

One True Church

Mormon Doctrine

True religion, the religion of Jesus Christ, was instituted of God for the benefit of man, and it is found **only in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints**. (Mormon Doctrine pg 626)

“...than I asked the personages (God the Father & Jesus Christ) who stood above me in the light, which of all the sects was right – and which I should join. I was answered that I must join none of them, for they were all wrong, and the personage that addressed me said that all their creeds were an abomination in His sight...” (History of the Church Vol 1, pg 6)

And also those to whom these commandments were given, might have ^apower to lay the foundation of this ^bchurch, and to bring it forth out of obscurity and out of ^cdarkness, **the only true and living ^dchurch upon the face of the whole earth**, with which I, the Lord, am well ^epleased, ^fspeaking unto the church collectively and not individually (D&C 1:30)

False religion – made of fragments of the truth mixed with error – is found in the Christian sects and among pagan worshippers. **There is no salvation in a false religion**. (Mormon Doctrine pg 627)

If it had not been for Joseph Smith and the restoration, there would be no salvation. **There is no salvation outside The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints**. (Mormon Doctrine pg 670)

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Matthew 16:16-18 ¹⁶ Simon Peter answered and said, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” ¹⁷ Jesus answered and said to him, **“Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed *this* to you, but My Father who is in heaven.** ¹⁸ **And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.**

Acts 2:38-39 ³⁸ Then Peter said to them, **“Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.** ³⁹ **For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call.”**

Acts 2:46-47 ⁴⁶ So continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they ate their food with gladness and simplicity of heart, ⁴⁷ praising God and having favor with all the people. **And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved.**

Colossians 1:13-18 ¹³ He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed *us* into the kingdom of the Son of His love, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins. ¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. ¹⁶ For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. ¹⁷ And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist. ¹⁸ And He is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things He may have the preeminence.

Romans 10:9-10 ⁹ that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

Romans 10:13 ¹³ For *“whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved.”*

God

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I will preach the plurality of Gods. I have selected this text (Rev 1:6) for that express purpose. I wish to declare I have always and in all congregations when I have preached on the subject of the Deity, it has been on the plurality of Gods...and these three (Father, Jesus Christ, Holy Spirit) constitute three distinct personages and three Gods... Paul says that there are Gods many and Lords many. (1 Corin 8:5) (Teachings of the Prophet Joseph Smith, pg 370)

God himself was once as we are now, and is an exalted man, and sits enthroned in yonder heavens...it is necessary we should understand the character and being of God and how he came to be God. We have imagined and supposed that God was God from all eternity. I will refute that idea, and take away the veil, so that you may see...he was once a man like us; yea, that God himself, the Father of us all, dwelt on an earth, the same as Jesus Christ himself did; and I will show it from the Bible. (Teachings of the Prophet Joseph Smith, pg 345-346)

Here, then, is eternal life – to know the only wise and true God; and you have got to learn how to be Gods yourselves, and to be kings and priests to God, the same as all Gods have done before you, namely by going from one small degree to another...from exaltation to exaltation... (Teachings of the Prophet Joseph Smith, pg 346-347)

These are the first principles of consolation...To inherit the same power, the same glory and the same exaltation, until you arrive at the station of a God, and ascend the throne of eternal power, the same as those who have gone before. (Teachings of the Prophet Joseph Smith, pg 347)

In the beginning, the head of the Gods called a council of the Gods; and they came together and concocted a plan to create the world and people in it. (Teachings of the Prophet Joseph Smith, pg 349)

The mind or the intelligence which man possesses is coequal with God himself. (Teachings of the Prophet Joseph Smith, pg 353)

Now hear it, O inhabitants of the earth, Jew and Gentile, Saint and sinner! When our father Adam came into the garden of Eden, he came into it with a celestial body, and brought Eve, one of his wives, with him. He helped to make and organize this world. He is MICHAEL, the Archangel, the ANCIENT OF DAYS! About whom holy men have written and spoken – HE is our FATHER and our GOD, and the only God with whom WE have to do. Every man upon the earth, professing Christians or non-professing, must hear it, and know it sooner or later. (Brigham Young Sermon, Special Conference Aug 28, 1852. Journal of Discourses 1:50-51)

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Isaiah 43:10 ¹⁰“... Before Me there was no God formed, Nor shall there be after Me.

