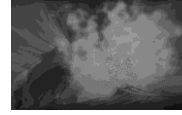


## PRAY Equipped FALSE RELIGION: Scientology



### IMPORTANT TO GOD TENSION

**FOCUS:** *To understand FALSE RELIGIONS in relation to Christianity and be able to discuss it, lead people to the biblical truth of Christianity.*

♥🧠∞👉 **PARABLE EX:** Step into the Superbook Bible...

**CONTEXT:** Christianity & False US Religions

#### Bring God Glory and Make Disciples

This is the foundational fuel for our daily words, thoughts and deeds with our heart, mind, soul and strength.

#### Gospel-Centered Life

**Heart:** Greatest Commandment(s)

**Mind:** God is still on the throne.

**Soul:** Never get over being saved.

**Strength:** Great Commission

*Share the Biblical truth in brotherly love.*

*Love like Christ, Live like Jesus*

*See more clearly, love more dearly,  
follow more nearly, day by day*

*We live in the flow of God's Sovereignty  
and move forward at the pace of faith.*

**A TRUTH** **Scientology is not Biblical but a Scientologist can no longer be a Scientologist and become a Christian.**

**CLARITY** **The goal is to share the Biblical truth so that they may become Christian.**

**REAL LIFE** **Remember Jesus saves and we want to give them the opportunity to be saved then live a sanctified life of holiness.**

### LOVE LIKE CHRIST, LIVE LIKE JESUS BECOME & RESPOND

Scientology is a cult that seeks to control and destroy any of those who would leave or speak against.

#### What happens after death?

<b>What Happens After Death?</b>	<p><b>BIBLICAL CHRISTIANITY</b></p> <p>Believers go to be with Jesus. After death, all people away the final judgment. Both saved, and unsafe people will be resurrected. Those who are saved with Jesus in heaven. Those who are lost, suffer the torment of eternal separation from God, hell. Jesus' bodily resurrection guarantees believers that they two will be resurrected and receive new immortal bodies.</p>	<p><b>SCIENTOLOGY</b></p> <p>Hell is a myth. Heaven is a "false dream". People who get clear of engrams (mental hurts and hangups) become operating thetans.</p>
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#### **Revelation 21:7-8 Everyone Spends Forever Somewhere**

*7 The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son.*

*8 But as for the cowardly, the faithless, the detestable, as for murderers, the sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars, their portion will be in the lake that burns with fire and sulfur, which is the second death."*

There is no do over, we do not overcome our hurts, Jesus Christ died on the cross and rose providing victory over all sin and death.

## Who is Jesus?

<p><b>Who is Jesus?</b></p>	<p><b>BIBLICAL CHRISTIANITY</b></p> <p>Jesus is God, the second person of the Trinity. As God, the Son, He has always existed and was never created. He is fully God and fully man, truly God and truly man, the two natures joined, not mixed as the second person of the Trinity. He is co-equal with God the father, and the Holy Spirit. In becoming man he was begotten through the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. Jesus is the only way to the father, salvation and eternal life. He died on a cross, according to God's plan, as full sacrifice and payment for our sins. He arose from the dead on the third day, spiritually, and physically immortal. For the next 40 days, He was seen by more than 500 eyewitnesses. His wounds were touched, and he ate meals. He physically ascended to heaven. Jesus will come again, visibly and physically at the end of the world to establish God's kingdom and judge the world.</p>	<p><b>SCIENTOLOGY</b></p> <p>Jesus is rarely mentioned in Scientology. Jesus was not the Creator and not an "operating thetan" (in control of supernatural powers, cleared from mental defects). Jesus did not die for sins.</p>
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### **Matthew 28:18**

*18 And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.*

### **Luke 8:25**

*25 He said to them, "Where is your faith?" And they were afraid, and they marveled, saying to one another, "Who then is this, that he commands even winds and water, and they obey him?"*

God the Father is all powerful, all knowing and everywhere as embodied in Jesus Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit.

We are made in new in Jesus by grace through faith in Him.

