

*"When two things that you believe to be true contradict each other, it isn't because you don't understand the two things well enough, and it isn't because one day you will have the wisdom to reconcile them, it is because **one of the things you believe in is false.**"*

My Beliefs	Also my beliefs...??
<p>The American Indian is the principal ancestor of Israeli Jews who came across the ocean from Israel in 3 separate boat migrations: 3,000 BC (Jaredites), 500 BC (Mulekites) and 600 BC (Lehi-ites).</p> <p>(Original Introduction page of the Book of Mormon)</p>	<p>The Church concedes that modern DNA science proves beyond a shadow of a doubt that the American Indian (All Lamanites in North, Central, and South America) has zero "Jewish DNA markers" that are easily found in other DNA migration studies...and are definitely not from Israel. (Church Essay, DNA Studies). The Church subsequently changed the Introduction page of the Book of Mormon to reflect the modern DNA findings. The word Principal Ancestor was changed to read "Among" the ancestors (New Introduction page of the Book of Mormon).</p>
<p>The prophet Joseph Smith translated the Book of Abraham from Egyptian scrolls that were written in hieroglyphics before hieroglyphics could be translated by anyone on earth. This is one evidence that he was a true prophet.</p> <p>(Title page of the Book of Abraham)</p>	<p>It is now well documented and not contested by our Church Leaders that the discovery (1780) of the Rosetta Stone cracked the previously unknown language of Hieroglyphics and exposed the Book of Abraham to be a 100% false translation.</p> <p>(Church Essay, Translation and Historicity of the Book of Abraham).</p>
<p>The LDS Prophets from Joseph Smith, to our present day, receive revelation from God and are prophets, seers and revelators.</p> <p>(LDS Temple Interview).</p>	<p>The LDS prophets from Joseph Smith to our present day have not correctly translated, prophesied or revealed anything that could be classified as a true "Revelation" from God.</p> <p>(No source here because there is no source here).</p>
<p>I believe the Bible when it correctly teaches us that if a man claims to be a prophet, and makes a prophecy that does not come true or is proved to be a false prophecy, that man is a false prophet</p> <p>(Deuteronomy 18:22-24)</p>	<p>I recognize and understand that Joseph Smith made many prophecies (and several are in the D&C) that did not come true and, thus, by definition, are false prophecies. There are no prophecies in the D&C that ever came true.</p> <p>(Complete list of Joseph's prophecies that did not come true)</p>

<p>God revealed to Joseph Smith the Everlasting Covenant of Polygamy was to be practiced with rules including telling the first wife, marrying only virgins and marrying only woman not promised to another man. (D&C 132: 61-63)</p>	<p>Joseph Smith married 8 women who were simultaneously already married to another man, were not virgins, and he did not tell Emma about the other wives, many times. (Church Essay, "Polygamy in Kirtland and Nauvoo")</p>
<p>God restored to earth through Joseph Smith the holy and sacred ancient LDS Temple rituals 60 days after Joseph Smith became a Freemason in Nauvoo. (Rough Stone Rolling, Deseret Book)</p>	<p>The holy and sacred ancient LDS Temple rituals are 80% identical to the Freemason Temple rituals which were developed by stone cutters in Scotland in the 1400's. (Official Freemason Website)</p>
<p>The Book of Mormon was translated by Joseph Smith from Golden plates prepared 1,000 years earlier with the help of a urim and thumin which were found in the stone box. (The Truth Restored, Gordon Hinckley)</p>	<p>Joseph Smith used a common rock that he found in a well that he placed in a hat and read the words that appeared in the light from the rock and dictated the words to a scribe without looking at any plates. (Church Essay, Book of Mormon Translation)</p>
<p>I believe that the "urim and thummim" that Joseph used to translate the Book of Mormon (according to the new Church Essay) was a common rock found in a well and that we don't have the plates and urim and thummim (common rock found in a well) today because the angel Moroni took back the plates and the urim and thumin for safe keeping. (The Truth Restored, Gordon Hinckley)</p>	<p>I believe the Ensign to be the word of God because it is reviewed by the Apostles before it is allowed to be printed. The Church published in 2015 an article The Ensign explaining that the Church has possession of the Urim and thummim Joseph used to dictate the book of Mormon (along with pictures) and that the Angel Moroni did not take the seer stone back. (Ensign, 2015)</p>
<p>All of the LDS Prophets have had access to the amazing, glowing, translation-revealing seer stone God used to bring the Book of Mormon to us in these latter days. (Ensign, 2015)</p>	<p>I accept that and acknowledge that none of the LDS prophets since Joseph Smith have used the amazing rock to translate, reveal or prophecy anything since. (Still waiting)</p>
<p>I believe The Book of Mormon is true when it teaches us that the ancient inhabitants of the American Continent had steel swords, chariots, wheels, and horses between 600 BC and 400 AD.</p>	<p>I understand and acknowledge there is no scientific, archeological, anthropological, cave paintings, pottery, or linguistic evidence that can dispute the fact that the sword, wheel and horse were introduced to the Americas by the Spanish in 1493. (Anachronisms of the Book of Mormon)</p>

