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Mormonism

The predominant religion of Utah and rural Nevada. The focus here is on skeptical links.

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Pro-Mormon Links

1. [LDS Resources on the Internet](#) - The master link page for pro-Mormon pages on the internet. Covers all conceivable topics except skepticism.
2. Yahoo index on [Latter Day Saints](#)
3. [Official LDS Home Page](#)
4. [On Line Religious Resources Index](#)
5. [Nevada Las Vegas Alumni Page](#)

Skeptical Links

1. Yahoo on [LDS Opposing Views](#)
2. [Recovery from Mormonism](#) - A comprehensive archive of accounts by former Mormons of their experiences

"This site has two sections. The first section is a collection of stories of those who have left the Mormon church. The list of stories of those who left the Mormon church follows this brief introduction. The stories are in the order they have been sent to me with the most recent at the bottom. The second section contains text files on various topics concerning Mormonism."

3. [A Critical and Satirical, But Not Really Hostile Look at Mormonism](#)

"This page is intended to be a fair presentation of Mormonism. It is by no means an objective one, however, because Mormonism is too emotional and personal to dispassionately analyze and still capture its true flavor. I am making this page as an effort to continue the investigation into Mormonism which I was invited to undertake by two Elders from Utah nearly 10 years ago. Also, I am trying to provide an accurate view of the Church from an unusual perspective, that of an ex-missionary turned "apostate." I don't hate the Church, but I don't believe in it, either."

4. [Those Wacky Mormons](#)

I was born into the Mormon Church at the tender age of 0. By a remarkable coincidence, both of my parents just happened to be Mormon. I'm not sure if this had any bearing on the religion I was brought up in. I only

mention it for the sake of detail. My father was born into the Church, but my mother converted in order to marry him (for those not in the know, it's rather taboo for a Mormon to marry a non-Mormon). My mother, raised in a strict Southern Baptist household, would later lament that she had traded one patriarchal, domineering religion for another. But, at the time of my parent's wedding, it seemed like a good idea, strange temple ceremonies notwithstanding. So there I was, a young, impressionable tyke, with a fair degree of intelligence and a lifetime's supply of gullibility. Let the indoctrination begin!

5. [Ex-Mormon Q & A Page](#)

"The purpose of this page is to provide information to those seeking alternate viewpoints concerning the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, commonly known as the Mormon Church."

6. [Former-Mormon Links Page](#)

7. [An Examination of the Mormon World.](#)

- [Beginners Guide to Mormonism](#) (102k)
- [The Mormon News Archive](#)

8. [Mormon Church on Masturbation](#) | [Web search for "Mormon Masturbation"](#)

"We are taught that our bodies are temples of God, and are to be clean so that the Holy Ghost may dwell within us. Masturbation is a sinful habit that robs one of the Spirit and creates guilt and emotional stress. It is not physically harmful unless practiced in the extreme. It is a habit that is totally self-centered, and secretive, and in no way expresses the proper use of the procreative power given to man to fulfill eternal purposes. It therefore separates a person from God, and defeats the gospel plan."

Other Curious Religious Stuff

Unrelated to Mormonism

1. [Creation Research Society](#)
2. [Hell](#)

General Links

Links not otherwise classified

- [Boston Suburb Battles Mormon Church](#) - News articles, Las Vegas Sun, 12/6/96. - <12/12/96 #1>
- [Joseph Smith: America's Hermetic Prophet](#) - From "Gnosis: A Journal of Western Inner Traditions," Spring 1995 - <12/12/96 #2>
- [The Deseret News](#) - Salt Lake City newspaper owned by the church - <1/19/97 #3>
- [Observer Life Cults Page on Mormons](#) - <1/25/97 #4>
- [Six Reasons Why Mormonism Can't Be True Christianity](#) - A pro-Christian article - By Ralph F. Wilson - <gc 1/25/97 #5>

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Mormons in Space

I recall seeing a Mondo2000 article featuring a NASA memorandum regarding long-distance manned space travel. This memo recommended an iron-clad, all-encompassing belief-system to provide meaning, order and discipline to isolated astronauts and progeny during interstellar flights. The belief of choice: mormonism.

Ishmael Simian 3/7/97 (#5)

Interesting Section

I really liked the Mormonism section at this site. I almost became an LDS as a teen-ager. While I was in the Marines, I had many LDS friends who took me to church and explained some of their doctrines to me. It bothered me that the things they said on the street did not always agree with what they would say in church. I guess it must have been the stuff about "sacred underwear" that really caused me to question their reality level. Great page, keep up the good work.

Charles Pardue (CharlesP@ami.com) 2/25/97 (#4)

What does the information about the LDS church have to do with UFO's?? Nothing. I am a Mormon myself and proud of it. I am also intrigued by the whole area 51 and Roswell stories and accounts. Not impressed with your whole site, it was very interesting until the negative Mormon "Literature" was offered.

CRAIG 1/17/97 (#3)

I found this page accidentally via Area 51/Ufomind and enjoyed it very much. As an exile from Utah I find Mormons very scary and wish to see more investigative research. What about all that genetic info hidden under the mountain and their old "State of Deseret" dreams; Masonic links?

Liquid Jim (g17@sirius.com) 1/15/97 (#2)

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