All maturation comes from the devoted life of discipleship being in glad submission to Jesus.

## SALVATION How to be Saved?

<b>How to be Saved?</b>	<b>BIBLICAL CHRISTIANITY</b> Salvation is by God's grace, not by any individuals good works. Salvation must be received by faith. People must believe in their heart that Jesus died for their sins and physically rose again, which is the assurance of forgiveness and the resurrection of the body. This is God's loving plan to forgive sinful people.	<b>SCIENTOLOGY</b> No sin or need to repent. Salvation is freedom from reincarnation. One must work with an "auditor" of his "engrams" (hang-ups) to achieve the state of "clear" then progress up the "bridge to total freedom" to higher "Operating Thetan" states and eventual control over matter, energy, space and time (MEST).
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### **Romans 3:23**

*23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,*

### **Romans 3:24-26**

*24 and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus,*

*25 whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins.*

*26 It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.*

There is never a real achievable goal of being clear of hangups to progress all the way through the total bridge of freedom.

Scientology keeps moving the finish line of works, book selling, dictatorship submission, money to give them and never realized powers but only the promise for that which is always just out of reach.

**Why would someone choose Jehovah's Witnesses over Biblical Christianity?**

**What makes Jehovah's Witnesses a false religion?**

**In what ways is Christianity better than Jehovah's Witnesses?**

**MISSION: We exist to bring God glory and make disciples.**

**Jesus can save a person from the false way of Scientology** is an important aspect to why we exist.

**Based on this what can we do to become more like Jesus?**

**Gospel-Centered**

**WORSHIP Put on the full armor of God through spiritual disciplines as The Holy Spirit protects.**

**COMMUNITY Be ready to act by sharing the freedom that Jesus Christ provides the born again.**

**SERVICE When we seek to set others free in Christ from cults it can cost them and us as well.**

**MULTIPLICATION John 8:32 and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."**

**A TRUTH Scientology is not Biblical but a Scientologist can no longer be a Scientologist and become a Christian.**

## BIBLE VERSES ON HEAVEN AND HELL

**Mat\_5:22** But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment; whoever insults his brother will be liable to the council; and whoever says, **'You fool!'** will be liable to the hell of fire.

**Mat\_5:29** If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. For it is better that you lose one of your members than **that your whole body be thrown into hell.**

**Mat\_5:30** And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. For it is better that you lose one of your members than **that your whole body go into hell.**

**Mat\_10:28** And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. **Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell.**

**Mat\_16:18** And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and **the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.**

**Mat\_18:9** And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life with one eye than with two eyes **to be thrown into the hell of fire.**

**Mat\_23:15** Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you travel across sea and land to make a single proselyte,

and when he becomes a proselyte, you **make him twice as much a child of hell as yourselves.**

**Mat\_23:33** You serpents, you brood of vipers, **how are you to escape being sentenced to hell?**

**Mrk\_9:43** And if your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life crippled **than with two hands to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire.**

**Mrk\_9:45** And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life lame than **with two feet to be thrown into hell.**

**Mrk\_9:47** And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out. It is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than **with two eyes to be thrown into hell,**

**Luk\_12:5** But I will warn you whom to fear: fear him who, after he has killed, **has authority to cast into hell. Yes, I tell you, fear him!**

**Jas\_3:6** And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set among our members, staining the whole body, setting on fire the entire course of life, **and set on fire by hell.**

**2 Pe\_2:4** For if God did not spare angels when they sinned, **but cast them into hell and committed them to chains of**

***gloomy darkness to be kept until the judgment;***

***Gen\_21:17*** And God heard the voice of the boy, **and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven and said to her,** "What troubles you, Hagar? Fear not, for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is.

***Gen\_22:11*** But **the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven** and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am."

***Gen\_22:15*** And the angel of the LORD called to Abraham **a second time from heaven**

***Gen\_24:3*** that I may make you swear by **the LORD, the God of heaven** and God of the earth, that you will not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, among whom I dwell,

***Gen\_24:7*** **The LORD, the God of heaven,** who took me from my father's house and from the land of my kindred, and who spoke to me and swore to me, 'To your offspring I will give this land,' he will send his angel before you, and you shall take a wife for my son from there.

