvation 1:189*

JOHN 14:6 REVISED ACCORDING TO THE MORMON GOSPEL:

"This Church is the ensign on the mountain spoken of by the Old Testament prophets. It is the way, the truth, and the life" Marion Romney, former member of the LDS First Presidency, *Conference Report, April, 1961, pg. 119.*

BY THEIR OWN ADMISSION THEY TEACH ANOTHER JESUS

Ward Teachers Message, *Deseret News, Church Section, p. 5 (May 26, 1945)* Bernard P. Brockbank, in the LDS Church's 147th General Conference, said that the Christ followed by the Mormons is not the Christ followed by traditional Christianity; he said: "... It is true that many of the Christian churches worship a different Jesus Christ than is worshipped by the Mormons..." (*"The Ensign," May 1977, p. 26.*)

The *LDS Church News* reported: "In bearing testimony of Jesus Christ, President Hinckley spoke of those outside the Church who say Latter-day Saints 'do not believe in the traditional Christ'. *"The traditional Christ of whom they speak is not the Christ of whom I speak. For the Christ of whom I speak has been revealed in this the Dispensation of the Fulness [sic] of Times"* (June 20, 1998, page 7.

"As a Church we have critics, many of them. They say we do not believe in the traditional Christ of Christianity. There is some substance to what they say." (*Gordon B. Hinckley, April 2002 General Conference, quoted in Ensign, May 2002, page 90*)

Orson Pratt - "convince us of our errors of doctrine, if we have any, by reason, by logical arguments, or by the word of God, and we will be ever grateful for the information" *The Seer, p. 15 (1854)*

Wilford Woodruff - "I am willing to exchange all the errors and false notions I have for one truth, and should consider that I had made a good bargain. We are not afraid of light and truth. Our religion embraces every truth in heaven, earth or hell; it embraces all truth" *Journal of Discourses, vol. 18, p. 117 (1875)*

After reading this document Mormons should be very grateful for the research briefly expounded here, that has been done by so many people, to expose the deceptions of Mormon doctrines.

A FINAL WORD

By now, you should be thoroughly puzzled by the Mormon Doctrine. But not to worry; a new prophet will come and clarify, and change, and contradict, what his predecessors, or those living today, have taught as truth. Remember as we have already seen, the choice is left to the new prophet to decide what was true doctrine, and what was not true doctrine from the old prophet's teaching. Read this incredible statement again.

"We believe that when the Prophet, the head of our church, says something that is definitely wrong he was not being inspired at that time. [Editor's note: how can one know?] He was only speaking as a man. We believe that the newer Prophets can override the older Prophets [Editor's note: how convenient, but how confusing; who is telling the truth?]. We believe we have a prophet on earth today even though he never prophesies anything."

"Beware of those who would pit the dead prophets against the living prophets, for the living prophets always take precedence." Ezra Taft Benson '14 Fundamentals in Following the Prophets' pgs 1-16, 1980.

Since the Bible tells us that God is not the author of confusion, it is not difficult to identify who the author of Mormon Doctrine is. Can we guess that it is the same individual who suggested the fall of man (which as we saw earlier Mormon Doctrine proclaims as the greatest blessing given by God to mankind), the one who suggested to Eve: "has God said" Is he not Satan our adversary the devil who said in the temptation: "you shall be as gods"? I let you decide for yourself.

Jesus said to the religious leaders who refused to believe Him:

"You are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father you will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of lies. And because I tell you the truth, you do not believe me". John 8:44-45. No wonder they decided to crucify Him! No one who thinks of himself as righteous likes to be told that the devil is his father. The same words apply to self-righteous Mormons who refuse the free gift of the righteousness of God by faith in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, which only He can provide.

There is an easier and less confusing way to salvation.

But let us review once more the warning given to those who worship another Jesus than the Jesus of the Bible.

This warning comes from the very Word of Jesus Himself.

The scene takes place in heaven on judgment day. Imagine yourself there.

You are standing before the Lord along with all those people who have used the name of Jesus but did not believe Him to be who He said He was: the eternal creator Himself who came in the flesh to redeem you from all your sins.

"Not every one that says unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that does the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your Name? And in

Your Name have cast out devils? And in Your Name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, you that work iniquity.” Matt 7:21-23

Will these words be addressed to you? Please dear one; ponder seriously over what you believe and whose words you believe!

“Not every one that says unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that does the will of my Father who is in Heaven”. What is the will of the Father? The scriptures tell us plainly:

- “All that the Father gives me shall come to me; and him that comes to me I will in no way cast out. For I came down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of Him that sent me. *And this is the Father's will who has sent me*, that of all which He has given me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day. *And this is the will of Him that sent me*, that every one who sees the Son, and believes on him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day”. John 6:37-40

The will of God is that people simply place their faith in the Christ who came from heaven to die and pay the price for the penalty of sins. No substitute will do.

- “That if you shall confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus, and shall believe in your heart that God has raised him from the dead, you shall be saved. For with the heart man believes unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation”. Rom 10:9-10

Eternal life is a present possession for the believer, not a wishy-washy “I hope I make it to heaven if I am good enough” type of foundationless hope. You can be sure that you are going to heaven when you die when the Jesus of the Bible is your Savior.

