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This book uses the New World Translation of the Holy Scriptures to prove that all the teachings of Jehovah's Witnesses concerning the Last Days and the good news of salvation are unscriptural. The author, an elder of Jehovah's Witnesses for 40 years, shares the results of the last ten years of his research into such Watch Tower teachings as the 1914 invisible presence of Christ, the overlapping generation doctrine, the failed prophecies of 1925 and 1975, the fact that the Governing Body had evidence long ago showing that 607 BCE was not the date of the Babylonian exile, and most important of all, the abundant evidence that the salvation hope offered to the JW Other Sheep is a Rutherford invention wholly without support in Scripture. He also shares his experience on how Witnesses who continue to believe in Jehovah and Jesus can move beyond JW.org without sacrificing their faith. This is a must-read for any Jehovah's Witness who is a seeker of truth and unafraid to put his or her beliefs to the test. Cowboys, Armageddon, and The Truth: How a Gay Child Was Saved from Religion offers an illuminating glimpse into a child's sequestered world of abuse, homophobia, and religious extremism. Scott Terry's memoir is a compelling, poignant and occasionally humorous look into the Jehovah's Witness faith-a religion that refers to itself as The Truth-and a brave account of Terry's successful escape from a troubled past. At the age of ten, Terry had embraced the Witnesses' prediction that the world will come to an end in 1975 and was preparing for Armageddon. As an adolescent, he prayed for God to strip away his growing attraction to other young men. But by adulthood, Terry found himself no longer believing in the promised apocalypse. Through a series of adventures and misadventures, he left the Witness religion behind and became a cowboy, riding bulls in the rodeo. He

overcame the hurdles of parental abuse, religious extremism, and homophobia and learned that Truth is a concept of honesty rather than false righteousness, a means to live a life openly, for Terry as a gay man." Presents unique ethnographic data and anthropological analysis to explain the growth of Protestantism in Mexico and Central America. Proven step-by-step methods that will help you bring Jehovah's Witnesses to Christ. While serving as an Associate Pastor in 1996, Daniel Rodriguez was instrumental in targeting his city's large Jehovah's Witness population. Construction of a Kingdom Hall was stopped because the strategies in this book either won Witnesses to Christ or destroyed their faith in the Watchtower Society. The step-by-step plan in this practical, easy-reading book will help you to reach Jehovah's Witnesses like you never thought possible. Discover: Why Jehovah's Witnesses won't listen when you quote your Bible. How to get them to actually hear and receive your words. How you can get them to doubt their leaders. Tactics they use to get Christians sidetracked. You Will Also Learn: The logic that is such an effective tool to reach them. How to persuade honest Witnesses to reject the authority of the Watchtower Society. How Watchtower publications contradict themselves, the Bible, and their religion. Why the first thing you must do is destroy their faith in the Watchtower, and how to do it. If you want to be more successful at sharing the gospel with Jehovah's Witnesses, here's help. Jehovah's Witnesses have a unique vocabulary incomprehensible to outsiders. They also use familiar Christian terms to mean something different from standard usage. This book is a dictionary of such "J.W.ese" language. Moreover, it explains how JWs engage in doubletalk when speaking with outsiders, and tells the reader how to break through that doubletalk to share the Gospel of Christ with those trapped inside the cult.Reed is the author of "Answering Jehovah's Witnesses Subject by Subject" and the popular book "Jehovah's Witnesses Answered Verse by Verse."This "Dictionary of J.W.ese" was originally published in 1997 under the title "Jehovah-Talk" by Baker

