

# Watchtower beliefs/practices disagreed with

Which of the following beliefs/practices of Jehovah's Witnesses do you DISAGREE with (if any)?	ACTIVE		ELDERS		ANOINTED		INACTIVE		DFd / DAd		NON-BAPTIZED		ACTIVE JWS		BAPTIZED JWS		Former / Non-JWs		TOTAL	
	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#
Young people are not to pursue higher education	91%	211	92%	23	71%	5	98%	490	98%	398	92%	193	90.2%	239	95.0%	729	96%	591	95.4%	1320
Witnesses who leave are to be shunned by family members if they are old enough to leave home	81%	188	80%	20	57%	4	97%	489	98%	398	92%	192	80.0%	212	91.4%	701	96%	590	93.3%	1291
Paedophilia: treated as a judicial matter rather than a crime	82%	191	84%	21	86%	6	94%	473	97%	397	91%	191	82.3%	218	90.1%	691	95%	588	92.4%	1279
Apostates are "mentally diseased"	78%	182	80%	20	86%	6	96%	481	96%	391	92%	192	78.5%	208	89.8%	689	94%	583	91.9%	1272
Outside literature or any other form of information is NOT to be consulted when researching bible teachings, ONLY Watchtower publications are to be recommended.	82%	190	76%	19	86%	6	95%	475	96%	390	89%	187	81.1%	215	90.0%	690	94%	577	91.5%	1267
Paedophiles: two witnesses required to convince elders of molestation	80%	186	72%	18	71%	5	94%	470	96%	390	92%	192	78.9%	209	88.5%	679	94%	582	91.1%	1261
Young people should not be involved in extra curricular sports	78%	182	76%	19	71%	5	94%	472	95%	387	89%	186	77.7%	206	88.4%	678	93%	573	90.4%	1251
The Governing Body is God's sole channel of communication	73%	171	64%	16	71%	5	95%	475	97%	395	87%	182	72.5%	192	87.0%	667	94%	577	89.9%	1244
Paedophiles: not automatically prohibited from becoming an elder or ministerial servant in the future	79%	183	76%	19	100%	7	92%	462	94%	382	85%	178	78.9%	209	87.5%	671	91%	560	88.9%	1231
Sisters who are beaten by their husbands are not entitled to a divorce. They must remain married, or they will not be able to marry anyone else if they wish to remain in the faith.	74%	173	72%	18	86%	6	92%	460	93%	381	90%	189	74.3%	197	85.7%	657	92%	570	88.7%	1227
Past mistakes and future refinements are due to "increasing light" from God's holy spirit	72%	168	84%	21	71%	5	92%	462	94%	385	88%	183	73.2%	194	85.5%	656	92%	568	88.4%	1224
Beards are frowned upon, brothers with beards not used to give convention items	81%	188	84%	21	86%	6	91%	456	92%	375	84%	175	81.1%	215	87.5%	671	89%	550	88.2%	1221
Paedophiles: names kept confidential from the congregation	73%	170	68%	17	86%	6	91%	458	93%	378	87%	182	72.8%	193	84.9%	651	91%	560	87.5%	1211
Disfellowshipped teenagers are comparable to Nadab and Abihu, the Israelite priests who were struck dead by Jehovah for offering illegitimate fire on behalf of the entire congregation	73%	170	52%	13	100%	7	91%	455	93%	380	83%	174	71.7%	190	84.1%	645	90%	554	86.6%	1199
Bible prophecy: Christ chose the Bible Students as his "Faithful and Discreet Slave" in 1919	69%	160	72%	18	71%	5	91%	456	92%	374	83%	174	69.1%	183	83.3%	639	89%	548	85.8%	1187
Bible prophecy: the anointed "generation" of Matthew 24:32-34 "overlaps" with those anointed ones who witness the Great Tribulation	68%	159	76%	19	43%	3	89%	449	88%	361	82%	172	68.3%	181	82.1%	630	86%	533	84.0%	1163
Giving no minimum age for baptism, which leads to many in their early teens (or even younger) getting baptized oblivious to the full ramifications of this decision.	73%	169	68%	17	57%	4	86%	433	89%	363	81%	169	71.7%	190	81.2%	623	86%	532	83.5%	1155
Blood transfusions are to be refused, even if life is at stake	57%	133	68%	17	29%	2	89%	446	90%	366	85%	178	57.4%	152	78.0%	598	88%	544	82.5%	1142
Celebrating birthdays is wrong	56%	131	68%	17	29%	2	87%	436	91%	373	82%	172	56.6%	150	76.4%	586	88%	545	81.7%	1131
The insistence on 607 BCE for the fall of Jerusalem, contrary to commonly-accepted historical evidence	61%	141	64%	16	71%	5	88%	442	86%	350	83%	174	61.1%	162	78.7%	604	85%	524	81.5%	1128
Jesus Christ is only a mediator for the 144,000, and not for any members of the Great Crowd	64%	150	64%	16	57%	4	84%	421	89%	364	82%	172	64.2%	170	77.1%	591	87%	536	81.4%	1127
Bible prophecy: Christ began ruling as king in heaven in 1914	60%	139	56%	14	43%	3	87%	435	88%	357	84%	175	58.9%	156	77.1%	591	86%	532	81.1%	1123
Masturbation is wrong	62%	144	72%	18	57%	4	81%	409	88%	357	73%	153	62.6%	166	75.0%	575	83%	510	78.4%	1085
The treatment of women in the organization	54%	125	56%	14	43%	3	81%	409	88%	358	80%	168	53.6%	142	71.8%	551	85%	526	77.8%	1077
The Governing Body does not need to have any contact with the anointed remnant	65%	152	60%	15	86%	6	81%	409	84%	342	72%	151	65.3%	173	75.9%	582	80%	493	77.7%	1075
Bible prophecy: most prophecies in Revelation and Daniel for the 'last days' fulfilled in early 20th Century	52%	120	56%	14	57%	4	83%	415	83%	338	76%	159	52.1%	138	72.1%	553	81%	497	75.9%	1050
Only those who are spirit-anointed should partake of the memorial emblems	38%	89	44%	11	57%	4	64%	320	76%	311	64%	134	39.2%	104	55.3%	424	72%	445	62.8%	869
Refusal to accept aspects of evolutionary theory	39%	91	36%	9	57%	4	63%	316	65%	264	63%	131	39.2%	104	54.8%	420	64%	395	58.9%	815
Others that are not mentioned above (please specify in the comments box below)	19%	44	4%	1	0%	0	25%	126	24%	98	23%	49	17.0%	45	22.3%	171	24%	147	23.0%	318
None. I agree with all teachings and practices contained in Watchtower publications	5%	12	4%	1	0%	0	2%	12	3%	14	3%	6	4.9%	13	3.3%	25	3%	20	3.3%	45