

## Jehovah's Witnesses Exposed!

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Jehovah's Witnesses, also known as the Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society (with headquarters in Brooklyn, New York), was officially founded in 1884 [as the Zion's Watch Tower and Tract Society (originally the Zion's Watch Tower in 1879), officially adopting the name of Jehovah's Witnesses in 1931], by Charles Taze Russell (1852-1916). In 1870, Russell was exposed to the teachings of William Miller, one of the founders of the Second Adventist Movement and acquired an interest in end time prophecies. Russell originally denied the doctrine of Hell, and would go on to reject nearly every other Christian doctrine, as well as add many physically and spiritually dangerous doctrines of his own making. Many of these unique and bizarre teachings were to be found in his six volume series titled, *Studies in the Scriptures*.

For the year 2000, the Watchtower Society claims a worldwide membership of over six million (about one million U.S.) in more than 91,000 congregations in 235 countries speaking 340 languages, and takes in approximately 300,000 new members each year (288,907 in 2000). According to JW statistics, yearly proselytizing is accomplished via 4.8 million home Bible studies and 1.2 billion hours of witnessing. The JWs field over 500,000 full and part-time missionaries. Instruction and training are provided for all JWs at five meetings a week, held primarily in "Kingdom Halls." Every week, an average of 45 new JW congregations are formed. [In the year 2000 in the United States alone, it was reported that 988,000 Jehovah's Witnesses spent more than 181 million hours in field service (i.e., door-to-door witnessing and Bible studies).]

JW leadership claims its victims by asserting itself to be the sole Christian religion and authority on the earth today, as well as God's mouthpiece or prophet. The Watchtower further disrupts families through its harsh and unbiblical interpretation of "disfellowshipping" and the practice of "shunning." Family members who are former JWs are labeled by Watchtower adherents as "apostates" and prevented from even social contact. Disfellowshipped or disassociated children, parents, and grandparents are kept from any type of communication with active members of the organization. Divorces are common within the sect when one member becomes disillusioned with Watchtower teaching and mind-control.

Not only has the name of this cult been changed time and again, but they also change their doctrines regularly -- between 1917 and 1928, they changed their doctrines 148 times! (Prior to 1931, Jehovah's Witnesses had also gone by the names of Millennial Dawn, People's Pulpit Association, The Brooklyn Tabernacle, and the International Bible Students Association.) Russell died in 1916 and was replaced by the second president,

Joseph F. Rutherford. "A process of replacing Russell's writings with Rutherford's began in 1921 with the publication of Rutherford's *Harp of God*. Between 1921 and 1941, Rutherford was to write twenty books and numerous pamphlets, which would slowly revise the doctrine and structure left him by Russell" (*Encyclopedia of American Religions*, G. Melton, Vol. 1, p. 485). One of Rutherford's books that caused a great amount of controversy was the seventh volume of the *Studies in the Scriptures*.

Russell adopted many of his doctrines from the [Seventh-Day Adventists](#), but the JW's began to emphasize door-to-door evangelism and literature distribution after Russell's death and subsequent leadership assumption by Joseph Franklin Rutherford. The JW's have published over ten billion pieces of literature since 1928. Its main periodicals are *The Watchtower* magazine (circulation of over 20 million in more than 130 languages) and *Awake!* (about 16 million copies in more than 80 languages), both published semi-monthly.

Historically, the JW's are best known for their practices of refusing: (1) to serve in the military; (2) to salute the flag; (3) to celebrate Christmas, birthdays, or other holidays; and (4) to give or to accept blood transfusions. [Rejecting the medical practices of vaccinations, organ transplants, and blood transfusions, the Watchtower has caused the deaths of many of its members throughout its history. Interestingly, vaccinations and organ transplants have now been acknowledged by the Watchtower as acceptable practices, contradicting their previous doctrinal position.] (Although some of these practices are neither Biblical nor unbiblical in and of themselves, depending upon one's motives and the exact nature of the practice, the *reasons* the JW's give for them often are unbiblical.)

Below are the highlights of [what JW's believe](#) concerning their source of authority, the Godhead, Christ, sin, salvation, heaven and hell, etc.:

**1. Source of Authority.** JW's claim the Bible as their final authority, but Russell's writings, especially *Studies in the Scriptures*, are considered "the light of the Scriptures." JW's have their own translation of the Scriptures (*New World Translation*, published in 1961), which reflects *the binding interpretations* of the group's leaders. The JW's' *New World Translation* greatly perverts the Scriptures to avoid placing themselves under the judgment of God (cf. Jn. 1:1; 8:58; I Tim. 2:6; Ac. 10:36; Col. 1:16-17; 2:9-10; etc.). Hence, the leader's interpretation of the Bible, not the Bible itself, is the final authority of JW's. *The Watchtower* magazine is one of the JW's main sources of doctrine, and is considered authoritative by its members.

