

& ERROR

DISCERNING TRUTH

**IMPORTANT
FACTS
FOR
JEHOVAH'S
WITNESSES
TO
CONSIDER**

**SEE FOR YOURSELF
MANY OF THE ACTUAL
Erroneous Statements,
Failed Prophecies,
Contradictions,
& Outlandish Teachings**

**FROM THE
WATCHTOWER'S
OWN PUBLICATIONS**

Q. Why does the WATCHTOWER forbid you to read non-JW material?

A. Because they have something to hide!

Read for yourself the following errors, contradictions, failed prophecies and outlandish teachings in the following excerpts taken directly from the **WATCHTOWER** (in red) and its various books, publications and magazines. The **WATCHTOWER** is the official voice of Jehovah's Witnesses and (supposedly) of God. Can God make these incredible errors? Is God confused?

1. THE WATCHTOWER claims to be the official interpreter of the Bible:

"An individual must have *The Watchtower* to understand the Bible." — *1983 Yearbook (A Watchtower publication), p. 21*

2. THE WATCHTOWER also claims there can be no contradictions in church teachings:

"New Light never contradicts old Light, but adds to it." — *WT (Watchtower) 2/1881, p. 188*

**Yet there are many contradictions.
Judge For Yourself: Is This Truth?**

**THE WORSHIP OF JESUS CHRIST
Is Required And Not Permitted**

"Christ to Be Worshipped " — *MAKE SURE '53, p.85*

"to worship Christ in any form cannot be wrong" — *WT 3/1/1880 p. 83*

"the disciples worshipped him." — *WT 5/15/1892, p. 1410*

"You must worship and bow down to Jehovah's chief one, namely Jesus Christ." — *WT 10/15/1945, p. 313*

"And let all God's angels **worship** him." — *N.W.T., 1961 Edition, Hebrews 1:6*

"And let all God's angels **do obeisance** to him." — *N.W.T., 1971 Edition, Hebrews 1:6*

"No distinct worship is to be rendered to Jesus Christ" — *WT 1/1/1954, p. 31*

"Do not erroneously conclude that Christians are to worship Christ. That is not what the Bible taught." — *WT 7/15/1959, p. 421*

"... it is unscriptural for worshippers of the living and true God to render worship to the Son of God, Jesus Christ." — *WT 11/1/1964, p. 671*

**WHO IS JESUS CHRIST?
Almighty, Not Almighty, Michael, Not Michael**

"Jesus is the Alpha and Omega, the Almighty, of Revelation 1:8." — *STUDIES, Vol. 7, p.15*

"The Bible is clear and consistent about the relationship of God to Jesus. Jehovah God alone is Almighty." — *Should you believe in The Trinity? — Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society*

"Let all the angels of God worship him' (that must include Michael, the chief angel, hence Michael is not the Son of God.)" — *WT 11/1879, p. 48*

"Michael the Great Prince is none other than Jesus Christ himself." — *WT 12/15/1984, p.29*

"Michael in Revelation 12:7 is the pope of Rome." — *STUDIES, Vol. 7, p.188*

"Does it matter what you believe about Jesus? Yes!" — *WT 2/1/1984, pg 3*

WHICH GOD IS WHICH?

Romans 10:13 refers to Jesus — *WT 5/1/1978, p. 12*

Romans 10:13 is referring to Jehovah. — *WT 2/1/1980, p. 16*

Romans 10:14 refers to Jesus — *WT 12/1/1903, p.3282*

Romans 10:14-16 refers to Jehovah — *WT 7/1/1940, p.200*

Revelation 22:12 is referring to Jehovah — *Awake! 8/22/1978, p.28*

Revelation 22: 7,12,20 is referring to Jesus — *WT 10/1/1978, p.15*

In Romans 10:12 the identity of the "Lord" cannot be established with certainty from the context. — *WT 2/1977, p. 95*

ORGANIZATION: None, Not God's Plan, Beware of, Wholly Unnecessary, Visible, Under the Lord's Supervision, Divine Rulership, Controlled by Jehovah, Victorious — Put your Faith in it!

