

Where Joseph Smith Changed Jesus



Joseph Smith Jr.

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- Author & Proprietor
- A False Prophet
- Took Liberty to Change the Lord's Law:
A False Teacher

1. Changed the Birthplace of Christ

Born “at Jerusalem”

- Alma 7:10, “And behold, he shall be born of Mary, at Jerusalem which is the land of our forefathers, she being a virgin, a precious and chosen vessel, who shall be overshadowed and conceive by the power of the Holy Ghost, and bring forth a son, yea, even the Son of God.”



Micah 5:2

"But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah,
Though you are little among the
thousands of Judah, Yet out of
you shall come forth to Me The
One to be Ruler in Israel, Whose
goings forth are from of old,
From everlasting."

2. Changed the MANNER of Lord's Memorial

(1) Listen to the voice of Jesus Christ, your Lord, your God, and your Redeemer, whose word is quick and powerful.



(2) For, behold, I say unto you, that it mattereth not what ye shall eat or what ye shall drink when ye partake of the sacrament, if it so be that ye do it with an eye single to my glory—remembering unto the Father my body which was laid down for you, and my blood which was shed for the remission of your sins.

Doctrine And Covenants, 27:1, 2

WHAT THE LORD **COMMANDED**:

26 And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke *it*, and gave *it* to the disciples and said, "**Take, eat;** this is My body."

27 Then He took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave *it* to them, saying, "**Drink from it, all of you.**"

MATTHEW 26

28 "**For this is My blood** of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.

29 "But I say to you, I will not drink of this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in My Father's kingdom."

WHAT THE LORD COMMANDED:

23 For I received from the Lord that which I also delivered to you: that the Lord Jesus on the *same* night in which He was betrayed took bread;

24 and when He had given thanks, He broke *it* and said, "Take, eat; this is My body which is broken for you; do this in remembrance of Me."

WHAT THE LORD COMMANDED:

25 In the same manner *He* also *took* the cup after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My blood. This do, as often as you drink *it*, in remembrance of Me."

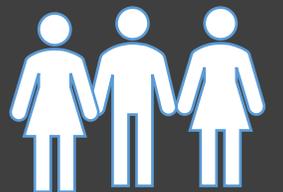
26 For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till He comes.

27 Therefore whoever eats this bread or drinks *this cup* of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord.

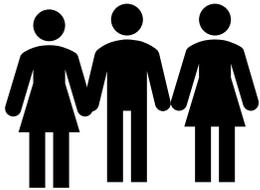
3. Changed the Lord's Design of Marriage

61 And again, as pertaining to the law of the priesthood—if any man espouse a virgin, and desire to espouse another, and the first give her consent, and if he espouse the second, and they are virgins, and have vowed to no other man, then is he justified; he cannot commit adultery for they are given unto him; for he cannot commit adultery with that that belongeth unto him and to no one else.

62 And if he have ten virgins given unto him by this law, he cannot commit adultery, for they belong to him, and they are given unto him; therefore is he justified.

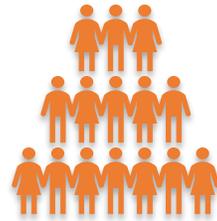


Rebirthing the Doctrine of Lamech



To the *deformation* of the family unit

“Then Lamech took for himself two wives: the name of one *was* Adah, and the name of the second *was* Zillah” (Gen. 4:19)



To the *corruption* of society

“Now it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were born to them, that the sons of God saw the daughters of men, that they *were* beautiful; and they took wives for themselves of all whom they chose” (Gen. 6:1, 2)



To the *condemnation* of the world

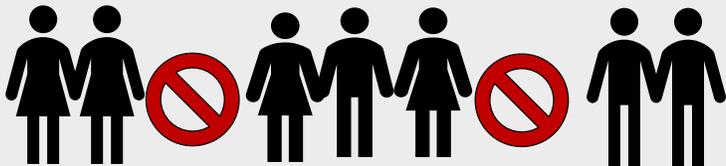
Genesis 6:5-7

THIS!



Jesus, The
Restorer of
the Original

NOT THIS!



4 And He answered and said to them, "Have you not read that He who made *them* at the beginning 'made them **male** and **female**,'

5 "and said, 'For this reason **a man** shall leave his **father** and **mother** and be joined to **his wife**, and the **two** shall become **one** flesh'?

6 "So then, they are no longer **two** but **one** flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let not man separate."

Matthew 19

4. Redefined the Nature of God

22 The Father has a body of flesh and bones as tangible as man's; the Son also; but the Holy Ghost has not a body of flesh and bones, but is a personage of Spirit. Were it not so, the Holy Ghost could not dwell in us.

