

<u>Mormonism:</u>	<u>The Bible:</u>
<p><u>God was a man and exalted to be God:</u></p> <p>Joseph Smith taught that "God himself was once as we are now, and is an exalted Man, and sits enthroned in yonder heavens...I say, if you were to see him to-day, you would see him like a man in form -- like yourselves, in all the person, image, and very form as a man....it is necessary that we should understand the character and being of God, and how he came to be so; for I am going to tell you how God came to be God. <i>We have imagined and supposed that God was God from all eternity, I will refute that idea, and will take away and do away the veil, so that you may see....and that he was once a man like us; yea, that God himself the Father of us all, dwelt on an earth the same as Jesus Christ himself did.</i> " (Journal of Discourses V 6: P 3) online: http://jod.mrm.org/6/1</p> <p><i>“the Father, after He had once been in the flesh, and lived as we live, obtained His exaltation, attained to thrones, gained the ascendancy over principalities and powers, and had the knowledge and power to create—to bring forth and organize the elements upon natural principles. This He did after His ascension, or His glory, or His eternity, and was actually classed with the Gods, with the beings who create, with those who have kept the celestial law while in the flesh, and again obtained their bodies. Then He was prepared to commence the work of creation, as the Scriptures teach. It is all here in the Bible; I am not telling you a word but what is contained in that book.”</i> (Journal of Discourses V 4: P217) online: http://jod.mrm.org/4/215#217</p>	<p><u>God has been God from everlasting:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - One of God’s names in the Old Testament is <i>EL-OLAM</i> Gen.21:33. That means the everlasting, eternal, forever God. Which means that God never evolved and from everlasting to everlasting he is God. - Psalm 90:2 “Before the mountains were born Or You gave birth to the earth and the world, Even from everlasting to everlasting, You are God”; - Psalm 93:1-2 “The Lord reigns, He is clothed with majesty; The Lord is clothed, He has girded Himself with strength. Surely the world is established, so that it cannot be moved. Your throne <i>is</i> established from of old; You <i>are</i> from everlasting.” - Isaiah 43:13 “Indeed before the day <i>was</i>, I <i>am</i> He” - Isa. 63:16 “You, O Lord, <i>are</i> our Father; Our Redeemer from Everlasting <i>is</i> Your name.” - Hab 1:12 “Are You not from everlasting, O Lord my God, my Holy One?” - Rom. 1:20 “ For since the creation of the world His invisible <i>attributes</i> are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, <i>even</i> His eternal power and Godhead”

God The Father has a body:

According to *Doctrine and Covenants* 130:22, "*The Father has a body of flesh and bones as tangible as man's.*"

online <https://www.lds.org/scriptures/dc-testament/dc/130.22>

God is spirit:

The Bible teaches that:

- God is spirit John 4:24 and a spirit does not have flesh and bones Luke 24:39
- God is invisible 1 Tim 1: 17 and Jesus is the image of the invisible Father Col 1:15
- God is Omnipresent (everywhere) Psalm 139 which is impossible if He has a body.

The Bible doesn't say that God *has* a spirit. *He is Spirit. He is invisible.* Which is absolute opposite of the the revelations in Doctrine and covenant that God has a body, He is tangible.

But how about Gen 1:26; when God said "let us make man in our own image" Doesn't that mean that God has made man with flesh and bones just like His own image?

Not at all; Let us think about it:

1. God didn't say "let us make man in our own *flesh* image." God said "let us make man in our image." So the Bible doesn't say that God has a flesh.
2. If this scripture teaches that God has a body and John 4:24 teaches that God is spirit, then the bible contradict itself.
3. So what does it mean that man was made "in the image of God"? The Apocrypha, though not inspired by God, gives us an idea of how the Jewish people of the Old Testament understood this scripture. We read in Wisdom of Solomon 2:23 "For God created man to be immortal, and made him to be an image of his own eternity. (Wis 2:23 LXA)" (Reference online <http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/book.php?book=Wisdom+of+Solomon&chapter=2&verse=23>) That makes sense in the context of the creation narrative in the book of Genesis 1-2, since every thing God created in the 1st 6 days will cease from existence at some point expect man the only creature that was made in God's immortal image.

