

# 11 Reasons Why MORMONISM is Not a Christian Religion

1. Mormonism teaches that God is an exalted man and has a physical body
2. Mormonism teaches that Christ and the devil are brothers
3. Mormonism teaches that the Bible (Old Testament & New Testament) is not complete or trustworthy
4. Mormonism has added to God's Word
5. Mormonism uses Bible words but without Bible definitions

## "Trinity" -

**Mormonism:** The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are three distinct Gods (Teachings of the Prophet Joseph Smith, p. 370, 372)

**Bible:** There is only one God, three distinct Persons in the Godhead (Dt.6:4; Is.48:12-13, 16; Mt. 3:16-17)

## "Gospel" -

**Mormonism:** The Good News of a new life provided by adherence to the Mormon church system and doctrines (Mormon Doctrine, p. 331)

**Bible:** The Good News of eternal life provided by the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ (I Cor. 15:1, 4; Gal. 1:8)

## "Salvation by grace" -

**Mormonism:** Deliverance from physical death by physical resurrection based on one's compliance to certain commandments and laws. The Third Article of Faith says, "We believe that through the atonement of Christ, all mankind may be saved, by obedience to the laws and ordinances of the Gospel." II Nephi 25:23 - "...it is by grace that we are saved, after all we can do."

**Bible:** Deliverance from spiritual, physical, and eternal death based on the finished, substitutionary work of Jesus Christ on the cross (Eph. 2:5, 8, 9)

## "New Birth" -

**Mormonism:** Received by water baptism (immersion) through a Mormon priest

**Bible:** Adoption into the family of God through the work of the Holy Spirit (Jn. 3:3-6)

### **"Eternal Life" -**

**Mormonism:** Endless celestial powers of procreation as a "god."

**Bible:** To be delivered from eternal damnation and to exist in the presence of the One true God forever (Jn. 3:16, 10:28; Rom. 5:21, 6:23; Ti. 3:7).

### **"The True Church" -**

**Mormonism:** Only the Mormon church, which was taken from the earth until Joseph Smith restored it

**Bible:** All those who have become born again by faith in Christ, who assemble together to be edified by the Word of God (Mt. 16:18, 18:19-20; I Cor. 12:12-14; I & II Timothy; Titus)

### **"Faith and works" -**

**Mormonism:** Salvation is received by faith plus works

**Bible:** Salvation is received by a faith that works (Ja. 2:20; Eph. 2:10; Ti. 3:8)

6. **Mormonism teaches that they are the only religion with authority to baptize, ordain, etc.**
  
7. **Mormonism teaches that forgiveness of sins is achieved by the work of baptism into the L.D.S. church**
  
8. **Mormonism teaches baptism for the dead**
  
9. **Mormonism teaches that everyone pre-existed eternally (in a spirit body) before coming into the world**
  
10. **Mormonism places Joseph Smith on par with Jesus Christ**  
*"...Joseph Smith...has done more, save Jesus only, for the salvation of men in this world, than any other man that ever lived in it" (Doctrines & Covenants, 135:3).*
  
11. **Mormonism teaches that man can become a God**  
*"As man is, God once was; as God is, man may become."*