



Religions of the Stars
What Hollywood Believes
and How it Affects You

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Scientology and Kabbalah...

**These two movements
 promise disciples total
 wish-fulfillment, even in the
 most profane of realms. They
 pledge to deliver better sex,
 bigger fees, and greater
 professional success. Both
 appeal to the ambition—
 not to mention
 megalomania—of many
 Hollywood stars.
 —*Spiegel magazine***

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In-Depth Look at What Hollywood Believes and How It Affects Culture

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Minneapolis, MN— Oprah Winfrey, Tom Cruise, and Madonna all promote their own brand of spirituality. Richard Gere, Marie Osmond, and Ashton Kutcher embrace beliefs of yet other religions. In a culture obsessed and saturated with celebrity, people can't help but be inundated with the spiritual practices of the rich and famous.

Whether athletes or actors or talk show hosts or even reality TV stars, these people have become role models—even spiritual guides—for children, teens, and adults alike. Yet just because someone has a light shining on them does not mean they are reflecting the True Light. Most are pushing their own agendas and beliefs.

What do these celebrities *really* believe? Does it line up with what the Bible teaches? Bestselling pop-culture apologist Richard Abanes answers these questions and more as he examines everything from Scientology to New Age to Kabbalah to Mormonism. Appealing to those curious about the religions of the rich and famous, Abanes holds celebrities' beliefs up to the light of the Gospel, showing how each religion falls short of the Truth.

Concerned parents will also gain insight into how today's Hollywood spirituality affects the movies and television programs they see, as well as how their children might be influenced by the way these religions are portrayed in the media.

“Richard Abanes has done a remarkable job in surveying some of the bizarre religious trends in Hollywood. *Religions of the Stars* should serve as a wake-up call to Christians that it's time to bring a Christian worldview to Hollywood.”

—Gary DeMar, President of American Vision

“This book is a long-overdue and illuminating look at the various faiths being espoused by today's most influential celebrities.”

**—Norman L. Geisler, Distinguished Professor of Theology and Apologetics
 and Co-Founder of Veritas Evangelical Seminary**

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