

# MORMONS—ARE THEY CHRISTIANS?

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**Salvation**—In the New Testament, Jesus says to Nicodemus, “Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is *Born Again*, he cannot *see* the Kingdom of God...unless one is Born of Water and the Spirit he cannot *enter* the Kingdom of God” (John 3:3, 5). Obviously it’s extremely important to be Born Again, but like Catholicism, which is the largest Christian cult in the world, which teaches that being Born Again means being sprinkled by a priest as a baby,<sup>1</sup> Mormons are not Born Again because their “heavenly Father” and their Jesus are false entities. Baptism in water is the *sign* that one has been Born Again—it doesn’t cause a baby nor anyone else to be Born Again. It’s not magic water.

Lynn Wilder served in the Mormon Temple as an LDS professor in Utah. She reveals what convinced her to leave Mormonism and become a true Christian: “During my 30 years as a Mormon, I sincerely believed that mystical “spiritual experiences” aligned me with my heavenly Father, Jesus and the Holy Ghost...When a patriarch” from the Mormon Church “laid his hands on my head to give me a blessing...I felt something like electricity course through my body. I was frequently overcome with emotion serving as an ordinance worker in the Chicago Temple or as a professor at the Church’s leading education institute, Brigham Young University. I bore testimony that Joseph Smith restored “the only true and living Church.” I trusted feelings that flowed from these experiences, *not aware that they might be counterfeit*; rooted in what the Bible calls “another Jesus,” that teaches “another gospel” (2nd Cor. 11:4). Today I...test truth” (by reading) “the Bible.” Speaking about her son, Micah, Wilder states,

“While he was a Mormon missionary, our third son, Micah, read the Bible several times, eventually challenging his Mormon family to do the same. Like cold water in my face, I was stunned to find *profound doctrinal conflicts* between the Bible and the LDS scriptures.<sup>2</sup> As a Mormon I believed the Bible *was missing precious truths revealed in our own faith*, but I wanted to look at it for myself to decide. As soon as I read it I recognised obvious doctrinal conflicts, and I reasoned: “*If they teach different terms of salvation, they can’t be the same Jesus.*” The Bible clearly teaches that salvation is a free gift. One crosses from death to life instantly upon believing in the One who paid for my sins on the cross. *There was no waiting until the end of my life to see if I had done enough.* No Mormon temple works, whose signs, tokens and handshakes are actually Masonic, are required for eternal life...Which Jesus was I to believe? The Mormon Jesus and the biblical Jesus teach a different *nature* of Christ and, at the very crux of Christianity, *they teach different ways to salvation*...LDS prophet Gordon Hinckley said, “The traditional Christ of whom they” (Christians) “speak, is not the Christ of whom I speak.””<sup>3</sup>

How true Hinckley spoke! Mormons are not Christians. The Mormon “heavenly Father,” their Jesus, and their being Born Again, negate Mormons from “entering” God’s Kingdom. The Jesus of Mormonism has no power to save, nor is the true Son of God of the Bible. As friendly and family oriented as Mormons are, and all the good deeds they do for one another and mankind, Mormons are not destined for what the Bible calls the New Jerusalem (Rev. 21:2). Mormons consider themselves Christians, but so do Jehovah’s Witnesses. We know the JW’s are a cult and not a Christian organization because they teach that Michael the Archangel was/is Jesus Christ. The Bible though, states that Jesus is the *only begotten* Son of God (John 1:14).<sup>4</sup> In human terms, to be *begotten* means that the baby has the exact *human nature* of the begetter (the father). Therefore Jesus, the *only begotten* Son of God, has the exact *divine nature* as His Father. Adam and Eve were created. Cain and Able were *begotten* with the exact human nature of Adam and Eve. This means

<sup>1</sup> For why Catholicism is a cult and not capable of having their followers enter the Kingdom, see, *What’s Wrong with the Catholic Church?* at <http://seedofabraham.net/Whats-Wrong-with-the-Catholic-Church.pdf>, and Alexander Hislop’s Christian classic, *The Two Babylons—The Full Hislop* at <http://seedofabraham.net/The-Two-Babylons.pdf>.

<sup>2</sup> The Mormons, like the JW’s, have made up their own Bible. Joseph Smith altered the KJV Bible. See Mike Winger at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eHkEeTRmWo> for the Mormon Bible.

<sup>3</sup> See 2 *Nephi* 25:23. For more of Mrs. Wilder’s testimony and why she left the LDS at <https://www.premierchristianity.com/Past-Issues/2015/August-2015/The-Christian-Why-I-left-the-Mormon-Church-to-follow-Jesus>.