God IS Adam, the 1st man:

President Kimball taught “I have learned by experience that there is but one God that pertains to this people, and He is the God that pertains to this earth--the first man. That first man sent his own Son to redeem the world, to redeem his brethren; his life was taken, his bloodshed, that our sins might be remitted. That Son called twelve men and ordained them to be Apostles, and when he departed the keys of the kingdom were deposited with three of those twelve, viz.: Peter, James, and John” (*Journal of Discourses* 4:1).” Online: <http://jod.mrm.org/4/1>

Prophet Young taught, “Now hear it, O inhabitants of the earth, Jew and Gentile, Saint and sinner! When our father Adam came into the garden of Eden, he came into it with a celestial body, and brought Eve, one of his wives, with him. He helped to make and organize this world. He is MICHAEL, the Archangel, the ANCIENT OF DAYS! about whom holy men have written and spoken--HE is our FATHER and our GOD, and the only God with whom WE have to do. Every man upon the earth, professing Christians or non-professing, must hear it, and will know it sooner or later. They came here, organized the raw material” (*Journal of discourses* vol 1: page 50) online: <http://jod.mrm.org/1/46#50>

God the Father has a father:

Joseph Smith taught “If Jesus Christ was the Son of God, and John discovered that God the Father of Jesus Christ had a Father, you may suppose that He had a Father also. Where was there ever a son without a father? And where was there ever a father without first being a son? Whenever did a tree or anything spring into existence without a progenitor? And everything comes in this way. Paul says that which is earthly is in the likeness of that which is heavenly, Hence if Jesus had a Father, can we not believe that He had a Father also? I despise the idea of being scared to death at such a doctrine, for the Bible is full of it.” *History of the church* Volume 6 page 476 online <http://www.kristus.dk/jkk/text.php?id=90272>

We shall go back to our Father and God, who is connected with one who is still farther back; and this Father is connected with one still further back, and so on. *Journal of Discourses* 5: 19
C. Kimball - First Presidency Counselor <http://jod.mrm.org/5/18#19>

God MADE Adam, the 1st man:

Gen 2:7 “then the Lord God formed the man of dust from the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living creature.”

1 Cor 15:45 “So it is written: "The first man Adam became a living being”

God made Adam, the 1st man, from the dust of the earth. Notice how the Bible say that Adam “BECAME a living being” Adam wasn’t living nor was a being before the day God made him from the dust of the earth and breathed in his nostrils from His own life.

God is self-exciting from everlasting:

God says in Isaiah 43:10, "Before me no god was formed, nor shall there be any after me." Psalm 90:2 says of him, "Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God." This is the God Christians worship. Of him we can say, "Who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor? Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid? For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen." (*Romans* 11:34-36) <http://www.mrm.org/god-of-mormonism>

God is a polygamist:

“When our father Adam came into the garden of Eden, he came into it with a celestial body, and brought Eve, one of his wives with him.” Brigham Young - Mormon prophet [Journal of Discourses 1:50](#)

“The Scripture says that He, the Lord, came walking in the Temple, with His train; I do not know who they were, unless His wives and children...” Brigham Young - Mormon prophet [Journal of Discourses 13:309](#)

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God is married to our heavenly Mother:

The Prophet taught that men and women are of equal value and of equal importance in the sight of God. He preached that in order for a man to achieve his highest potential (the celestial kingdom and godhood) he must have a woman—equally exalted—by his side and sealed to him forever! (See D&C 131:1–4.) A just God would not require the yoking of two unequal beings for eternity. Building upon the foundation laid by Joseph Smith, subsequent prophets taught that God was not single, but married; that there is a Heavenly Father and a Heavenly Mother; and that we were made in their image: male and female children. (See James R. Clark, comp., Messages of the First Presidency of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 6 vols., Salt Lake City: Bookcraft, 1965–75, 4:203, 205.)

online <https://www.lds.org/ensign/1980/08/the-lord-as-a-role-model-for-men-and-women?lang=eng>

“Brother Kimball quoted a saying of Joseph the Prophet, that he would not worship a god who had not a Father; and I do not know that he would if he had not a mother; the one would be as absurd as the other.” (Journal of Discourses, vol. 9, p. 286)

online <http://jod.mrm.org/9/286>

"Sex Among the Gods. Sex, which is indispensable on this earth for the perpetuation of the human race, is an eternal quality which has its equivalent everywhere. It is indestructible. The relationship between men and women is eternal and must continue eternally. In accordance with Gospel philosophy there are males and females in heaven. Since we have a Father, who is our God, we must also have a mother, who possesses the attributes of Godhood. This simply carries onward the logic of things earthly, and conforms with the doctrine that whatever is on this earth is simply a representation of spiritual conditions of deeper meaning than we can here fathom." (John A. Widtsoe, *Rational Theology*, 1915 1st ed., p.64)

copied <http://www.mrm.org/lucifers-brother>

God is Not omnipresent:

Some would have us believe that God is present everywhere. It is not so.

