

# Unbelief is Unbelievable

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**Text:** [Jhn 6:28-29 KJV] 28 Then said they unto him, What shall we do, that we might work the works of God? 29 Jesus answered and said unto them, This is the work of God, that ye believe on him whom he hath sent.

[Jhn 6:29 NLT] 29 Jesus told them, "This is the only work God wants from you: Believe in the one he has sent."

## Where does Unbelief Come From?

### Matter of the Heart

[Heb 3:12 KJV] 12 Take heed, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief, in departing from the living God.

### Not knowing the Spirit of Truth

[Jhn 14:17 KJV] 17 [Even] the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.

## The Power of Unbelief

[Tit 1:15 KJV] 15 Unto the pure all things [are] pure: but unto them that are defiled and unbelieving [is] nothing pure; but even their mind and conscience is defiled.

## Stuff Gets in the Way of Belief.

### Misplaced information, Complement of Others.

[Act 14:2 KJV] 2 But the unbelieving Jews stirred up the Gentiles, and made their minds evil affected against the brethren.

### Misguided understanding.

[Jhn 6:30-33 KJV] 30 They said therefore unto him, What sign shewest thou then, that we may see, and believe thee? what dost thou work? 31 Our fathers did eat manna in the desert; as it is written, He gave them bread from heaven to eat. 32 Then Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Moses gave you not that bread from heaven; but my Father giveth you the true bread from heaven. 33 For the bread of God is he which cometh down from heaven, and giveth life unto the world.

## **Honoring people above God makes it impossible to believe.**

John 5:41 “Your approval means nothing to me, 42 because I know you don’t have God’s love within you. 43 For I have come to you in my Father’s name, and you have rejected me. Yet if others come in their own name, you gladly welcome them. 44 No wonder you can’t believe! For you gladly honor each other, but you don’t care about the honor that comes from the one who alone is God.

## **If you Don’t Believe the Old Testament Prophecies, You won’t believe Jesus’ Words**

John 5:45 “Yet it isn’t I who will accuse you before the Father. Moses will accuse you! Yes, Moses, in whom you put your hopes. 46 If you really believed Moses, you would believe me, because he wrote about me. 47 But since you don’t believe what he wrote, how will you believe what I say?”

## **Looking at Spiritual Things from a Human Worldview**

[Jhn 6:41-42 KJV] 41 The Jews then murmured at him, because he said, I am the bread which came down from heaven. 42 And they said, Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? how is it then that he saith, I came down from heaven?

[Jhn 6:26 KJV] 26 Jesus answered them and said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Ye seek me, not because ye saw the miracles, but because ye did eat of the loaves, and were filled.

## **Neatly and Sometimes Convincingly Packed Lies**

### **Lie: Morality is Relative.**

Example 1: Christians shouldn’t force their views on others.

**Truth:** Christianity is About Christ not Christians. Jesus makes the rules and these rules apply to all.

Example 2: Some people think abortion is acceptable while others think it is murder. Different opinions about abortion doesn’t mean morality is relative.

Ronald Reagan once said, I’ve noticed all those in favor of abortion are already born.

### **Lie: There is no such thing as Absolute Moral Law.**

If this statement is true, why is evil bad?

If there is no Moral Law, why should anyone be tolerant (a moral principle)?

Tolerance says, hold your nose and put up with them. Love says reach out and help them. Tolerating evil is unloving, yet we are being asked to tolerate immoral behavior.

## **Real Intolerance**

Warn those who enjoy immorality with the Truth

Jesus surrounded himself with immoral people but many changed when they heard the truth

[Act 1:25 KJV] 25 That he may take part of this ministry and apostleship, from which Judas by transgression fell, that he might go to his own place.

## **Evidence for Moral Law**

If there is one Moral Truth in the world, this is evidence for God

How do you know your quarterback throwing a touchdown is different than your quarterback throwing a interception? What is the purpose? Where do the football rules come from? External standard.

## **Where do the Rules for Living Come From?**

[Rom 2:13-15 KJV] 13 (For not the hearers of the law [are] just before God, but the doers of the law shall be justified. 14 For when the Gentiles, which have not the law, do by nature the things contained in the law, these, having not the law, are a law unto themselves: 15 Which shew the work of the law written in their hearts, their conscience also bearing witness, and [their] thoughts the mean while accusing or else excusing one another;)

## **Lie: Follow your heart.**

Our hearts are selfish.

Our hearts are deceptive.

This is impossible when your heart is conflicted.

We can't consistently follow our hearts because our hearts change

## **Jesus Sees our Unbelief**

[Mar 2:5 KJV] 5 When Jesus saw their faith, he said unto the sick of the palsy, Son, thy sins be forgiven thee.

[Mar 6:6 KJV] 6 And he marvelled because of their unbelief. And he went round about the villages, teaching.

## **Unbelief has no Power over God**

[Rom 3:3 KJV] 3 For what if some did not believe? shall their unbelief make the faith of God without effect?

## **Unbelief will not change the fact, the Lord God of Heaven's Armies Controls the Universe.**

[Pro 15:3 KJV] 3 The eyes of the LORD [are] in every place, beholding the evil and the good.

[Pro 15:3 NLT] 3 The LORD is watching everywhere, keeping his eye on both the evil and the good.

## **Unbelief robs us of Spiritual Power**

[Mat 17:19-20 KJV] 19 Then came the disciples to Jesus apart, and said, Why could not we cast him out? 20 And Jesus said unto them, Because of your unbelief: for verily I say unto you, If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you.

## **Unbelief affects your Path and Eternal Destination**

[Psa 106:20-26 KJV] 20 Thus they changed their glory into the similitude of an ox that eateth grass. 21 They forgat God their saviour, which had done great things in Egypt; 22 Wondrous works in the land of Ham, [and] terrible things by the Red sea. 23 Therefore he said that he would destroy them, had not Moses his chosen stood before him in the breach, to turn away his wrath, lest he should destroy [them]. 24 Yea, they despised the pleasant land, they believed not his word: 25 But

murmured in their tents, [and] hearkened not unto the voice of the LORD. 26 Therefore he lifted up his hand against them, to overthrow them in the wilderness:

[Rev 21:8 KJV] 8 But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.

## **Overcoming Unbelief**

[Rom 10:17 NKJV] 17 So then faith [comes] by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

[Heb 11:6 NKJV] 6 But without faith [it is] impossible to please [Him], for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and [that] He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

## **Do the Work God Wants you to Do.**

John 6:29 Jesus answered and said unto them, This is the work of God, that ye believe on him whom he hath sent

## **The Key to Eternal Life**

[Jhn 6:47 KJV] 47 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me hath everlasting life.

[Jhn 6:63 NLT] 63 The Spirit alone gives eternal life. Human effort accomplishes nothing. And the very words I have spoken to you are spirit and life.

[Jhn 6:63-64 KJV] 63 It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, [they] are spirit, and [they] are life. 64 But there are some of you that believe not. For Jesus knew from the beginning who they were that believed not, and who should betray him.