

Jehovah's Witnesses and The Watchtower

Jehovah's Witnesses was Started in Pennsylvania in 1870 as a Bible study class taught by Charles T. Russell

- 8,579,909— Jehovah's Witnesses
- 119,954— Congregations worldwide
- 13,016— Congregations in the United States
- 1 to 265—Ratio of Jehovah's Witnesses to population in the United States
- 240—Lands where Jehovah's Witnesses worship
- Key Verse: Isaiah 43:12

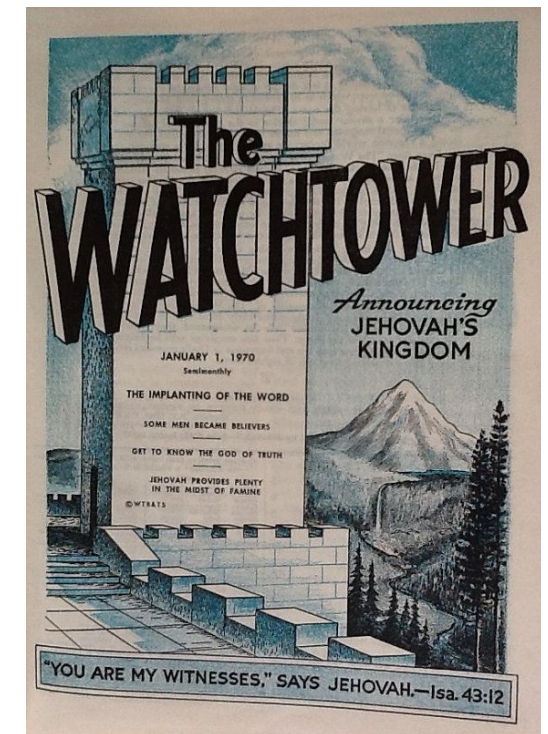
Comparing Beliefs

Jehovah's Witnesses	Evangelicals
<p>God</p> <p>Jehovah Witnesses reject the Trinity. Jesus was created by Jehovah, and "holy spirit" is an impersonal force</p>	<p>God</p> <p>The Triune God exists eternally as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit</p>
<p>Jesus</p> <p>The highest created being of Jehovah; also known as Michael the archangel</p>	<p>Jesus</p> <p>The second person of the Trinity and the Savior of the world through His sacrifice upon the cross</p>
<p>Scripture</p> <p>The New World Translation of the Bible</p> <p>The Watchtower Magazine</p>	<p>Scripture</p> <p>The Bible</p>
<p>Salvation</p> <p>Based on faith and works. However, only 144,000 faithful believers will be saved and go to heaven.</p>	<p>Salvation</p> <p>By grace through faith in Jesus Christ</p>
<p>Hell</p> <p>People who are not saved by Jehovah will pass out of existence. Therefore, there is not a literal place of eternal punishment.</p>	<p>Hell</p> <p>The place of everlasting punishment for those not saved by the blood of Jesus.</p>
<p>Man</p> <p>A created species by Jehovah, endowed with free will to live by faith and Jehovah's undeserved kindness</p>	<p>Man</p> <p>A created species by God through the Son Jesus Christ to bring glory to God</p>

Learn more: <http://media.mobaptist.org/public/apologetics/majoring-in-the-minors-bw.pdf>

When They Come to Your Door

The Do's and Don'ts When Jehovah's Witnesses come to your door.



Do's

- Open the door
- Be friendly, respectful, and polite
- If you are not interested in talking, just tell them you're not interested
- Offer them water
- Have a conversation
- Express what you believe as a Christian
- If you have questions, feel free to invite them back but make sure you also invite another Christian to join you
- Pray for them and pray with them if they agree

To be a soul winner is the happiest thing in this world. And with every soul you bring to Jesus Christ, you seem to get a new heaven here upon earth.

–Charles Spurgeon

Things to Remember

You will not find a more faithful group of people who work hard and spend countless hours of their own personal time to be a Witness of Jehovah.

When you hear that knock on your door, behind it stand two people who come in love and compassion. We too should show that same love and compassion in the truth that is found only in Jesus Christ.

Be clear about what you believe and have a clear evangelical message ready to present.

Consider inviting a member of the Missouri Baptist Apologetics Network to speak at your church.

Learn more: mobaptist.org/apologetics/mban

But in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, ready at any time to give a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you.

1 Peter 3:15

Don'ts

- Argue
- Shut or slam the door in their faces or blow them off
- Tell them they are going to Hell
- Use rude language
- Assume that everything you have heard or read on the Internet about the Jehovah's Witnesses is true
- Attack their faith, church, or the Watchtower
- Invite them back unless you truly mean it