**2. Trinity.** JW's believe that God is not a triune God, but only "Jehovah God" (*Let God Be True*, pp. 100-101); they teach that Trinitarianism is a belief in three gods, and thereby, Satan-inspired polytheism. Rutherford wrote: "... sincere persons who want to know the true God and serve him find it a bit difficult to love and worship a complicated, freakish-looking, three-headed God. The clergy who inject such ideas will contradict themselves in the very next breath by stating that God made man in his own image; for

certainly no one has ever seen a three-headed human creature" (*Let God Be True*, 2nd ed., pp. 101-102).

**3. God the Father.** Known as Jehovah, the Watchtower considers Him to be the only true eternal God, the Almighty. They write, "There was, therefore, a time when Jehovah was all alone in universal space" (*Let God Be True*, p. 25). Being alone, the first creative act of Jehovah was to create His Son.

**4. Jesus Christ.** Since JW's do not believe in the Trinity, they also do not believe that Jesus is God in the flesh. They add the word "other" four times to Colossians 1:16,17, teaching that Christ was God's *first* creation, i.e., the reincarnation of Michael the archangel created by Jehovah, rather than *the Creator*. [The "Watchtower" teaches that Jehovah God created Michael the Archangel before the foundation of the world; Michael was His only begotten son by virtue of the fact that he was the only creature directly created by Jehovah. It was this created Michael who became the JW Jesus (i.e., a denial of the eternality of Christ). JW's say that "Since actual conception took place, it appears that Jehovah God caused an ovum or egg in Mary's womb to become fertile, accomplishing this by the transfer of the life of his first born son (Michael) from the spirit realm to the earth" (*Aid to Bible Understanding*, p. 920). "Marvelously, Jehovah transferred the life-force and the personality pattern of his first born heavenly son (Michael) to the womb of Mary. God's own active force, his holy spirit, safeguarded the development of the child in Mary's womb so that what was born was a perfect human" (*Reasoning*, p. 255).] JW's also add an "a" in John 1:1, making the verse read, "the Word was **a** god" (which in essence, makes the JW's guilty of the same polytheism of which they accuse Trinitarians).

**5. Use of Name Jehovah.** JW's use the name "Jehovah" only for God (in order to distinguish between God and Jesus Christ), while failing to recognize that Jesus is the fulfillment of "Jehovah" in Isaiah 40:3 and Matthew 3:3. **[HJB]**

**6. Resurrection of Christ .** JW's deny the bodily resurrection of Christ through their teaching that the body of Christ was annihilated by God -- not risen -- but rather a new one was *created* three days after His death. This they call the "resurrection" of Christ. Thus, Jesus was "resurrected" as a "glorious spirit creature" and does *not* now have a glorified physical body. Instead, they claim Jesus arose spiritually and only "materialized" at various times after His resurrection so He could be seen alive. (*Awake!*, 7/22/73, p. 4)

**7. The Holy Spirit.** JW's deny the deity of the third person of the Trinity, as either God or as a person; they claim that the Holy Spirit is only an impersonal "active force of Almighty God which moves His servants to do His will" (*Reasoning From the Scriptures*, pp. 406-407; *The Watchtower*, 6/1/54, p. 24). They have written, "But the holy spirit has no personal name. The reason for this is that the holy spirit is not an intelligent person. It is the impersonal, invisible active force that finds its source and reservoir in Jehovah God and that he uses to accomplish his will even at great distances, over light years of space" (*Let Your Name Be Sanctified*, p. 269).

**8. Sin.** JW's believe that the first man, Adam, disobeyed Jehovah when tempted by the angel Lucifer, who was jealous of man. As a result of disobedience, Adam and all his descendants lost the right to life and so became liable to death. This liability is applied to temporal death only.

**9. Salvation** . JW's claim everlasting life is a reward for doing the will of God and carrying out one's dedication -- in other words, salvation is a reward for good works. (JW's are expected to spend five hours per week in door-to-door visitation and witnessing, are responsible for selling twelve subscriptions to *The Watchtower* magazine each month, and are responsible for conducting a "Bible study" each month in the homes of their converts.) According to JW theology, a person has one of three possible destinies. The Anointed (144,000) will be in heaven to reign with Jehovah God. The rest of the faithful Jehovah's Witnesses (not of the 144,000) will live forever on a paradise Earth. Both of these classifications are determined to a great extent on membership in the Watchtower organization as well as going door-to-door spreading the message of the Watchtower. Those people who are not members of the Watchtower organization will be destroyed by Jehovah God and cease to exist. There is no concept of eternal punishment or hell in Watchtower theology (*Let God Be True*, pp. 90-95, 289). They also believe that men will have a second chance, after death, to be saved.

**10. The Body of Christ.** JW's believe that the members of the spiritual Body of Christ, or "Christian Congregation," number only 144,000 (Rev. 7:4-8). Most of those members of Christ's Body are now deceased and are reigning with Jesus in heaven since 1918. (Anybody born after 1936 cannot be in that number.) The remaining members still on earth, approximately 8,000 (out of whom are selected the "Governing Body"), are known as the "Remnant." They are collectively known as Jehovah God's "channel of communication" to men. They are the only ones "born again" and are the only ones who have a hope of going to Heaven. The rest of Jehovah's faithful witnesses only hope to be worthy enough to inherit the Earth, and will never see "Jesus/Michael," nor will they ever go to Heaven. All "so called Christendom" will be destroyed at Armageddon.

