## False Claims of Mormonism (Latter-day Saints):

- 1. All churches prior to the Mormon Church were false abominations with filthy creeds in the sight of God (Pearl of Great Price, Joseph Smith 2:19). See Matthew 16:18 "I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."
- 2. The Bible is filled with error, and God has therefore sent more complete and accurate teaching and scripture through the Mormon Church (Bruce McConkie, Mormon Doctrine, pp. 82,83). See Psalm 12:6,7; Matthew 24:35; 2 Timothy 3:16.
- 3. We must earn our own salvation (Moroni 10:32). The death and resurrection of Jesus secured "immortality" for all, but not atonement for our sins (Alma 11:43,44). See John 5:24; Acts 13:39; Romans 3:24-26; Revelation 1:5.
- 4. Humans can become "gods." (History of the Church, Joseph Smith, vol. 6, p. 306; Teaching of Lorenzo Snow, p. 1). See Genesis 3:5; 2 Corinthians 11:3,4.
- 5. God was not God from all eternity (Teachings of the Prophet Joseph Smith, p. 345). He was once a man but progressed into godhood (Teaching of Lorenzo Snow, p. 1), joining the company of countless other gods who existed before Him (History of the Church, Joseph Smith, vol. 6, p. 305,308,474; Orson Pratt, Journal of Discourses, vol. 2, p. 345). See Psalm 41:13; 90:2; 93:2; Isaiah 44:8; 45:5,6,21,22; 48:16,17; John 17:5; Hebrews 7:3.
- 6. Jesus and Satan are spirit-brothers. (Milton R. Hunter, Gospel through the Ages, p.15). See Micah 5:2; John 1:3 (Jesus was "from everlasting" and created all things). Ezekiel 28:15; Jun 8:44 (Satan was a created angel and is a liar).
- 7. After Jesus rose, He went to the Americas to preach to the Nephites (Book of Mormon, 3 Nephi.). See Matthew 24:23-25 Note: The BYU Encyclopedia admits: "Of the numerous proposed external Book of Mormon geographies, none has been positively and unambiguously confirmed by archaeology" (https://eom.byu.edu/index.php/Book of Mormon Geography).