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Jehovah's Witnesses
Answered Verse by Verse

NYU Press
Religions in today's
culture seem to be
multiplying. Have you

ever wondered why certain religions believe and practice what they do? Or how they view the Bible? This volume delves into these and other engaging questions, such as: How can a Christian witness to people in these religions? Do these other religions believe in creation and a Creator? How do we deal with these religions from a biblical authority perspective? Many religions and cults discussed in this first volume openly affirm that the Bible is true, but then

something gets in their way. And there is a common factor every time—man’s fallible opinions. In one way or another the Bible gets demoted, reinterpreted, or completely ignored. Man’s ideas are used to throw the Bible’s clear teaching out the window while false teachings are promoted. This book is a must for laymen, church leaders, teachers, and students to understand the trends in our culture and around the world where certain religions dominate, helping you

discern truth and guard your faith. When you understand a religion’s origins and teachings, you are in a better position to know how to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ as you take the good news to those in false religions. *Appropriating Antiquity for Modern Chinese Painting* Open Road Media 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.

Text and Authority in the South African Nazaretha Church Lulu.com

What would happen if I accepted an invitation to Bible Study from Jehovah's Witnesses? What would attending a Kingdom Hall meeting involve? And if I invited door-knocking Witnesses into my home? This book introduces Jehovah's

Witnesses without assuming prior knowledge of the Watch Tower organization. After outlining the Society's origins and history, the book explains their key beliefs and practices by taking the reader through the process of the seeker who makes initial contact with Witnesses, and progresses to take instruction and become a baptized member. The book then explores what is involved in being a Witness – congregational life, lifestyle, rites of passage, their

understanding of the Bible and prophetic expectations. It examines the various processes and consequences of leaving the organization, controversies that have arisen in the course of its history, and popular criticisms. Discussion is given to the likelihood of reforms within the organization, such as its stance on blood transfusions, the role of women and new methods of meeting and evangelizing in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

**A Separate Identity:
Organizational Identity
Among Readers of
Zion's Watch Tower:**

1870-1887 Bloomsbury Publishing
Excerpt from U.S. Marines in Afghanistan, 2010-2014: Anthology and Annotated Bibliography: This volume, second part of a series focusing on Marine Corps Actions in Afghanistan, presents a collection of 21 articles, interviews, and speeches describing many aspects of the U.S. Marine Corps' participation in Operation Enduring

Freedom from 2010 to 2014. This work is intended to serve as a general overview and provisional reference to inform both Marines and the general public until the U.S. Marine Corps History Division completes monographs covering major Marine Corps operations during the campaign. The accompanying annotated bibliography provides a detailed look at selected sources that currently exist and should be sufficient until new scholarship and archival

materials become available[. . .] This anthology is organized into six parts: one section for each year and a final section devoted to a broader overview of Marine participation in the Afghanistan conflict. This work is not meant to be an authoritative history but rather a selected record of Marine contributions to the Afghan war effort as captured by the media and other sources. Related items: United States Marine Corps (USMC) History

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Crisis of Conscience

Christian Publishing House

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. *Awakening of a Jehovah's Witness* Bloomsbury Publishing USA

No other book answers the Jehovah's Witnesses' misinterpretation of Scripture so immediately and shows how to use the same Scripture in leading Jehovah's Witnesses to Christ.

Religion Out Loud Oxford University Press, USA

We are now acutely aware, as if all of the sudden, that data matters enormously to how we live. How did information come to be so integral to what we can do? How did we become people who effortlessly present our lives in social media

profiles and who are meticulously recorded in state surveillance dossiers and online marketing databases? What is the story behind data coming to matter so much to who we are? In *How We Became Our Data*, Colin Koopman excavates early moments of our rapidly accelerating data-tracking technologies and their consequences for how we think of and express our selfhood today. Koopman explores the emergence of mass-scale record keeping systems like birth certificates and social

security numbers, as well as new data techniques for categorizing personality traits, measuring intelligence, and even racializing subjects. This all culminates in what Koopman calls the “informational person” and the “informational power” we are now subject to. The recent explosion of digital technologies that are turning us into a series of algorithmic data points is shown to have a deeper and more turbulent past than we commonly think.

Blending philosophy, history, political theory, and media theory in conversation with thinkers like Michel Foucault, Jürgen Habermas, and Friedrich Kittler, Koopman presents an illuminating perspective on how we have come to think of our personhood—and how we can resist its erosion.

The Art of Siege Warfare and Military Architecture from the Classical World to the Middle Ages U.S.

