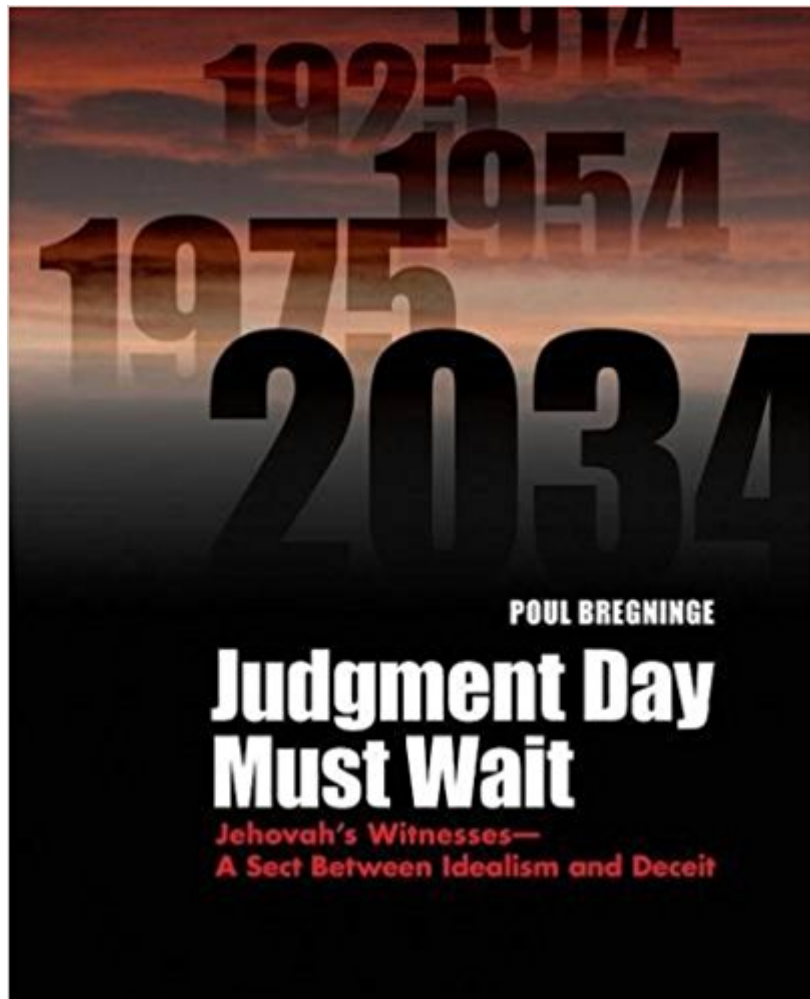


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Judgment Day Must Wait: Jehovah's Witnesses- A Sect Between Idealism And Deceit



Synopsis

Fear of the apocalypse that never comes! It is what holds a Jehovah's Witness power-bound by the Watch Tower Society in Brooklyn. Armageddon is always just a little way around the corner. Poul Bregninge in this, his second book on the Witnesses, presents a complete history and ideology of the Society and why it keeps a keen focus on the Day of Judgment. He tells of multiple "days of reckoning" that pass uneventfully and how each failure of Christ to reappear is reevaluated by the Society to foretell of yet another apocalypse still to come. It is the fear of that moment that keeps Witnesses firmly in the fold. Judgment Day is the carrot dangled before them. Every American knows the Jehovah's Witnesses, right? Those somber people who appear at our doors, offering literature and the everlasting salvation of our souls? What do we know about them? We see at our door their facades-their Society-devised disguises-directed to convert anyone willing to follow their Witness-ways of believing and living. In this book you will confront the thinking that motivates those beliefs. Poul's book is a comprehensive view of JW history, its upheavals and struggles, and a raw demonstration of the manipulation and cruelty dealt those it charges with expanding its membership. By keeping Judgment Day ever coming, the Watch Tower Society ensures a ready supply of workers to proclaim the ever-coming coming. The author dismantles their main biblical storage battery, Matthew 24, from which the movement takes their many "signs" of the impending end. His reinterpretation of these readings is a virtual bomb beneath the understanding they find in those key biblical texts. Poul Bregninge was born and presently lives in Copenhagen. He was raised a Witness but informally left the movement in 1959. In 1964 he published several letters, articles, and features about the Society that the Witnesses deemed unacceptable. A three-man committee expelled Poul. Two years later he published his first book, *Jehovas Vidner under anklage* (Jehovah's Witnesses Accused) in Danish. This book, *Judgment Day Must Wait*, is a massive reworking (two and one half times its size) of his first book, now propelled by many years of continuing investigation that brings the history to the present in a text edited for the American reader.

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I was a member of this religion my entire life over 50 years. I was a third generation witness as my mother and grand parents were JW's. When you are raised in this religion and are taught that you are special because you will survive judgement day and live on into a new world, you do not as a rule question that. There were small hints through the years that made me wonder, but I was always told that my faith was weak or not to question things because Jehovah would take care of it in time. Your entire life is built around this cult I did not go to college or do most things normal people do because we were told the end was near, right around the corner. If I had this book available to me years ago my entire life would have been very different. Poul has written a very compelling and well researched book that is a must read for JW'S and non JW's alike. Most JW's are not big on reading, this is actually encouraged by the Watchtower. They produce a myriad of publications for you to read, most are unreadable and not totally factual. Poul tells the history good and bad of this movement from the get go. His honesty and candidness are refreshing, even when it is favorable to the Witnesses. I have read many ex jw books, most are quick easy reads. This book needs to be read and digested slowly. My eyes have long been opened to this cult but I have learned more history of the Watchtower in Poul's book than all the others put together. If you want your information quick and easy, this is not for you. If you want an in depth and serious history of this movement then this is the book to read .

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