

JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

are they?

In spite of being consistently wrong:

Christ's second coming would occur in 1874

*Human governments would be overthrown in 1914 and God's kingdom set up on earth

*Abraham, Isaac and Jacob would rise from the grave in 1925 and go and live in San Diego

*In 1975, human history would end and the 1000 year reign of Christ would begin on earth.

The Watchtower Society claims to be a prophet of God.

We'll look at what the Jehovah's Witnesses believe against God's absolute authority

- the King James Version:

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**"For there are three that bear record in heaven,
the Father, the Word,
and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one."
1 John 5 : 7**

The people now screaming their lungs out in hell sincerely believed it never existed - and they had Bible verses to prove it!"

THE WATCHTOWER SOCIETY (The J W's society)

- 1. It says it's God's visible representative on earth and should be obeyed as the voice of God.**
- 2. Scripture alone is insufficient in learning the things of God according to the watchtower.**
- 3. Without the Tower, people are incapable of getting the true meaning of Scripture.**
- 4. People shouldn't interpret Scripture for themselves but submit their minds to the Tower.**

THE BIBLE SAYS:

- 1. God's direction is to be found only in Scriptures and obedience given to His Word and not a bunch of "Bible vampires"- sucking on God's word for their own ends. 2 Tim 3:16; 1Cor 2:13, Psalm 119**
- 2. The Scriptures are complete leading to salvation and subsequent growth. 2 Tim 3:15-17**
- 3. The Scriptures are interpreted by the Holy Spirit and a saved man can understand and apply the Scriptures. 2 Tim 3:15-17; John 16:12-15; 1Cor 2:9-12.**
- 4. We're to test everything like the Bereans and Jesus. 1 Thess 5:21; Acts 17:11; Matt 4:4,7,10**

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Comment: Sound familiar? If you took out the word 'Watchtower' you'd think the Roman Catholic church was being referred to. Hang on to your hats ladies and gentlemen, we're in for a bumpy ride. Yep! More domination, intimidation and manipulation by the Pharisees coming up.

THE DIVINE NAME

1. The Watchtower says that the only name by which God should be called is "Jehovah", the proper use of which is essential to salvation.
2. "Father" in the New Testament should be "Jehovah".
3. Believers should be called witnesses of Jehovah.
4. Jesus is not Jehovah according to the watchtower.

THE BIBLE SAYS:

1. Isaiah 40:3 says: "The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God." Matthew 3:3 says: "For this is he (Jesus Christ) that was spoken of by the prophet Esaias, saying, THE VOICE OF ONE CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS, PREPARE YE THE WAY OF THE LORD, MAKE HIS PATHS STRAIGHT." **JEHOVAH AND JESUS ARE THE SAME PERSON!** There are no rabbits out of hats here. Isaiah was referring to the Jews Jehovah and yet he was also prophesying for the future coming of Jesus.

2. God is referred to in various ways Exodus 3:16; Romans 8:15; Ex 6:3. Jesus is the only way of salvation and forgiveness is only found in Him John 1:12; John 3:16, Acts 10:43; 1John 3:23-24; John 14:6; Acts 4:12; 1John 5:13.

3. Believers are to be witnesses of Jesus Christ Acts 1:8; 2:32; 3:15; 4:33; 13:30,31

4. The following chart shows some names and attributes of Jehovah, that the Bible also uses to describe Jesus Christ.

Used of God	Description	Used of Jesus
Exodus 3:14	"I AM"	John 8:58
Genesis 1:1	God	Titus 2:13
Isaiah 48:12	Alpha & Omega	Rev 1:17-18
Isaiah 45:23	Lord	Philip 2:10,11
Isaiah 43:11	Saviour	John 4:42
Isaiah 43:15	King	Rev 19:16
Genesis 18:25	Judge	2 Cor 5:10
Psalms 27:1	Light	John 8:12
Deut 32:3,4	Rock	1 Cor 10:3,4
Isaiah 48:17	Redeemer	Ephesians 1:7
Isaiah 45:24	Our Righteousness	Romans 3:21,22
Isaiah 54:5	Husband	2 Cor 11: 2
Psalms 23:1	Shepherd	John 10:11-16
Isaiah 44:24	Creator	Colossians 1:16
Deut 32:39	Giver of Life	John 5:21
Daniel 9:9	Forgiver of Sin	Mark 2:1-12
Exodus 15:26	Lord our Healer	Acts 9:34
Psalms 139:7-12	Omnipresent	Matt 28:19-20
1 Kings 8:39	Omniscient	John 16:30
Isaiah 40:10-31	Omnipotent	Mark 1:29-34
Genesis 1:1	Pre-existent	John 17:5
Psalms 102 : 26, 27	Eternal	Isaiah 9:6
Malachi 3:6	Immutable	Hebrews 13:8
John 4:24	Receiver – worship	Matthew 28:9

These Scriptures point to Jesus and Jehovah as being one and the same - the great "I AM"

Comment: As with all men dominators, they have their own language that you have to learn, in order to follow their seemingly deep spiritual understanding of the hidden things in Scriptures. This is why

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King James in 1611 ordered a version of the Bible such that the common man could read and understand.