Government Printing Office

For six months in 2004, controversy raged in

Hamtramck, Michigan, as residents debated a proposed amendment that would exempt the adhan, or Islamic call to prayer, from the city's anti-noise ordinance. The call to prayer functioned as a flashpoint in disputes about the integration of Muslims into this historically Polish-Catholic community. No one openly contested Muslims' right to worship in their mosques, but many neighbors framed their resistance around what they regarded as the inappropriate public

pronouncement of Islamic presence, an announcement that audibly intruded upon their public space. Throughout U.S. history, complaints about religion as noise have proven useful both for restraining religious dissent and for circumscribing religion's boundaries more generally. At the same time, religious individuals and groups rarely have kept quiet. They have insisted on their right to practice religion out loud, implicitly advancing alternative

understandings of religion and its place in the modern world. In *Religion Out Loud*, Isaac Weiner takes such sonic disputes seriously. Weaving the story of religious “noise” through multiple historical eras and diverse religious communities, he convincingly demonstrates that religious pluralism has never been solely a matter of competing values, truth claims, or moral doctrines, but of different styles of public practice, of fundamentally different ways of using

body and space—and that these differences ultimately have expressed very different conceptions of religion itself. Weiner's innovative work encourages scholars to pay much greater attention to the publicly contested sensory cultures of American religious life. In the North American Religions series Isaac Weiner is Assistant Professor of Religion and Culture in the Department of Comparative Studies at the Ohio State University. *U.S. Marines in Afghanistan, 2010-2014*

NewSouth Books
Two Christian Bible scholars outline arguments anyone can use to counter—and evangelize to—Jehovah’s Witnesses and Mormons when they come knocking. *Cult Shock* is an easy-to-follow resource of Christian apologetics that teaches you how to defend your Christian faith against the claims of Jehovah’s Witness and Mormon missionaries. Mark Stengler Jr., and Mark Stengler Sr.—a father-and-son team of Christian

scholars—explain the beliefs of these groups, and demonstrate through scripture and logic how Biblical Christianity refutes their worldview. Readers will gain confidence witnessing to these groups based on the Stengler’s recommended engagement techniques from their years of experience. Cult Shock provides all the tools you need to proclaim the real Jesus with fearless confidence!

[In Search of Christian Freedom](#) Coach House

Books

Emily B. Baran offers a gripping history of how a small, American-based religious community, the Jehovah's Witnesses, found its way into the Soviet Union after World War II, survived decades of brutal persecution, and emerged as one of the region's fastest growing religions after the Soviet Union's collapse in 1991. In telling the story of this often misunderstood faith, Baran explores the shifting boundaries of religious dissent, non-conformity, and human

rights in the Soviet Union and its successor states. Soviet Jehovah's Witnesses are a fascinating case study of dissent beyond urban, intellectual nonconformists. Witnesses, who were generally rural, poorly educated, and utterly marginalized from society, resisted state pressure to conform. They instead constructed alternative communities based on adherence to religious principles established by the Witnesses' international center in

Brooklyn, New York. The Soviet state considered Witnesses to be the most reactionary of all underground religious movements, and used extraordinary measures to try to eliminate this threat. Yet Witnesses survived, while the Soviet system did not. After 1991, they faced continuing challenges to their right to practice their faith in post-Soviet states, as these states struggled to reconcile the proper limits on freedom of conscience with European norms and domestic

concerns. Dissent on the Margins provides a new and important perspective on one of America's most understudied religious movements.

Jehovah's Witnesses

Tachyon Publications
In 1787, British philosopher and social reformer Jeremy Bentham conceived of the panopticon, a ring of cells observed by a central watchtower, as a labor-saving device for those in authority. While Bentham's design was ostensibly for a prison, he believed that any number

of places that require supervision—factories, poorhouses, hospitals, and schools—would benefit from such a design. The French philosopher Michel Foucault took Bentham at his word. In his groundbreaking 1975 study, *Discipline and Punish*, the panopticon became a metaphor to describe the creeping effects of personalized surveillance as a means for ever-finer mechanisms of control. Forty years later, the available tools of scrutiny, supervision,

and discipline are far more capable and insidious than Foucault dreamed, and yet less effective than Bentham hoped. Shopping malls, container ports, terrorist holding cells, and social networks all bristle with cameras, sensors, and trackers. But, crucially, they are also rife with resistance and prime opportunities for revolution. The Inspection House is a tour through several of these sites—from Guantánamo Bay to the Occupy Oakland camp and the

authors' own mobile devices—providing a stark, vivid portrait of our contemporary surveillance state and its opponents. Tim Maly is a regular contributor to *Wired*, the *Atlantic*, and *Urban Omnivore* and is a 2014 fellow at Harvard University's Metalab. Emily Horne is the designer and photographer of the webcomic *A Softer World*. *How We Became Our Data* Oxbow Books Captivating and heart-wrenching from start to finish When Emily was a

little girl, all she wanted to be when she grew up was a Full-Time Pioneer; in her Jehovah's Witness family, the only imaginable future is a life of knocking on doors and handing out Watchtower magazines. But Emily starts to challenge her upbringing. She becomes closer to her closeted uncle, Tyler, as her older sister, Lenora, hangs out with boys, wears makeup, and gets a startling new haircut. After Lenora disappears, everything changes for Emily, and as she deals with her mental

devastation she is forced to consider a different future. Alternating between Emily's life as a child and her adult life in the city, *Watch How We Walk* offers a haunting, cutting exploration of "disfellowshipping," proselytization, and cultural abstinence, as well as the Jehovah's Witness attitude towards the "worldlings" outside of their faith. Sparse, vivid, suspenseful, and darkly humorous, Jennifer LoveGrove's debut novel is an emotional and visceral look inside an

isolationist religion through the eyes of the unforgettable Emily. *The Man in the High Castle* Candlewick Press "A comprehensive view of Jehovah's Witnesses history, its upheavals and struggles, and a raw demonstration of the manipulation and cruelty dealt those it charges with expanding its membership. By keeping Judgment Day ever coming, the Watch Tower Society ensures a ready supply of workers to proclaim the ever-coming coming"--

