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2005 Gold Medallion Award finalist! Was Jesus really married to Mary Magdalene? Did they actually have children who intermarried with the French royal family? Has the church been hiding the truth for centuries? In his best-selling work of fiction, *The Da Vinci Code*, Dan Brown blurs the lines between history and fiction, giving the impression they are one and the same and that Christianity is based on a lie. In "The Da Vinci Deception," Erwin Lutzer, renowned theologian and pastor of the world-famous Moody Church in Chicago, examines the "facts" behind the best-selling novel, clarifies the issues involved in the deception, and equips readers with the truth. Mass paper edition includes study guide.

## **The Da Vinci Deception Details**

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## From Reader Review The Da Vinci Deception for online ebook

### Tiffany says

The book got a little preachy at times, especially towards the end, but it's a good book about the history of Christianity as well as a well-written and well-researched refutation of *The Da Vinci Code*.

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### Jonathan Cardenas says

First book of Lutzer that I was able to read all because reading Dan Brown's novel made me question his basis for including historically inaccurate elements in his Da Vinci Code's book. Lutzer was able to present credible answers using factual historical basis.

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### Jodi says

I read The DaVinci Code by Dan Brown and enjoyed it, but I took it in as entertainment. The author of this book defends Christianity with research and answers any questions one might have if they fell into thinking The DaVinci Code was fact.

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### Ross Heinricy says

This is an excellent piece by Erwin Lutzer that dispels the myths and lies of the book by Dan Brown. Erwin mainly deals with the Gnostics and gnosticism assumptions and suppositions concerning the reality and relevance of the person of Jesus Christ. He is thorough in his work on what they believe versus Biblical truth, and he also apologetically addresses the validity of the Scripture. In the course of the book he addresses the "Jesus Seminar" and the liberal leanings of the theologians involved in that movement. This book makes for a great read for those outside of mainstream Christiaity and the relevance of the person of Jesus Christ.

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### Kimberly O'Meara says

Love it! But I love a good conspiracy theory. I also enjoyed all the historical background.

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### Callahaan says

whatever

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## **Barbara Gard says**

not bad

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## **Hailey says**

Very good book, but I overdosed on all the anti-Da Vinci Code books when the novel was big and am a bit sick of the whole discussion.

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## **Ruth E. R. says**

"A thousand times over, the death knell of the Bible has been sounded, the funeral procession formed, the inscription cut on the tombstone, and the committal read. But somehow the corpse never stays put.

No other book has been so chopped, sliced, sifted, scrutinized, and vilified. What book on philosophy or religion or psychology or belles lettres of classical or modern times has been subject to such a mass attack as the Bible? with such venom and skepticism? with such thoroughness and erudition? upon every chapter, line, and tenet?

The Bible is still loved by millions and studied by millions."

Bernard Ramm, 1957, quoted on page 122-123

Yes, I can believe that a collection of writing by more than 40 authors of various times and careers; over such an extensive period of time; having surviving copies exponentially greater in number than any other ancient documents, and in much closer chronological proximity to when the historical events occurred; and the agreement and consistency of the message found in both the Old and the New Testaments (the grace and truth of Jesus Christ); yes, I can believe that God's hand is in it. He chooses fallible means, yet by the power of the Holy Spirit, to do His work and to transform lives, and He has done so for thousands of years.

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## **Darin Lewis says**

Concise and very informative.

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## **Read1000books says**

Lutzer does an excellent job of answering all the questions raised by the novel (and movie) by Dan Brown entitled "The Da Vinci Code" such as: Was Jesus married? Did He have children? Has "The Church" been hiding this, or other startling information, for centuries?? You will find the truth here. Highly recommended.

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## **M says**

A conservative biblically based renunciation of The DaVinci Code.

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## **Jennifer Karch Verzè says**

the art historical content about papers, fibers, inks and Leonardo's brushstroke, drawing capabilities were well researched and valid. The rest was no great deal. If you take all the art historical content and make a document with it, then it's worth it.

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## **Brenda Mohammed says**

Whenever there is an electricity blackout I turn to my paperback books in my library. Today was one such day. This remarkable book was sitting there unread. I had bought this a couple of years ago and did not have time to read it. Today I read The Da Vinci Deception. Erwin Lutzer has fittingly provided answers to false assumptions in the Da Vinci Code. He gives all the reasons why Christ of the New Testament is the one to put our faith and trust in. All other accounts are mere speculation.

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## **Matthew Broman says**

I thought it was very thought provoking and really makes you wonder about true relationship between Jesus and Mary and why she was so demonized by the church (according to Dan Brown's novel). I found the part about Gnosticism particularly interesting and very comparable to these "new age" religions and movements that are sprouting up in modern society. They seem to be based around the same central theme that WE are the only ones responsible for our own salvation and enlightenment (no one else). And that the idea of one man or a divine being coming down to earth to save us is silly. But I believe that this is the stance and view of many people in modern society who cannot/will not or refuse to accept Jesus as Savior. This is certainly the stance that the new-agers along with the Illuminati/Trans-Humanists and other groups seem to take regarding this matter. I could go on until I am blue in the face about these groups but for purposes of keeping this short I will end it there. Overall very fascinating book....I give 4/5 stars.

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