



## Where Did the Mormons Come From?

1. Mormonism began with Joseph Smith Jr. who was born on Dec. 23, 1805.
2. When Joseph Smith Jr. was 17 years old, an angel called Moroni, appeared to him and told him that he had been chosen to translate the book of Mormon.
3. In 1827 Joseph Smith Jr. started translating special golden plates given to him by the angel Moroni. The translation was finally published in 1830 as the Book of Mormon.

## What Do the Mormons Believe?

1. What Do the Mormons Believe About the Bible?
  - ✓ The Mormons teach that the Bible is not complete.
  - ✓ The Mormons have added three books in addition to the Bible, all of which they believe contain God's revelations - the *Book of Mormon*, *Doctrine and Covenants*, and the *Pearl of Great Price*.
  - ✓ **Add thou not unto his words... Proverbs 30:6**
2. What Do the Mormons Believe About God?
  - ✓ The Mormons teach that God came from another planet.
  - ✓ The Mormons teach that there is more than one God.
  - ✓ The Mormons believe that the universe is inhabited by many gods who produce spirit children.
  - ✓ The Mormons teach that God the Father had sexual relations on earth with Mary, to produce the physical body of Jesus.
  - ✓ **For there is one God... 1 Timothy 2:5**

### NOTES:

Joseph Smith Jr. claimed that during this translation process, John the Baptist appeared to him and ordained him to accomplish the divine work of restoring the true church by preaching the true gospel.

The Mormons believe the book of Mormon is more correct than the Bible!

"The true gospel was lost from the earth. Mormonism is its restoration..."  
Mormon Doctrine, p. 635. B. R. Conkie,

"God used to be a man on another planet..."  
Mormon Doctrine, p. 321. Joseph Smith

**Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world.**

**1 John 4:1**

### 3. What Do the Mormons Believe About Jesus?

- ✓ The early Mormon apostles also taught that Christ was a polygamist, and that His wives included Mary and Martha (the sisters of Lazarus) and Mary Magdalene.
- ✓ The Mormons teach that Jesus, Lucifer, and all the demons, as well as all mankind, are all spirit brothers and sisters.

### 4. What Do the Mormons Believe About Salvation?

- ✓ The Mormons teach that Jesus death on the cross is not sufficient. In addition to Jesus death on the cross, many good works are also required to receive salvation and eternal life.
- ✓ The Mormons teach that if it had not been for Joseph Smith and him restoring the true church, there would be no salvation.
- ✓ The Mormons teach that you cannot be saved unless you believe Joseph Smith was a prophet of God.
- ✓ The Mormons teach that there is no salvation outside the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.
- ✓ The Mormons teach that if you didn't get saved in this world, salvation will also be available in the next world.

Polygamy is the practice of having more than one wife at one time.

Mormon doctrine states that in order to enter the highest heaven that those who enter must be living in polygamy.

After you become a good Mormon, you have the potential of becoming a god, Teachings of the Prophet Joseph Smith, pages 345-347, 354.

Mormons frequently misrepresent scripture and take verses out of context to make it say what they want.

Mormonism is considered a non-Christian cult by all Christian churches and denominations. All you need to do is go to any Christian bookstore and look in the cult section. You will see several books on Mormonism there.

The god of Mormonism is false and cannot save anyone.

## Are the Mormons Christian? No.

- ✓ The reason Mormonism is not Christian is because it denies that there is only one God, it denies the true Gospel, it adds works to salvation, denies that Jesus is the creator, distorts biblical teaching of the atonement, and undermines the authority and reliability of the Bible.
- ✓ Many people today are under the false impression that Mormonism is merely another Christian denomination, when in actuality; Mormon beliefs are not only unbiblical, but *anti-Christian*.