30 Years a Watchtower Slave Morgan James Publishing Sylacauga—Alabama's "Marble City"—is blessed with an abundant natural resource that nurtures both its economy and its cultural heritage. Thirty-five miles long, at least four hundred feet deep, and more than a mile wide, the Sylacauga Marble Belt yields crystalline white marble frequently compared to the Parian marble treasured by Greek sculptors and the Italian Carrara marble often

chosen by Michelangelo. Artisans have quarried Sylacauga marble for tombstones since the early 1800s, and architects prized it for years as dimension stone for buildings like the United States Supreme Court. In the early 1900s, Giuseppe Moretti and Gutzon Borglum both chose this marble for magnificent sculptures. When granite, better able to withstand industrial pollution, overtook marble as the preferred architectural stone in the 1930s, Sylacauga's quarry

owners shifted their focus to the production of ground calcium carbonate (GCC), a fundamental ingredient in manufactured products from toothpaste, foodstuffs, and disposable diapers to paints, caulks, and sealants. Many cringe at the idea of blasting and grinding marble into fine powder, but GCC is a vital factor in the local economy. Thankfully, the Magic of Marble Festival, first held in 2009, has revitalized interest in the artistic value of Sylacauga marble, inspiring sculptors

from across the United States and masters from Italy to apply their skills to cream-white blocks of this beautiful stone and share their creativity with thousands of residents and visitors each year. This is the story of quarry pioneers, investors, artists, and artisans. It's also the story of their families, who fondly remember their lives along the edge of "the hole" that provided for them.

Faith On The March

Springer Nature

This book tells the story of

one of the largest and most influential African churches in South Africa.

Salem Brownstone JHU Press

"This social and cultural history of seventeenth-century Bermuda recounts the colony's development under the Virginia and Bermuda companies, with particular emphasis on how multiracial, multicultural interaction, a distinct maritime island environment, a pervasive Puritan religious culture, and thickening ties with other Anglo-American

colonies created a distinctive new American-Bermudian identity. Puritanism, slavery, family tobacco farming, overcrowding, and out-migration shaped Bermuda's development and a growing network of Atlantic linkages that islanders formed that primed it to become a major maritime hub in the age of sail"--

God's Channel of Truth-
- Houghton Mifflin
Harcourt

Upon his father's death, Salem inherits a mansion as well as an unfinished

battle with creatures from another world, which requires him to seek the help of his guardian familiar and the colorful performers of Dr. Kinoshita's Circus of Unearthly Delights.
Jehovah's Witnesses and the Secular World
University of Toronto Press

Each year, the Jehovah's Witnesses spend about 2 billion hours evangelizing their communities around the world in 357 languages. Many think that they know the Jehovah's Witnesses, but

the sources are usually twofold: (1) They are misinformed Bible scholars who have read books and websites by disgruntled ex-Jehovah's Witnesses. (2) They have read books or comments by disgruntled ex-Jehovah's Witnesses. Herein you will learn a lot that you may have not known and learn some things about how to better evangelize them, or if you are even up to evangelize them. Moreover, we will use some arguments often raised about Jehovah's

Witnesses as our text case from such persons as J. Warner Wallace is a leading Evangelical Christian apologist today. Here is what you will need to know in order to effectively share your faith with JW's when they come knocking. [A History of the Apocalypse](#) CreateSpace All Along Bob Dylan: America and the World offers an important contribution to thinking about the artist and his work. Adding European and non-English speaking contexts to the vibrant

field of Dylan studies, the volume covers a wide range of topics and methodologies while dealing with the inherently complex and varied material produced or associated with the iconic artist. The chapters, organized around three broad thematic sections (Geographies, Receptions and Perspectives), address the notions of audience, performance and identity, allowing to map out the structure of feeling and authenticity, both, in the case of the artist and his audience.

Taking its cue from the collapse of the so-called high-/ low culture split following from the Nobel Prize, the book explores the argument that Dylan (and all popular music) can be interpreted as literature and offers discussions in the context

of literary traditions, or visual culture and music. This contributes to a nuanced and complex portrayal of the seminal cultural phenomenon called Bob Dylan.
The Stress of Her Regard Cengage Learning

Perhaps you also, along with many others, have asked the question, Is God's channel of truth the Watchtower? This little volume is a beautiful true story of a woman who searched for truth and found the answer from God's Holy Word.