

SALVATION questions

- **1.** How would **I benefit** by becoming a Witness? As a Christian I *already possess* a "relationship" with Christ (Col 2:10-12 NWT; 2 Peter 1:3), forgiveness of all my sins, His righteousness, sonship and eternal life.
- **2.** If I had only **3 minutes** to live, how can I be saved be put right with God? (Acts 16:31)
- **3.** Can I be saved without being **a Jehovah's Witness**? (1 John 5:1, "everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God")
- **4.** Is Jesus your **mediator** as described in 1 Tim 2:5-6? If we are not in the new covenant how can our sins be forgiven in view of Matt 26:28?
- **5.** What would you say is the primary **test of genuine faith**? It is "Christ *in* you" according to 2 Corinthians 13:5 (Greek Interlinear). Would you welcome a living relationship with Christ?
- **6.** What **work** is necessary to gain everlasting life? (John 6:27-29; 3:14-15) Do you know for sure that you have eternal life? (John 5:24; 1 John 5:13)
- **7.** When did Jesus give permission for any *one* of his disciples *not* to partake of his flesh and blood? "All" who believes, should partake as children of God having eternal life (John 1:12; 3:18; 5:24; 6:54).

ORGANISATION questions

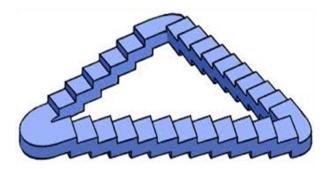
- **8.** Why did Jesus write to **seven individual churches** (Rev 2-3) rather than any supposed central governing body?
- **9.** What specific "spiritual food" were your organisation providing over **100 years ago**, that caused God to choose it as his one channel?
- **10.** Would it be presumptuous to say God is using only **one channel** today? [For mankind's first 2,500 years God never used an organisation. In 2015 Governing body member Jackson denied that their organisation was the only channel.]
- **11.** Could the "**faithful and discreet slave**" of Matt 24:45-47 represent ALL believers, from Jesus' day to his second coming, as they serve each other, just as in similar parables in Matthew 25? (Matt 25:2,14,19,21; 1 Pet 4:10-11).
- **12.** Should **new light contradict** older Spirit directed truths or just add clarification to them? *Shunning* was taught in 1947 to be of pagan origin but by 1952 it was accepted as an evidence of God's love. *Pyramidology* for 40 years was said to be of God but later of Satan!
- **13.** How does your organisation view the **UN?** Why did you support the UN as an NGO for ten years? [1992 to 2001; Guardian report]
- **14.** If a baptised JW disagrees with some **WT teachings** because of genuine study, prayer and Christian conscience, can he simply leave without fear of being *shunned*? (AW July 2009)
- **15**. If the end is imminent, what will happen to the over 3 billion who have **not heard** about the JW organisation and which number grows by 140 million births every year?

NWT questions

- **16. John 3:16.** Why does the NWT here say "**exercising faith**" when in the previous verse (3:15) the same Greek word πιστεύων (pisteuō) is translated simply as "believing"? (cf John 6:47; Acts 13:39; 16:31) It is faith itself, *not the works* of faith, that saves a person (Rom 4:3; Eph 2:8-10).
- 17. Col 1:16. "Because by means of him all other ["other" is added to the text] things were created in the heavens and on the earth" Why is "other" dishonestly inserted five times in this passage (1:15-20) by the NWT? (cf John 1:3)
- **18. Acts 13:48.** Why is the verb τάσσω (tassō) rendered only here "**rightly disposed**"? Is this to falsely imply a qualifying condition for salvation? Strangely, in the seven other NT places where this same verb occurs, the NWT has translated it correctly as either "arranged, stand placed or devoted to" (Matt 28:16; Luke 7:8; Acts 15:2; 22:10; 28:23; Rom 13:1; 1 Cor 16:15). All appointed for eternal life come to believe.
- 19. Rom 8:1 "Therefore, those in union with [Gr. "in"] Christ Jesus have [Greek vũv "now" is omitted] no condemnation." Why do all other Bibles closely follow the Greek text? "But there is no condemnation *now* for those who are *in* Christ." (Byington; also, KIT, ASV, KJV) Are not all Christians "*in him*" and therefore *now* do not "come into judgment"? (John 5:24-25; 15:1-5)
- **20. 2 Cor 3:16-18.** Why is the name "Jehovah" inserted here five times when it does not appear in the Greek text, nor are there any quotations here from the OT? In fact, the Tetragrammaton does not appear in any of the over 5,000 Greek NT fragments nor in any of the writings of the early Church fathers.

JWs answer: Who will be saved? How?

- **Study a long course** and clean up your life first before baptism.
- Works, especially preaching, are needed as a qualifying factor to be saved - yet at the same time by God's "undeserved kindness."
- **Obey the Organisation**. Loyalty to God's one channel is essential for salvation.
- **Endurance** "to the end to be saved" (Matt 24:13). Salvation is a process, so we can never know for sure we are saved.
- The 144,000 are born again for life in heaven, but they are all JWs.
- The "Great Crowd" are all other followers of the "truth" as revealed through the "Governing Body" of JWs. This larger group will very soon survive Armageddon into a cleansed paradise earth and continue to work for everlasting life. They are not born again so do not partake of communion.



• Endless steps to everlasting life!

Knowledge + Faith + Prayers + Meetings +
Repent + Clean up your life + Preach +
Dedication + Baptism + Endurance to end.

How can we Help Them?

- 1. In a Spirit of Love prayerfully approach. We could acknowledge their zeal and morality. Avoid aggressively attacking their false doctrines but rather explain the gospel message of grace, including your own personal testimony and joy in Christ.
- 2. Explain the One Step. Because of our sin we deserve to be eternally separated from God (Rom 3:23; 5:8; 6:23). God's Son, by his death, fully paid the price for our deserved punishment. He has done all of the work for us (John 1:12-13; 5:24-25; 6:28-29). Faith in Jesus Christ is the only "step" to salvation (Acts 16:30-31). In the salvation package we also now receive the gifts of forgiveness, righteousness, sonship and eternal life.
- **3. After Salvation.** Baptism, studying the Bible, sharing the good news and helping in the community are not steps to salvation but the results of salvation.



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