"There is no organization today clothed with authority." — *WT 9/1/1983, p.1573*

"A visible organization is out of harmony with God's divine plan." — *WT 12/1/1984, p.1743*

"Beware of 'organization.' it is wholly unnecessary." — *WT 9/15/1985, p.1866*

"Jehovah's organization has a visible part on the earth which represents the Lord and is under his direct supervision." — *WT 5/1/1938, p.169*

"Failure to respond to the direction of the organization indicates a rejection of Divine rulership." — *WT 2/15/1976, p.124*

"Who controls the organization? Jehovah!" — *WT 11/1/1956, p.666*

"Put faith in a victorious organization!" — *WT 3/1/1979, p.1*

**RACE:
Black Man Becomes White! White Superiority**

Rev. William Draper, once black, is now white in answer to prayer." — *WT 10/1/1900, p.2706*

"true that the white race exhibits some qualities of superiority over any other" — *WT 7/15/1902, p.3043*

**RESURRECTION OF SODOMITES:
Will Be Resurrected, Won't, Will, Won't, Will,
Won't... Better Make A Note Of It**

"The men of Sodom will be resurrected." — *WT 7/18/1979, p.8*

"The men of Sodom will be not resurrected." — *WT 6/1/1952, p.338*

"The men of Sodom will be resurrected." — *WT 8/1/1965, p.479*

“The men of Sodom will not be resurrected.” — *WT 6/1/1988, p. 31*

“The men of Sodom will be resurrected.” — *LIVE FOREVER early editions, p.179*

“The men of Sodom will not be resurrected.” — *LIVE FOREVER early editions, p.179*

“The men of Sodom will be resurrected.” — *INSIGHT, Vol. 2, p.985*

“The men of Sodom will not be resurrected.” — *REVELATION, p.273*

“Some adjustments will be made in future printings of the Live Forever Book. . . . with regard to the Sodomites. This change appeared in the Revelation book... and in the Watchtower of June 1, 1988... You may wish to note it in earlier printings you have on hand.” — *KINGDOM MIN. 12/1989, p.7*

PROPHECY: Lord’s Return In 1878, 1914, 1915, 1918, 1925, 1975

1874: Second Coming Of The Lord, End Of Evil

“Scriptures prove the Lord’s Second Advent was in 1874.” — *STUDIES, Vol. 7, p.68*

“six thousand years of evil which ended in 1874.” — *STUDIES, Vol.7, p.301*

“The millennium began in 1874, with the return of Christ.” — *STUDIES, Vol.7, p.386*

“To understand the events concerning the Lord’s second presence from 1874 to 1914 requires one to be spiritually minded; and the clergy are not spiritually minded.” — *CREATION, p. 291, early editions, p.312, later editions*

“This moved forward the end of the six thousand years of man’s existence into the decade of the 1970’s. Naturally this did away with the year 1874 C.E. as the date of the return of the Lord Jesus Christ. . . .” — *WT 1000 Years, pp. 209-210*

1914: God’s Date, Christendom Will Pass Away, Overthrow Of Earth’s Present Rulership, Kingdom Of God On Earth — Fully

“ . . . The battle of the great day of God Almighty (Rev, 16:14), which will end in A.D. 1914 with the complete overthrow of earth’s present rulership. . . .” — *STUDIES, Vol.2, early editions, p.101*

“the full establishment of the Kingdom of God in the earth at A.D. 1914.” — *STUDIES, Vol.3, p.126*

“the end of A.D. 1914... what men call Christendom. Will have passed away, as already shown from prophecy.” — *STUDIES, Vol. 3, p. 153*

“that the deliverance of the saints must take place **before 1914...**” — *STUDIES, Vol.3, 1913 edition, p. 228*

“that the deliverance of the saints must take place **very soon after 1914...**” — *STUDIES, Vol. 3, 1923 edition, p. 228*

“There is no reason for changing the figures, they are God’s dates, not ours; 1914 is not the date for the beginning, but the end.” — *WT 7/15/1894, p. 1677*

“The date of the close of that ‘battle’ is definitely marked in Scripture as October, 1914.” — *WT 1/15/1982, p.1355*

“We did not positively say that this would be the year.” — *WT 11/1/1914, p.5565*

“All of the Lord’s people looked forward to 1914 with joyful expectation. When that time came and passed there was much disappointment. . . . They were ridiculed by the clergy and their allies in particular, and pointed to with scorn, because they had said so much about 1914, and what would come to pass, and their ‘prophecies’ had not been fulfilled.” — *LIGHT, Vol.1, p.194*

- Note: Many of the above dates were revised in various publications to reflect the year 1915 instead of 1914 as that year passed without fulfillment.

