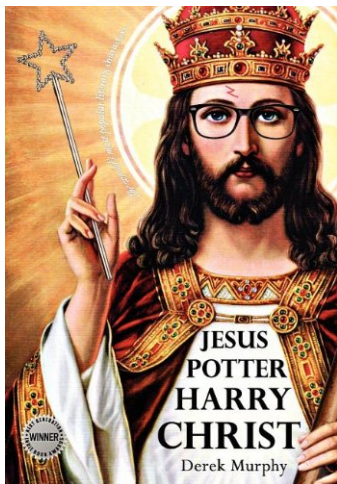


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Review "Controversial, and full of fascinating, insufficiently disseminated information."
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"I am not paying false flattery when I say that this book is easily one of the best that I have read on the subject of the historical Jesus." --Pastor Chris, Pacific Haven Liberation Ministries

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"Particularly absorbing and highly topical: as part of the continuing debate over the

nature of Christ, not only among Christians but between them and today's wave of atheist thinkers, *Jesus Potter Harry Christ* is timely." --Parmenides

From the Back Cover What do Jesus and Harry Potter have in common? *More than you think.*

LET'S SKIP THE INTRODUCTIONS. You don't need me to tell you that Jesus Christ and Harry are two of the most famous celebrities in the world, whose stories have been translated into dozens of languages and found international support in diverse cultures. What you may not be aware of, however, is the mysterious, complicated and intriguing relationship between them. For example, did you know that the topics "I read Harry Potter and Jesus still loves me," "Even Jesus reads Harry Potter" and "Harry Potter will return sooner than Jesus" each have their own Facebook group, or that Wikipedia has a page dedicated to "Religious debates over the Harry Potter Series"? Much more remarkable than their respective popularity is the significant tension - and unexpected affinity - between them.

At first glance it may seem that J.K. Rowling's boy wizard and the crucified Jesus prophet who became the Christian savior have absolutely nothing to do with each other - and yet the unease and sometimes outright animosity between the followers of these two figures suggests otherwise. Harry has been banned, burned, and abused by religious fundamentalists for over a decade. At the release of Rowling's final book, however, many readers were surprised to discover parallels between Jesus and Harry that, in such apparently diverse world-views, had no right to be there. As a result, recent years have witnessed a revolution in Christian responses to Harry, with many groups, writers and religious leaders praising Rowling's young sorcerer as ultimately Christian and a clear metaphor for Jesus Christ. And yet the most spine-tingling question has so far been ignored: Why do these similarities exist at all?

Although it is easy to accept that Rowling crafted the literary character of Harry Potter after the figure of Jesus, shouldn't it pique our interest that Jesus - a monumental figure in modern world religion generally believed to have been historical - has so much in common with the obviously fictional fantasy world and character of Harry Potter? The main distinction, it will be argued, is that Jesus Christ is real: Jesus has traditionally been viewed as a historical figure, while Harry is instantly recognized as fiction. But does this distinction apply to the many seemingly mythical elements in the gospels? Can Jesus' miracles be separated from Harry's magic tricks because they really happened - or will we allow that certain features of the gospels were exaggerated or intended to be literary. And if so, where do we stop? What protects Jesus from the claim that he is, like Harry, a fictional character?

This is the starting point of *Jesus Potter Harry Christ*; an innovative treatise into religious history, comparative mythology, astrological symbolism and contemporary culture. From ancient mystery religions to modern fairy tales, from fictional Hogwarts to the ruins of Jerusalem, Derek Murphy, PhD in Comparative Literature at one of the world's top universities, zooms in on one crucial question: How do we separate the obviously mythical literature of Jesus Christ from the historical man himself? --This text refers to the edition.

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Jesus Potter, Harry Christ, traces the religious controversy over the Harry Potter series, examines the Christian responses to J.K. Rowling's character, and then explores the potential similarities themselves. It concludes by arguing the key variance between the two is that Harry Potter is obviously a fictional character, while Jesus Christ is almost universally accepted as a historical figure. According to the publisher, the book is not mainly about Harry Potter but about religious history, astrological mythology, esoteric symbolism, and the literary tradition of Jesus Christ. The title of Moreover, Jesus Potter Harry Christ provides answers that no other book on the subject has been able to provide: exactly how this transformation from myth to history occurred, why anyone would want to combine Judaism and pagan mythology, how followers of Jesus could believe so fervently in his existence to become martyrs, and how a movement as powerful and long-lasting as Christianity. could have begun around a myth. It should be pointed out that this book is not (unlike contemporary biblical scholars) concerned with trying to find some historical figure who was not named Jesus Christ but some JESUS POTTER HARRY CHRIST The fascinating parallels between two of the world's most popular literary characters. Derek Murphy holyblasphemy press Portland, Oregon Biblical passages are taken from the New Jerusalem Bible unless otherwise noted. JESUS POTTER HARRY CHRIST: The fascinating parallels between two of the world's most popular literary characters ISBN-13: 9780615430935 ISBN-10: 0615430937 First paperback edition, February 2011 Copyright 2011 by Derek Murphy All rights reserved. No part of this publication, including artwork, may be reproduced, distributed, or transmitted in any form or Jesus Potter Harry Christ, however, convinced me that there probably was no historical Jesus Christ. He was undoubtedly a cleverly wrought amalgam of pagan gods, especially the sun gods. His birth to a human mother and a god father at the winter solstice, as well as his death and return at the spring equinox, are clearly religious stories revised and retold in the centuries before the establishment of Christianity. Jesus Potter Harry Christ is in my opinion a book that every Harry Potter fan should have on his/her shelf. It's worth checking out. Thanks to Goodreads Giveaways and Derek Murphy for sending me a copy! ...more. Jesus , also known as Jesus of Nazareth or Jesus Christ , was the central figure of Christianity , regarded by most Christian denominations as the son of God , born of a human mother, Mary . He was considered an important prophet in Islam . There was a stained glass window in the St Jerome's Church in Godric's Hollow which depicted Jesus along with the authors of the four books of the Gospel (Matthew , Mark , Luke and John).