**11. Soul Sleep.** JW's deny the immortality of the soul. They do not believe the soul can exist apart from the body, but that a corpse remains in an unconscious state in the grave waiting for the resurrection. **[HJB]**

**12. Annihilation of the Wicked.** JW's teach that the "second death" is annihilation and extinction -- the wicked will cease to exist and will not suffer everlasting torment. They claim that a "doctrine of a burning hell" is "wholly unscriptural," "unreasonable," "contrary to God's love," and "repugnant to justice." **[HJB]** They claim that "hell" is the grave.

**13. Prophecy** . The Bible lists six identifying marks of false prophets, any one of which is sufficient for identification: (1) through signs and wonders they lead astray after false gods (Dt. 13:1-4); (2) their prophecies don't come to pass (Dt. 18:20-22); (3) they contradict God's Word (Isa. 8:20); (4) they bear bad fruit (Mt. 7:18-20); (5) men speak

well of them (Lk. 6:26); and (6) they deny that Jesus, the one and only Christ, has come once and for all in the flesh (1 Jn. 4:3), thereby denying His sufficiency in all matters of life and godliness (2 Pe. 1:3). Most cults are founded upon false prophecies, which, if pointed out, offer an effective way to open blind eyes and rescue cultists. Russell's false prophecies formed the basis for what became The Watchtower Bible and Tract Society and the Jehovah's Witnesses. Russell declared that the Second Coming had taken place invisibly in October 1874, and the Lord was truly present, and that in 1914 the faithful (the 144,000) would be translated to heaven and the wicked destroyed. Armageddon (which began in 1874) would culminate in 1914 with the complete overthrow of earth's rulers and the end of the world. C.T. Russell, still on earth, died in 1916.

In the early 1920s, JW's zealously distributed on the streets and from door to door a book titled *Millions Now Living Will Never Die*. It was prophesied, "The year 1925 is a date definitely and clearly marked in the Scriptures, even more clearly than that of 1914 ... we may confidently expect that 1925 will mark the return of Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and the faithful prophets of old ... to the condition of human perfection" ("*Millions Now Living Will Never Die*," *The Watchtower*, 7/15/24, p. 89). The JW's even built a house in San Diego where the patriarchs were to live and tried to deed it to King David. (The house was quietly sold in 1954.) In the early 1940s, JW's were declaring that Armageddon, only months away, would end World War II and the defeat of the Nazis would usher in God's rule on earth (*The Watchtower*, 12/41). Their book, *Children*, suggested that plans to marry and have children be postponed until after Armageddon. It's been a long wait! Not giving up, they later prophesied that God's millennial kingdom would commence in 1975. Again JW's were told not to engage in any plans for this world, including marriage and having children. Many quit their jobs, sold their homes, and dedicated themselves to going door to door. (Source: 3/97, *The Berean Call*.) All in all, the Watchtower has predicted the end of the world for 1914, 1918, 1925, 1975, and 1989.

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## Five Myths of Jehovah's Witnesses

(Source: 4Q1993, *The DISCERNER*.)

**Myth #1:** The JW's are polytheist, believing in both a big God, Jehovah, and a little God, Jesus Christ.

**Fact:** JW's are absolutely monotheist, believing in Jehovah the Father who is the one true God and in His son, Jesus Christ, who is not God in any way at all.

**Myth #2:** JW's are pacifist and refuse to pay taxes.

**Fact:** JW's today refer to their stand as neutrality, not pacifism; that is, they are not against the use of force or even killing; rather they seek to maintain strict neutrality in the world's affairs, not taking sides or serving any government. As to paying taxes, the Witnesses do pay them.

**Myth #3:** JW's will not accept blood for any reason.

**Fact:** While it's true that they will not accept blood transfusions, JW's are allowed to have all the component parts of blood plasma.

**Myth #4:** The Watchtower Society claims to be an inspired prophet with continuing revelations.

**Fact:** JW's' Governing Body has always enjoyed all the privileges of prophets or apostles without any of the responsibilities. So, technically, though they do not claim to be inspired prophets, in practice, that is just what they are to the millions of JW's around the world. [Due to the resignation of the Governing Body's president and six other board members in October of 2000, JW's formed three new corporations to run its U.S. operations.]

**Myth #5:** JW's are super-zealots living exemplary Christian lives.

**Fact:** The foremost reason for their super zealot reputation is the active door-to-door ministry. Many are impressed by their willingness to spend so much time in their mission work. But what are their motives? Mainly they are fear and guilt. The tight control the organization holds over its members helps bring about conformity in moral standards.

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**The Jehovah's Witness "Jesus"** -- what JW's confess and what they mean are two totally different things: (Source: 1/94, *Mount Carmel Outreach Newsletter*.)