***Gen\_28:12*** And he dreamed, and behold, there was a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of **it reached to heaven**. And behold, the angels of God were ascending and descending on it!

***Gen\_28:17*** And he was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is **the gate of heaven**."

***Exo\_24:10*** and they saw the God of Israel. There was under his feet as it were a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very **heaven** for clearness.

***Deu\_4:36*** **Out of heaven** he let you hear his voice, that he might discipline you. And on earth he let you see his great fire, and you heard his words out of the midst of the fire.

***Deu\_4:39*** know therefore today, and lay it to your heart, **that the LORD is God in heaven above** and on the earth beneath; there is no other.

***Rev\_3:12*** The one who conquers, I will make him a pillar in the temple of my God. Never shall he go out of it, and I will write on him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, the new Jerusalem, which comes down from my God out of **heaven**, and my own new name.

***Rev\_4:1*** After this I looked, and behold, a door standing open in **heaven!** And the first voice, which I had heard speaking to me like a trumpet, said, "Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this."

***Rev\_4:2*** At once I was in the Spirit, and behold, a throne stood in **heaven**, with one seated on the throne.

**Rev\_5:3** And no one in **heaven** or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it,

**Rev\_5:13** And I heard every creature in **heaven** and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!"

**Rev\_8:1** When the Lamb opened the seventh seal, there was silence in **heaven** for about half an hour.

**Rev\_8:10** The third angel blew his trumpet, and a great star fell from **heaven**, blazing like a torch, and it fell on a third of the rivers and on the springs of water.

**Rev\_9:1** And the fifth angel blew his trumpet, and I saw a star fallen from **heaven** to earth, and he was given the key to the shaft of the bottomless pit.

**Rev\_10:1** Then I saw another mighty angel coming down from **heaven**, wrapped in a cloud, with a rainbow over his head, and his face was like the sun, and his legs like pillars of fire.

**Rev\_10:4** And when the seven thunders had sounded, I was about to write, but I heard a voice from **heaven** saying, "Seal up what the seven thunders have said, and do not write it down."

**Rev\_10:5** And the angel whom I saw standing on the sea and on the land raised his right hand to **heaven**

**Rev\_10:6** and swore by him who lives forever and ever, who created **heaven** and what is in it, the earth and what is in it, and the sea and what is in it, that there would be no more delay,

**Rev\_10:8** Then the voice that I had heard from **heaven** spoke to me again, saying, "Go, take the scroll that is open in the hand of the angel who is standing on the sea and on the land."

**Rev\_11:12** Then they heard a loud voice from **heaven** saying to them, "Come up here!" And they went up to **heaven** in a cloud, and their enemies watched them.

**Rev\_11:13** And at that hour there was a great earthquake, and a tenth of the city fell. Seven thousand people were killed in the earthquake, and the rest were terrified and gave glory to the God of **heaven**.

**Rev\_11:15** Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices in **heaven**, saying, "The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he shall reign forever and ever."

**Rev\_11:19** Then God's temple in **heaven** was opened, and the ark of his covenant was seen within his temple. There were flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, an earthquake, and heavy hail.

**Rev\_12:1** And a great sign appeared in **heaven**: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars.

**Rev\_12:3** And another sign appeared in **heaven**: behold, a great red dragon, with seven heads and ten horns, and on his heads seven diadems.

**Rev\_12:4** His tail swept down a third of the stars of **heaven** and cast them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the woman who was about to give birth, so that when she bore her child he might devour it.

**Rev\_12:7** Now war arose in **heaven**, Michael and his angels fighting against the dragon. And the dragon and his angels fought back,

**Rev\_12:8** but he was defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in **heaven**.

**Rev\_12:10** And I heard a loud voice in **heaven**, saying, "Now the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ have come, for the accuser of our brothers has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God.

