

Ex-Mormons for  
**JESUS**

*Our faith will work by love,  
or it will not work at all.*

INFORMATION & VISITORS CENTER  
1107 E. Chapman Ave., #206  
Orange, CA 92866

Phone: (714) 997-3498  
Email: [bill@exmormonsforjesus.org](mailto:bill@exmormonsforjesus.org)  
Website: [www.exmormonsforjesus.org](http://www.exmormonsforjesus.org)

---

NEWSLETTER ~ SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2020

---

## FROM CHAR'S DESK



Recently I was thinking how easy it is for Christians to be led astray if they don't know their Bibles. We have found that almost all of the converts to Mormonism came from Christian Churches, but I believe many of them would never have been deceived if they had been more familiar with their Bible. Even if they didn't fully know what Mormons believed (which was often the case until after they became one), they were still told enough to know that this religion is not Biblical.

For instance, the very first thing Mormon Missionaries tell a prospective convert is the story of Joseph Smith going into the woods to pray in order to find out which church is true so he would know which one to join. Two personages supposedly appeared to him and one of them said, "...*This is My Beloved Son. Hear Him!*" (Joseph Smith–History 1:17). So we know that one of them was supposed to be God the Father and the other one was His Son, Jesus Christ. That one statement should have made every Christian know that Joseph Smith was a false prophet because the Bible tells us that no man can or has seen God. A few such scriptures are as follows:

*"No man hath seen God at any time; the only Begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, He hath declared Him" (Jn 1:18). "Not that any man hath seen the Father, save He [Jesus] which is of God, He hath seen the Father" (Jn 6:46). "And the Father Himself, which hath sent Me, hath borne witness of Me. Ye have neither heard His voice at any time, nor seen His shape" (Jn 5:37). "Who [speaking of Jesus] is the image of the invisible God..." (Col.1:15).*

So Christians beware, you better not let your Bibles gather dust if you don't want to be deceived when someone comes to your door bringing a "different gospel" (2 Cor.11:4). Also, knowing your Bible will enable you to witness what is truth to them, and others, more effectively.

## DANGERS OF DECEPTION

Many people end up in Mormonism through the art of deception – *"But evil men and impostors will proceed from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived.."* (2 Tim.3:13 NAS). One such example comes from the June 2019 "Ensign" magazine that shared an article entitled "Martyrs and My Testimony". The writer starts out being skeptical when the Mormon Missionaries first taught about Joseph Smith and the Book of Mormon, but then shares:

*"Then one day the missionaries explained that Joseph Smith and his brother Hyrum were **martyred** for their testimony. Suddenly, a thought came to me that they would never have given up their own lives for something they knew was false. At that moment, a warm feeling, like a burning fire, spread through me. It was a witness of the Holy Spirit confirming to my heart that Joseph Smith was a true prophet..."* (Page 79, my emphasis)

So without any further information and because of a "warm feeling", this person decided that Joseph Smith must have been a "true prophet". Had they done a little research, they would have known that Joseph Smith was never martyred but rather had a "six shooter" which he used on this occasion (History of the Church, Vol.6, pp

617-618), wounding “two of whom...died” (ibid, Vol.7, p 103).

Another dangerous deception that can be found in this particular Ensign article comes from the author’s statement: “As I read the verses the missionaries gave me in the Book of Mormon, I found Moroni’s invitation to ask God with a sincere heart, real intent, and faith in Christ if the Book of Mormon is true (see Moroni 10:4-5). I thought ‘Who, knowing the book was fake, would dare to challenge us to ask God with real intent and sincerity if the Book of Mormon is true?’”

First of all, if the BOM was written by a “fake”, why would the fake have a problem giving a fake challenge? Either nothing would come of it or, as in the case of what happens to some Mormons, deceitful spirits (1 Tim.4:12) would do their job. How sad that not knowing all the facts caused this person to embrace Mormonism. We pray that today, with all of the modern technology, more and more Mormons will do their homework and come to find the truth.

### CITATIONS OF CONCERN (From LDS Leaders)

*“The Family Of God The Father. The prevailing doctrines that there are no such ties and that sex disappears in the granting of salvation to the righteous, certainly are not in accord with the scriptures. The Lord said to John, ‘He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall by my son...’”*

*The scriptures inform us that we are the offspring of God. He has called upon us to address him as Father: not in some mythical sense, but literally as our Father...”*(Joseph Fielding Smith, Doctrines of Salvation, Vol.1, p 66, all emphasis in the original)

### LETTERS OF RESIGNATION

Each newsletter we will be sharing portions of resignation letters that we have copies of from 1984 to current. As most of you probably know, it is never easy to face this task after finding out the truth. Hopefully it

will be of some help for those of you who have also gone through this (or will be doing so in the future).

*“Dear Bishop \_\_\_ I, B.B. want my name removed from the LDS records...I made a very bad decision when I joined...Mormonism is a cult and I want out! I am convinced Joseph Smith was a fraud and do not believe the Book of Mormon, the Doctrine of Covenants or the Pearl of Great Price.*

*I do not accept the unscriptural Mormon beliefs but embrace the Word of God in the Holy Bible as true. Only the real Jesus is the Way, the truth and the life; and I choose to follow Him...Mormonism is the “other” that Apostle Paul warned about in 2 Cor.11:13 and Gal.1:8,9...My decision is final...*

*I insist that the record and letter be sent A.S.A.P., notifying me that my name has been removed from the records of the church. Thank you! I’m expecting your reply in the postage paid envelope I’ve enclosed for your convenience. God wants you to know He loves you. Please receive the real Jesus as your personal Lord and Savior. Heaven in free because Jesus paid the price for you and me, John 3:16. Where will you spend eternity? I am praying you will come to know Him. Glory to God, your happy X-Mormon. In Christ...*

### SUPPORT GROUP MEETINGS

We sure miss these gatherings but no, not yet. Hopefully they will resume in the near future. Until then, be safe, be strong, be healthy and keep your eyes on Jesus!

+ \* + \* + \* + \* +

**ALL GIFTS DONATED TO EMFJ ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED AS WELL AS YOUR PRAYERS FOR THIS MINISTRY**