(1) "Jesus Christ is the Son of God." -- The first created son of God was known as Michael the Archangel. This angel was recreated as a perfect man on earth and named "Jesus." This Jesus died on a torture stake (not a cross), so that men could **work** their way into God's Kingdom. This Jesus/Michael now rules over his Kingdom invisibly since 1914. (Since he failed to show up then, to destroy the unfaithful, he was declared by the Watchtower "powers that be," to be invisible!)

(2) "We believe in the second coming of Jesus Christ." -- The angel Michael turned his attention to the affairs of the Earth in 1914 by establishing an invisible heavenly kingdom. This is what is meant by "second coming." He will never return visibly to Earth, but will rule through his "anointed" or "remnant" group of JW's here on Earth.

(3) "Jesus was resurrected." -- God (Jehovah) placed a newly created copy of Jesus' life pattern (or personality) into a newly created Michael the Archangel's spiritual (not physical) body. Since Jesus had been totally annihilated, Jehovah had to recreate Jesus from his memory, and he is now Jesus/Michael in heaven.

<http://www.rapidnet.com/~jbeard/bdm/Cults/jw.htm>

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\* Unless otherwise cited, three primary sources were used for this report: (1) *Grolier's 1995 Multimedia Encyclopedia*, (2) *Funk & Wagnall's Encyclopedia*, and (3) *What They Believe*, Harold J. Berry [HJB], BTTB:1990, pp. 51-70; (4) "[Watchtower Bible and Tract Society](#)," Rick Branch (Watchman Fellowship Profile, 1993); and (5) *Examining & Exposing Cultic & Occultic Movements*, Jack Sin, "Focus on JW's," April 2000, pp. 16-20.

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## How to Witness to a Jehovah's Witness

Ray Comfort Way of the Master I rushed down the stairs to the sound of a barking dog and our doorbell. When I opened it, two well-dressed young men stood in front of me. I greeted them with a warm, "Hi," to which one of them asked in perfect English, "Do you know of any Spanish speaking families around here?"

"Next door there is a Spanish speaking family. Across the road there is an Indonesian family, then an India, then English, and I am Chinese. Do you want to see a picture of me on a cruise?"

They politely said they did, so I quickly opened my wallet and showed them a picture of Tom Cruise with the word, "ME," on his forehead. They laughed.

"So what are you guys selling?"

"Nothing."

"Are you Mormons?"

"No."

"Jehovah Witnesses?"

"Yes."

"Tell me this. I have a knife in my back. I have three minutes to live. My blood and life are draining from me. I know I'm dying. What are you going to say to me? How can I enter the Kingdom?"

They looked at each other. Then back at me. There was dead silence. It was obvious that they didn't know what to tell me.

"Come on guys. I'm dying. I have three minutes!"

One of them said, "I don't know. There are lots you have to do." The other one echoed, "Lots."

Then the first said, "You have to learn. You have to gain knowledge..."

"What about the thief on the cross? What knowledge did he get? How could he learn anything? He couldn't turn the pages of a book -- he was nailed to a cross. He probably couldn't read anyway. Yet Jesus said to him, 'Today you will be with Me in Paradise.'"

"We have to go now."

"Come on guys. This is important. I want to know how to enter Jehovah's Kingdom. What are your names?"

"Jonathan."

"Javier."

"Do you consider yourself to be good people?"

"Um... yes."

"Have you ever told a lie?"

"Yes."

"What does that make you?"

"A liar."

Javier said he had stolen and then became very quiet. Jonathan said that he had never stolen, blasphemed, or even looked at a woman with lust. Never.

"Are you gay?"

"No."

"The reason I haven't done that is because I was born into the truth."

I explained, "We have to face a perfect Law of the Day of Judgment and nothing you and I do can save us. Only the blood of Jesus. He died for us. He took our punishment upon Himself, and now God can save us through His mercy. That's why the thief was saved.

He didn't do anything to save himself because he couldn't. Only God's mercy and grace can save us. The Bible says, 'For by grace are you saved through faith, and that not of yourselves. It is the gift of God, not of works least any man boast.' 'Not by works of righteousness that we have done has He saved, us, but according to His mercy.' Revelation 21:8 says that all liars will have their part in the lake of fire.

That why you need Jesus Christ, to wash your sins away. The moment you repent and trust Him, God will forgi

"But we are doing what Jesus did."

"Did He go door to door?"

"Yes. He went around preaching the gospel."

"But the gospel you are preaching is different than the one He preached."