**Rev\_13:6** It opened its mouth to utter blasphemies against God, blaspheming his name and his dwelling, that is, those who dwell in **heaven**.

**Rev\_13:13** It performs great signs, even making fire come down from **heaven** to earth in front of people,

**Rev\_14:2** And I heard a voice from **heaven** like the roar of many waters and like the sound of loud thunder. The voice I heard

was like the sound of harpists playing on their harps,

**Rev\_14:7** And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made **heaven** and earth, the sea and the springs of water."

**Rev\_14:13** And I heard a voice from **heaven** saying, "Write this: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on." "Blessed indeed," says the Spirit, "that they may rest from their labors, for their deeds follow them!"

**Rev\_14:17** Then another angel came out of the temple in **heaven**, and he too had a sharp sickle.

**Rev\_15:1** Then I saw another sign in **heaven**, great and amazing, seven angels with seven plagues, which are the last, for with them the wrath of God is finished.

**Rev\_15:5** After this I looked, and the sanctuary of the tent of witness in **heaven** was opened,

**Rev\_16:11** and cursed the God of **heaven** for their pain and sores. They did not repent of their deeds.

**Rev\_16:21** And great hailstones, about one hundred pounds each, fell from **heaven** on people; and they cursed God for the plague of the hail, because the plague was so severe.

**Rev\_18:1** After this I saw another angel coming down from **heaven**, having great authority, and the earth was made bright with his glory.

**Rev\_18:4** Then I heard another voice from **heaven** saying, "Come out of her, my people, lest you take part in her sins, lest you share in her plagues;

**Rev\_18:5** for her sins are heaped high as **heaven**, and God has remembered her iniquities.

**Rev\_18:20** Rejoice over her, O **heaven**, and you saints and apostles and prophets, for God has given judgment for you against her!"

**Rev\_19:1** After this I heard what seemed to be the loud voice of a great multitude in **heaven**, crying out, "Hallelujah! Salvation and glory and power belong to our God,

**Rev\_19:11** Then I saw **heaven** opened, and behold, a white horse! The one sitting on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he judges and makes war.

**Rev\_19:14** And the armies of **heaven**, arrayed in fine linen, white and pure, were following him on white horses.

**Rev\_20:1** Then I saw an angel coming down from **heaven**, holding in his hand the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain.

**Rev\_20:9** And they marched up over the broad plain of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city, but fire came down from **heaven** and consumed them,

**Rev\_21:1** Then I saw a new **heaven** and a new earth, for the first **heaven** and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more.

**Rev\_21:2** And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of **heaven** from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

**Rev\_21:10** And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of **heaven** from God,



## BIBLE VERSES ON FALSE RELIGIONS / WORSHIP

### **Genesis 3:13-14 Satan Deceives**

13 Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "**The serpent deceived me, and I ate.**"

14 The LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you above all livestock and above all beasts of the field; on your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life.

### **Exodus 20:1-17 The Ten Commandments**

1 And God spoke all these words, saying,

2 "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

**3 "You shall have no other gods before me.**

**4 "You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.**

**5 You shall not bow down to them or serve them,** for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me,

6 but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

7 "You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.

**8 "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.**

9 Six days you shall labor, and do all your work,

10 but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates.

11 For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

12 "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

13 "You shall not murder.

14 "You shall not commit adultery.

15 "You shall not steal.

16 "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

17 "You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's."

## **2 Kings 17:15-18 False Religion Leads to Real Consequences**

15 They despised his statutes and his covenant that he made with their fathers and the warnings that he gave them.

They went after false idols and became false, and they followed the nations that were around them, concerning whom the LORD had commanded them that they should not do like them.

16 And they abandoned all the commandments of the LORD their God, and made for themselves metal images of two calves; and they made an Asherah and worshiped all the host of heaven and served Baal.

17 And they burned their sons and their daughters as offerings and used divination and omens and sold themselves to do evil in the sight of the LORD, provoking him to anger.

