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I was too raised as a Jehovah's Witness and I decided to leave when I was 15. I was extremely unhappy and really felt that God wasn't in this religion that there was something more that I couldn't understand. I didn't stay despite the intimidating elders meeting to make me feel guilty to stay. Fear always haunted me and I knew that there was no future in this to do anything but what they want. My story is different than Hewitt's, because fortunately I wasn't baptized so I wasn't disfellowhipped, which really is unbiblical in the first place. When I left I wasn't disowned which can happen in many J.W. homes because it has been pushed not by all but some J.W.s. so I am thankful for my family for that. I knew something was wrong with this and wanted answers but was very content to be independent from the organization. It wasn't the friends that I left but it was the organization. I had a best friend whom I dearly cared for but was never permitted to see her again nor did she let me. Her parents would remind me of the pain that she had. I am sorry for that but it didn't have to be that way at all especially if you are "friends" in the true sense. But I realized that like all of them and for myself for the time being they were brainwashed. To be honest with you I don't remember any kind of real teaching from the Bible itself in the meetings. We only read the magazines and they were repetitive and very very narrowminded about other religions. Where do they get their research from, for example their brochure on the Trinity? It is ridiculous, just because other pagan gods had three
headed statues doesn't mean that it refers to the "Trinity" of the Father, The Son, and the Holy Spirit.

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