I believe	I also believe...
<p>I believe our often quoted teaching that whether it is by the mouth of God or from a Prophet's mouth it is the same...and that God would not allow a prophet to lead the Church astray through false teachings or false doctrine</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(D&C 1:38)</p>	<p>I believe the brothern when they recently taught us that the Church has disavowed as false doctrine the previous doctrinal teachings from LDS prophets which was in Church manuals for 100+ years: Blood Atonement (taught from the pulpit in General Conference), The Curse of Cain (Canonized scripture in the The Pearl of Great Price), The Adam God Theory (taught in the temple ordinance in the 1800's), Blacks are an inferior race (1st presidency Message, 1949), and racially-mixed marriages are punishable by death.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Quotes from 7 modern day prophets that have been disavowed)</p>
<p>We believe in honoring and sustaining the law</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(12 Articles of Faith).</p>	<p>I believe Joseph Smith when taught that it was OK to marry multiple woman at the same time, even if they were simultaneously married to another man, even though it was illegal to do so in Illinois and Ohio, where it was practiced.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Church Essay, Polygamy in Kirtland and Nauvoo)</p>
<p>I believe that men who practiced the old illegal fraud of charging people money to look in a crystal ball to tell the future, palm reading to tell the future, scrying, or putting a magic rock into a hat to tell people where buried treasure was located ...were dishonest comen.</p>	<p>I know and understand that Joseph Smith practiced the con of scrying and was arrested for it in 1826. He also used the same gimmick of a "rock in a hat" to locate the Golden Plates and to dictate the Book of Mormon.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Church Essay, Book of Mormon Translation).</p>
<p>I believe that the amazing, world changing, foundational restoration events of the First Vision, the restoration of the Aaronic Priesthood, and the restoration of the M. Priesthood all occurred before 1830.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(The Truth Restored, Gordon Hinckley)</p>	<p>In 1833, the Church published the Book of Commandments (precursor to the Doctrine and Covenants), which contained every revelation to that point in 1833 that Joseph Smith had received from God...even little mission calls to members, etc. However, it does not contain the First Vision, the restoration of the Aaronic Priesthood, or any mention of Peter, James, and John.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Book of Commandments, 1833).</p>

<p>I believe that in a court of law that if a witness changes his testimony 4 times with contradictory statements from previous testimonies, gives different versions of the same story...that the testimony is understandably not going to be admissible as evidence in court because it is unreliable...and usually false.</p>	<p>I believe and accept that there are 4 versions of the First Vision, each slightly different from one another, each slightly contradicting one another, and each written in Joseph's own writing or dictated by Joseph to his scribe. Chronologically, each version gets bigger and better, and more amazing. (Church Essays, The First Vision)</p>
<p>I believe this</p>	<p>...and I believe this</p>
<p>I believe the D&C Scripture that teaches us that God is a God of Order (D&C 107:84)</p>	<p>The restored principle of Plural Marriage was revealed in 1843. Joseph was caught having a sexual affair with a 17 year old girl, Fanny Alger, in 1832. (Church Essay, Polygamy in Kirtland)</p>
<p>I believe that God does not intervene and disrupt people's free agency...that he could have stopped Hitler, that he could have sent an Angel with a flaming sword to stop Stalin, Pol Pot, and Jeffrey Dahmer. Since Bible times, we have no story of God using Angles with swords to intervene in world events...thus not preventing the mass murder of millions of his innocent children.</p>	<p>I believe and have no problem that God decided to break his silence in 1842 and sent an angel with a drawn sword for the important world event to prompt and threaten Joseph Smith to illegally marry his 7th polygamous wife. (Church Essay, Polygamy in Nauvoo).</p>
<p>I believe that Joseph Smith was chosen by God to be a prophet, seer, and revelator and that he had a special gift of putting a rock in a hat and being able to locate gold on farmer's property (before the enchantments would cause the gold to sink deeper and so he never actually located any gold)...and to receive revelation from God to translate unknown languages. Amazing.</p>	<p>I believe and completely understand that when the translated 116 pages were lost (stolen?), Joseph Smith was <u>unable</u> to use the same seer stone that translated the pages... to actually find the pages. (The Lost 116 Pages)</p>
<p>I believe that God revealed to Joseph Smith in the D&C 77:6 that the world was created 6,000 years ago and that our first parents, Adam and Eve, were born literally 6,000 years ago. D&C 77:6</p>	<p>I believe and have no issue that the new Church essays are true teachings from our Church leaders and the Essay on DNA and the Book of Mormon footnotes that the Church acknowledges that DNA studies correctly and scientifically prove that the American Indians are descendants of Mongolians who came across the Bering Strait land bridge 15,000 years ago; 9,000 years before Adam and Eve. (Church Essay, Book of Mormon and DNA Studies)</p>