- “And this is the record; that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. He that has the Son has the life; and he that does not have the Son of God does not have life. These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that you may know that you have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God”. 1 John 5:11-13

Salvation from the eternal penalty of our sins is a gift from God. We cannot earn it.

- “For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as a result of works, that no one should boast.” Eph 2:8-10

When we refuse the forgiveness of God for our sins, we condemn ourselves to stand before God for their judgment. There is no middle ground.

Salvation is an issue of holiness. It took only one sin for man to be separated from the Holy God. It still does today because God does not change.

- “For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be saved. He that believes on him

is not condemned: but he that believes not is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God". John 3:16-18

People who end up in hell go there not because God wanted to send them there in the first place "because they were bad people", but because these "bad people" (which by His standards WE ALL ARE) refused His forgiveness for their sins and as a result, the free gift of His righteousness and eternal life.

- "For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." Rom 6:22-23
- "For not knowing about God's righteousness, and seeking to establish their own, they did not subject themselves to the righteousness of God." Rom 10:3-4.

Salvation is an issue of holiness. It only took one sin for Adam to be separated from God. God does not change. It still takes only one sin to be separated from God. From the first Adam we inherit death and condemnation. From the last Adam we inherit eternal life and justification. Through Him, God gives us the holiness of Christ as a gift when we repent of our sins and place our faith in Him, and trust that he paid the price for us. While we are still subject to the penalty of our sins for this life and a lack of rewards in the next, the eternal penalty for our sins has been paid for at the cross. "*Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood He entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us.*" Heb 9:12

All cults refuse to accept the deity of Christ "God manifest in the flesh" and the completeness of His sacrifice. For those who are not 'Bible-only believers', Christ is a created being and something needs to be added to what He did on the cross for them to "go to heaven." Adding something, following the law or doing good works to "go to heaven", is standard requirement for all world religions and the cults who have their own supposedly inspired books in addition to the Bible. The true biblical gospel – salvation is a gift of the grace of God – simply require repentance and faith in the shed blood and sacrificial death of the Messiah of the Jews. This separates Christianity from all other religions (see this author's book "*A Perspective on Salvation*"). But to the cults, His blood is not sufficient. Mormon doctrine proclaims that Jesus Christ has only provided partial redemption. The Mormon convert must live a righteous life of his or her own doing through good works, by actions and behaviors, and their Jesus will provide what is lacking to partake into the holiness of their God. In refusing to receive the Holy Spirit that God gives only to those who trust Christ alone, they are left only with a sinful nature that they try to make better through good works. They are still in their sins.

The God of the Bible gives us His righteousness (to which man can never attain because it is sinless) as a gift. "*For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ*" Rom 5:17. **Editor's note:** While the bible calls the transgression of Adam a sin, we have seen that Mormon doctrine calls it a blessing!

"For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God. For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth." Rom 10:3-4

The Bible, in the cults view, is flawed and contains a corrupted view of redemption. All cults add their own books to complete what, in their view, the Bible failed to clearly reveal. The exception to this is the Jehovah's Witness cult, which actually *changed* the Bible text to fit in

their view of it. Their perversion of the Bible is called “The New World Translation of the Holy Scriptures.” It differs in many ways doctrinally from ALL the other translations.

In essence cults are saying that God allowed a corrupt version of the gospel to be circulated for many centuries until the founder of their cult showed up to correct it. God clearly says in His Word:

- "For truly I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter or stroke shall pass away from the Law, until all is accomplished." Matt 5:18
- “Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away.” Matt 24:35

Because they do not believe this, they add to the Word of God with their corrupted books and their false prophets. Through them, they create confusion and lead many astray from the truth.

- “For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but wanting to have their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers in accordance to their own desires; and will turn away their ears from the truth, and will turn aside to myths”. 2 Tim 4:3-5
- “And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many.” Matt 24:11
- “Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen”. Rom 1:25
- “Every word of God is pure: he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him. Do not add unto his words, lest he reprove you and you be found a liar.” Prov 30:5-6.

These verses certainly hold true for Mormon doctrine.

Even though John the apostle wrote the following 2 verses at the end of the Book of Revelation, (the last book of the Bible) and could be construed to apply only to that book, yet it is significant that the Holy Spirit would have chosen to place them there so strategically.

