

**THE GREAT LIE**  
**By Michael Kalopoulos**  
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A Review by Keith S Cornish

The book **THE GREAT LIE** by Michael Kalopoulos is difficult to review. It examines in great detail the first two books of the Pentateuch (Genesis, Exodus) and admits that today these books are being recognised as myths without any basis in factual history.

The author has treated these two books as a true record and has produced a book that is devastating in regard to the Hebrew patriarchs and their morality. Anyone reading this book with an open mind will never again consider that these men were divinely chosen to 'bless humanity'.

Atheists have never considered these two or eight more books as other than tales by priests to control the Hebrews. Archaeology has confirmed this viewpoint. The Bible only begins to accord with known history after the Hebrews were captive in Babylon in the mid 6th century BCE.

Unfortunately, those who would benefit greatly by considering Michael's revelations are extremely unlikely to read this work. Those who are brainwashed as infants seldom study anything likely to conflict or alter their basic religious beliefs. They fail to realise that 'belief' is an admission of ignorance. When something is known it is no longer a 'belief'.

Theologians and those whose profession requires detailed knowledge of the Bible are not likely to abandon their means of employment, even when they read this book. A few may, but the majority would choose to live as charlatans rather than change.

With his Greek background, Michael has drawn widely on Greek myths and on the enormous contribution that their philosophers and statesmen have provided for the civilisation and knowledge we enjoy today. He pinpoints the awful impact of Christianity on the Greek and Roman cultures. Where the A.V. text has been watered down, the author has been able to supply the original wording.

Because The Great Lie is based on books that are central to the Jewish religion, it would be unfair to see the author as anyway anti-Semitic.

This book exhibits the vast research on which it is based and it is liberally spiced with a host of remarks and observations worthy of quoting and remembering.

Page 386 — "(Even today) the majority of individuals~ feel that there is no better guarantee of a blissful and carefree life than that offered by religion. You will simply be told what the will of God is and will obey, without wasting your time with endless questions."

"Religion — the bliss of abandon. A quiet harbour for humankind. A tended social refuge. A sweet lethargic obstacle to our personal struggle for intelligent comprehension"

*Michael Kalopoulos*