Isaiah 43:11 ¹¹ I, even I, am the LORD, And besides Me *there is* no savior.

Isaiah 44:6 ⁶“Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel, And his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts: ‘I am the First and I am the Last; Besides Me *there is* no God.

Isaiah 44:8 ⁸ Do not fear, nor be afraid; Have I not told you from that time, and declared *it*? You are My witnesses. Is there a God besides Me? Indeed *there is* no other Rock; I know not *one*.’ ”

Isaiah 45:5 ⁵ I am the LORD, and *there is* no other; *There is* no God besides Me. I will gird you, though you have not known Me,

Isaiah 45:6 ⁶ That they may know from the rising of the sun to its setting That *there is* none besides Me. I am the LORD, and *there is* no other;

Isaiah 45:14 ¹⁴ ...They will make supplication to you, *saying*, ‘Surely God *is* in you, And *there is* no other; *There is* no other God.’ ”

Isaiah 45:18 ¹⁸ For thus says the LORD, Who created the heavens, Who is God, Who formed the earth and made it, Who has established it, Who did not create it in vain, Who formed it to be inhabited: “I am the LORD, and *there is* no other.

Isaiah 45:21 ²¹ Tell and bring forth *your case*; Yes, let them take counsel together. Who has declared this from ancient time? *Who* has told it from that time? *Have* not I, the LORD? And *there is* no other God besides Me, A just God and a Savior; *There is* none besides Me.

Isaiah 45:22 ²² “Look to Me, and be saved, All you ends of the earth!
For I *am* God, and *there is* no other.

Isaiah 46:9 ⁹ Remember the former things of old, For I *am* God, and
there is no other; I *am* God, and *there is* none like Me,

Three in One

John 10:30 ³⁰ *I and My Father are one.*”

John 14:7 ⁷ *“If you had known Me, you would have known My Father
also; and from now on you know Him and have seen Him.”*

John 14:9 ⁹ Jesus said to him, *“Have I been with you so long, and yet
you have not known Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the
Father; so how can you say, ‘Show us the Father’?”*

1 John 5:7 ⁷ For there are three that bear witness in heaven: the Father,
the Word, and the Holy Spirit; and these three are one.

1 John 5:8 ⁸ And there are three that bear witness on earth: the Spirit,
the water, and the blood; and these three agree as one.

Man Becoming a God

Genesis 3:4-5 ⁴ Then the serpent said to the woman, “You will not
surely die. ⁵ For God knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will
be opened, *and you will be like God*, knowing good and evil.”

Ezekiel 28:2-10 ² “Son of man, say to the prince of Tyre, ‘Thus says the
Lord GOD: *“Because your heart is lifted up, And you say, ‘I am a god, I sit in
the seat of gods, In the midst of the seas,’ Yet you are a man, and not a god,
Though you set your heart as the heart of a god* ³ (Behold, you *are* wiser than
Daniel! There is no secret that can be hidden from you! ⁴ With your wisdom
and your understanding You have gained riches for yourself, And gathered
gold and silver into your treasuries; ⁵ By your great wisdom in trade you have
increased your riches, And your heart is lifted up because of your riches),” ⁶
‘Therefore thus says the Lord GOD: *“Because you have set your heart as the
heart of a god,* ⁷ Behold, therefore, I will bring strangers against you, The
most terrible of the nations; And they shall draw their swords against the
beauty of your wisdom, And defile your splendor. ⁸ They shall throw you
down into the Pit, And you shall die the death of the slain In the midst of the
seas. ⁹ “Will you still say before him who slays you, ‘I am a god’? But you
shall be a man, and not a god, In the hand of him who slays you. ¹⁰ You shall
die the death of the uncircumcised By the hand of aliens; For I have spoken,”
says the Lord GOD.’ ”

Angel Becoming a God

Isaiah 14:12-15 ¹² “How you are fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of
the morning! *How* you are cut down to the ground, You who
weakened the nations! ¹³ *For you have said in your heart:* ‘I will
ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; I
will also sit on the mount of the congregation On the farthest sides of
the north; ¹⁴ I will ascend above the heights of the clouds, *I will be like
the Most High.*’ ¹⁵ Yet you shall be brought down to Sheol, To the
lowest depths of the Pit.