

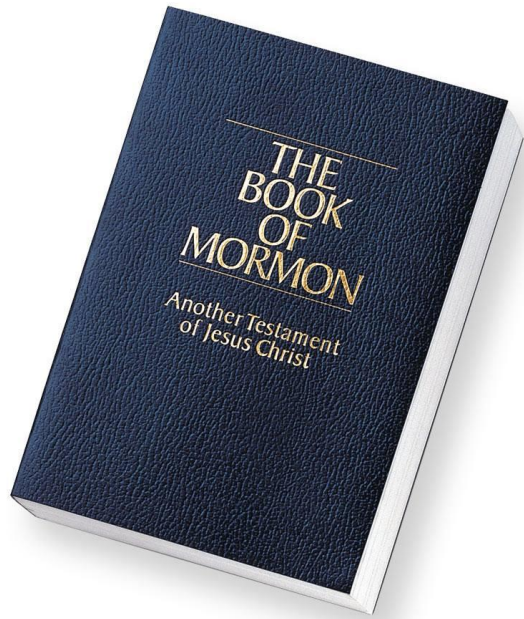
**Arlington Church of Christ**

**Wednesday Bible Study**

**Further Revelations**

# Following the Scriptural Trail





Add extra books like Book of Mormon, Pearl of Great Price, Doctrines and Covenants. It is claimed that Jesus visited the US after his resurrection and taught here, then sent the angel Moroni to direct Joseph Smith where to find the 'key' to interpret the writings he left.

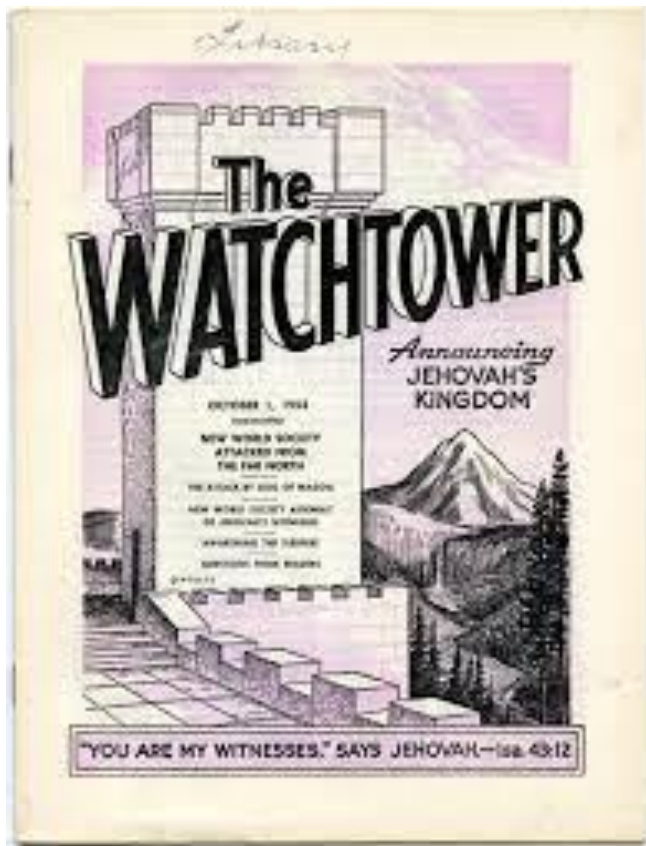
It is claimed there is no hell, and that Jesus is the 'spirit child' of the Heavenly Father and the Heavenly Mother.

It is claimed that a person is saved by grace, but also by their good works.

It is claimed that there are multiple 'worlds' and each one has its own God – we are subject to the God of this world.

It is claimed that by obedience and a good life that humans can become 'gods' too.

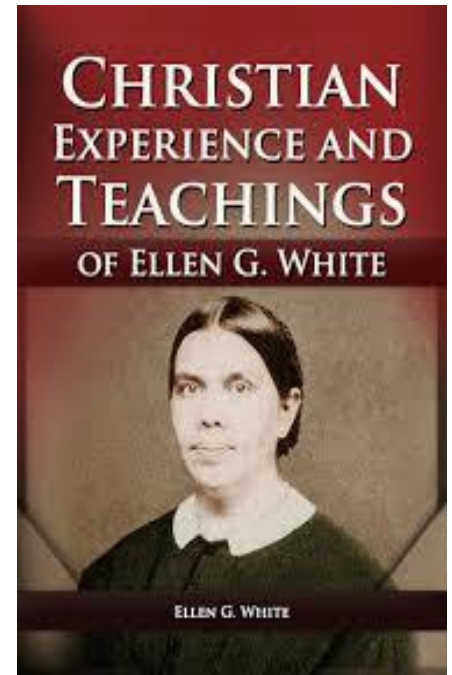
Young men are sent out as 'missionaries' and called 'elders' .



It is claimed that there is no trinity and that Jesus is just a created being who was called the 'son of God' but was actually the archangel Michael.

It is claimed that when a person dies they simply cease to exist – no heaven or hell.

Ellen G White is considered to be a 'prophetess' and her writings given authority in church doctrine. She was influenced by the preaching of William Miller who predicted the return of Christ in 1843, or 1844. When it failed to happen, she claimed to have a vision seeing the city of God and became a leader of the disappointed group of followers of Miller. It is claimed that worship is to be on the Sabbath, since God never did away with the Sabbath day command. It is claimed that there is no hell and that when the righteous die they are simply unconscious until the return of Jesus when they will be taken to heaven for 1000 years and the wicked will be annihilated. After the 1000 years, the righteous will live on a recreated physical earth. Her teachings included following the dietary laws of the Old Testament and the immanent return of Jesus.





