

# FAITH CHAT

with James & John

## Are Mormons Christians?

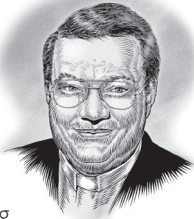
### Know This...

Mormons (members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints) say Jesus Christ is a man and a god, and three gods comprise the "Godhead." Are people Christians because they believe Jesus is a man and a god or because they believe three gods comprise the "Godhead?" No. Christians believe Jesus is true God and true man in one divine Person and the Godhead is three divine Persons in one true God. Despite Mormon emphasis on Christian family values, since they do not accept these two fundamental tenets of historical Christianity—the Incarnation and the Trinity—Mormons are not Christians.



**John:** Christians are monotheists. Mormons are polytheists who believe that the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost are three separate gods. Mormons claim all gods, including the Father and the Son, were men who became gods; yet, they have bodies of flesh and bone.

**James:** They also claim any male can become a god; some earthly marriages continue in heaven; and hell is only reserved for Satan, evil spirits, and a few 'notorious' sinners. In contrast with the Catholic Church, Mormons believe in continuing public revelation and baptism for the dead.

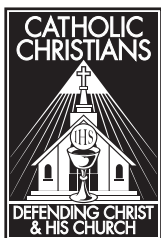


**John:** The hinge-pin of Mormon theology is their claim that the Catholic Church is a counterfeit of the original Church, and the Mormon Church is now the true Church.

**James:** Most Mormon doctrine runs counter to historical Christianity; but it is the Mormon understanding of the Trinity and the Incarnation that separates them from authentic Christianity.

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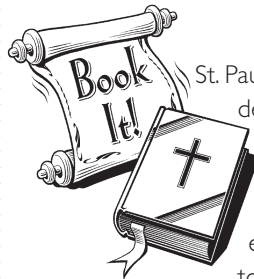
Jesus' words refute Mormon teaching. "Before Abraham came to be, I AM." Jn 8:58 "... that they may all be one, as you, Father, are in me and I in you, that they also may be in us, that the world may believe that you sent me." Jn 17:21 "I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the powers of death shall not prevail against it." Mt 16:18 "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." Mt 28:19 "The children of this age marry and remarry; but those who are deemed worthy to attain to the coming age and to the resurrection of the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage." Lk 20:27-35

"Let us note that the very tradition, teaching, and faith of the Catholic Church from the beginning, which the Lord gave, was preached by the Apostles, and was preserved by the Fathers. On this was the Church founded; and if anyone departs from this, he neither is nor any longer ought to be called a Christian." St. Athanasius, 360 AD



## PAPA SAYS

"There were also false prophets among the people, just as there will be false teachers among you, who will introduce destructive heresies and even deny the Master who ransomed them, bringing swift destruction on themselves. Many will follow their licentious ways, and because of them the way of truth will be reviled. In their greed they will exploit you with fabrications, but from of old their condemnation has not been idle and their destruction does not sleep." 2 Pet 2:1-3



St. Paul wrote, "I am astonished that you are so quickly deserting him who called you in the grace of Christ and turning to a different gospel—not that there is another gospel, but there are some who trouble you and want to pervert the gospel of Christ. But even if we, or an angel from heaven, should preach to you a gospel contrary to that which we preached to you, let him be accursed!" Gal 1:6-8

Lord Jesus Christ, Second Person of the Blessed Trinity, true God and true man, You are eternal, one in being with the Father. There is no other god besides You. You revealed that no power will prevail against Your Church. Still, for two thousand years, self-professed "prophets" have proclaimed a "gospel" contrary to Yours. Their words, actions, and persistence have led many out of the Church. Give me the grace necessary to tactfully, yet vigilantly, preach and live the true Gospel. Help me do all I can to lead the lost home to Your Church. Grant this through Your Most Holy Name. Amen.