Book House. This volume is the 2010 Lulu edition. This edited volume deploys digital ethnography in varied contexts to explore the cultural roles of mobile apps that focus on religious practice and communities, as well as those used for religious purposes (whether or not they were originally developed for that purpose). Combining analyses of local contexts with insights and methods from the global subfield of digital anthropology, the contributors here recognize the complex ways that in-app and on-ground worlds interact in a wide range of communities and traditions. While some of the case studies emphasize the cultural significance of use in local contexts and relationships to pre-existing knowledge networks and/or non-digital relationships of power, others explore the globalizing and democratizing influences of mobile apps as communication technologies. From Catholic confession apps to Jewish Kaddish assistance apps and Muslim halal food apps, readers will see how religiousthemed mobile apps create complex sites for potential new forms of religious expression, worship, discussion, and practices. Monterio relates how Jesus brought the Scriptures to life in her presence andrescued her and her children from the enemys snare. (Christian) Critics have leveled many accusations against the leaders of the Watchtower Jehovah's Witnesses, accusing them of being soft on pedophiles-of being false prophets and of ruining families. But how do we know what Jehovah himself thinks of the organization that bears his name? The answers are in the Bible. Robert King offers a unique interpretation of God's judgments in scripture, comparing modern-day Jehovah's Witnesses to the people of Jerusalem in ancient times who came under God's judgment. This prophetic book does more than expose the errors and hypocrisy of the Watchtower's leadership; it serves as a revelation of God's judgments on the people who bear his name. Jehovah Himself Has Become King is a must-read for both devout Jehovah's Witnesses and those who are questioning their faith. This revised third edition includes new indexes and updates on current problems facing the church, making it a definitive

reference guide. Scripture-based denial of the doctrines of the Jehovah's Witnesses. Gabe is a teenage Jehovah's Witness convinced God will kill him at Armageddon for masturbating. But Gabe's not alone: there's Peter, who writes swear words in the margins of his papers; Jihyun, the Korean kid who subsists on Ho Hos and Doritos; and Camille, who follows Gabe around, trying to be his girlfriend. There's also Gabe's mom, who sleeps sixteen hours a day, and his dad, an elder who decides the fate of sinners (like the married couple who confesses to accidentally having anal sex). There's Brother Miller, an elder with a Napoleon complex, who accompanies Gabe from door to door, encouraging him to knock with confidence, and Sister Feeney, who looks forward to the day she can move into a Spanish-style house after its owner dies at the end of the world. Luckily for Gabe, there is Uncle Jeff, who used to tour with Santana and now gives Gabe the only valuable girl advice he ever receives. It's hard when school days are spent dodging questions about your weird religion and weekends mean preaching house to house. Life looks dreary until Gabe falls for Camille's beautiful older sister and begins to see her as the answer to his frustrations. This is the first major study of the enigmatic religious society. By examining the Jehovah's Witnesses' dramatic recent expansion, Andrew Holden reveals the dependency of their quasi-totalitarian movement on the physical and cultural resources have brought about the privatization of religion, the erosion of community, and the separation of 'fact' from faith. Discusses the history and religious doctrines of the Jehovah's Witnesses and examines the parallels between the religion and George Orwell's novel, 1984 In her breakthrough book, "Knock, Knock: Shedding Light on Jehovah's Witnesses at the door," born-again author Ruth Baker uses her twenty years of experience as a Jehovah's Witness to unveil the mystery of this obscure cult. This shocking testimony will not only equip Christians to properly protect themselves, their families, and friends from the unseen forces of darkness, but will also challenged them to boldly defend the truth