<p>God has blessed me with a clear and powerful testimony, born by the Holy Ghost, that Jesus Christ is the way, the truth and the life...and the Savior of the world and...the only way to get back to Heaven.</p> <p>(John 14:6)</p>	<p>I accept and understand the fact that billions of people of all religions experience personal, intense, spiritual feelings similar to mine (warmth, burning, light, joy, peace) that reinforce their beliefs in their Gods, and that their one-true-religion is the only way to get back to heaven, "Praise Allah".</p> <p>(Video of Testimonies of members of other religions that sound identical)</p>
<p>I believe one of the unique and strong witnesses that the Golden Plates are real is that 3 men testified that they saw the plates and saw an angel. 8 other men testified they saw and handled the plates.</p> <p>(Testimony of the three Witnesses and Testimony of the 8 Witness, Book of Mormon).</p>	<p>I know and understand the fact that after Joseph Smith was martyred, new(er) member James Strang came forward and said that he was to lead the church. He offered as "proof" that he was the new prophet a set of ancient plates that he translated (Voree Plates) and 12 men testified that they were true and that they had seen an angel. 12,000 saints (including half of Joseph's family and 3 Apostles) believed him and followed him to Michigan where he became the new Prophet for 12 years. The plates were later discovered to be a hoax.</p> <p>(Details on James Strang)</p>
<p>I believe and am grateful for modern day prophets that teach us the mind and will of God. Am grateful that in 1970 the prophet Spencer Kimball taught the church that Homosexuality was a choice and that same sex attraction can be "cured".</p> <p>(Quotes from many LDS Prophets over the years about Homosexuality being a choice and is curable)</p>	<p>I believe and am grateful for modern day prophets that teach us the mind and will of God. Am grateful that in 2015 the Church officially taught us that the mind of will of God was that homosexuality is not a choice and that there is nothing to cure. I am OK that this is the exact opposite teaching. God did not change his mind, he just waited to reveal the truth until after it was biologically, medically and chemically proven.</p> <p>(New church position on Homosexuality)</p>
<p>I believe the Book of Mormon is a true / literal history book of scripture written 2,400 years ago by Jewish/American prophets on the North American Continent. It was not a 1830 fiction book written by someone in 1830...it was translated from an ancient set of plates.</p> <p>Title page of the Book of Mormon.</p>	<p>I know and acknowledge that with big data analytics and IBM Watson computers it is not difficult to compare two separate manuscripts and see if one is a plagiarism of the other. This exercise has been done and has found that the Book of Mormon is a plagiarism of 4 other books that were published 15-20 years before the BofM</p>