JESUS CHRIST

JW's believe that Jesus was created as the archangel Michael and not begotten. They believe Jesus is a mighty god but not God and is lesser than the Father.

THE BIBLE SAYS:

The Scriptures clearly show that the Father, Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit to be all one and the same - one God yet three distinct Persons. *"For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one."* 1 John5:7

	Father	Jesus Christ	Holy Spirit
Omnipresent	Matt19:26	Matt 28:18	Ps 139:7
Called God	1Peter 1:2	John 20:28	Acts 5:3,4
Almighty	Gen 17:1	Rev 1:8	Rom 15:19
Eternal	Ps 90:2	Micah 5:2	Heb 9:14
Omniscient	Rom11:33	Matt 9:4	1Cor2:10
Truth	John 7:28	Rev 3:7	1John 5:6
omnipotent	1Peter 1:5	Matt 28:18	Rom 15:19
Holy	Rev 15:4	Acts 3:14	John 16: 7-14
Lord	Rom 10:12	Luke 2:11	2Cor 3:17
Powerful	Jer 32:17	Heb 1:3	Luke1:35

THE HOLY SPIRIT

JW's say the Holy Spirit is not a person: He isn't God but God's active force.

THE BIBLE SAYS:

See the above chart which shows that the Holy Spirit Is God with all His attributes and powers.

THE TRINITY

JW's say there is no Trinity - only God by Himself and Jesus is a created being and the Holy Spirit is God's active force.

THE BIBLE SAYS: "For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one." 1John5:7

TWO CLASSES OF SAVED PEOPLE

JW's believe in an "Anointed Class" of 144,000 (only these are born again) who make it to heaven, the rest will stay on paradise earth forever.

WHAT'S GOD GOT TO SAY ABOUT THIS? Jesus never said that entry was limited - whoever sought it would find it Matt 9:35-38; Mark1:14-15. *"Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God..."*
1 John 5-1

SALVATION

JW's believe that salvation depends on works. Grace just gives people the opportunity to earn their salvation which comes through strict obedience to the Watchtower Society. Faith, calling on the name of Jehovah, is necessary for salvation but works must be added.

WHAT'S GOD GOT TO SAY ABOUT THIS?

"For by grace are ye saved through faith..." Eph2:8- 9 and "...to him that worketh not..." Romans 4:5. There are 200 references to salvation by faith alone in the New Testament.

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SOUL SLEEP

JW's believe man has no soul that survives death - he is totally annihilated at death, so hell is not a place of suffering but the common grave

WHAT'S GOD GOT TO SAY ABOUT THIS?

Man has a distinct soul, is conscious after death and hell is a place of everlasting suffering. See Philip 1:21-23; 2 Cor 5:8; Luke 16:19-31; Rev 6:9-10; Rev 20:15.

*"And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.
Matt25:46.*

Comment: People want to pick and choose! Everyone wants eternal life but no-one wants eternal punishment, yet the Greek word (aionis) used for the words `everlasting' & `eternal' means the same thing i.e. without end and stretching out to infinity!
The people that populate hell will be the ones who never believed it existed.

CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES

1. The eating blood (blood transfusions) is forbidden.
2. Celebration of birthdays is forbidden.
3. No wearing of crosses.
4. Jesus was crucified on stake not a cross.

WHAT'S GOD GOT TO SAY ABOUT THIS?

1. Blood transfusions aren't food but life sustaining fluid.
2. Two men involved in birthdays (Pharoah & Herod) died. This only proves that evil men die.
3. Worshipping a cross is idolatry not wearing one.
4. John 20:25 says "nails" (one for each hand) were used on "outstretched" arms Outstretched arms on a stake? Impossible!

Comment: How many times have you been absolutely sure that what you believed about something was true only to find out that it wasn't? It's sad to see well intentioned sincere people like the Jehovah's Witnesses headed for the eternal Lake of Fire.

Dear Reader,

Get everything else wrong while alive - but don't get your salvation wrong! Trust in Jesus Christ alone with faith alone and no works! Everyone in hell, without exception, testifies it's real.

IF THERE IS NO ETERNAL TORMENT IN HELL, JESUS WAS A LIAR AND JUST TRIED TO PULL THE WOOL OVER OUR EYES!

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