

## **Believe and Believe Not**

[1Co 12:28, 31 KJV] 28 And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues. ... 31 But covet earnestly the best gifts: and yet shew I unto you a more excellent way.

**Text:** [Heb 3:14-19 KJV] 14 For we are made partakers of Christ, if we hold the beginning of our confidence stedfast unto the end; 15 While it is said, To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts, as in the provocation. 16 For some, when they had heard, did provoke: howbeit not all that came out of Egypt by Moses. 17 But with whom was he grieved forty years? [was it] not with them that had sinned, whose carcasses fell in the wilderness? 18 And to whom sware he that they should not enter into his rest, but to them that believed not? 19 So we see that they could not enter in because of unbelief.

## **Introduction**

Unbelief Costs

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What do you have trouble believing from the Bible

If you don't Believe

## **Unbelief Costs**

[Heb 10:23 KJV] 23 Let us hold fast the profession of [our] faith without wavering; (for he [is] faithful that promised;)

[Jhn 3:19 KJV] 19 And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.

## **Jesus Addressed Unbelief**

### **The disciples those who told them of His Resurrection.**

[Mar 16:14 KJV] 14 Afterward he appeared unto the eleven as they sat at meat, and upbraided them with their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they believed not them which had seen him after he was risen.

### **Jesus told them multiple times**

Matthew 16:21, 17:22–23, and 20:18–19

Mark 8:31–33, 9:30–32, and 10:32–34.

Luke 9:22, 18:31–33, and 24:6–7.

## **Jesus Asserts his Deity to the Religious Folks**

**To assert is to state a fact or belief confidently and forcefully.**

[Jhn 10:24-28 KJV] 24 Then came the Jews round about him, and said unto him, How long dost thou make us to doubt? If thou be the Christ, tell us plainly. 25 Jesus answered them, I told you, and ye believed not: the works that I do in my Father's name, they bear witness of me. 26 But ye believe not, because ye are not of my sheep, as I said unto you. 27 My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: 28 And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any [man] pluck them out of my hand

[Jhn 10:24-28 NLT] 24 The people surrounded him and asked, "How long are you going to keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." 25 Jesus replied, "I have already told you, and you don't believe me. The proof is the work I do in my Father's name. 26 But you don't believe me because you are not my sheep. 27 My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. 28 I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one can snatch them away from me,

## **Jesus affirmed his Deity to the blind man he healed**

**To affirm something is to give it a big "YES" or to confirm that it is true.**

[Jhn 9:35-39 KJV] 35 Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when he had found him, he said unto him, Dost thou believe on the Son of God? 36 He answered and said, Who is he, Lord, that I might believe on him? 37 And Jesus said unto him, Thou hast both seen him, and it is he that talketh with thee. 38 And he said, Lord, I believe. And he worshipped him. 39 And Jesus said, For judgment I am come into this world, that they which see not might see; and that they which see might be made blind.

## **Unbelief is in the Church**

Bad interpretation of Scripture

False Teachers

Lack of Seeking God

[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.

[Heb 10:23 KJV] 23 Let us hold fast the profession of [our] faith without wavering; (for he [is] faithful that promised;)

## **What do you have trouble believing from the Bible**

**When it comes to family, do you have belief issues.**

[Mar 9:22-24 KJV] 22 And oftentimes it hath cast him into the fire, and into the waters, to destroy him: but if thou canst do any thing, have compassion on us, and help us. 23 Jesus said unto him, If thou canst believe, all things [are] possible to him that believeth. **24 And straightway the father of the child cried out, and said with tears, Lord, I believe; help thou mine unbelief.**

**Do you have trouble believing in the gifts from God?**

[Mar 16:17-18 KJV] 17 And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; 18 They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

**If you don't Believe a Biblical Truth**

## **Pray**

[Eph 6:18 KJV] 18 Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;

[Mar 9:24 NLT] 24 The father instantly cried out, "I do believe, but help me overcome my unbelief!"

## **Paul believed in God but he did not know God so he could not believe the Gospel message.**

[1Ti 1:13 KJV] 13 Who was before a blasphemer, and a persecutor, and injurious: but I obtained mercy, because I did [it] ignorantly in unbelief.

## **Unbelief can be seen**

### **Jesus saw Unbelief at Nazarath:**

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

## **We must believe the Truth**

[2Th 2:13 KJV] 13 But we are bound to give thanks alway to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth:

## **God does not line up with our beliefs. We must line up with believing His truth.**

[Mat 27:42 KJV] 42 He saved others; himself he cannot save. If he be the King of Israel, let him now come down from the cross, and we will believe him.

[Mar 1:15 KJV] 15 And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel.