

## Jehovah's Witnesses - Christianity

JW's: There is one solitary being from all eternity, Jehovah God, the Creator and Preserver of the Universe and of all things visible and invisible.

Scriptures: And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. Gen. 1:26. (Mt. 28:19, 2 Cor. 13:14, 1 John 4:13-14, Isa. 48:16)

JW's: The word or Logos is "a god", a mighty god, the "beginning of the Creation" of Jehovah, and His active agent in the creation of all things. The Logos was made human as the man Jesus and suffered death to produce the ransom or redemptive price for obedient man.

Scriptures: In Christ dwelleth all the fullness of the Godhead bodily. Col. 2:9. (John 1:14, 5:23, 1 John 5:20, 1 Tim. 3:16)

JW's: The Bible is the inerrant, infallible, inspired Word of God as it was originally given, and has been preserved by Him as the revealer of His purposes.

Scriptures: And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. 2 Tim. 3:15

JW's: Satan was a great angel who rebelled against Jehovah God and challenged His Sovereignty. Through Satan sin and death came upon man. His destiny is annihilation with all his followers.

Scriptures: And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are and shall be tormented day and night forever and ever. Rev. 20:10.

JW's: Man was created in the image of Jehovah but willfully sinned, hence all men are born sinners and are "of the earth". Those who follow Jesus Christ faithful to the death will inherit the heavenly Kingdom with Him. Men of good will who accept Jehovah and His Theocratic Rule will enjoy the "new earth". All others who reject Jehovah will be annihilated.

Scriptures: And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation. John 5:29.

JW's: The atonement is a ransom paid to Jehovah God by Christ Jesus and is applicable to all who accept it in righteousness. In brief, the death of Jesus removed the effects of Adam's sin on his offspring and laid the foundation of the New World of righteousness including the Millennium of Christ's reign.

Scriptures: For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast. Eph. 2:8-9 (Rom. 5:1,18, Gal. 3:21-22, 2 Cor. 5:20)

JW's: The man Christ Jesus was resurrected a divine spirit creature after offering the ransom for obedient man.

Scriptures: Behold my hands and feet, that it is I myself; handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have. Luke 24:39 (Eph. 4:10)

JW's: The soul of man is not eternal but mortal, and it can die. Animals likewise have souls, though man has the preeminence by Special Creation.

Scriptures: The rich man also died and was buried, and in hell he lifted up his eyes being in torment, and seeth Abraham afar off and Lazarus in his bosom. Luke 16:22-23 (2 Cor. 5:6, Luke 23:46)

JW's: Hell, meaning a place of "fiery torment" where sinners remain after death until the resurrection, does not exist. This is a doctrine of "Organized Religion", not of the Bible. Hell is the common grave of mankind, literally Sheol (Hebrew), "a place of rest in hope" where the departed sleep until the resurrection by Jehovah God.

Scriptures: Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels. Matt. 25:41

JW's: Eternal Punishment is a punishment or penalty of which there is no end. It does not mean "eternal torment" of the living souls. Annihilation, the second death, is the lot of all those who reject Jehovah God and it is eternal.

Scriptures: And they shall go forth, and look upon the carcasses of the men that have transgressed against me: for their worm shall not die, neither shall their fire be quenched; and they shall be an abhorring unto all flesh. Isaiah 66:24

JW's: Jesus Christ has returned to earth A.D. 1914, has expelled Satan from Heaven and is proceeding to overthrow Satan's organization, establish the Theocratic Millennial Kingdom, and vindicate the name of Jehovah God. He did not return in a physical form and is invisible as the Logos.

Scriptures: Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven. Acts 1:11

JW's: The Kingdom of Jehovah is Supreme, and as such cannot be compatible with present human government ("Devil's Visible Organization") and any allegiance to them in any way which violates the allegiance owed to Him, is a violation of the Scripture.

Scriptures: Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God. Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God: and they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation. Romans 13:1-2