18 Therefore the LORD was very angry with Israel and removed them out of his sight. None was left but the tribe of Judah only.

## **Psalms 119:104,128 Hating False Ways**

104 Through your precepts I get understanding; therefore I hate every false way.

128 Therefore I consider all your precepts to be right; I hate every false way.

## **Proverbs 12:17 Deceit is Uttered by False Witnesses**

17 Whoever speaks the truth gives honest evidence, but a false witness utters deceit.

## **Proverbs 19:5,9 False Witnesses Will Not Escape When Unrepentant**

5 A false witness will not go unpunished, and he who breathes out lies will not escape.

9 A false witness will not go unpunished, and he who breathes out lies will perish.

## **Jeremiah 10:14 The Outcome for False Religion is Not Good**

14 Every man is stupid and without knowledge; every goldsmith is put to shame by his idols, for his images are false, and there is no breath in them.

## **Jeremiah 14:22 God, Not False Religion is Our Hope**

22 Are there any among the false gods of the nations that can bring rain? Or can the heavens give showers? Are you not he, O LORD our God? We set our hope on you, for you do all these things.

## **Jeremiah 18:15 False Religion Causes Stumbling and Lostness**

15 But my people have forgotten me; they make offerings to false gods; they made them stumble in their ways, in the ancient roads, and to walk into side roads, not the highway,

***Jeremiah 51:17 The Outcome for False Religion is Not Good***

*17 Every man is stupid and without knowledge; every goldsmith is put to shame by his idols, for his images are false, and there is no breath in them.*

***Lamentations 2:14 False Religions have Harmful Followers***

*14 Your prophets have seen for you false and deceptive visions; they have not exposed your iniquity to restore your fortunes, but have seen for you oracles that are false and misleading.*

***Ezekiel 12:24 False Religions have No Place in Biblical Christianity***

*24 For there shall be no more any false vision or flattering divination within the house of Israel.*

***Ezekiel 13:9 God is Against Those Who Spread False Religions***

*9 My hand will be against the prophets who see false visions and who give lying divinations. They shall not be in the council of my people, nor be enrolled in the register of the house of Israel, nor shall they enter the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord GOD.*

***Hosea 10:2 God wants False Religion Out of People's Lives***

*2 Their heart is false; now they must bear their guilt. The LORD will break down their altars and destroy their pillars.*

***Zechariah 10:2 False Religion is Nonsense and Harms Others***

*2 For the household gods utter nonsense, and the diviners see lies; they tell false dreams and give empty consolation. Therefore the people wander like sheep; they are afflicted for lack of a shepherd.*

***Matthew 7:15 Beware Those Who Share False Religions***

*15 "Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves.*

***Matthew 24:9-14 Christians Will be Betrayed by Those Who Follow False Religions***

*9 "Then they will deliver you up to tribulation and put you to death, and you will be hated by all nations for my name's sake.*

*10 And then many will fall away and betray one another and hate one another.*

*11 And many false prophets will arise and lead many astray.*

*12 And because lawlessness will be increased, the love of many will grow cold.*

*13 But the one who endures to the end will be saved.*

*14 And this gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.*

**Matthew 24:24 False Christs and False Prophets Exists to Lead Astray**

24 For false christs and false prophets will arise and perform great signs and wonders, so as to lead astray, if possible, even the elect.

**Mark 13:22 False Christs and False Prophets Exists to Lead Astray**

22 For false christs and false prophets will arise and perform signs and wonders, to lead astray, if possible, the elect.

**2 Corinthians 11:12-15 False Religions are Good at Disguising Themselves**

12 And what I am doing I will continue to do, in order to undermine the claim of those who would like to claim that in their boasted mission they work on the same terms as we do.

13 For such men are false apostles, deceitful workmen, disguising themselves as apostles of Christ.

14 And no wonder, for even Satan disguises himself as an angel of light.

15 So it is no surprise if his servants, also, disguise themselves as servants of righteousness. Their end will correspond to their deeds.