Claim the traditions and the decrees of the Pope are equal in authority with the New Testament.

Additional books were added to the Catholic Bible by the Council of Trent in 1546. These were books written during the 400 year period between the Old and New Testaments when there were no 'prophets' from God.

It is claimed that Jesus was simply a messenger of God, not the 'son of God' and a forerunner of the true prophet Muhammad.

It is claimed that Jesus will return to defeat a false prophet, but will then die and be buried beside Mohammed.

It is claimed that the Quran was verbally revealed to Mohammed over a period of 23 years by the angel Gabriel.

Allah is claimed to be an impersonal God who cannot have a personal relationship with humans. Allah loves only those who do good and humans are not made in the image of God.

Muslims will allow others to practice their own religion only if they pay a tax to the Muslims and submit to Muslim 'Sharia Law'





Jews maintain the Old Testament laws and traditions and reject Christ as the Messiah and the New Testament.

Others reject the Bible and follow the teachings of men like Buddha, in the attempt to become 'enlightened' and avoid problems of this life.





But the New Testament is  
the complete and final  
revelation of God's Will for  
man and our only authority.



# Hebrews 1:1-2

In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets at many times and in various ways, <sup>2</sup> but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom also he made the universe.

**Jesus is bringing a new and better covenant:**

## Jeremiah 31:31-34

“The days are coming,” declares the LORD, “when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and with the people of Judah. <sup>32</sup> **It will not be like the covenant I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke my covenant,** though I was a husband to them,” declares the LORD.

<sup>33</sup> **This is the covenant I will make with the people of Israel after that time,** declares the LORD. **I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people.** <sup>34</sup> No longer will they teach their neighbor, or say to one another, ‘Know the LORD,’ because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest,” declares the LORD. “For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more.”

## Hebrews 8:6-8

But in fact the ministry Jesus has received is as superior to theirs as the covenant of which he is mediator is superior to the old one, since the new covenant is established on better promises.

<sup>7</sup> For if there had been nothing wrong with that first covenant, no place would have been sought for another. <sup>8</sup> But God found fault with the people and said<sup>l</sup>: “The days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and with the people of Judah.”

Deuteronomy 18:15-19

**The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your fellow Israelites. You must listen to him.** <sup>16</sup> For this is what you asked of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said, “Let us not hear the voice of the LORD our God nor see this great fire anymore, or we will die.” <sup>17</sup> The LORD said to me: “What they say is good. <sup>18</sup> **I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their fellow Israelites, and I will put my words in his mouth. He will tell them everything I command him.** <sup>19</sup> | myself will call to account anyone who does not listen to my words that the prophet speaks in my name.

**Matthew 17:5** While he was still speaking, a bright cloud covered them, and a voice from the cloud said, “**This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him!**”

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Acts 3:20-23

and that he may send the Messiah, who has been appointed for you—even

Jesus.<sup>21</sup> Heaven must receive him until the time comes for God to restore everything, as he promised long ago through his holy

prophets. 22 For Moses said, ‘The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me

from among your own people; you must listen to everything he tells you.<sup>23</sup> Anyone who does

not listen to him will be completely cut off from their people.’

John 14:26

**But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things** and will remind you of everything I have said to you.

John 16:13-15

But when he, **the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth.** He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. <sup>14</sup> He will glorify me because it is from me that he will receive what he will make known to you. <sup>15</sup> All that belongs to the Father is mine. **That is why I said the Spirit will receive from me what he will make known to you.**”

**God told Jesus, who told the Holy Spirit and the Holy Spirit guided the apostles to write ALL TRUTH !**



## 1 Corinthians 2:7-10

No, we declare God's wisdom, a mystery that has been hidden and that God destined for our glory before time began. <sup>8</sup> None of the rulers of this age understood it, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. <sup>9</sup> However, as it is written: "What no eye has seen, what no ear has heard, and what no human mind has conceived" — the things God has prepared for those who love him— <sup>10</sup> **these are the things God has revealed to us by his Spirit. The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God.**

2 Timothy 3:15-17

and how from infancy you have known **the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.** <sup>16</sup> All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup> so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

The scriptures supply all we need for knowing how to be saved and how to do whatever we are called upon to do in this life.

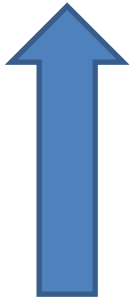
## 1 Corinthians 13:8-13

Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. <sup>9</sup> For we know in part and we prophesy in part, <sup>10</sup> but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears. <sup>11</sup> When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me. <sup>12</sup> For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. **Now I know in part; then I shall know fully,** even as I am fully known. <sup>13</sup> And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

**The partial knowing and the partial prophesying will stop when the completed knowledge and prophesying comes – the completed scriptures.**

## Jude 3

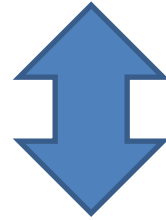
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Jude was written around 80 AD.

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Romans 10:17

Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ.

**So the message was completed by this time!**

## Deuteronomy 18:21-22

You may say to yourselves, “How can we know when a message has not been spoken by the LORD?”<sup>22</sup> **If what a**

**prophet proclaims in the name of the LORD does not take place or come true, that is a message the LORD has not spoken.** That prophet has spoken presumptuously, so do not be alarmed.

**So beware of false prophets**

## Galatians 1:8-9

But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach a gospel other than the one we preached to you, let them be under God's curse! <sup>9</sup> As we have already said, so now I say again: **If anybody is preaching to you a gospel other than what you accepted, let them be under God's curse!**

**The message of the gospel is complete and will not be changed or amended in any way , not even if an angel preaches it differently.**