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By Jerald & Sandra Tanner

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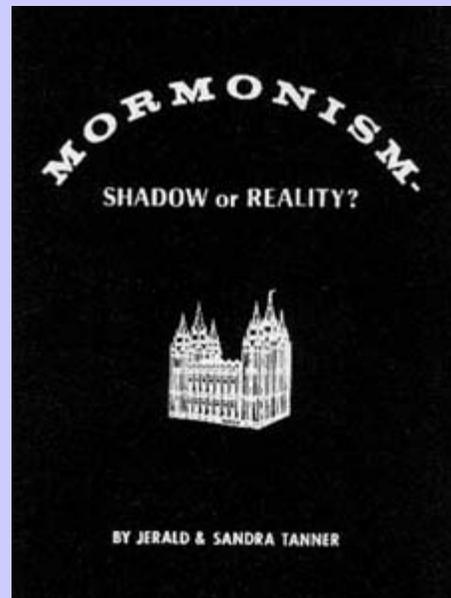
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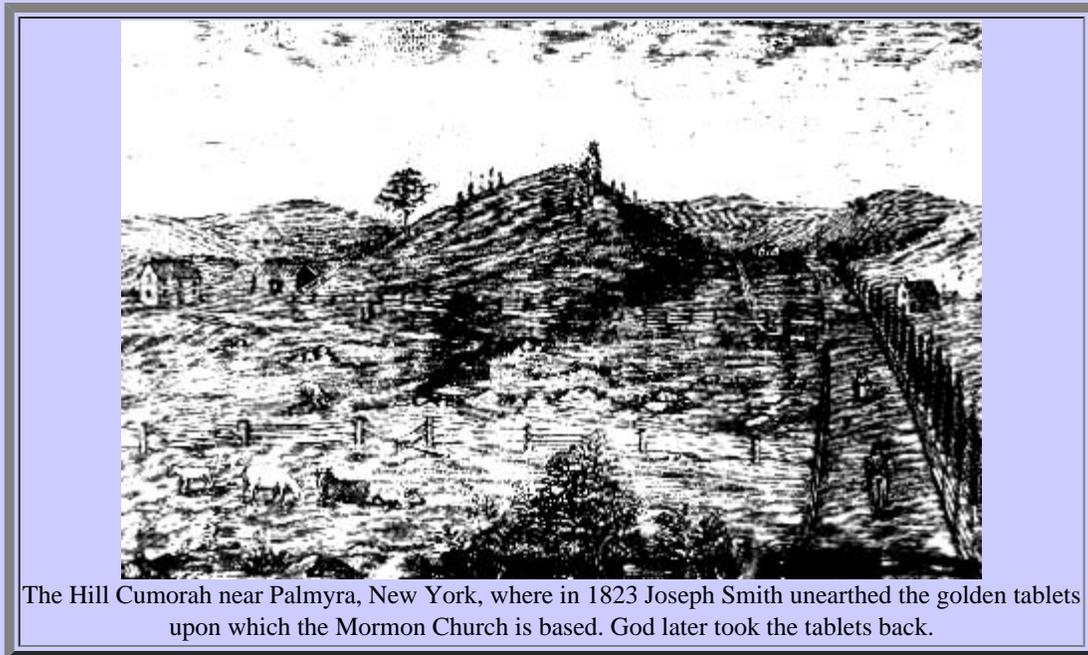
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Evangelical Christians Jerald and Sandra Tanner of Salt Lake City have devoted their lives to publishing secret Mormon rituals, exposing flaws in church texts and generally irritating the local power structure. (Why do we feel a kinship?) This is an empassioned, disorganized tract of 576 very dense pages, consisting of reproduced church documents, mimeographed essays, interviews, pictures, hieroglyphics, endless analysis of scripture and **thousands of passages meaningfully underlined**. There is certainly a lot of material here the church does not want published, including temple ceremonies, temple clothing and secret oaths: Your challenge is to distill that forbidden knowledge from the massive body of words found here. This self-published anti-Mormon tome has the same weight, size and density as a volume of the Encyclopaedia Britannica. We have read only a couple of the chapters - No human could read it all. - but we admire this book and its authors for their single-minded mission. If left on the coffee table, this book will provide YEARS of entertaining reading. -- *Glenn Campbell*

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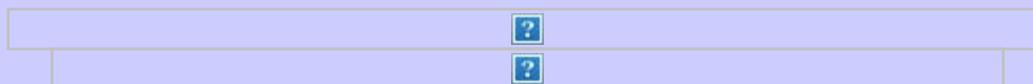
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Regarding "Mormonism: Shadow or Reality?" - Latest First

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I am amazed that ANYONE in their right mind would consider the LDS church to be of God. God is not the author of confusion, lies or perversion, all which are rampant in the LDS church. Wake up, you blind people! Separate yourselves from the Mormon church and return to the living Christ of the Bible.

-- Chawg 8/6/98 (#4)

Hmm

Well Kathleen I am not surprised to hear you say that you can clear all the msinomers up that are in the book after all you are hardly Biased in the whole thing are you? Save it. I was raised in the church as YOU were that means you didn't come to it after you were an Adult! This means that you were indoctrinated whether or not you acknowledge this is irrelevant as it is clear you were.

-- Decker (tuake@hotmail.com) 7/16/98 (#3)

I am Mormon, but I don't believe anymore

I have been Mormon for close to a year. In that year I have done everything I was supposed to. Since then I have found alot of information about The Book of Mormon, past and current doctrine that doesn't seem to coincide. I will further my research into this matter by studying as much as I can about all sides of the LDS church.

-- Richard Aubin (blaze@neilnet.com) 4/30/97 (#2)

Just a little comment on the book "Mormonism: Shadow or Reality". I'm Mormon and I can tell you our church is just like any normal church. We don't have anything to hide. The people who write these kinds of books have every right to say whatever they want, but a lot of it is not true. If you have any questions at all about Mormons and what we do and what we believe, I would be happy to answer them. I have never believed in anything with blind faith. I am someone who has to be convinced. I don't have any kind of deep family background in the church. My mother was a member when I was born. That's it. I have decided for myself, without anyone convincing me, that I like the Mormon church. And I sometimes also find that some Mormons are confused about what we supposedly believe (the thing about it being against our religion to drink Coke, for example). So ask me anything. I'll tell you.

-- Kathleen (dmonc@TST-MedHat.com) 11/26/96 (#1)

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