Brigham Young
[JoD 6:345](#)

God is omnipresent:

the heavens and the highest heavens cannot contain Him...2 Chronicles 2:6

... "Do I not fill the heavens and the earth?" declares the LORD. Jeremiah 23:24

<p><u>God is NOT omniscient:</u></p> <p>He knows everything. How? When His angels and ministers tell Him of it, like any other ruler.</p> <p>Orson Hyde Mormon apostle JoD 2:64</p>	<p><u>God is omniscient:</u></p> <p>There is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are open and laid bare to the eyes of Him with whom we have to do. — Hebrews 4:13</p>
<p><u>Jesus and all spirits (including lucifer, or Satan) were born of male and female god:</u></p> <p>“Fundamental to the teachings of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is the concept that all human beings were born as spirit sons and daughters of heavenly parents before any were born as mortals to earthly parents. Latter-day Saints believe that the eldest and firstborn spirit child of God is Jehovah and that it was he who was later born with a physical body to Mary as Jesus Christ.” Online http://eom.byu.edu/index.php/Jesus_Christ#Firstborn_in_the_Spirit (under Jesus Christ: the 1st born in the spirit)</p>	<p><u>Jesus is the creator of all spirits:</u></p> <p>The Bible says that “ALL THINGS” including our spirits came into existence because Christ created them not because heavenly mommy and Daddy got together. John 1:3 All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made. Colossians 1:16 For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether <i>they be</i> thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him: (Col 1:16 KJV)</p> <p><u>Jesus was not begotten/created:</u></p> <p>John 8:58 "before Abraham was (Gr, gimomi: came t existence), I am (eimi; existed) Micah 5:2 “He has no beginning: Micah 5:2 “" But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, <i>Though</i> you are little among the thousands of Judah, <i>Yet</i> out of you shall come forth to Me The One to be Ruler in Israel, <i>Whose goings forth are from of old, From everlasting.</i>" Revelation 1:11 “saying, "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last" * Jesus was never begotten. The word begotten (ex. John 3:16 KJV) is a mis-translation from the greek word <i>MONOGENES</i> which literally means “one of a kind” compare to Hebrews 11:17 By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac; and he who had received the promises was offering up his only begotten (monogenes) son; (Heb 11:17 NAS) obviously; Abraham had Ismael at that time and Isaac wasn’t the “only begotten” but rather the “unique son of the promise”</p>

We, humans, pre-existed as spirits before we were born:

“Man was also in the beginning with God. Intelligence, or the light of truth, was not created or made, neither indeed can be” (D&C 93:29).

<https://www.lds.org/scriptures/dc-testament/dc/93?lang=eng>

“Things were first created spiritually; the Father actually begat the spirits, and they were brought forth and lived with Him. Then He commenced the work of creating earthly tabernacles, precisely as He had been created in this flesh himself, by partaking of the coarse material that was organized and composed this earth, until His system was charged with it, consequently the tabernacles of His children were organized from the coarse materials of this earth.” JOD v 4 page 218

<http://jod.mrm.org/4/215#218>

We come to existence when we are born on this earth:

1- if we pre-existed spirits, how come the bible says that the spirit of Adam came from the person of God?

Gen 2:7 And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.

2- In Zechariah 12:1 The burden of the word of the LORD against Israel. Thus says the LORD, who stretches out the heavens, lays the foundation of the earth, and forms the spirit of man within him.

The word “form” in Hebrew is the same word is the same form to make <http://www.blueletterbible.org/lang/lexicon/lexicon.cfm?Strongs=H3335&t=KJV>

3- How come Jesus said John 8:23 And He said to them, “You are from beneath; I am from above. You are of this world; I am not of this world.

If we all pre-existed with God along side Jesus. Then we should we all from above.

But How about Jeremiah 1:5 “before I formed you, I knew you...” doesn’t that verse teaches that we pre-existed?

This verse is not talking about pre-existence. It is talking about God’s ordination and appointment of Jeremiah to be a prophet to his nation. Let’s look at the whole verse: "Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I have appointed you a prophet to the nations."

One more point worth looking at is how God uses the word "know." For example, the Bible says that God only knows believers--not unbelievers. "My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me;" (John 10:27); and ". . . The Lord knows those who are his," (2 Tim. 2:19); and, "Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven; but he who does the will of My Father who is heaven. Many will say to Me on that day, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in Your name, and in Your name cast out demons, and in Your name perform many miracles?’²³ And I will declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness." (Matt. 7:21-23). Of course, God knows who everyone is; He is omniscient. But God is showing us that when He says He knows us, He is referring to a salvation relationship. Therefore, we did not preexist. We are born here in this world and will enter the next.