23 A man may receive the Holy Ghost, and it may descend upon him and not tarry with him.

4. Redefined the Nature of God

God himself was once as we are now, and is an exalted man, and sits enthroned in yonder heavens!... If the veil were rent today, and the great God who holds this world in its orbit, and who upholds all worlds and all things by his power, was to make himself visible—I say, if you were to see him today, you would see him like a man in form—like yourselves in all the person, image, and very form as a man; for Adam was created in the very fashion, image and likeness of God, and received instruction from, and walked, talked and conversed with him, as one man talks and communes with another.

The Truth

- God is spirit – John 4:24
- A spirit does not have flesh and bones – Luke 24:39
- The image of the heavenly is not of dust – 1 Cor. 15:49
- Flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God – 1 Cor. 15:50
- We will all be changed at the resurrection – 1 Cor. 15:51ff

"As man is, God once was;
as God is, man may be."

**God was once just a man!
Man can become God!**

Mormonism-Misrepresentation

5. Redefined Christian Era

15 And those who did belong to the church were faithful; yea, all those who were true believers in Christ took upon them, gladly, the name of Christ, or Christians as they were called, because of their belief in Christ who should come.

16 And therefore, at this time, Moroni prayed that the cause of the Christians, and the freedom of the land might be favored.

Alma 46:15, 16 – *Supposed to be about 72 BC.*

<https://www.lds.org/scriptures/bofm/alma/46.13,15-16?lang=eng&clang=eng#p12>

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10 And thus he was preparing to support their liberty, their lands, their wives, and their children, and their peace, and that they might live unto the Lord their God, and that they might maintain that which was called by their enemies the cause of Christians.

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“Latter-day Saints stand alone in the religious world in certifying that Christ’s gospel is eternal—that Christian prophets have taught Christian doctrine and administered Christian ordinances **since the dawn of time**. Adam was earth’s first Christian. He exercised faith in the redemption of Christ, was baptized in water, received the gift of the Holy Ghost, and received the priesthood (see Moses 6:64–67).”



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Jeremiah 31

31 "Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah—

32 "not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day *that* I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt, My covenant which they broke, though I was a husband to them, says the LORD.

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1 Peter 1:10-12 – The Prophets Could Speak:

- Of the “salvation” to come without identifying the method of salvation
- Of the “New Covenant” without identifying its laws
- Of the “new name” without identifying the name—Christian (cf. Isa. 62:2; Acts 11:26)

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3 how that by revelation He made known to me the mystery
(as I have briefly written already,

4 by which, when you read, you may understand my
knowledge in the mystery of Christ),

5 which in other ages was not made known to the sons of
men, as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to His holy
apostles and prophets”

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NOT SO!!

8 To me, who am less than the least of all the saints, this grace was given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ,

9 and to make all see what *is* the fellowship of the mystery, **which from the beginning of the ages has been hidden in God** who created all things through Jesus Christ;

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19 Therefore, brethren, having boldness to enter the
Holiest by the blood of Jesus,

20 **by a new and living way** which He consecrated for us,
through the veil, that is, His flesh,

BAPTIZING ADAM?

How can the baptism “which now saves us,” be an “antitype” of the flood waters if it existed and was practiced for over two thousand years before the flood?

ANTITYPE

“a thing resembling another, its counterpart; something in the Messianic times which answers to the type (see τύπος, 4 γ.) prefiguring it in the O. T.”
(German Gegenbild, English antitype), as baptism corresponds to the deluge: 1 Peter 3:21”

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A Mormon **MIX-UP!**

- How did the church exist over 105 years before it was ever built by Jesus (Matt. 16:18)?
- How could there be “Christian” prophets since the dawn of time when they were first called Christians in Antioch (Acts 11:26)?
- Why did Joseph Smith mention “Passover” in the BOM as often as the prophets mentioned “Christian” in the Old Testament?

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- How could Old Testament prophets preach *Christian doctrine* when it wasn't revealed until the apostles (Eph. 3:3-5)?
- If *Christian doctrine* existed on earth from the beginning of time, why did the Holy Spirit have to come and guide the apostles into all truth (Jn. 16:13)?
- If the apostles were guided into all truth, why would there need to be someone else (like Joseph Smith Jr.) to give truth?

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- How could Christ's will and testament come into effect before He died (Heb. 9:15, 16)?
- How could Adam be baptized as a Christian when there was no death of Christ to be baptized into (Rom. 6:3)?
- How could Adam receive the priesthood when there was no tribe of Levi?

A Mormon **MIX-UP!**

- Why did Jeremiah speak of the coming of a “New Covenant” if it already existed since the dawn of time?
- Why did Jesus have to take away the first covenant in order to establish the second if the second always existed (Heb. 10:9)?