<sup>4</sup> “And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of *the only begotten* of the Father, full of grace and truth” (John 1:14 NKJV; see also Jn. 1:18; 3:16, 18; cf. Col. 1:15f.; Hebrews 1:1-4f.; Rev. 1:1f.).

that Jesus was never an angel because angels are *created* beings and obviously, do not have the divine nature of God. So the “Jesus” of the Jehovah’s Witnesses just exists in their own minds.

The Mormon Jesus is a created being also, and the “spirit brother of Lucifer,” but Scripture says that Jesus is God the Son, the great I AM (cf. John 8:58), the Word of God from eternity past (cf. Jn. 1:1-2, Col. 1:15-18). How can Jesus have a brother if Jesus is the *only* begotten Son of the Father? The Mormon “heavenly Father” *procreated* with a “heavenly Mother” and that’s how the Mormon Jesus came into existence. *They also had another son*, Lucifer, the “spirit brother” of Jesus (see *Gospel through the Ages*). The Christian Bible never speaks of Jesus Christ and Lucifer (Satan; the Devil; Rev. 20:2) being brothers. The Bible says that Jesus is the *only begotten* Son of God, and so Lucifer cannot also be another *begotten* Son of God. Mormons teach that, “Jesus *progressed* through obedience *to the status of a god* (prior to his incarnation on earth).”<sup>5</sup> The Mormon Jesus only exists in the minds of Mormons and cannot save them because he is a deception of Satan. Mormons are deceived by Satan through Joseph Smith. They won’t be happy on Judgment Day. The Mormons teach that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, but *their Jesus* is not the Jesus of the Bible and *their way of being saved* is not biblical. Mormons err greatly, to their eternal damnation. It doesn’t matter how much “good” an organization or a person does if the nature of their Jesus is false and/or if they teach a false way of salvation. Another point will further prove that Mormons are destined for the Lake of Fire (i.e. Hell; Rev. 20:10, 14, 15), along with JWs and most Roman Catholics (for some Catholics have been Born Again).

**The Heavenly Father**—As ridiculous as this seems, Mormons teach that God the Father was once a *man* who became a *god* through what they call *eternal progression*, and so this man was made a god and given this Earth by other gods, who were also once men. The Mormons call their god, “heavenly Father.” The Church of the Latter Day Saints, known as LDS or Mormons, for one of their books, the one which they hand out, the Book of Mormon, was written by Joseph Smith, their founder. Brigham Young succeeded him. In 1844, Smith gave a eulogy (sermon) for a Mormon elder named Follett, known as the King Follett discourse (for the man’s first name was “King”), and Smith said:

“*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.*”<sup>6</sup>

The Bible though, states that God the Father was God from eternity past and *nowhere* does it say that He was ever a man. Jesus speaks of His Father as “Spirit” (Jn. 4:24). The biblical God the Father created everything in the Universe through *His only begotten Son*, Jesus (John 1:3, 10; Col. 1:15f.). The Bible’s first verse states: “In the *Beginning* God created the Heavens and the Earth” (Genesis 1:1). It doesn’t say that God was given the Heavens and the Earth by other gods or that He became God through eternal progression, neither of which is found anywhere in the Bible (cf. Job 41:11; Isaiah 42:5; 43:10; 44:6, 24; 45:5-6, 18; 46:5).

The Hebrew word for *Beginning* obviously implies that the Heavens and the Earth were the first things that God created, and not that there were other worlds or universes before this one, which were inhabited by gods and/or men. Scripture never even hints at “other worlds” or peoples before this Creation, or gods greater than the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. Mormonism is a form of Greek Gnosticism, with its many gods, goddesses and saviors, and its promise of divinity and being a god over another world, to a faithful few.

The biblical God the Father is eternal, meaning that from eternity past He has always existed as God. The Mormon god does not claim that, as he was once a man (on another planet). The Bible declares God saying: “Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel and his Redeemer...“I am the **First** and I am the Last! *Besides Me there is no God!*” (Isaiah 44:6).

Please denounce the LDS Jesus. Ask the biblical Jesus to cleanse you of your sins, and to come into your heart and fill you with His Spirit. Feel free to contact me at AvramYeh@Gmail.com to learn more about the biblical Jesus and how to be Born Again. It’s truly a matter of eternal life or eternal punishment (Matthew 25:46).<sup>7</sup>

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<sup>5</sup> <https://www.equip.org/bible-answers/does-mormonism-really-teach-that-jesus-is-the-spirit-brother-of-satan/>.

<sup>6</sup> Taken from an official Mormon site: [Documentary History of the Church](#), vol. 6, pp. 302-17, under, “God an Exalted Man.”

<sup>7</sup> Revised on Saturday, January 20, 2024.