(quoted <http://carm.org/questions/about-doctrine/did-we-exist-god-we-were-born-earth>)

Errors, mistakes and Bible contradictions in the Book of Mormon:

Book of Mormon	The Bible
<p><u>Jesus is the Father:</u></p> <p>Behold, I am Jesus Christ. I am the Father and the Son...</p> <p>Ether 3:14</p> <p>Now Zeezrom saith again unto him: Is the Son of God the very Eternal Father? And Amulek said unto him: Yea, he is the very Eternal Father</p> <p>Alma 11:38-39</p> <p>Look at Joseph smith translation of Luke 10:22 no man knoweth that the Son is the Father, and the Father is the Son, but him to whom the Son will reveal it ...</p> <p>Luke 10:23 JST, cf. Luke 10:22</p>	<p><u>Jesus is the Son of God (The Father):</u></p> <p>John 3:16 and hundreds of Scriptures through out the Bible.</p>
<p><u>God lives near a plant called Kolob:</u></p> <p>-</p> <p>And I saw the stars, that they were very great, and that one of them was nearest unto the throne of God; and there were many great ones which were near unto it; And the Lord said unto me: These are the governing ones; and the name of the great one is Kolob, because it is near unto me, for I am the Lord thy God: I have set this one to govern all those which belong to the same order as that upon which thou standest.</p> <p>— Book of Abraham 3:2-3</p>	<p><u>God dwells the heavens:</u></p> <p>Jesus should have changed the Lord's prayer to "Our Father who dwell near Kolob, hallowed be thy name..."</p>

Book of Mormon	The Bible
<p><u>God the Father had sex with Mary to conceive Jesus:</u></p> <p>1 Neph: 11: 18-20 “18 And he said unto me: Behold, the ^avirgin whom thou seest is the ^bmother of the Son of God, after the manner of the flesh. 19 And it came to pass that I beheld that she was carried away in the Spirit; and after she had been carried away in the ^aSpirit for the space of a time the angel spake unto me, saying: Look. 20 And I looked and beheld the virgin again, bearing a ^achild in her arms.”</p> <p>Some mormon might argue that this is not what the book of mormon was teaching so consider these references:</p> <p>The birth of the Saviour was as natural as are the births of our children; it was the result of natural action. He partook of flesh and blood--was begotten of his Father, as we were of our fathers," (<i>Journal of Discourses</i>, vol. 8, p. 115). http://jod.mrm.org/8/114#115</p> <p>“while Luke tells us that although Mary would be overshadowed by the Holy Ghost, the child conceived in her womb would be the “Son of the Highest” and was to be called “the Son of God” (Luke 1:32, 35). It is the Book of Mormon that resolves the matter. In vision, Nephi sees Mary “carried away in the Spirit” to the presence of God. Thus the Son of God is conceived, as Nephi tells us, “after the manner of the flesh,” and Nephi testifies that he is “the Son of the Eternal Father” (1 Nephi 11:16–21)” Joseph F. McConkie, “A Comparison of Book of Mormon, Bible, and Traditional Teachings on the Doctrines of Salvation,” http://rsc.byu.edu/archived/selected-articles/comparison-book-mormon-bible-and-traditional-teachings-doctrines</p>	<p><u>No sex:</u></p> <p>Luke 1: 34-35 “Then Mary said to the angel, “How can this be, since I do not know a man?”35 And the angel answered and said to her, “<i>The Holy Spirit</i> will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God.”</p>

Book of Mormon	The Bible
<p><u>Jesus Needed baptism to be saved:</u></p> <p>2 Neph. 31:5-9 And now, if the Lamb of God, he being holy, should have need to be baptized by water, to fulfil all righteousness, O then, how much more need have we, being unholy, to be baptized, yea, even by water! 6 And now, I would ask of you, my beloved brethren, wherein the Lamb of God did fulfil all righteousness in being baptized by water? 7 Know ye not that he was holy? But notwithstanding he being holy, he showeth unto the children of men that, according to the flesh he humbleth himself before the Father, and witnesseth unto the Father that he would be obedient unto him in keeping his commandments. 8 Wherefore, after he was baptized with water the Holy Ghost descended upon him in the form of a dove. 9 And again, it showeth unto the children of men the straitness of the path, and the narrowness of the gate, by which they should enter, he having set the example before them.</p>	<p><u>Jesus was sinless and didn't need salvation:</u></p> <p>“But you know that he appeared so that he might take away our sins. And in him is no sin” 1 John 3:5</p>
<p><u>We don't have a sinful nature:</u></p> <p>Moroni 8:8 ^aListen to the words of Christ, your Redeemer, your Lord and your God. Behold, I came into the world not to call the righteous but sinners to repentance; the ^bwhole need no physician, but they that are sick; wherefore, little ^cchildren are ^dwhole, for they are not capable of committing ^esin; wherefore the curse of ^fAdam is taken from them in me, that it hath no power over them; and the law of ^gcircumcision is done away in me.</p>	<p><u>We have a sinful nature:</u></p> <p>Rom 5: 12-21</p>