<p>I know the Book of Mormon to be the most correct book than any other book and will get me closer to God than any other book. It was dictated by Joseph Smith as each word would glow from the rock in the hat to the scribe and would only disappear when the word was transcribed correctly. This is how we know it is directly from the Power of God.</p>	<p>I know and understand the fact that when you compare the original Book of Mormon manuscript to the 2017 version of the Book of Mormon there are over 3,000 changes, corrections, updates, alterations, modifications, variations, deviations, and word substitutes. When compared to other published Books, the Book of Mormon is the most incorrect, corrected, changed, and updated book than any other book</p>
<p>I believe and have been taught The Book of Mormon contains the full and everlasting gospel and was prepared and preserved to come to light in our dispensation of the fullness of times and one can get closer to god than any other Book</p>	<p>I have read the Book of Mormon and know and acknowledge that the Book of Mormon does not contain the full and everlasting gospel, it preaches against polygamy and plural marriage, does not contain any mention of Temple covenants, signs, tokens, handshakes, garments, baptism for the dead, sealings for time and all eternity, Melchizadeck Priesthood, Aaronic Priesthood, or Apostles.</p>
<p>I know that the ancient inhabitants of the American Continent were led by God to build barges/Boats and sailed here from Jerusalem/Israel and became the principal ancestors of the American Indian and that thanks to the Book of Mormon we know their people, dealings, wars, weapons, monetary system, religion, beliefs, struggles, buildings, architecture, roads, animals, foods, coins, swords, chariots, wheat, etc. It is so amazing that we have this incredible history of this chosen people of God.</p>	<p>I know and acknowledge that scientists have found evidence of civilizations much smaller than the Book of Mormon and even older than the Book of Mormon all over the world...but despite 200 years of archeological investigation, LDS funded digs and exploration in North, Central, and South America there has never been found evidence that the Nephite/Lamanite civilization ever existed. There has never been found steal swords, shields, breastplates, chariots, wheels, horses, temples, reformed Egyptian, cave paintings, drawings, or any anthropological discoveries to corroborate the writings of the Book of Mormon. etc.</p>
<p>I know the Doctrine and Covenants is the true word of God and that it was not just made of things from Joseph's own mind based on his own understanding and faked into a vision or commandment or revelation. He actually received the mind and will of God and these revelations are found in the Doctrine and Covenants.</p>	<p>A simple word search of the Doctrine and Covenants shows that God refers to the American Indian as Lamanites 11 times in 11 different revelations. I also know and acknowledge that with the advent of DNA science the church now acknowledges that the American Indian contains no Jewish/DNA markers and therefore does not consider the American Indian to be the ancient descendants of the Nephites/Lamanites.</p>

<p>I know and am grateful for the knowledge since early teachings of the church and handed down by the prophets that the Lamanite blood flows through the Mexicans, Hawaiians, Tongans, and the Samoans. We have a true knowledge of their heritage and have taught them by thousands of missionaries and pamphlets and teaching manuals that they are the true descendants of the Lamanites who's skin was turned dark due to unrighteousness.</p>	<p>I know and acknowledge that after the DNA migration studies were completed in 2009 that showed the migrations of all people for the past 25,000 years, that the LDS Church no longer teaches that Mexicans, Hawaiians, Tongans, and Samoans are descendants of Book of Mormon Lamanites and Nephites.</p>
<p>I know and testify that the Book of Mormon was written and preserved to come to light at this time in this dispensation of time for the purpose of the bringing the Lamanites to the knowledge of Jesus Christ.</p>	<p>I know and acknowledge that the Church no longer acknowledges who or where the Lamanites are...even though God in the D&C tells Joseph Smith in revelation that Zion will be built on the Borders of the Laminates in Missouri. Modern scientific DNA findings do not find any DNA in the in the NA Indians in Missouri or its borders so the church has had to question who got it wrong, God or Joseph Smith.</p>
<p>I know and have read the story of the amazing translation from Hieroglyphic to English of the Kinderhook Plates from the old church pamphlets and manuals that teach us that another example of Joseph Smith being a prophet is that he was able to translate these plates into English.</p>	<p>I know and acknowledge that even though the Kinderhook Plates translation was widely taught by the church in its magazines and manuals for 100+ years, that after one of the plates were found in 1978 that is was examined by modern science and found that the etchings were not ancient and that the plates were a 1830's fraud.</p>
<p>I am grateful for the teachings of our modern prophets who tell us to be weary of so called scientists and experts who teach lies when they say there is no evidence for the Book of Mormon or steal swords, etc. They teach us these are fiery darts of the adversary and we should doubt our doubts and that not everything is revealed yet and God has yet to reveal many and wonderful things.</p>	<p>I know and acknowledge that with each passing year and with each amazing discovery in science, space, medicine, anthropology, and archeology...that all new revelations coming from these scientific discovery all corroborate that there is no evidence for the Book of Mormon ever taking place anywhere on the planet.</p>
<p>I know and understand that there are 4 principal examples that Joseph Smith was a true seer and revelator (Book of Abraham, The Kinderhook plates, the Greek Psalter, and the Book of Mormon)...that he had the gift of translation and that the Power of God worked through him as an inspired translator.</p>	<p>I know and understand that three of the examples, when examined by modern scientists, have found to be false translations and complete fabrications of Joseph Smith. The 4th example is the Book of Mormon...and those plates were "taken back by the Angel Moroni" to test our faith because if we had them today we could test and know that Joseph was a prophet and could translate by the power of God.</p>