1918: Refigure The Earlier Predictions, The Harvest, Churches Cease To Be

“Reexamine. . . . Change the 37 to 40, 70 to 73 and 1914 to 1918 and we believe it is correct and will be fulfilled’ with great power and glory.” — *STUDIES, Vol.7, p.62*

“The harvest would close forty years thereafter; to wit, in the spring of A.D. 1918. . . . we have only a few months in which to labor before the great night settles down when no man can work.” — *WT 10/1/1917, p.6149*

“What will 1918 bring forth? . . . The Christian looks for the year to bring the full consummation of the church’s hopes.” — *WT 1/1/1918 p.6191*

“THE CHURCHES TO CEASE TO BE. . . .**culminating in 1918**, to remove it with a stroke or plague of erroneous doctrines and deeds Divinely permitted.” — *STUDIES, Vol.7, 1917 edition, p.484*

“THE CHURCHES TO CEASE TO BE. . . .**culminating shortly**, to remove it with a stroke or plague of erroneous doctrines and deeds Divinely permitted.” — *STUDIES, Vol. 7, 1926 edition, p.484*

1925: Recalculate The Date — Again, The Resurrection Of Abraham, Isaac, And Jacob, Millions Now Living Will Never Die

“the establishment of the Kingdom will be in 1925, ten years later than we once calculated.” — *STUDIES, Vol. 7, p. 128*

“It is the message of the hour, that must go to all Christendom: “Millions now living will never die.” — *WT 10/15/1920 p. 310*

“Therefore we may confidently expect that 1925 will mark the return of Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and the faithful prophets of old...” — *MILLIONS, pp.89-90*

“There will be no slip-up. . . . Abraham should enter upon the actual possession of his promised inheritance in the year 1925 A.D.” — *WT 10/15/1917, p. 6157*

“The year 1925 is a date definitely and clearly marked in the Scriptures, even more clearly than that of 1914.” — *WT 7/15/1924, p. 211*

.”The year 1925 came and went. Jesus’ anointed followers were still on the earth as a class. The faithful men of old times— Abraham, David, and others—had not been resurrected to become princes in the earth. (Ps. 45:16) So, as Anna MacDonald recalls: ‘1925 was a sad year for many brothers. Some of them stumbled; their hopes were dashed Instead of being considered a “probability,” they read into it that it was a :certainty,” and some prepared for their own loved ones with expectancy of their resurrection.”’ — *1975 YEARBOOK, p.148*

“Some anticipated the work would end in 1925. The Lord did not so state.” — *WT 8/1/1926, p. 232*

“‘It was stated in the “Millions” book that we might reasonably expect them to return shortly after 1925, but this was merely an expressed opinion.’ A mistake had been made but, as Brother Rutherford stated, this was no reason to stop serving the Lord.” — *1980 YEARBOOK, p. 62*

1975: End Of Human Experience

“ . . .1975 marks the end of the 6,000 years of human experience.” — *WT 5/1/1967, p. 262*

“Do not pursue higher education. There is little time left! Make pioneer service, the full-time ministry with the possibility of Bethel or missionary service, your goal.” — *WT 3/15/1969, p. 171*

“Considerable expectation was aroused regarding the year 1975... Statements published that implied that such realizations of hopes by that year was more of a probability than a mere possibility. It is to be regretted. . . .ET 3/15/1980 p. 17

False Prophets: Watchtower Defines A False Prophet — Watchtower Meets The Qualifications

If these prophecies have not been fulfilled and if all possibility of fulfillment is past, then these prophets are proven false.” — *PROPHECY, p. 22*

“Jehovah Will put all false prophets to shame either by not fulfilling the false prediction of such self-assuming prophets or by having His own prophecies fulfilled in a way opposite to that predicted by the false prophets.” — *PARADISE REST., pp. 353-354*

“A pastor prophesied the end; he was called a false prophet.” — *WT 5/15/1958, p.163*

“ . . . The need to revise our understanding somewhat does not make us false prophets.” — *WT 3/15/1986, p. 19*

“God’s faithful people on the earth emphasized the importance of the dates 1914 and 1918 and 1925. They had much to say about these dates and what would come to pass, but all they predicted did not come to pass. — *VINDICATION, Vol.1, p. 146*

“There was a measure of disappointment on the part of Jehovah’s faithful ones on earth concerning the years 1914, 1918, and 1925. . . . They also learned to quit fixing dates for the future and predicting what would come to pass on a certain date. . . .” — *VINDICATION, Vol.1, pp. 338-39*

“Some opposers claim that Jehovah’s Witnesses are false prophets. These opponents say that dates have been set, but nothing happened. Again we ask, what is the motive of these critics? — *WT 3/15/1986, p. 19*

- The Bible teaches that God is not the author of confusion and that false prophets will be exposed by unfulfilled prophecies (Deut. 18.) Clearly, the Watchtower has misled Jehovah’s Witnesses for more than a century.
- If your eyes have been opened to see the light, we want to show you what the Bible really says. Call today for our Home Bible Study concerning Truth.