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<p><u>Black skin a curse from God?</u></p> <p>2 Nephi 5:21 And he had caused the ^acursing to come upon them, yea, even a sore cursing, because of their iniquity. For behold, they had hardened their hearts against him, that they had become like unto a flint; wherefore, as they were white, and exceedingly fair and ^bdelightful, that they might not be ^centicing unto my people the Lord God did cause a ^dskin of ^eblackness to come upon them.</p>	<p><u>God is color Blind:</u></p> <p>He look only into the heart 1 sam 16:7, He “ made of one blood all nations of men” (Acts 17:26, KJV), that in Christ distinctions of ethnicity, gender and social class are erased (Galatians 3:28), and that God condemns favoritism (James 2:1)</p>
<p><u>Salvation is by Grace and works:</u></p> <p>2 Nephi 25:23; see also Moroni 10:32 "it is by grace that we are saved, after all we can do".</p>	<p><u>Salvation is by grace alone:</u></p> <p>Gal. 2:16 knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.</p>
<p><u>Jacob and Joseph as priests:</u></p> <p>The Book of Mormon states in 2 Nephi 5:26, "I, Nephi, did consecrate Jacob and Joseph, that they should be priests" These supposed men were descendants of Lehi (1 Nephi 18:7) who was of the tribe of Joseph (1 Nephi 6:14).</p>	<p><u>Aaron and his sons as priests:</u></p> <p>The Bible affirms that "Aaron and his sons" were the only ones qualified to "wait on their priest's office" (Numbers 3:10) and others of the tribe of Levi were to minister unto the priests (Numbers 3:5-9). Any other tribe which "cometh nigh shall be put to death" (Numbers 3:10).</p>
<p><u>The Gospel started in the US:</u></p> <p>The Book of Mormon in 2 Nephi 31:11-17 has the preaching of the Gospel occurring between B.C. 559 and 545 and thousands of miles away from Jerusalem!</p>	<p><u>The Gospel started in Jerusalem:</u></p> <p>The Bible in Luke 24:46-47 states very clearly that "repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem." This was fulfilled in Acts 2:5-38</p>
<p><u>The church started before Christ:</u></p> <p>The Book of Mormon states, "they were called the church of God, or the church of Christ, from that time forward" (Mosiah 18:17). This supposedly occurred about 147 years before Christ was born!</p>	<p><u>Christ started the church:</u></p> <p>The Bible records that the Lord plainly affirmed while upon this earth, "I will build my church" (Matthew 16:18), a prophecy fulfilled in Acts 2 wherein we find that "the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved" (verse 47). It is clear the Lord did not consider the church in existence, even in His time on earth.</p>

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<p><u>Jesus came to visit America after his ascension:</u></p> <p>The Book of Mormon has Him appearing in the America's after his ascension (3 Nephi 10:18-19)</p>	<p><u>Jesus will remain in heaven till His second coming:</u></p> <p>The Bible tells us in Acts 2:34-35 and 3:20-21 that Jesus is to remain in heaven after his ascension "until" his foes are made his footstool, and "until the times of restitution."</p>
<p><u>Melchisedek had a daddy:</u></p> <p>The Book of Mormon in Alma 13:18 states "he [Melchisedec - JHW] did reign under his father."</p>	<p><u>Melchisedek had no daddy:</u></p> <p>The Bible affirms Melchisedec was "without father, without mother, without descent [genealogy - ASV]" (Hebrews 7:1-3).</p>
<p><u>Disciples called christians 1st in America:</u></p> <p>The Book of Mormon misses that by several thousand miles and nearly 100 years in having believers in Christ called Christians in 73 B.C. (Alma 46:15).</p>	<p><u>Disciples called christians 1st in Antioch:</u></p> <p>The Bible affirms that the "disciples were called Christians first in Antioch" (Acts 11:26).</p>
<p><u>Zedekiah children came to America:</u></p> <p>The Book of Mormon has one supposed son of Zedekiah (Mulek) living and in the America's (Heleman 8:21).</p>	<p><u>Zedekiah children were murdered before his eyes:</u></p> <p>The Bible tells us in 2 Kings 25:7 "they slew the sons of Zedekiah before his eyes."</p>

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