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Early Days of Mormonism

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A provocative  
reassessment of religion

and culture in the early days of the American republic "The so-called Second Great Awakening was the shaping epoch of American Protestantism, and this book is the most important study of it ever published."—James Turner, *Journal of Interdisciplinary History* Winner of the John Hope Franklin Publication Prize, the Society for Historians of the Early American Republic book prize, and the Albert C. Outler Prize In this provocative reassessment of religion and culture in the early days of the American republic, Nathan O. Hatch argues that during this period American Christianity was democratized and common people became powerful actors on the religious scene. Hatch examines five distinct traditions or mass movements that emerged early in the nineteenth century—the Christian movement, Methodism, the Baptist movement, the black churches, and the Mormons—showing how all offered compelling visions of individual potential and collective aspiration to the unschooled and unsophisticated. [Joseph Smith's Kirtland](#) Shadow Mountain

History of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints Palala Press *For the Strength of Youth* North Country Books Late one night in 1823, Joseph Smith, Jr., was reportedly visited in his family's farmhouse in upstate New York by an angel named Moroni. According to Smith, Moroni told him of a buried stack of gold plates that were inscribed with a history of the Americas' ancient peoples, and which would restore the pure Gospel message as Jesus had delivered it to them. Thus began the unlikely career of the Book of Mormon, the founding text of the Mormon religion, and perhaps the most important sacred text ever to originate in the United States. Here Paul Gutjahr traces the life of this book as it has formed and fractured different strains of Mormonism and transformed religious expression around the world. Gutjahr looks at how the Book of Mormon emerged from the burned-over district of upstate New York, where revivalist preachers, missionaries, and spiritual entrepreneurs of every stripe vied for the loyalty of settlers desperate to scratch a living from the

land. He examines how a book that has long been the subject of ridicule-- Mark Twain called it "chloroform in print"--Has more than 150 million copies in print in more than a hundred languages worldwide. Gutjahr shows how Smith's influential book launched one of the fastest growing new religions on the planet, and has been featured in everything from comic books and action figures to feature-length films and an award-winning Broadway musical.-- Publisher.

*Joseph Smith's First Vision* Yale University Press Joseph Smith's First Vision of the Father and the Son in 1820 was the first of many visions the Prophet and early Church members experienced. This volume brings together some of the finest presentations from the 2020 BYU Church History Symposium honoring the bicentennial of the First Vision. Explore the influence of the First Vision, as well as teachings of other visionaries.

**Gospel Doctrine** History of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints This work has been selected by scholars as being culturally important, and is part of the

knowledge base of civilization as we know it. This work is in the "public domain in the United States of America, and possibly other nations. Within the United States, you may freely copy and distribute this work, as no entity (individual or corporate) has a copyright on the body of the work. Scholars believe, and we concur, that this work is important enough to be preserved, reproduced, and made generally available to the public. We appreciate your support of the preservation process, and thank you for being an important part of keeping this knowledge alive and relevant.

### **The Wentworth Letter**

Millennial Press

"Whether describing mystical visions or the rhythms of everyday life, Erickson turns the spiritual journey into a series of exciting transformations."

ÑPublishers

WeeklyÊ(starred review)  
From her childhood on an Iowa farm, Lori Erickson grew up to travel the world as a writer specializing in holy sitesjournays that led her on an ever-deepening spiritual quest. InÊHoly Rover, she weaves her personal narrative with descriptions of a dozen

pilgrimages. Along the way, Erickson encounters spiritual leaders who include the chief priest of the Icelandic pagan religion of Asatru, a Trappist monk at Thomas Merton's Gethsemani Abbey, and a Lakota retreat director at South Dakota's Bear Butte. Both irreverent and devout,ÊHoly RoverÊincludes images of holy sites around the world taken by several of the nation's leading travel photographers. Travel writer, Episcopal deacon, and author of the Holy Rover blog atÊPatheos, Erickson is an engaging guide for pilgrims eager to take a spiritual journey. Her book describes travels that changed her life and can change yours, too.