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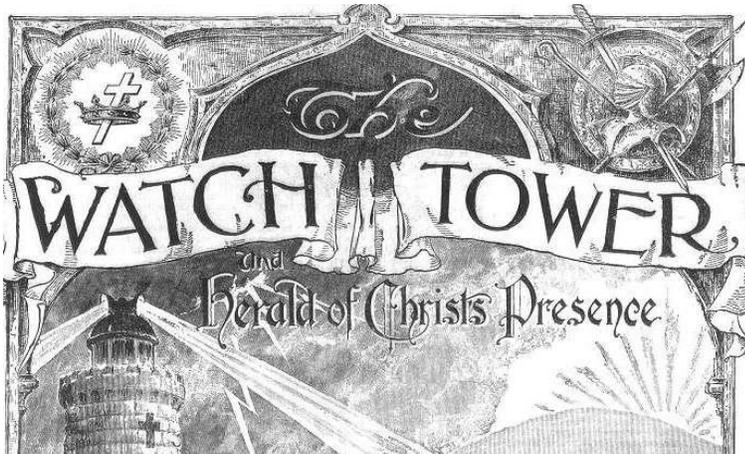
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## **Jehovah's Witnesses *EXPOSED!***

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<http://www.jesus-is-savior.com/False%20Religions/Jehovah%20Witnesses/jw.htm>

The *Jehovah Witnesses* are a Satanic organization, based upon the occult of Freemasonry. Charles Taze Russell was a 33rd Degree Freemason; as was Joseph Smith, founder of the Mormon cult. Carefully notice the Masonic cross at the upper left corner of the photo below...



The Masonic cross used by the Masonic Jehovah's Witnesses

Russell and the *Watch Tower Bible and Track Society* in the *Greatest Masonic Center Cemetery*



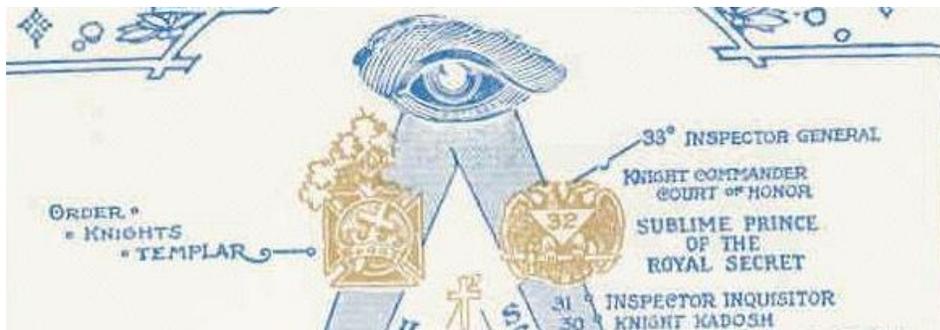
The picture below is the same scene as above, but without the zoom. Notice the illuminati pyramid. This is where Charles Taze Russell is buried.



Below is a close-up of the inscription on the pyramid above. This is irrefutable proof that Jehovah Witnesses are inseparably linked to [Satanic Freemasonry](#).



Below: Notice the Freemasonry cross, the Knights Templar symbol. C.T. Russell was a Knights Templar.



Below: Notice the Masonic cross in this Freemasonry meeting hall.



The founders of both "faiths," the Mormons and Jehovah's witnesses, were of the Illuminati bloodline. Charles Taze Russell, who founded the *Watchtower Society* (Jehovah Witnesses), was of the Illuminati Russell bloodline, which also founded the infamous *Skull and Bones Society* at Yale University. Charles Taze Russell was a Satanist, a pedophile according to his wife, and a friend of the Rothschilds. Indeed it was the Rothschilds who funded the Jehovah's Witness operation into being, along with other Illuminati bankers, through "contributions" by organizations like the Rothschild-controlled B'nai B'rith. This was proved in a court of law in 1922. One of the key people involved in this was Frank Goldman who later became President of B'nai B'rith. Why would an organization set up (in theory) to help Jewish people and promote the Jewish faith, be funding into existence the Jehovah's Witnesses??? I think the name Rothschild answers the question. **Russell** was also a high degree Freemason and Knights Templar. He promoted Zionism, another Rothschild creation (see [Hitler was a Rothschild](#)), on behalf of his friends and backers.

[In his book \*The Watchtower & the Masons\* Fritz Springmeier says:](#)

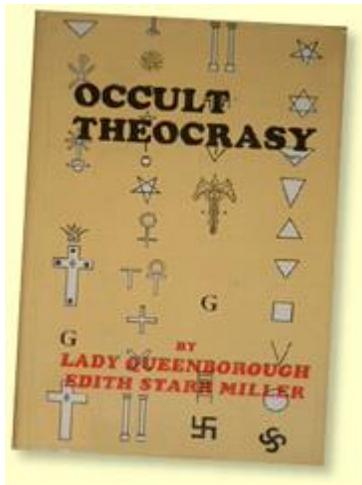
"It has always been disconcerting that the Masons are so adept at smokescreens. The leader of the Anti-Masonic political party in the 1830-1840's turned out to be a Mason. Both C.T. Russell and J. Rutherford printed material that was less than favorable to Freemasonry. And yet I now know that C.T. Russell was a Freemason, a Knights Templar. I also know that Rutherford worked intimately with Freemasons who were his good friends."

### **The Occult Roots of the Jehovah's Witnesses**

Read the eye-opening, [Be Wise As Serpents](#) (free online .PDF book), by political prisoner and Christian, Fritz Springmeier.