**Galatians 2:4-5 Do Not Yield to Those Who Spread Anti-Gospel**

4 Yet because of false brothers secretly brought in—who slipped in to spy out our freedom that we have in Christ

Jesus, so that they might bring us into slavery—

5 to them we did not yield in submission even for a moment, so that the truth of the gospel might be preserved for you.

**2 Thessalonians 2:7-12 The Activity of Satan Fuels False Religions**

7 For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work. Only he who now restrains it will do so until he is out of the way.

8 And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will kill with the breath of his mouth and bring to nothing by the appearance of his coming.

9 The coming of the lawless one is by the activity of Satan with all power and false signs and wonders,

10 and with all wicked deception for those who are perishing, because they refused to love the truth and so be saved.

11 Therefore God sends them a strong delusion, so that they may believe what is false,

12 in order that all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

**2 Peter 2:1-9 The Will Deliver Christians from The Judgment on False Religion Practicers**

1 But false prophets also arose among the people, just as there will be false

*teachers among you, who will secretly bring in destructive heresies, even denying the Master who bought them, bringing upon themselves swift destruction.*

*2 And many will follow their sensuality, and because of them the way of truth will be blasphemed.*

*3 And in their greed they will exploit you with false words. Their condemnation from long ago is not idle, and their destruction is not asleep.*

*4 For if God did not spare angels when they sinned, but cast them into hell and committed them to chains of gloomy darkness to be kept until the judgment;*

*5 if he did not spare the ancient world, but preserved Noah, a herald of righteousness, with seven others, when he brought a flood upon the world of the ungodly;*

*6 if by turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah to ashes he condemned them to extinction, making them an example of what is going to happen to the ungodly;*

*7 and if he rescued righteous Lot, greatly distressed by the sensual conduct of the wicked*

*8 (for as that righteous man lived among them day after day, he was tormenting his righteous soul over their lawless deeds that he saw and heard);*

*9 then the Lord knows how to rescue the godly from trials, and to keep the*

*unrighteous under punishment until the day of judgment,*

### ***1 John 4:1-3 How to Test the False if a Person is False***

*1 Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, for many false prophets have gone out into the world.*

*2 By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, 3 and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you heard was coming and now is in the world already.*

### ***Revelation 19:19-21 False Religions will One Day Come to and End***

*19 And I saw the beast and the kings of the earth with their armies gathered to make war against him who was sitting on the horse and against his army.*

*20 And the beast was captured, and with it the false prophet who in its presence had done the signs by which he deceived those who had received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped its image. These two were thrown alive into the lake of fire that burns with sulfur.*

*21 And the rest were slain by the sword that came from the mouth of him who was sitting on the horse, and all the birds were gorged with their flesh.*

## OUR Devotional Discussion Guide FALSE RELIGIONS

**FOCUS:** *To understand FALSE RELIGIONS in relation to Christianity and be able to discuss it, lead people to the biblical truth of Christianity.*

### OUR SALVATION:

*John 3:16-17*  
*Ephesians 2:8-9*  
*Romans 10:9-10*

### OUR CREATED PURPOSE:

*Mark 12:30-31*  
*Matthew 28:16-20*

### OUR MISSION:

We exist to bring God glory  
 and make disciples

### OUR VISION

Through  
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## OUR Devotional Discussion Guide FALSE RELIGIONS

**FOCUS:** *To understand FALSE RELIGIONS in relation to Christianity and be able to discuss it, lead people to the biblical truth of Christianity.*

### OUR SALVATION:

*John 3:16-17*  
*Ephesians 2:8-9*  
*Romans 10:9-10*

### OUR CREATED PURPOSE:

*Mark 12:30-31*  
*Matthew 28:16-20*

### OUR MISSION:

We exist to bring God glory  
 and make disciples

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# OTHER RESOURCES

YouTube: **Allie Beth Stuckey – The Truth About Scientology | Guests: @TheCultishShow (Part One) | Ep 880**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MhjxX0Mwqu4>

YouTube: **Allie Beth Stuckey – The Truth About Scientology | Guests: @TheCultishShow (Part Two) | Ep 881**