### **By the Hand of Mormon**

Oxford University Press

Much has been written about Palmyra, the Sacred Grove and the Hill Cumorah in the early years of the Church. But what became of those historic sites after the Prophet Joseph Smith and his family left their small farm in upstate New York? The properties fell into the hands of non-Mormons who became increasingly more prejudiced and belligerent in their hatred towards the Church and

its followers.The Saints were driven out of their New York home in 1831. It wasn't until June 10, 1907, that Apostle George Albert Smith was able to purchase the farm for the sum of \$16,000. Seven years later, he deeded the property to the CHurch of Jesus CHrist of Latter-day Saints for \$1.00.After gaining possession of the farm, the Church Authorities were faced with the task of finding a suitable family to occupy it. They needed a man, a fighting man, who could not only farm the land and care for the property but make friends and eventually converts in the hostile community. Those essential qualities were found in Willard Washington Bean.The trials and experiences of the following 24 years are noteworthy as well as interesting and inspiring. The experiences that shaped the lives of Willard and his wife Rebecca Peterson, prior to this call give insight into their growing testimonies and willingness to serve their Heavenly Father. These stories will inspire and uplift and entertain all whose who desire o learn more about the early history of the Church of Jesus Christ and the trials of the Saints.This book

has recently been brought to the big screen with the full length feature film in T. C. Christensen's: "Willard Bean - The Fighting Preacher."

### **A Lion and a Lamb**

Fortress Press

Saints, Vol. 2: No

Unhallowed Hand covers Church history from 1846 through 1893. Volume 2 narrates the Saints' expulsion from Nauvoo, their challenges in gathering to the western United States and their efforts to settle Utah's Wasatch Front. The second volume concludes with the dedication of the Salt Lake Temple.

*L.D.S. Church History in the Palmyra Area,*

1900-2000 Forge Books

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AND YOUNG WOMEN, we

have great confidence in you. You are beloved sons and daughters of God and He is mindful of you. You have come to earth at a time of great

opportunities and also of great challenges. The standards in this booklet will help you with the important choices you are making now and will yet make in the future. We promise that as you keep the covenants you have made and these standards, you will be blessed with the companionship of the

Holy Ghost, your faith and testimony will grow stronger, and you will enjoy increasing happiness.

*Joseph Smith and His First Vision* Westminster John Knox Press

With over 100 million copies in print, the Book of Mormon has spawned a vast religious movement, but it remains little discussed outside Mormon circles. Now Terry L.

Givens offers a full-length treatment of this influential work, illuminating the varied meanings and tempestuous impact of this uniquely American scripture. Givens examines the text's role as a divine testament of the Last Days and as a sacred sign of Joseph Smith's status as a modern-day prophet. He assesses its claim to be a history of the pre-Columbian peopling of the Western Hemisphere, and later explores how the Book has been defined as a cultural product--the imaginative ravings of a rustic religion-maker. Givens further

investigates its status as a new American Bible or Fifth Gospel, one that displaces, supports, or, in some views, perverts the canonical Word of God. Finally, Givens highlights

the Book's role as the engine behind what may become the next world religion. The most wide-ranging study on the subject outside Mormon presses, *By the Hand of Mormon* will fascinate anyone curious about a religious people who, despite their numbers, remain strangers in our midst.

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This 1830, 1st Edition Book of Mormon is unique in that it contains an original Index; a Cross Reference to current LDS versification; modern day photos of significant Book of Mormon historical sites; and early revelations pertaining to The Book of Mormon.

*The Story of the Mormons* Princeton University Press

The gripping narration of a life fore-ordained for greatness coupled with breathtaking photographs make Joseph Smith, Praise to the Man and extraordinary book. Enjoy a visual look into the Prophet's humble beginnings. Bask in the serenity of the sacred in New York, learn of revelations in Ohio, and witness the heartache of Missouri. See the grandeur of restored Nauvoo and sense the pathos of Carthage.