Read the eye-opening, [Occult Theocracy](#) (free online .PDF book), by Edith Starr Miller.

She wrote the book in 1933 and lists Charles Taze Russell as a Knights Templar Mason on page page 737... [http://maritimes.indymedia.org/uploads/2007/06/10008-occult\\_theocracy-s-2.jpg](http://maritimes.indymedia.org/uploads/2007/06/10008-occult_theocracy-s-2.jpg)



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### THE JEHOVAH'S WITNESS A DAUGHTER OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

This Satanic society used Catholic Church Sources in order to produce its *New World Translation*. Westcott and Hort were two Satanists, founders of the Hermes Club and members of famed Russian witch Madam Blavatsky's Theosophy cult.

[Dr. Bill Grady](#) said it best in his excellent book, *Final Authority...*

“Wescott and Hort, were a pair of unsaved liberals whose open Vatican sympathies cast them as the consummate **Jesuit** plants.”

“To regain her corner on the market, Rome created an elite paramilitary Gestapo unit that would make Himmler’s SS appear like a Sunday school....sparking what historians call, the counter-Reformation. The infamous Society of Jesus was founded by Ignatius De Loyola in 1534, more commonly known as the Jesuits....”

They are the most militant arm of papal power to this day. Their goals were to reclaim those that had left Catholicism and to attack the reliability of the Textus Receptus. They would use ANY METHOD to regain control including confiscation, treachery, torture and assassination. Jesuits will stop at nothing to bring the whole world under subjection to the Vatican. The Jesuits ploy was to entice Protestants back to Rome. They knew they could not bring anyone back into the bondage of Catholicism as long as true believers clung to the pure text. So the Jesuits plotted to replace our Bible with pro-Catholic readings of Jerome’s Vulgate. This would cause the

Protestant scholars to believe our text was unreliable, unreadable and not scholarly. Once programmed, the scholars would attack the pure text, all the while, believing they were doing God's service."

Westcott and Hort took two waste Catholic Sources (**the Sinaiticus and the Vaticanus**) to produce their waste version of the Bible, Nestle and the *New World Translation* of the Jehovah's Witnesses, written by Senior Jesuits Jose Maria Bover and A. Merckz, followed Westcott and Hort.

[From the Forward of the 1950 version NWT:](#)

"The original writings of the Christian Greek Scriptures, commonly called the New Testament, were inspired. No translation of these Sacred writings into another language, is inspired... The Greek text that we have used as a basis of our NW translation is the widely accepted **Westcott and Hort** text (1881) by reason of its admitted excellence. But we have also taken in to consideration other texts including that prepared by **D. Eberhard Nestle** and that compiled by the Spanish **Jesuit** scholar Jose Maria Bover and that by the **other Jesuit** scholar A. Merck..."

[9. \\*The Jehovah's Witnesses](#) used **Jesuits and Roman Catholic** manuscripts to aid in the translation of the New World Translation.

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"In the broad left-hand column of the pages will be found the Greek text edited by B F Westcott and F J a Hort, and published in 1881." By Way of Explanation, *The Kingdom Interlinear Translation of the Greek Scriptures* - 1985, page 5.

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## **Jehovah's Witnesses They Will NOT Tell You:**

- § That The Watchtower has consistently and falsely prophesied the end of the world. (1914, 1918, 1925, 1942, and 1975)
- § That since their last false prophecy (the end of the world in 1975) more than 1 million Jehovah's Witnesses have left their church.

- § That in the 1920's The Watchtower built a palace in San Diego, California which they called Beth Sarim, for Abraham, Isaac and Jacob who they prophesied falsely would return from the dead in 1925.

- § That when Abraham, Isaac and Jacob had not returned from the dead The Watchtower president Judge Rutherford moved into the mansion himself.

### **False Prophecies Stated by Jehovah's Witnesses**

- § 1916 - World War I would end in a glorious outcome - Messiah's Kingdom (*The Watch Tower* reprints, 9/1/16, pg. 5951).

- § 1920 - Abraham, Isaac and Jacob will be resurrected and living on earth by 1925 (*Millions Now Living Will Never Die*, pp. 89-90).

- § 1940 - Armageddon is very near (*The Informant*, May 1940, pg. 1).

- § 1941 - Armageddon is surely near (*Children*, pg. 366).

- § 1968 - The 1000 year reign of Jesus Christ is to start in the Fall of 1975 (*Life Everlasting in the Freedom of the Sons of God*, pp. 29-30). <sup>(1)</sup>

### **Their History**

#### **CHARLES TAZE RUSSELL (1870-1916)**

- § Founded Zion's Watch Tower and Tract Society in 1884.
- § Published *Zion 's Watch Tower & Herald of Christ's Presence* in 1879.
- § Stated people would go into darkness without the aid of his *Studies*.

#### **JOSEPH FRANKLIN RUTHERFORD (1917-1942)**

- § Replaced some of Russell's interpretations of theology with his own.
- § Changed the name of the organization from *International Bible Students* to *Jehovah's Witnesses* in July 1931.