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4Vc\\_BG6B1Rw](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4Vc_BG6B1Rw)

YouTube: **Melissa Dougherty – Scientology: The Most Bizarre Cult in America**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hjd7MoqTv30>



**From Christianity Cults & Religion  
Biblical Christianity**

**Chart Rose Publishing  
Scientology**

<b>Key Person or Founder</b>	God as in God the Father, Jesus the Christ, The Holy Spirit since before time and forever	L. Ron Hubbard (1911-1986). Founded 1954 in California. HQ's in Los Angeles California and Florida
<b>Key Writings</b>	The Bible Old Testament written originally in Hebrew and Aramaic, New Testament in Greek	Dianetics: The Modern Science of Mental Health and others by Hubbard. The Way to Happiness
<b>Who is God?</b>	The one God is a triune God and three persons not three gods, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit often in the title "God" designates the first person God the Father. God is a spiritual being without a physical body. He is personal and involved with people. He created the universe out of nothing. He is eternal changeless, holy loving, and perfect.	Does not define God or Supreme Being, but rejects biblical description of God. Everyone is a "thetan," an immortal spirit with unlimited powers of its own universe, but not all are aware of this.
<b>Who is Jesus?</b>	Jesus is God, the second person of the Trinity. As God, the Son, He has always existed and was never created. He is fully God and fully man, truly God and truly man, the two natures joined, not mixed as the second person of the Trinity. He is co-equal with God the father, and the Holy Spirit. In becoming man he was begotten through the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. Jesus is the only way to the father, salvation and eternal life. He died on a cross, according to God's plan, as full sacrifice and payment for our sins. He arose from the dead on the third day, spiritually, and physically immortal. For the next 40 days, He was seen by more than 500 eyewitnesses. His wounds were touched, and he ate meals. He physically ascended to heaven. Jesus will come again, visibly and physically at the end of the world to establish God's kingdom and judge the world.	Jesus is rarely mentioned in Scientology. Jesus was not the Creator and not an "operating thetan" (in control of supernatural powers, cleared from mental defects). Jesus did not die for sins.

<b>Who is the Holy Spirit?</b>	The Holy Spirit is God, the third person of the Trinity. The Holy Spirit is a person, not a force or energy field. He comforts, grieves, reproves, connects, guides, teaches, and fills Christians. He is not the Father, nor the Son, Jesus Christ.	The Holy Spirit is not part of this belief.
<b>How to be Saved?</b>	Salvation is by God's grace, not by any individuals good works. Salvation must be received by faith. People must believe in their heart that Jesus died for their sins and physically rose again, which is the assurance of forgiveness and the resurrection of the body. This is God's loving plan to forgive sinful people.	No sin or need to repent. Salvation is freedom from reincarnation. One must work with an "auditor" of his "engrams" (hang-ups) to achieve the state of "clear" then progress up the "bridge to total freedom" to higher "Operating Thetan" states and eventual control over matter, energy, space and time (MEST).
<b>What Happens After Death?</b>	Believers go to be with Jesus. After death, all people away the final judgment. Both saved, and unsafe people will be resurrected. Those who are saved with Jesus in heaven. Those who are lost, suffer the torment of eternal separation from God, hell. Jesus' bodily resurrection guarantees believers that they two will be resurrected and receive new immortal bodies.	Hell is a myth. Heaven is a "false dream". People who get clear of engrams become operating thetans.
<b>Other Beliefs or Practices</b>	Group worship usually in churches. No secret rites. Baptism and the Lord Supper, Communion. Active voluntary missionary efforts. Aid to those in need, the poor, widows, orphans, and downtrodden. Christians believe that Jesus is the Jewish Messiah promised Israel in the Old Testament, Tanakh, Jesus said his followers would be known by their love for one another.	Believe in reincarnation, Billion year contracts with members. Make money on courses and selling books that members must buy. They can get superpowers such as healing self, levitation after the member pays up to the top of the Operating Thetan bridge around \$500,000. Members observe birth of Hubbard and anniversary of publication of Dianetics. Controversy follows the group worldwide. Time magazine and Reader's Digest have published damaging exposes. Various media have reported that church leaders have had indictments and/or convictions for burglary, wiretapping, conspiracy and other felonies.