<p>I know and believe that God is the same yesterday, today and forever, and that God waited until he restored the church to finally restore the ancient everlasting temple ordinances in our day in the true and original manner to worship God.</p>	<p>I know and acknowledge that the true and everlasting restored temple ordinances that were preserved and restored to come back to our day in their true and original form from Solomon's temple have been changed, modified, altered, adapted and reformed in 100's of ways in the last century.</p>
<p>I am grateful for the knowledge and have a testimony that our modern prophets can teach us the unchanging mind of God. Am grateful that the world was blessed with their teachings that God's children who have black skin had the curse of Cain and that they were less valiant in the Spirit world and thus are cursed and we should not intermarry with them.</p>	<p>I am grateful that we have prophets today to tell us the unchanging mind of God and that those old unchangeable teachings about race, preexistence, and curses of black skin by our Prophets have now been disavowed. I know this looks like men changing God's mind and changing the past, but we need to believe more today's prophets and disavow old teachings.</p>
<p>I know that we believe in honoring and sustaining the laws. I know and acknowledge that it was (and still is) against the law to marry any woman who already is legally and lawfully wedded to another man.</p>	<p>I know and understand that the church now acknowledges in the Church Essays on Polygamy in Kirtland and Nauvoo Joseph Smith married 8 women who were already legally and lawfully married to other men at the same time (Polyandry).</p>
<p>I know and acknowledge that the missionaries at the Lion House in SLC tell visitors that Brigham Young had 55 wives and fathered more than 60 children with those wives. We also know that John Taylor fathered 34 children from 8 wives, Wilford Woodruff also had 34 children with 12 wives.</p> <p>The D&C Section 132 teaches us that the purpose of plural marriage is to bring forth righteous spirits.</p>	<p>I know and acknowledge that Joseph Smith restored to earth God's ancient true order of everlasting covenant of plural marriage...and that Joseph obeyed and illegally married had 38 polygamous wives, some as young as 14, but that he did not have sex with any of them and was only married to them for eternity. An angel with a drawn sword came to him and forced him to have sealing ceremonies with 30+ women but he did not sleep with them, it was just a ceremony that would mean nothing until after they were dead. He only had sex with Emma even though the D&C said the purpose was to procreate.</p>
<p>I know that there are many anti-Mormon teachings that are false and that we should listen to the prophet's teachings because we can count on them and they will not lead us astray. People who spread lies about the church are evil and Satan has their hearts and they are trying to tear down the church by spreading lies.</p>	<p>I know and acknowledge that the new church essays acknowledge and admit as true the claims of the anti-Mormon monsters of my youth. The anti-Mormon lies are now taught as true in the new Church essays.</p> <p>Polygamy, Book of Abraham, anachronisms in the Book of Mormon, the illegal Bank, the Gold Digging, the Rock in the Hat translation, the plates not even being in the room, the changing versions of the first vision, etc.</p>

	<p>I don't even know what anti-mormon lies are even out there anymore. The church has acknowledged them all to be true. The anti-Mormon lies of yesterday are taught as true principles in the essays of today.</p>
<p>I believe that if I am righteous, and go to the temple and am married for time and all eternity, I will go to the celestial kingdom and inherit all that my father has and will become a God with my wife and we will have worlds without number and will populate those worlds with spirit children.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> Brigham Young 1874 Orson Pratt 1871 Lorenzo Snow 1919 Joseph Fielding Smith 1954 Spencer Kimball 1975 Spencer Kimball 1976 </p> <p style="text-align: center;">Current Manuals (2020)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> Chapter 4: Teaching Children: from Four to Eleven Years," A Parent's Guide. </p> <p style="text-align: center;"> Doctrine and Covenants and Church History Seminary Teacher Resource Manual – Introduction. </p> <p style="text-align: center;"> Doctrines of the Gospel Student Manual – Chapter 10. This manual is for college students. Complete History of the doctrine </p>	<p>And I also believe what the church now (2020) teaches on the LDS Newsroom, which is that we will not have our own planets. Here</p>