with confidence and love. This book is an essential weapon in preparing for the next "Knock, Knock." Understanding the illusionary concept that holds millions of Jehovah's Witnesses captive by controlling how they think and act without them realizing it. Presents an encyclopedia of religion and politics in America including short biographies of important political and religious figures like Ralph Abernathy, civil rights leader, and Ralph Waldo Emerson, writer, and synopses of religious entities like the Branch Davidians and the Episcopal church as well as important court cases of relevancy like Epperson et al. v. Arkansas having to do with evolution. This second edition of Historical Dictionary of Jehovah's Witnesses contains a chronology, an introduction, and an extensive bibliography. The dictionary section has over 300 cross-referenced entries on important personalities, culture, and key concepts. Roy D. Goodrich was a devoted Bible Student and Jehovah's Witness who took issue with the tacit endorsement of "junk science" medical devices by the Watch Tower Bible & Tract Society which, to Goodrich, were a form of demonic divination. His is an interesting and very revealing account of how the organization that calls itself "The TRUTH" really operates. Comparative Christianity: A Student's Guide to a Religion and its Diverse Traditions explores what Christians have in common and then works through the three major subdivisions of the faith: Eastern, Roman, and Protestant. Using categories common to many definitions of religion, each chapter employs the categories of belief, individual and group moral codes, ceremonies, and associations. The book is a good choice for a textbook on Christianity, for the general reader and/or the follower of other religious traditions who want to learn about the Christian faith. By reading this book, readers will have a fuller knowledge of what Christians, whatever tradition, have in common and what distinguishes one Christian group from another. Comparative Christianity is different than other similar books on the market. It includes groups normally ignored, such as the Coptic and Ethiopian Orthodox Christians and Mormon groups beyond the scope of the Salt Lake City Latter-day Saints community (including the recent Texas group at the center of a polygamy controversy). Also, Comparative Christianity includes a review quiz at the end of each chapter so that readers can see how much knowledge they have acquired. These quizzes may also be used by professors if the text is used in a course. Chaim Picker, grandson of an orthodox cantor from White Russia, under the tutelage of his maternal uncle, left Judaism at the age of fifteen, becoming a Jehovah's Witness. Fifteen years later, disenchanted with the teachings of the Watchtower Society, he returned to his ancestral faith, becoming a Jewish educator and subsequently the cantor of Temple Israel. He is the author of The Descendants of Velvel Pochapovsky, Students Discover Genesis, He Kindled a Light, Make us a God, Temple of Diamonds, and "The Two Walked on Together". It's the Christmas season—"the most wonderful time of the year" for most people in River City, California. But for Jehovah's Witnesses Lawrence and Brad, it's a time for them to try to explain "the truth" about this holiday season to the people of the community. Their earnest efforts may earn them ridicule, disagreement, or a door slammed rudely in their faces, but they persist—and are sometimes able to find a mind and heart receptive to their urgent message about Jehovah's coming Kingdom. Whereas for Elders Skousen and Marshall—two Latter-day Saint (Mormon) missionaries—the season is another opportunity to share their Church's distinctive interpretation of the Christian gospel; but their efforts are often rebuffed, as well. In the course of their work, these two pairs of men engage in dialogue with traditional Christians, as well as members of the Church of Christ; the Community of Christ (RLDS); Seventh-day Adventists; and "Oneness" Pentecostals—not to mention skeptics, atheists, and the increasing numbers of people who lack any particular religious beliefs. But when a local church brings in a researcher to give a series of lectures on "Cults"—and specifically targeting the Jehovah's Witnesses and Mormons—a confrontation is

ensured, where theological and biblical concepts collide in a public forum. Who, if anyone, really has "the Truth"? Can one still discover the "true meaning of Christmas" in the midst of passionate disagreements over the validity of the holiday season? Are objections raised about the secularization and rampant commercialism of the modern celebration valid? Spend a holiday season (or any other season) with some interesting and intellectually-stimulating characters, as they explore these and other challenging questions. (Readers of the author's earlier novel, A Multicultural Christmas, will be pleased to see a brief reappearance of two characters from that book.) Do you feel like hiding when Jehovah's Witnesses ring your doorbell? Have you tried to convey your faith to them...and gotten nowhere? It's proven and practical guide which includes questions, answers, conversation starters and other great witnessing tools that will help you speak to Jehovah's Witnesses. ?The book discusses the theoretical and methodological challenges of an interculturally valid sociology of religion and provides insights into the autochthonous socio-religious research in Muslim societies and Asian countries. In this way, it links discourses that have so far taken place primarily independently of one another. The book goes back to a conference in Münster that questioned the Western foundation of empirical religiosity research, which reaches its limits in the non-American and non-European context, but also with regard to orthodox forms of faith in the Western context. This volume shows how World Wars I & II influenced Watch Tower attitudes to civil government, armed conflict, and medical innovations like blood transfusion, as well as to mainstream churches and the development of Jehovah's Witnesses' door-to-door evangelism. The theme of prophecy, the doctrine of the 144,000, end-time calculations, Armageddon, and the Witnesses' denial of hell are all considered in this work, which contains a chronology, an introductory essay, a bibliography, and 250 cross-referenced dictionary entries relating to key people and concepts. Originating from a small group of Bible students led by Charles Taze

