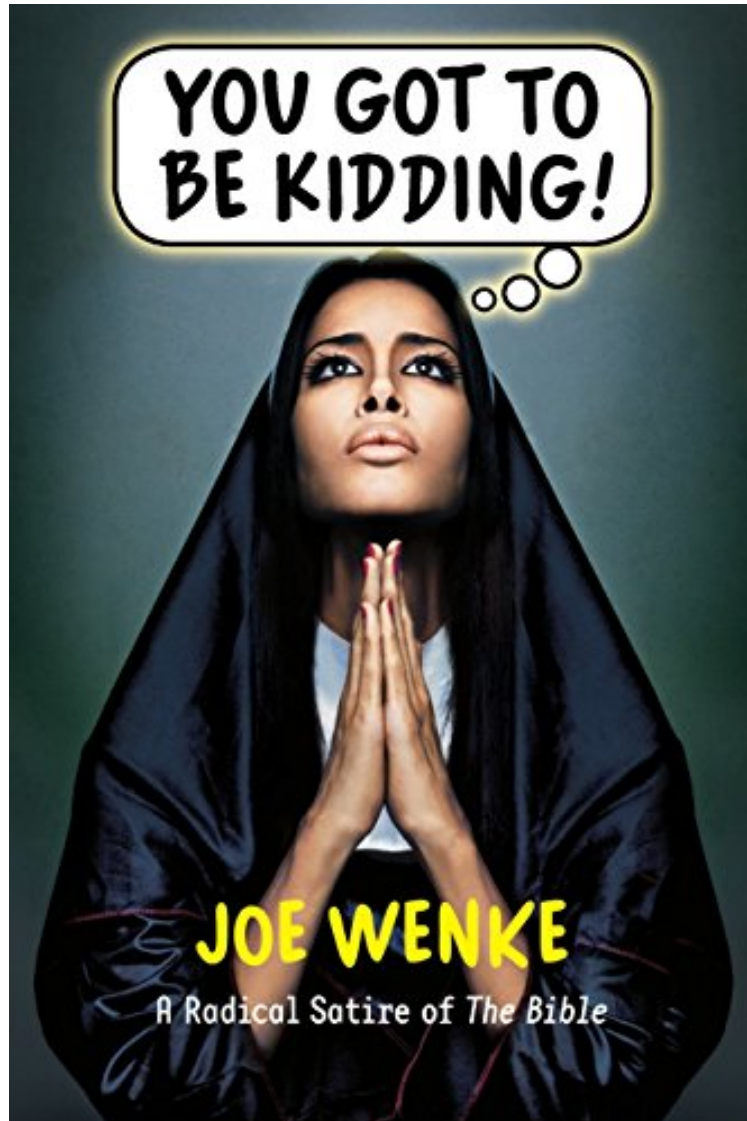


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Why did God turn Lot's wife into a pillar of salt? Were there no other seasonings available? Why don't we know anything about the early years of Jesus? Did someone lose his baby book? Who reported the desert encounter between Jesus and Satan? Jesus-or Satan? And why does the Holy Spirit like to show up as a bird? As irreverent as the musical *The Book of Mormon*, Dr. Joe Wenke's *YOU GOT TO BE KIDDING: A Radical Satire of The Bible* is an engaging, provocative and hilarious investigation into the bestselling book of all time. Written to "cause trouble" cultural arsonist Wenke, a keen observer of human gullibility, tempts readers to more closely examine the stories they think they know about the Bible. Drawing upon the same pool of incendiary and cerebral humor as Bill Maher, Jon Stewart and the late, great George Carlin, *YOU GOT TO BE KIDDING* is a call for humor to restore our sanity and our ability to think for ourselves. Just as it was written in the Bible-or was it?

A wonderful, biting, incisive "Cultural Arsonist's Literal Reading of The Bible" in plain English, with terrific descriptions of the Old Testament God and the New Testament God (somewhat different individuals...); very tongue-in-cheek, sarcastic and pointed, dedicated to Christopher Hitchens and Thomas Paine, both of whom would, I believe, really enjoy this book! I know I did. Having a sense of humor is required to enjoy this book.-- Sarah Hulcy What a way to point out the discrepancies and inconsistencies in the Holy Bible. Just be prepared! The author investigates every important event in the Book and gives his opinion in an outspoken, provocative, ironical, often hilarious, often very sarcastic tone. Atheists will have a lot of laughs; if you're religious, have a sense of humor, and are "open-minded," you might have fun; if you strongly believe in the sanctity of the Bible, you'd better not read this "oeuvre." -- Jean-Paul Adriaansen This is hilarious! Joe Wenke gives a nod to Mark Twain as he looks at the Bible with fresh eyes and with the pen of thinking comic. I know there will be those who will get out their pitchforks and light their torches and see Joe Wenke out, but as for me - someone who went to a Quaker high school and had religion each year and was one course shy of having religion be part of a dual major as an undergraduate, Joe Wenke's *YOU GOT TO BE KIDDING* is refreshing and should be a part of any library, especially a church library. -- Bill Baker This was such a fun book to read. I believe in God, and I've read the Bible. The problem with it all is, I'm 30 and I don't understand much of it. This book taught me a lot about the stories and ideas that are in the Bible, and explained them in a way that made me laugh and understand. Some of it made me feel like I might wind up in hell for reading it, but if you keep an open mind and a light-heart, you'll have a blast reading this hilarious novelty. -- Jon Yost "Born the oldest of 11 children in a strict Catholic household, comedian Joe Wenke, a self-proclaimed "trisexual," dissects the Bible and asks questions that many never thought or dared to ask. Example: If the Wise Men were so wise, why did they get lost? How big was Noah's Ark and who cleaned up after the animals? [It's a] radically funny book that examines how ludicrous parts of the Bible are when taken literally. Bonus, ...transgender model Gisele graces the cover." - Christopher Rudolph, *The Advocate*