

## Counter Missionary Links

*Here are some links that have valuable information on Judaism:*

Jews for Judaism (an informative web site that helps counter missionaries and cults): <http://www.jewsforjudaism.org>

Outreach Judaism (useful in countering “Messianic” missionaries): <http://www.outreachjudaism.org>

Shomrai HaBrit: (Our site) [www.geocities.com/keepcovenant](http://www.geocities.com/keepcovenant)

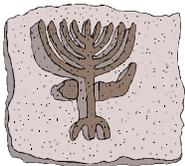


Image of an ancient menorah carving with a shofar. Jewish symbols when used for Jewish purposes.

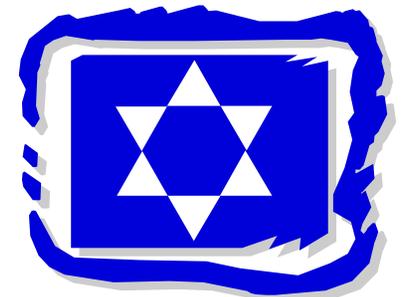
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## Countering Deceptive Missionaries

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Christianity*



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# Countering Deceptive Missionaries—Saving Jews



“The Torah is a tree of life to all who hold it, its path is pleasant

**Deceptive missionaries** There are various groups, primarily “Messianic” Christian groups, who use deceptive practices to convert Jews to their religion. Instead of being open and honest about their goals, they claim that to be a good Jew, you must believe the way they do.

Christianity is NOT Judaism, no matter what face the deceptive missionaries place upon it. These missionaries use certain techniques. By being aware of them you can protect yourself from their approach.

## **Some practices missionaries may use.**

They do not tell the potential target that they will be converting to another religion, abandoning Judaism. They are stealthy, and missionaries who are Gentiles by birth, will go so far as to lie and portray themselves as born Jews. They will garb themselves with *yarmulkes* (*kippahs*) and even attach *tzitzits* to their belts. No, a *tzitzit* are not supposed to be attached to a belt, but the observer cannot tell that they

are not wearing true *tzitzit*. They are taught to avoid using words that sound Christian. Instead of Jesus they are taught to say *Yeshua*. Instead of baptism, they will say *mikvah*. These are just two examples. Changing the name does NOT change what these things truly are, however. These are just Christian concepts remained to sound Jewish and to fool those who do not know their methods. Missionaries will approach a Jew using passages from their scriptures that appear to show that Jesus (whom they call Yeshua) is the Jewish messiah. Don't be fooled.

**Quoting chapter and verse** The deceptive missionary, be it a Jew for Jesus missionary or a generic “Messianic” missionary, has some standard weapons in their arsenal. They will use a copy of their own scriptures, a Christian translation, to try to convince a Jew that the best way to be Jewish is to follow Yeshua. They will give you inaccurate translations — for example, they will translate the Hebrew word *almah* in Isaiah 7:14 as virgin. The Hebrew word for virgin is *betulah* in every case, *almah* means “young woman.” They will take passages that are not at all about the messiah and tell you they are and that they, of course, point to Jesus, who they call Yeshua. They will also rip verses out of context and out of time. The young woman in Isaiah 7:14 is one known to Ahaz, who lived a long time before Jesus.

Don't try to debate with a missionary, unless you are extremely knowledgeable and don't be taken in by their approach. When in doubt, consult one of the counter-missionary web sites listed in this brochure. These missionaries are trying to fool you into leaving Judaism through deceit and even gifts and professions of caring.

**Judaism has a loving G-d:** a G-d who loves us so much He gave us an eternal covenant that He has never broken nor changed; a G-d so loving that He insured the survival of the Jewish people despite all odds to this very day; and G-d so loving that He forgives us, *without* blood sacrifices. So, embrace your true Jewish heritage and turn the missionaries away.

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