Russell in the 1870s, the Watch Tower Society grew into an international society. After Russell's death in 1916, Franklin Rutherford was named his successor and gave the society a new name: 'Jehovah's Witnesses.' At first, the Watchtower Society seemed harmless to William J. Schnell, even valuable as a way to develop his faith in God and pass it on to others. This book is Schnell's fascinating account of his involvement with the cult, which effectively enticed him in the 1920s and continues to lure countless individuals today. Readers will learn, as Schnell did, that the Jehovah's Witness religion he had joined was anything but innocent. For thirty years he was enslaved by one of the most totalitarian religions of our day, and his story of finally becoming free is riveting. Readers will be alerted to the inner machinations, methods, and doctrines of the Watchtower Society, arming them to forewarn others and witness to their Jehovah's Witness friends, relatives, neighbors, and the stranger at the door. With more than 300,000 copies sold, 30 Years a Watchtower Slave is truly one of the classic testimonies of freedom from a powerful cult. M. James Penton offers a comprehensive overview of a remarkable religious movement, from the Witnesses' inauspicious creation by a Pennsylvania preacher in the 1870s to its position as a religious sect with millions of followers world-wide. This second edition features an afterword by the author and an expanded bibliography. More kids are dying right now in obedience to the Jehovah's Witness ban on blood transfusions than perished in the fire at Waco, Texas, says former Witness elder David A. Reed. How can a major sect with headquarters in New York City and twelve million attending its religious services worldwide quietly lead victims to early deaths without public outcry? Reed cites dozens of well-documented cases and media reports naming victims, doctors, and hospitals issuing their death certificates as he blows the whistle on a deadly cult that secretly instructs members to kidnap children from hospital beds and teaches children to resist doctors violently and give false testimony in court. This former minister, now widely recognized as an

authority on the sect, explains his own role in bringing new members under mind control. With captivating anecdotes he details an enforcement apparatus that reaches even into clinics and hospitals. He brings to light secret instructions for hospital employees to turn over confidential patient records to the church, and tells how the hierarchy conducts bedside trials of members who accept forbidden medical treatment. Reed joined the sect as a naive young adult and rose through the ranks until he learned how the secretive leadership operated. Realizing that his friends were dying for beliefs supposedly channeled from God, but actually fabricated by the church hierarchy. After leaving the sect, he spent years researching its history and activities resulting in evidence revealed here for the first time. Reed's warning cannot be ignored. For anyone with a family member involved with Jehovah's Witnesses, this book is a vital resource. It will also provide some fun questions to ask the local Watchtower salesman next time he appears on the doorstep. -Atheist CoalitionOne of the most lucid exposures of a religious sect I have ever read. . .the equivalent of a years worth of '60 Minutes' programs. Reed and the publisher deserve the thanks of millions of Americans for exposing the dangers of a multi-billion dollar book distributing sect. Truly an amazing study. One of the finest works ever published in this genre. . . . Must reading for health care professionals along with teachers, clergy, psychologists, and media professionals. This text gets my strongest, my very highest recommendation. -www.concentric.net/~Mando/bookreviews/botaco.html Where do you turn when you feel family has chosen sides against you? What do you do when you feel like friends and even members of your own faith have turned their back on you? How do you overcome hiding part of your life from the person you care for most, fearing they won't understand? I always knew that one day I would write about my life's journey: from growing up in a highly religious home, being rejected by loved ones for who I was, and now, celebrating who I have become. This book is also about my