**What You Don't Know about the 100 Most Important Events in Church History** Legare

Street Press

NATIONAL BESTSELLER • From the author of *Into the Wild* and *Into Thin Air*, this extraordinary work of investigative journalism takes readers inside America's isolated Mormon Fundamentalist communities. • Now an acclaimed FX limited series streaming on HULU. "Fantastic.... Right up there with *In Cold Blood* and *The Executioner's Song*." —San Francisco Chronicle Defying both civil authorities and the Mormon establishment in Salt Lake City, the renegade leaders of these Taliban-like theocracies are zealots who answer only to God; some 40,000 people still practice polygamy in these communities. At the core of Krakauer's book are brothers Ron and Dan Lafferty, who insist they received a commandment from God to kill a blameless woman and her baby girl. Beginning with a meticulously researched account of this appalling double murder, Krakauer constructs a multi-layered, bone-chilling narrative of messianic delusion, polygamy, savage violence, and

unyielding faith. Along the way he uncovers a shadowy offshoot of America's fastest growing religion, and raises provocative questions about the nature of religious belief.

[A New Approach to Studying the Book of Mormon: Another Testament of Jesus Christ](#)  
Deseret Book

Purchase of this book includes free trial access to [www.million-books.com](http://www.million-books.com) where you can read more than a million books for free. This is an OCR edition with typos.

Excerpt from book:  
CHAPTER III HOW JOSEPH SMITH BECAME A MONEY-DIGGER The elder Smith, as we have seen, was known as a money-digger while a resident of Vermont. Of course that subject was a matter of conversation in his family, and his sons were of a character to share in his belief in the existence of hidden treasure. The territory around Palmyra was as good ground for their explorations as any in Vermont, and they soon let their neighbors know of a possibility of riches that lay within their reach. The father, while a resident of Vermont, also claimed ability to locate an underground stream of water over which would

be a good site for a well, by means of a forked hazel switch,<sup>1</sup> and in this way doubtless increased the demand for his services as a well-digger, but we have no testimonials to his success. The son Joseph, while still a young lad, professed to have his father's gift in this respect, and he soon added to his accomplishments the power to locate hidden riches, and in this way began his career as a money-digger, which was so intimately connected with his professions as a prophet. Writers on the origin of the Mormon Bible, and the gradual development of Smith the Prophet from Smith the village loafer and money-seeker, have left their readers unsatisfied on many points. Many of these obscurities will be removed by a very careful examination of Joseph's occupations and declarations during the years immediately preceding the announcement of the revelation and delivery to him of the golden plates. 1 The so-called "divining rod" has received a good deal of attention from persons engaged in psychical research. Vol. XIII, Part II, of the "

Proceedings of the Society for Psychical Research " is devoted to a discussion of the subject by Professor W. F. Barrett of the Royal College of ...

Cold-Case Christianity  
Palala Press

"An ideal guidebook to facing the inevitable." Foreword Reviews After her brother died unexpectedly and her mother moved into a dementia-care facility, spiritual travel writer and Episcopal deacon Lori Erickson felt called to a new quest: to face death head on, with the eye of a tourist and the heart of a pastor. Blending memoir, spirituality, and travel, *Near the Exit* examines how cultures confront and have confronted death, from Egypt's Valley of the Kings and Mayan temples, to a Colorado cremation pyre and Day of the Dead celebrations, to Maori settlements and tourist-destination graveyards. Erickson reflects on mortality—the ways we avoid it, the ways we cope with it, and the ways life is made more precious by accepting it—in places as far away as New Zealand and as close as the nursing home up the street. Throughout her personal journey and her travels, Erickson helps us to see that one of the

most life-affirming things we can do is to invite death along for the ride.

The Democratization of American Christianity

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*Biographical Sketches of Joseph Smith the Prophet*  
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A psychological biography of Joseph Smith presents a comprehensive account of his life, set against a backdrop of theology, local and national politics, Smith family dynamics, organizational issues, and interpersonal relations.

Early Days of Mormonism, Palmyra, Kirtland, and Nauvoo. [New York-1888]

New York, Charles Scribner's sons

A formatted version of the Book of Mormon organized by events emphasizing narrators, speakers, locations, dates and quoted passages

**Mormonism** Bookcraft, Incorporated

This volume contains the full text of the Book of Mormon in large type, footnotes, definitions, explanations of important concepts, questions for young readers to ponder, and beautiful, full-color illustrations and paintings by Clark Kelley Price, Robert Barrett, Scott Snow, Del Parson, Garry Kapp, Ted Henninger, and Tom Lovell.

David C Cook

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