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New Pew survey finds Mormons feel misunderstood, but think country's ready for an LDS president

Submitted by **Dan Popkey** on Mon, 01/16/2012 - 10:51am



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I overlooked this late last week, but the survey Pew Research Center's Forum on Religion & Public Life is well worth review.

The **survey of over 1,000 Mormons** is the first of its kind published by a non-LDS research organization.

"The survey finds a mixed picture: Many Mormons feel they are misunderstood, discriminated against and not accepted by other Americans as part of mainstream society," Pew said in a news release Thursday. "Yet, at the same time, a majority of Mormons think that acceptance of Mormonism is rising. Overwhelmingly, they are satisfied with their lives and content with their communities. And most say they think the country is ready to elect a Mormon president."

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Submitted by **Xavier** on Mon, 01/16/2012 - 1:52pm.

...if you take one fishing with ya, ya better take two, so the one won't drink all your beer!

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Mormon normal

Submitted by **seevee** on Mon, 01/16/2012 - 9:32pm.

It seems perfectly normal to think that one day you will be a God of your own planet and be able to call up a host of babes to do your

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bidding. What's abnormal about that?

What's abnormal about believing in a God who changes His mind on whether or not dark skinned folk can have full participation in your church?

Nothing abnormal in baptising the dead. Remember though, they always ask the dead person if they want to join. I wonder how mamy have refused. My money's on somewhere around zero.

Nothing abnormal about following the teachings of a grifter, fairytreasure hunter who used his power to bed countless duped dames.

Nothing abnormal about following the teachings of a man who had his thugs destroy the printing press of the Nauvoo Expositor when it called him out for destroying young women immigrants who came to follow his teachings, only to be used, and thrown away. Seems normal to me.

Mormons...misunderstood and discriminated against...all for no good reason.

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Sorry, I'm skipping the Republican religion

Submitted by **foreignoregonian** on Mon, 01/16/2012 - 4:20pm.

and voting for the black guy we hired last time.

Websites: Everytime you get it the way you're comfortable with somebody gives a monkey a rock, bottle and a dollar.

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You want the first Mormon President? Submitted by SandHugger on Mon, 01/16/2012 - 10:19pm.

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