#### **NATHAN HOMER KNORR (1942-1977)**

- § Aided in the production of the Watchtower's own translation of the Bible, which alters Scripture to support false Witness theology.

#### **FREDERICK WILLIAM FRANZ (1977-Present)**

### **Materials Published by The Watchtower Society**

- § *Watchtower* magazine - First edition, in 1879.

- § *Awake!* magazine - This publication carries subjects of current interest which arouses the reader to the Watchtower's viewpoint.

- § *The New World Translation* (Bible) - The Watchtower released, starting in 1950, its own translation of the Bible. This version changes Scripture to support false Witness theology. (See *NWT* John 1:1 and Colossians 1:16,17.)

### **Major Doctrines of The Jehovah's Witnesses**

- § Their Church (The Watchtower) is God's only true Church.
- § The Bible can only be understood by Jehovah's Witnesses.
- § Jesus Christ of the Bible is really only a created being known as Michael the Archangel.
  - § Jesus is a god (created) but he is not God the Son.
  - § Jesus Christ returned invisibly in 1914.
  - § Jesus Christ was not put to death on a cross but died on a stake in the ground.
- § There is no such person as the Holy Spirit.
- § Salvation comes only through being a Jehovah's Witness and doing ALL that the Watchtower asks you to do.
  - § Only 144,000 Jehovah's Witnesses will go to Heaven (no one else).
  - § If you should hear their message and not become a Jehovah's Witness then God will destroy you and your children at the coming Armageddon.
  - § Deny the Trinity.
  - § Deny the Personality of the Holy Spirit.
  - § Deny the Deity of Jesus Christ.
  - § Deny the Bodily Resurrection of Jesus Christ.
  - § Deny the Visible Second Coming of Jesus Christ.
  - § Deny eternal torment in Hell.
  - § Deny Man's Eternal Soul.
  - § Deny a Heavenly Home for All Believers.

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Beware of Jehovah witnesses!

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**Jehovah's Witnesses are false prophets!** I believe they are very sincere, but dead wrong on the truth of Jesus Christ. They are one of the most dangerous false religions in the world today! Why Dangerous? Because they come closer to imitating true Christians than any other religion. They dress like Believers, talk like Believers, go door-to-door like soul-winning Believers, etc. Nevertheless; **they are Satan's workers, full of lies and deceit.** There are an

estimated 6,000,000 Jehovah Witnesses (JW's) in the world today, small when compared to the billions of Muslims, Catholics and Buddhists.

We are admonished in I John 4:1, "Beloved, believe NOT every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: **BECAUSE MANY FALSE PROPHETS ARE GONE OUT INTO THE WORLD.**" Now we must be careful here to "rightly divide" the Word of Truth. I John 4:2 tells us that "Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God." Nearly every false religion believes a person named Jesus once came in a fleshly body and walked this earth. So this Scripture obviously means more than is read at a casual glance. We must be careful to "Search the Scriptures" as Jesus commanded in John 5:39. I believe this Scripture is referring to Christ's deity (that God Almighty came in the flesh, Jesus Christ). I never quite understood this verse until I found out that JW's believe that Michael the Archangel came down to earth and became Jesus Christ. **That's right, JW's believe that Michael became Jesus!** I find no biblical evidence to even remotely support this crazy teaching. **Anyone who denies that God Almighty came in the flesh is a liar.**

Every false religion one way or another attacks (either by denying or diminishing) the deity of Christ. JW's will say that Jesus is "a god," but not Almighty God. They will say that Satan himself is also called a "god" and do their best to diminish the deity of Christ, tearing Him down. How silly can they get? Deuteronomy 6:4 proclaims that **THERE IS ONLY ONE GOD!** We are commanded in the ten commandments (Exodus 20:3), "Thou shalt have **NO OTHER GOD'S BEFORE ME.**" So either Jesus is Almighty God, or He's no god at all. **There is only one true and living God, all other gods are false gods.** The JW's worship a false God just as do the Muslims, Catholics and so many others. JW's also deny the bodily resurrection of Christ and His bodily second coming. They deny the rapture and instead believe that Jesus returned (only in Spirit) in the year 1914 to start setting up His kingdom on earth (through the JW's of course). JW's don't believe that the Holy Spirit lives inside (indwells) the true Believer. They deny that Jesus is God or that the Holy Spirit is a person. JW's like to point out that the word "trinity" isn't in the Bible. No, but the word "Godhead" is! Colossians 2:8,9 says, "...after **CHRIST. FOR IN HIM DWELLETH ALL THE FULNESS OF THE GODHEAD BODILY.**" This Scripture (amongst many others) teaches us that there is a Godhead, one God who has manifest Himself to mankind in three distinct persons: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. What a truth! God the father and God the Holy Spirit walked this earth in the bodily person of God the Son, Jesus Christ. Look back to Colossians 2:2, "...to the acknowledgement of the mystery of GOD, AND OF THE FATHER, AND OF CHRIST." Even the Word of God tells us it's a mystery. Some things weren't meant to be understood, just believed. "For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face..." (I Corinthians 13:12).

