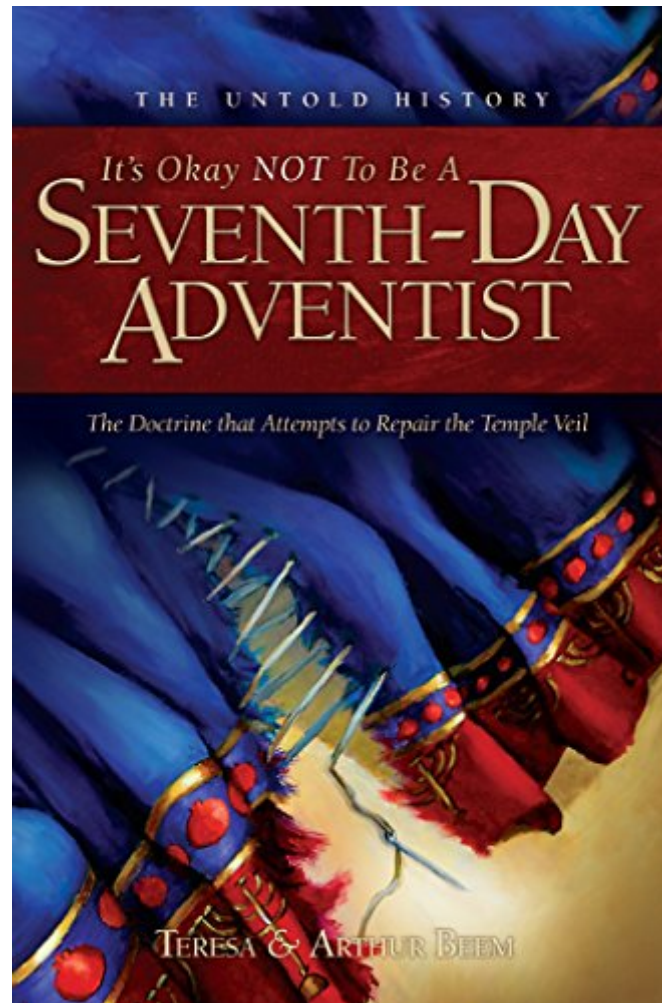




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It's Ok Not To Be A Seventh-Day Adventist



Synopsis

This book candidly examines Seventh-day Adventist history and doctrines. Beginning with self-appointed prophet William Miller who convinced over 50,000 New Englanders that in 1844 Christ would come again in fiery judgment. Then the birth of Adventism as those who explained that Miller had misunderstood the prophecy and judgement had begun not on earth but in heaven. The book explores SDA prophetess, Ellen White whose "visions" urge their members to proclaim that in end-times all Christians worshipping on the first day of the week will receive the Mark of the Beast, then hunt down and torture Adventists. The book thoroughly documents the history of Sunday church services to disabuse members' belief that those who worship on Sunday are disobeying the fourth commandment. Written to lift the wounded Adventists' eyes to Christ for healing; however pastors, theologians, those with Adventist family, neighbors, colleagues and friends will find this book a treasure in understanding Adventism.

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Customer Reviews

This book is full of verifiable historical information concerning the time of William Miller & EGW. They use a variety of well-documented sources and give a completely different picture from what I was taught inside Adventism. I realize that Adventists will naturally take offense to this - I did at first - but don't shoot the messenger just because you don't like the message. Please check it out for yourself! Look at both sides of the issues. This book does make it very clear that they love the Adventist people and this is not meant to be a personal attack. In addition to early church history, this book covers the law of God, the Sabbath, the Three Angel's Message, the Sanctuary, and the Investigative Judgement in a clear and straight-forward way - providing evidence to show that Adventism's teachings on these subjects are not supported Biblically and actually teach a "different gospel" (even though those inside Adventism can't see it). I was a 4th generation Adventist who left because of doctrinal issues. I couldn't tell you the number of times I said out loud while reading the book - "Yes" or "Exactly" or "Wow!" I have been studying these topics for years, and this book has information that I had never come across. They hit the nail on the head with this book. Seeing how the Adventist movement developed from fanaticism right next to Jehovah's Witnesses & Mormons helped me let go of the nagging fear - "What if..." - long after I knew they were wrong doctrinally. In short, this book provides historical & Biblical evidence for anyone with any ties to Adventism - whether you are questioning, have studied your way out, or just have friends in Adventism. This book is a must-read. I have recommended it to all of my friends, and I plan on reading it again! May God continue to bless you as you stand up for Him, regardless of earthly consequences!

Amazingly informative and unbiased to a degree. Shows both sides of the argument in a way that is easy to understand.

The Seventh Day Adventist Church would have me believe that my salvation is based, at least in part, on my membership within their denomination. This book offered me assurance that it is OK not to be SDA. The authors were thorough in documenting their facts and sources pertinent to SDA Church history. They effectively demonstrated how particular Biblical scriptures have been uniquely explained by SDA doctrine, much of which has been based on writings from the SDA Church's prophet Ellen G. White, which leads to a faith based on salvation by works. The authors encourage their readers to base their faith on Christ and scripture alone. For those people considering their relationship with the Seventh Day Adventist faith, either to become a member or to terminate one's membership, I highly recommend this book.

The Beem's have a very gentle way of presenting what is very harsh for SDA's to read. This book takes a sweeping view of how and why the SDA religion came into being and gives context to the times that birthed the SDA religion as well as other movements. I feel the authors took a great deal of effort to be kind to the people in the religion while exposing the religion for the dysfunctional set of beliefs that it has. I left the SDA religion for the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Now I have a healthy relationship with God through Jesus, not through a day of worship. I found a paragraph in the Preface that describes where this book tries to go at all times. "Whenever a church of any denomination spends more time focusing on the power of sin instead of the power of the cross, preaching separation instead of unity in Christ, frightening with last-day conspiracies instead of rejoicing in the Rescuer, preaching the process of morality more than the One who makes us Holy, or centering upon anything that distracts from the Author and Finisher of our faith; it is injuring the cause of Christ." This book is well researched and documented. It is not taken out of context and can help lead SDA's that are seeking truth into a relationship with the King and away from a relationship with a day. Well done Teresa and Arthur! This book is not only being used as a study guide in our home we are giving it to SDA's that are tired of the baby's milk the SDA religion teaches.

Adventist are a dangerous cult that teach blasphemy and lies. #1 they teach meat is against god's laws in contrary to bible scripture. #2 the Sabbath Romans 14:5 and colossians 2:16 again shows false teaching. This book is great and needs to be viewed by adventist

The book will challenge you and make you think. Are you afraid to read this book? I was. God brought you this far, He will not leave you. You can trust Him in the journey. Luke 11:11-13. He challenged the "ruling authorities" of the day. He tells us to do the same, as well as to "test the prophets" You are an adult, you are no longer censored in what you are "allowed" to read. See if your current beliefs stand up to the Word of God...Most importantly enjoy the journey with a book written by folks who have "been there" and left Egypt for the promised land.

One of the most difficult transitions I've been through was leaving the Adventist church. I knew it was time, and I knew that there were things in the church doctrines that weren't right. However, I still had a lot of questions. This book covered a lot of the questions I had, and saved me years of wondering. It showed things from a different perspective, and helped me understand, a lot, about why mainstream Christians don't "get" the Sabbath. Because of this book, I finally understand grace, for the first time. I feel like Martin Luther, the transition in my thinking and the peace that

ensued is so dramatic. Thank-you Teresa Beem for taking the time to put this book together, and help out those of us who were caught in a lifetime of delusions.

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