		Organizations related to Scientology include Church of Scientology/International, Religious Technology Center, Sea Org, Narconon, World Institute of Schentology Enterprises (WISE), Youth for Human Rights International, United for Human Rights, Hubbard College of Administration, Applied Scholastics.
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## American History During L. Ron Hubbard Life (1911-1986)

<https://studythechurch.com/church-history/timelines/1900s-america>

### Big Moments in US History

**1948** Israel became a nation.

**1949** Billy Graham's breakthrough revival in Los Angeles; this propelled him to national attention.

**1950** Dianetics is written by L. Ron Hubbard which becomes Scientology.

**1950** The Missionaries of Charity, Mother Teresa's Order, approved.

**1951** Bill Bright founded Campus Crusade for Christ (now CRU). This is one of the largest Evangelical organizations in the USA.

**1950** Harry S. Truman is President

### Moments In Scientology

Scientology has HQ's in Los Angeles, CA and Clearwater, FL and an International Ship

Scientology was started when there was a growing culture and interest in self-help and some seeing religion as a way to make money.

### Sharing the Truth Tips

When revealing the Biblical truth to someone who is following a false religion **ask questions and give them the opportunity to wrestle with their relationship with Jesus.**

**It is the Holy Spirit who gives Christians the proper** heart, mind, soul and strength to share the Biblical truth in a way that will hopefully result in salvation and sanctification for the hearer.

# A Biblical Worldview on Judging Right / Wrong, Good / Evil

## **WHY GOD IS THE BEST JUDGE** ***Psalms 9:8 I Will Recount Your Wonderful Deeds***

***8 and he judges the world with righteousness; he judges the peoples with uprightness.***

### ***James 5:10-11***

***10 As an example of suffering and patience, brothers, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.***

***11 Behold, we consider those blessed who remained steadfast. You have heard of the steadfastness of Job, and you have seen the purpose of the Lord, how the Lord is compassionate and merciful.***

## **WHY WE NEED TO SHARE GOD'S BIBLICAL JUDGMENTS & TRUTH** ***John 3:16-21***

***16 "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.***

***17 For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.***

***18 Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.***

***19 And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil.***

***20 For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed.***

***21 But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his works have been carried out in God."***

## **HOW WE FAITH AND DEED BASED ON GOD'S JUDGMENTS** ***Acts 4:17-22***

***17 But in order that it may spread no further among the people, let us warn them to speak no more to anyone in this name."***

***18 So they called them and charged them not to speak or teach at all in the name of Jesus.***

***19 But Peter and John answered them, "Whether it is right in the sight of God to listen to you rather than to God, you must judge,***

***20 for we cannot but speak of what we have seen and heard."***

***21 And when they had further threatened them, they let them go, finding no way to punish them, because of the people, for all were praising God for what had happened.***

***22 For the man on whom this sign of healing was performed was more than forty years old.***

## **Remember we are not making up the judgments but...**

***Matthew 7:1-6 Judge not lest you be judged, pearls before pigs***

***Luke 6:37-42 Judging Others, blind leading blind***

## **Sharing God's truth so that none would perish but that all might be saved.**

***Matthew 10:32-33***

***32 So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven,***

***33 but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven***

## **A Way Evil Becomes Dominant**

Evil says we must let evil prevail or we are a bad person:

What is tolerated today becomes accepted then it gets celebrated.

1st **TOLERATE IT** (Outward Existence Is Allowed)

2nd **ACCEPT IT** (In Our Inner Belief Must Conform)

3rd **CELEBRATE IT** (Mandatory Praise & Party For It)

4th **PARTICIPATE IN IT** (Releasing Our Children To Evil And Its Ways)

Finally evil will say now it is unlawful if you don't support evil.