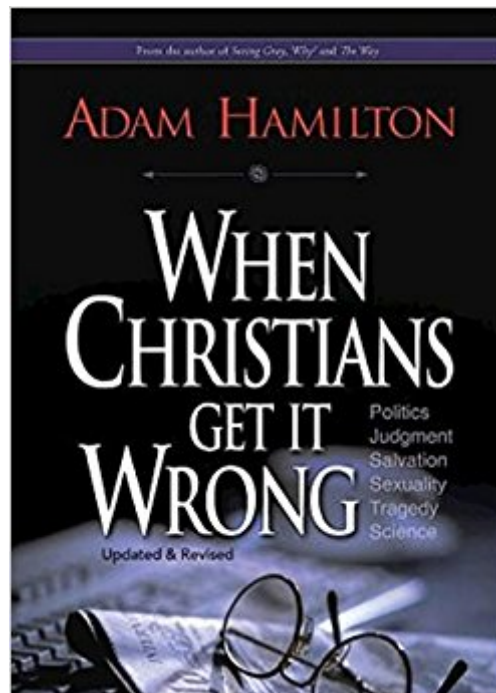




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Synopsis

More and more young adults have opted out of Christianity and the church. The reason? Christians. When young adults talk about the problems they have with Christianity and the church, they often name certain attitudes and behaviors they believe are practiced too often by Christians: judging others, condemning people of other faiths, rejecting science, injecting politics into faith, and being anti-homosexual. With his familiar style, Adam Hamilton tackles these issues and addresses the how's and why's of Christians getting it right when it comes to being Christ in the world. Those who read *When Christians Get It Wrong* will gain a different way of understanding the issues that keep people away from Christianity and keep Christians from living a more compelling faith. Because, honestly, if we don't start getting it right, we may lose an entire generation. Revised and updated in a new convenient trim size.

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Adam Hamilton is senior pastor of The United Methodist Church of the Resurrection in Leawood, Kansas, one of the fastest growing, most highly visible churches in the country. The Church Report named Hamilton's congregation the most influential mainline church in America, and he preached at the National Prayer Service as part of the presidential inauguration festivities in 2013 and was appointed to the President's Advisory Council on Faith-based and Neighborhood Partnerships. Hamilton is the best-selling and award-winning author of *Creed*, *Half Truths*, *The Call*, *The Journey*, *The Way*, *24 Hours That Changed the World*, *John*, *Revival*, *Not a Silent Night*, *Enough*, *When Christians Get It Wrong*, and *Seeing Gray in a World of Black and White*, all

published by Abingdon Press. Learn more about Adam Hamilton at AdamHamilton.org.

I truly love this book. My mother in law (who is a pastor) referenced it to me last week when I mentioned that I was struggling with my faith and have been for several years. I haven't had the best experiences with going to church in my time as a Christian. Although I have had wonderful luck with church camps, youth groups and small groups-I've run into some people who have made me question what I thought I knew about God and Christianity in general. This book helped to reassure me that I'm not alone in a lot of what I believed the truth in Christianity to be. So I'm very glad I read it, it came at a perfect time and has helped me feel more comfortable about my beliefs and encouraged me to keep looking for some answers.

This is one of the most honest, thought-provoking Bible-based books that I've read in a long time. As millions of young people today turn away from organized religion, we as Christians need to show them that we are loving, forgiving, humble servants of God, and not the judgmental, politically motivated hypocrites that some portray us to be. Pastor Hamilton has a wonderful way of bringing out biblically based facts that show us how to live, and explain to possible new Christians what living a Jesus based life is really all about.

Our adult Sunday school class has done a few of Adam Hamilton's books. He has a writing style that is understandable and he raises a lot of challenging issues that Christian churches need to examine, discuss, and address. I like the thought provoking study and ideas that he brings out from his research. In this book he is addressing why many young people are leaving the church and the self examination that churches need to consider to reverse this trend and how we can be a better witness for our faith.

This is a very easy book to read over a weekend and well worth the time. Topics include the ways in which Christians act that are not Christ like; Creationism vs. evolution; Non-Christians and Christian Exclusivism, Christian Universalism, and Christian Inclusivism (who is saved and who is not). Is God a "micromanager" and do bad things happen "because God has a reason that we don't understand", or do bad things "just happen"? All Christians should read this book and act like Jesus wants us to.

Adam Hamilton is spot on with this thoughtful analysis of how we Christians and our churches both hit and miss being Christian. Eye opening and thought provoking, this book helps one to look at

one's self and how we approach the world around us. Uncomfortable with his subject matter? That's probably good - these are everyday issues that won't be made to go away.

This is a very good book. It encourages us to be a bit more thoughtful and reflective about our faith, especially about some commonly held thoughts and perceptions. Even while questioning and thinking as you read the book, you soon learn how affirming Hamilton is about faith and Christ. Our church used this book as a study tool while initiating a young adult group. The result was outstanding. By the way, eventually, Adam gets to the issue that Christians are not the only ones who get it wrong... getting it wrong, is typical of the human condition. Christianity's claim is offering salvation through Christ. Christianity takes imperfect people and offers salvation, not perfection.

Finally a book that reaffirms my Christianity. I had been wondering if I really was a Christian when I disagreed with their so called stance on creationism, homosexuality, politics, and other religions. I don't believe in exclusion, but inclusion. Adam Hamilton takes on issues that need desperately to be addressed in today's world. Love truly is the answer.

Adam Hamilton never disappoints. We are all better people having been exposed to your open minded and open hearted thinking. Thank you for sharing the best of you with us.

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