

NO. 01-04-00231-CV

IN THE

COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE FIRST DISTRICT OF TEXAS

AT HOUSTON

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**HARVEST HOUSE PUBLISHERS, JOHN ANKERBERG,
and JOHN WELDON**

vs.

THE LOCAL CHURCH, ET AL.

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**Appealed from the 80th Judicial District Court
Harris County, Texas**

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