

Answering Jehovah's Witnesses

Sooner or later, you are likely to be visited by those who call themselves "Jehovah's Witnesses." They are very active in spreading their doctrine from door to door. If they visit you, will you know what to say?

There is much to be known about this religious organization, but it is only necessary to focus on one central issue: Who is Jesus? The so-called Jehovah's Witnesses believe that Jesus is merely an exalted angel, namely, Michael the archangel. They derive this belief from a bad interpretation of 1 Thessalonians 4:16. As such, they believe that Jesus is a created being and not the eternal God.

So then, if they come to your door, be prepared to refute their false beliefs about Jesus. Show them Hebrews 1, which clearly shows that Jesus is God's Son and not an angel. Verse 5 says,

For to which of the angels did He ever say, "You are My Son, today I have begotten You"? and again, "I will be a Father to Him and He shall be a Son to Me"?

(Note: Jesus was begotten of the Holy Spirit according to Matthew 1:20, but He existed before then.)

Verse 13 says,

But to which of the angels has He ever said, "Sit at My right hand, until I make Your enemies a footstool for Your feet"?

Point them to John 1:1-3, which says about Jesus,

¹In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ²He was in the beginning with God. ³All things came into being through Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being.

They will attempt to explain why they believe these passages do not refute their false teachings, but their arguments fail. The Scripture is clear.

For more Scriptural reproof of the so-called Jehovah's Witnesses, check out the video "Did Jesus Claim to Be God?" on www.TheVideoPreacher.com in the "Minute Messages" section.

Be careful when dealing with these false teachers. Abide by the warning of 2 John 9-11:

⁹Anyone who goes too far and does not abide in the teaching of Christ, does not have God; the one who abides in the teaching, he has both the Father and the Son. ¹⁰If anyone comes to you and does not bring this teaching, do not receive him into your house, and do not give him a greeting; ¹¹for the one who gives him a greeting participates in his evil deeds.

Be gentle and polite, but be clear in your disagreement with them. They are not witnesses for God.

1 John 2:23 – Whoever denies the Son does not have the Father; the one who confesses the Son has the Father also.