The problem with so many people is that they refuse to believe in something they can't understand. They rely on their **HEAD** for guidance instead of their **HEART**. II Corinthians 3:14-16 tells us that people's minds are blinded because of the hardness (veil) upon their heart. If a person will turn in their stubborn, sinful heart to the Lord—they will come to the knowledge of the truth. JW's prey on those who have to make sense out of everything. Their whole religion is based on "what makes sense." I've witnessed to several JW's and they always say the same thing, "That doesn't make any sense." It might not make good sense, but **IT'S GOOD BIBLE!**

Why is this such a surprise? Many things don't make sense: people don't make sense, the boss doesn't make sense, government doesn't make sense, etc. **Faith is believing what you cannot understand.** "For THE PREACHING OF THE CROSS IS TO THEM THAT PERISH **FOOLISHNESS...**" (I Corinthians 1:17). The truth is foolishness until you get saved. "...**BUT UNTO US WHICH ARE SAVED IT IS THE POWER OF GOD.**" You see my friend, you must accept Jesus Christ by heart's faith as your personal Savior—Nothing will make sense until you do. I Corinthians 2:14 makes it clear that the Bible is foolishness to the unbeliever (the natural man). If you reject Christ, it is only because of the wicked, sinful pride in your heart.

May I also say that there is a great danger that I must warn you about concerning the Jehovah Witnesses. JW's have become very crafty in their teachings and twisting of the Scriptures. II Peter 3:16 says that Peter had a hard time understanding some of Paul's epistles, "...in which are some things hard to be understood, which they that are unlearned and unstable **WREST** (twist), **AS THEY DO ALSO THE OTHER SCRIPTURES, UNTO THEIR OWN DESTRUCTION.**" "JW's will tell you that they believe in accepting Jesus Christ as their Savior. This is enough to lure many multitudes of unsuspecting people, woefully ignorant of the truth, into their false religion. The problem is that your being led to a false Jesus. The Apostle Paul warns us in II Corinthians 11:3,4 of those who would corrupt us by preaching "**ANOTHER JESUS.**" There are many false Jesus' in the world today because of multitudes of woefully ignorant people tampering with God's Word. Peter said they do it to their own destruction. The Islamic Muslims and Black Muslims don't believe that Jesus was crucified, nor is He the Savior. The Mormons deny Christ's deity as do the JW's. Catholics elevate Mary to deity with Jesus and form a damnable heresy all of their own. Buddhists deny Christ as Savior and God. On and on we could go, false religion and more false religion. If a man persuades you to accept Jesus as Savior but then tells you that Jesus was really Bozo the clown incarnate, would you believe him? Of course not! So why believe the JW's when they try to tell you that Michael the archangel became Jesus? This is ludicrous and totally unscriptural. Interestingly, JW's try to hide this ridiculous teaching of theirs from new converts because it exposes JW's for what they are—Satanic liars.

A young man once asked an older preacher if he believed a person could deny the deity of Christ and still be saved. The old man replied, "**YOU WILL BELIEVE IN THE DEITY OF CHRIST IF YOU ARE SAVED!**" I accepted Jesus as my Savior, asking Him to forgive me of my sins when I was a teenager. I didn't know about the deity of Christ or the virgin birth because I simply had not heard those things. When I grew older and heard of these truths, I knew in my heart that they were true. The Holy Spirit of God (who lives within every Believer) bared witness to my spirit that these doctrines were true. I never had a problem believing the deity of Christ, the Godhead, the virgin birth, Jesus' sinless life, etc. Even though some things didn't make sense, I knew in my heart that they were true.

**If you deny that Christ is God, you are not a true Believer.** In John 8:24 and 57-59, Jesus claimed that He was the "**I AM**" of Exodus 3:14 (see also John 5:18 and Philipians 2:6). The Jews began to stone Jesus for what He had claimed, that He was God—Jesus escaped the wicked crowd. John 8:24 reads, "...for IF YE BELIEVE NOT THAT **I AM** he, ye shall die in your sins." Notice that the pronoun "he" is in italics. This simply means it was added by the King

James translators because they were scholarly enough to let us know it wasn't in the original (unlike modern translations which have no italics). Jesus said we will die in our sins if we do not believe upon Him as He is! **The false Jesus of the Jehovah Witnesses cannot save because it is a mythical character and does not exist in reality!** Paul made clear in II Corinthians 11:3,4 that Satan is subtle and wants to deceive us just as he did Eve in Eden. The Devil always misquotes the Bible, rarely avoids it completely. I am always amazed that false prophets will bring up Bible verses until you prove them wrong with the Bible, then they'll tell you they don't believe the Bible. If they don't believe God's Word, why do they keep quoting it? Because they are of their father, the Devil, who is a master counterfeiter. **Only Jesus** ever accepted worship from another (Matthew 8:2;9:18), **only Jesus** ever forgave sin (Mark 2:5), **only Jesus** had the Holy Spirit without measure (John 3:34). Only Jesus! Jesus is Almighty God!

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