

ORIGIN OF THE JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES OUTLINED

1.) Origin of the “Jehovah Witness” name:

A.) adopted in 1931

B.) adopted from the text: “What Religion Has Done for Mankind”

I.) Copyright, 1952, p.311 “Then on July 26, 1931, at the international assembly in Columbus Ohio, came the public adoption of the name “Jehovah’s witnesses.”

2.) Leaders of the “Jehovah Witnesses”:

A.) Pastor C. T. Russell: created the organization

B.) J. F. Rutherford: leader and “claimed prophet” I.) 1920. published the book “Millions Now Living Will Never Die” (book was taken off the market)

a.) False prophecy mentioned in the book: “Therefore we may confidently expect that 1925 will mark the return of Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and the faithful prophets of old, particularly those named by the Apostle in Hebrews chapter eleven, to the condition of human perfection.” pgs. 89-90. “Fully restored to perfect humanity and made the visible representatives of the new order of things on the earth.” pg. 88.

b.) False prophecy mentioned in the book: “Thus when restoration begins, (in 1925 per Rutherford) a man of seventy years of age will gradually be restored to a condition of physical health and mental balance. The Lord will teach him how to eat, what to eat, and other habits of life; and above all, the truth, how to fix his mind upon holy things. And by the gradual process of restoration he will be lifted up by the great Mediator and restored to the days of his youth and live on the earth forever and never see death.” pg. 100.

C.) A Governing Body is responsible for interpretation and application of scripture. All members are expected to abide by the **doctrines** and **organizational requirements** as **DETERMINED BY the Governing Body**: “Questions From Readers”, *The Watchtower*, March 15, 2002, pg 13-16

3.) Books of “Jehovah’s Witnesses”:

A.) *Let God Be True*

B.) *The New World Translation*, of the Bible

- C.) *What Religion Has Done for Mankind*
- D.) *Millions Now Living Will Never Die*
- E.) *Reconciliation*
- F.) *Deliverance*
- G.) *Harp of God*
- H.) *Preservation*
- I.) *Children*
- J.) *Salvation*
- K.) *Government*
- L.) *The Watchtower Publication*

4.) The doctrines of “Jehovah’s Witnesses”:

A.) Assume that “life” means existence, and that “death” means non-existence, or a ceasing to be. (*Refute (1John3:14; 1Tim.5:6; Rom.6:2&11, 7:4)*)

B.) Jesus was not divine until after his resurrection *Reconciliation, pg. 111* 1.) “In truth, when Jesus was on the earth he was a perfect man, nothing more and nothing less.” 2.) “Christ Jesus the divine was born three days after his crucifixion.” *Deliverance, pg. 245(Refute Matt. 3:17; John1:1-3, 10-14)*

C.) The body of Jesus was not raised: 1.) “Somewhere Jehovah miraculously preserved that body.” *Deliverance, pg. 170(Refute Matt.16:21; Luke 24:1-3 Luke 24:39-43 John20:27)*

D.) The year 1914 “marks the birth of the kingdom.” *Preservation, pg. 253 (Refute Mark1:15, 9:1; Acts1:8; Col.1:13; Rev.1:9)*

E.) No man has a soul: *Reconciliation, pg. 298 (Refute 1Thes.5:23; 2Cor.4:16, 5:1-6; Matt.10:28; 1Cor.5:5; Heb.10:39; 1Pet.3:4)*

F.) There will be no everlasting punishment; that Hell is the grave. (*Refute Matt.25:46*)

G.) The wicked will never be resurrected: “There appears to be no Scriptural authority for saying the wicked will ever be resurrected.” *Children, pg. 361*

(Refute? See # 11A: John 5:26-29 2Cor.5:10-11)

H.) The “Jehovah Witness” name is the new name prophesied in Isa. 62:2.

(Refute? See #12A: Isa. 62:2; Acts 11:26)

I.) They “witness” for Jehovah. **(Refute? See #13A)**

J.) The body of Christ can have on 144,000 members, reference Rev. 14: 1-3.

(Refute? See Rev. 14:1-3; Rev 7:4-8)

K.) Since the 144,000 has been completed, no one else can go to heaven, but can only have an earthly hope. **(Refute? See #15A: Col. 1:5)**

L.) The followers of Christ should not marry and bring forth children, *Salvation*, pg. 325; but wait until after Armageddon, *Children*, pg. 313. **(Refute? See #16A: 1Tim.4:1-3,5:11-14; Heb. 13:4)**

M.) Jesus did not begin his reign as king until 1914. **(Refute? See #17A: 1 Cor.15:25; Acts 2:29-36)**

N.) “Christ, upon whose shoulder the government shall rest, is a spirit. He now is and ever will be invisible to man” *Government*, pg. 113. **(Refute? See #18A: Rev. 1:7)**

O.) The elect who died in Christ have already been resurrected, *Salvation*, pg. 306. **(Refute? See #19A: 2 Tim. 2:18)**

P.) “The soul that sinneth it shall die,” means that the soul dies a physical death. **(Refute? See #20A: Eph. 2:1)**

Q.) All are born sinners. **(Refute? See #21A: Ezk. 18:20)**

R.) The “other sheep” spoken of by Christ are others to be saved besides the 144,000. **(Refute? See #22A: Acts 11:18; Eph. 2:11-17)**

S.) The followers of Christ observe annually the memorial of His death, *Reconciliation*,

pg. 245; But that the “Jondabs” (others beside the 144,000) should never partake, Salvation, pg. 273. (**Refute? See #23A: Acts 20:7**)