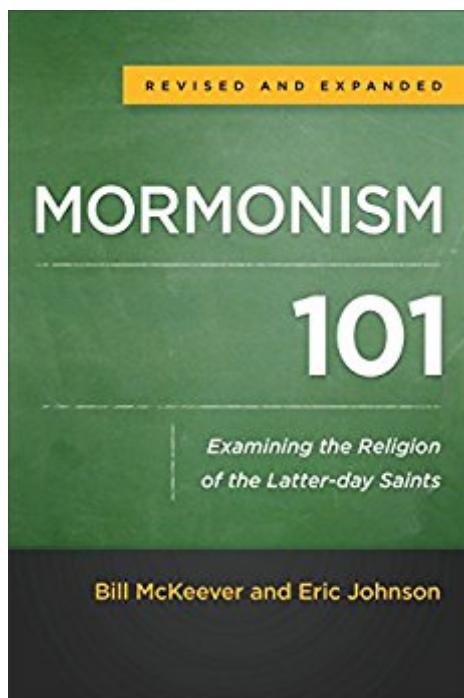


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Synopsis

Mormonism is one of the fastest growing religions in the world. For those who have wondered in what specific ways Mormonism differs from the Christian faith, Mormonism 101 provides definitive answers, examining the major tenets of Mormon theology and comparing them with orthodox Christian beliefs. Perfect for students of religion and anyone who wants to have answers when Mormons come calling.

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Customer Reviews

Members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints are Christians, many of them say. Should Mormonism be viewed as just another Christian denomination? McKeever and Johnson want us to know of the many differences between Mormonism and biblical Christianity. I think they have done a superb job in doing exactly that. I really like how the authors define terms at the beginning of each chapter. Mormons often mean something very different by a term from what Christians understand the word to mean. The authors go through beliefs topic by topic, beginning with God, the

most important teaching and the foundation of any religious belief system. They show that the Mormon concept of God is very different from that of evangelical Christianity (such as God having a body and a pre-existence as a mortal). They follow with the Mormon teaching on Jesus (brother to Lucifer, the result of impregnation of Mary by Elohim) and the Trinity (rather a plurality of Gods). They continue with the LDS concept of humans (spirit children of God with a pre-existence before physical birth), the Fall (a wise decision with God's full commendation), and Apostasy (from when the apostles died to Joseph Smith's restoration). The authors explore the LDS concept of Scripture and the reliability of the Book of Mormon, the Doctrine and Covenants, and the Pearl of Great Price. They continue by looking at salvation, grace, repentance, works and how the LDS understanding differs from evangelical Christianity. They do the same with heaven and hell, the sacraments, how revelation is received, the temple ceremonies and garments, and some controversial beliefs and decisions. I really like the way the authors have documented their work. There are many footnotes as they quote from official LDS documents and other sources. I also like how they compare the LDS teaching to evangelical Christian belief on every topic they cover. This is a very good book for anyone interested in LDS teaching and how it compares with the truth of the Bible as understood by evangelical Christians. For some, it will be a surprising revelation. For others, familiar with the LDS teaching, this will be a good resource for a complete review of Mormon beliefs and practices. There are discussion questions at the end of each chapter so this book could be used for a small group or a class discussion. A bibliography and various indexes in the back make this a good resource book for all. I received a complimentary copy of this book from the publisher for the purpose of an independent and honest review.

Excellent book. Respectfully written. Answers many questions for people on both sides of the spectrum. So glad I got this book.

This book really analysis the difference between Christianity and Mormonism very well. It is the first book I've read about Mormonism and I found it very interesting the insight it gives. The author of this book makes very good points when saying his own opinion and also when relating it to Christianity. If someone is interested in religion, peoples beliefs or views I would highly recommend this book.

Recommend to anyone who doesn't know much about the Mormon faith & would like to know more, esp. in reference to how it differs from Christianity. Easy to read & supported with lots of quotes from prominent Mormon books/teachers.

Great help for working with Mormons to help them see the fraudulent nature of their belief system.

This book is a gift for a friend. I have heard about it and that is why I bought it.

Interesting but a little difficult to understand the small nuances.

Living in Southern Utah the past couple of years raised many questions for me about THE LDS Church. This book has answered many of these and provided to me the need to inquire even more.

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