spiritual relationship with God and knowing that He has always been in my life through the good, dark and bad times. The reality is that I AM STILL HERE! Come journey with me through the Crescent City and it is my hope that you too can find victory in your life's journey! From its origins in nineteenth century Adventism until the present day, the Watch Tower Society has become one of the best known but least understood new religious movements. Resisting the tendency to define the movement in terms of the negative, this volume offers an empathetic account of the Jehovah's Witnesses, without defending or seeking to refute their beliefs. George Chryssides critically examines the historical and theological bases of the organization's teachings and practices, and discusses the changes and continuities which have defined it. The book provides a valuable resource for scholars of new religious movements and contemporary religion. Completely revised and updated for the postmodern age, So What's the Difference? gives you easy-to-understand, nonjudgmental answers to the question, "How does orthodox biblical Christianity differ from other faiths?" Here Fritz Ridenour explains the basic tenets of Protestantism, Roman Catholicism, Eastern Orthodoxy, Judaism, Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism, Jehovah's Witnesses, Christian Science, New Age, Mormonism, and other religions and belief systems of the world. You will also learn why relative thinking--the idea that there is no objective, absolute truth--has become the predominant mindset in our culture, and how you can respond. This bestselling guide will help you recognize the real differences between the Christian faith and other viewpoints and make it easier for you to explain and share your faith with others. From blood transfusions to salvation by works John Ankerberg and John Weldon expose the unorthodox doctrines that put Jehovah's Witnesses at risk physically and spiritually. With its easy-to-follow question-and-answer format this book allows readers to quickly discover: Who founded Jehovah's Witnesses and why; why medical care essential to life is refused; why few Jehovah's Witnesses look

forward to eternal life in God's presence; how many Jehovah's Witnesses prophecies have failed—and why; how Jehovah's Witnesses view and interpret God's Word. Whether looking for specific teachings or an overall understanding of Jehovah's Witness beliefs and practices readers will find this guide delivers the information in a concise practical manner. David Bridges is a former Jehovah's Witness and is now an Episcopal Priest. Dr. Bridges reveals the truth about the Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society, and the carefully designed brainwashing and isolation tactics used to control its members and associates. The life and practices of the Witnesses are explored and explained. This tale of mind control, the use of fear to manipulate vulnerable people, and final escape from a suffocating cult environment is a revealing exposT of a secretive contemporary sect, as well as a true psychological thriller. Diane Wilson spent twenty-five precious years of her life, first becoming indoctrinated by the dogma of the Watchtower Society, and then struggling to free herself from its pervasive, intimidating clutches. In this probing, brutally honest assessment, Wilson describes how a childhood of psychological abuse and lack of self-confidence rendered her vulnerable to the seductive doctrines of the Jehovah's Witnesses. Yet as time went on and the society demanded rigid control over every aspect of her life, even her every thought, Wilson began to rebel. Her gradual awakening, at first unconsciously through physical and psychological ailments, and then consciously as a caring therapist helped her rediscover her true self, is a fascinating story. What she reveals about the goings-on within the closed Watchtower Society will shock the average person who assumes the polite, well-dressed people who pass out leaflets are much like any other conservative religious group. Wilson contends that membership in the Jehovah's Witnesses requires obedience bordering on psychological enslavement and complete suppression of individuality. Her engrossing memoir will be of great interest to former Witnesses, students of cult phenomena, and anyone who has ever had contact with

Jehovah's Witnesses. By 2025, Latin America's population of observant Christians will be the largest in the world. Nonetheless, studies examining the exponential growth of global Christianity tend to overlook this region, focusing instead on Africa and Asia. Research on Christianity in Latin America provides a core point of departure for understanding the growth and development of Christianity in the "Global South." In The Oxford Handbook of Latin American Christianity an interdisciplinary contingent of scholars examines Latin American Christianity in all of its manifestations from the colonial to the contemporary period. The essays here provide an accessible background to understanding Christianity in Latin America. Spanning the era from indigenous and African-descendant people's conversion to and transformation of Catholicism during the colonial period through the advent of Liberation Theology in the 1960s and conversion to Pentecostalism and Charismatic Catholicism, The Oxford Handbook of Latin American Christianity is the most complete introduction to the history and trajectory of this important area of modern Christianity.

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