These are the last 4 verses of the Bible:

- *“I testify to everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God shall add to him the plagues which are written in this book; and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part from the tree of life and from the holy city, which are written in this book. He who testifies to these things says, ‘Yes, I am coming quickly.’ Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all. Amen.”* Rev 22:18-21

Dear reader, you can make of these verses, and of the rest of this booklet what you want, and continue to believe that God has added new confusing, irrational, and unnecessary revelation in contradiction to His own Word. As for me, I will not dare change His Word. I will rest my salvation from sin and the penalty of hell, on the sacrifice of Him who loved me so much that He came to earth to die on the cross for me and rose again from the dead. Nothing can be added to His perfect work. Salvation is Christ plus nothing. *“For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes.”* Rom 10:4 *“To him who does not work [good works] but believes on Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is accounted for righteousness,”* Rom 4:5

A TIME FOR DECISION

*I testify unto you, not because my bosom's gut feelings tell me so, but because the Word of God says so, that if you prefer to make your own righteousness by bettering you own sinful nature, and boast of your good works before a god who was once a man, instead of receiving the righteousness of Christ, His own life in you, through repentance of your sins, you will have fallen for the lie of Satan **with whom you'll end up in hell** for eternity. "And the serpent said unto the woman, you shall not surely die: for God does know that in the day that you eat of it, then your eyes shall be opened, and you shall be as gods, knowing good and evil." Gen 3:4-5.*

If you are searching for truth and are a Mormon or are thinking about becoming a Mormon, please consider this booklet prayerfully and carefully. What is written in this booklet would seem to me amply sufficient to prove that Mormonism is a non-Biblical cult and that, because of its wholesome appearance, Mormonism is one of the most appealing cults coming from the bowels of Satan. But if you need more proofs to convince you of it, much more of the strange teachings of the Mormon doctrine are available. I invite you to do your own research. There are plenty of books on the market from people like me who are concerned about your soul.

If you are a Mormon, please ask your elders to clarify any of this for you and please don't accept the "pitching old prophets against new prophets line" that is so illogical! In fact, ask them why it is that if God is using Mormonism to restore the real truth to the world, as Joseph Smith proclaimed, why is the Church today a partaker in interfaith movements? Shouldn't it do what I am doing here and stand in denunciation of them as promoting lies?

In the end, whatever you decide to do, whether you spend eternity in heaven or hell is all up to you. It is my prayer that God will open the eyes of your understanding so that you may see the hope of His calling. If you want the right Jesus, I am not asking you to join a religion, for no religion can save. One of the marks of a cult is that they are the only true organized religion and all others are wrong. Until now, I have not invited you to another religion or group. I am asking you to come to the only Savior who can save... the one and only true Jesus "In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace". Eph 1:7. He alone is all you need. A prayer to that effect follows.

PRAY THIS PRAYER.

REMEMBER IT IS NOT SO MUCH THE WORDS YOU SAY

AS IT IS THE ATTITUDE OF YOUR HEART THAT COUNTS BEFORE GOD.

SPEAK TO HIM AS IF YOU COULD SEE HIM PRESENT RIGHT IN FRONT OF YOU; HE IS.

God, I confess that I am a sinner in need of your forgiveness. Please forgive me for all my sins. You are the one and only true eternal God. There are no gods besides You. I renounce all allegiance to anything that is not Yours. I renounce all doctrines of devils taught through the Mormon Church (or whatever other group you belong too). I believe that You, Lord Jesus Christ are the only begotten Son of God, that Your blood was shed for me; that You died on the cross for my sins; that You rose again from the dead. I give my life to You now and forever. Come into my heart Lord Jesus and save my soul. Lead me

God, through Your Holy Spirit into all the truth. Lead me to live a life that is pleasing to you, and to follow You. Thank you for loving me and saving me. Amen

If you prayed that prayer in earnest, God has forgiven you all your sins. He has taken you from the dominion of Satan unto Himself (Acts 26:18) He has *“delivered us [you] from the power of darkness, and has translated us [you] into the kingdom of his dear Son: in Whom we [you] have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins”* Col 1:13-14 You have been *“born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which lives and abides for ever”*. 1 Peter 1:23 *“For by grace are you saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: not of works, lest any man should boast.”* Eph 2:8-9 Jesus says to you: *“I will never leave you, nor forsake you”*. Heb 13:5 *“I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen”*. Matt 28:20

Welcome to the family of God; the real one. Grace and peace to you.

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Note: This writer is indebted to the many people that have done research on the origin of Mormonism. I have an extensive library myself and I have used a lot of material from other authors and from websites. For a list of references send an email to the above mentioned email address. I have done my best to condense their research and to present it in a way that leaves little doubt as to the fallacy of Mormonism. For those who would like further evidence, I encourage you to check with your Mormon leaders every reference that I have presented here.

Most likely, they will tell you to put this aside and to pray about it, and to return to it later. Do not follow their advice. Ask for answers now; your soul is in the balance. If they refuse, leave the Mormon Church and all their doctrines of devils. Leave the Mormon Church after you have recognized that it is not teaching truth. Remember that salvation is found only in the Savior; not in any religious group existing on earth today.

Facsimiles of many of the original documents and quotes mentioned in this document can be seen on the Institute for Religious Research website. www.irr.org

Do not take Mormon leaders words that do their best to deny that such things were ever taught. Indeed many do not even know that such things were ever taught by the respected Brigham Young and Joseph Smith, but if the root be rotted... And you may very well do them a big favor by enlightening them to some truths they need to know themselves by giving them this paper to read.

In the Bible, Babylon the Great – the demoniac spiritual entity that opposes itself to everything that is of God, is called - **“MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH”** Rev 17:5. Mormonism is one of her many harlots.

Rev 18:4 *And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.*