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Believe In Me

Well, do you? Do I what? **Do you believe in me?** Yes, of course I believe in you. **What does it mean to believe in me? Does believing in me mean that you believe a set of facts about me?** At one time, that is all I believed about you. I only believed a set of facts about you. **Did believing a set of facts about me change your life? Did believing a set of facts about me alter your course Did believing a set of facts about me cause you to want to love and follow and serve me?** I am sorry to say that believing a set of facts about you had no impact on my life. I did not think or speak or act any differently because I believed a set of facts about you. My life was not changed. My course was not altered. I did not love you more because I believed a set of facts about you. **Then, what you are describing is not truly believing in me, is it?** No, it is not. **When did you truly come to believe in me?** I came to believe in you when I desperately needed you. My life was bruised and battered and broken. My own sin had brought me pain and suffering. I had reached rock bottom. I had nowhere to turn but to you. I cried out to you. Really, I shouted at you. I demanded that you show yourself to me if you were real. **Did I hear and answer that prayer?** You are calling what I did, a prayer? **It certainly was a prayer.** Well, you answered my cry. You heard my prayer. You brought me to you. You helped me to confess my sins to you. You helped me to receive your forgiveness and cleansing. You turned my life around. I left my old life behind. You filled me with your Holy Spirit, and you gave me a completely new life to live. Now, nothing about me is the same. No part of my life has been left untouched by your hands. Day by day, you have been molding and shaping my life as I follow you. Now, all my thoughts and words and actions are different. Now, because I love you with all my heart and mind and soul and strength, it is not burdensome for me to obey your commands. In fact, it is my joy to live a life that is good and right and true. It is my pleasure to do what is pleasing to you. **With me working in and for and through you, what have I also given to you?** You have given me victory over the world. The world has lost its grip on me because I am holding on to you. **Now, you truly do believe in me.** Yes, I do. **That is very good.**

Lord, I believe in you with all my heart. You are my Savior and Lord. I love you with all that is within me. Loving you makes obeying your commandments not burdensome. Help me to follow and serve you. Help me to love others. Give me victory over the world. Amen

Promises *Jesus Is The Son Of God*

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God, and everyone who loves the father loves his child as well. This is how we know that we love the children of God: by loving God and carrying out his commands. This is love for God: to obey his commands. And his commands are not burdensome, for everyone born of God overcomes the world. This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith. Who is it that overcomes the world? Only he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God.

NIV 1 John 5:1-5

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NLT 1 John 5:1-5

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Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

NRSV 1 John 5:1-5

Promises *Jesus Is The Son Of God*

EVERYONE WHO believes (adheres to, trusts, and relies on the fact) that Jesus is the Christ (the Messiah) is a born-again child of God; and everyone who loves the Father also loves the one born of Him (His offspring). By this we come to know (recognize and understand) that we love the children of God: when we love God and obey His commands (orders, charges)—[when we keep His ordinances and are mindful of His precepts and His teaching]. For the [true] love of God is this: that we do His commands [keep His ordinances and are mindful of His precepts and teaching]. And these orders of His are not irksome (burdensome, oppressive, or grievous). For whatever is born of God is victorious over the world; and this is the victory that conquers the world, even our faith. Who is it that is victorious over [that conquers] the world but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God [who adheres to, trusts in, and relies on that fact]?

AMP 1 John 5:1-5

Promises *Jesus Is The Son Of God*

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God, and whoever loves the Father loves the *child* born of Him. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and observe His commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments; and His commandments are not burdensome. For whatever is born of God overcomes the world; and this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. Who is the one who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

NASB 1 John 5:1-5

Promises *Jesus Is The Son Of God*

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

ESV 1 John 5:1-5

Promises *Jesus Is The Son Of God*

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God, and everyone who loves Him who begot also loves him who is begotten of Him. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and keep His commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome. For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. Who is he who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

NKJV 1 John 5:1-5

Promises *Jesus Is The Son Of God*

Every person who believes that Jesus is, in fact, the Messiah, is God-begotten. If we love the One who conceives the child, we'll surely love the child who was conceived. The reality test on whether or not we love God's children is this: Do we love God? Do we keep his commands? The proof that we love God comes when we keep his commandments and they are not at all troublesome. Every God-begotten person conquers the world's ways. The conquering power that brings the world to its knees is our faith. The person who wins out over the world's ways is simply the one who believes Jesus is the Son of God.

MSG 1 John 5:1-5

Promises *Jesus Is Truly The Son Of God*

If you believe that Jesus is the Christ—that he is God's Son and your Savior—then you are a child of God. And all who love the Father love his children too. So you can find out how much you love God's children—your brothers and sisters in the Lord—by how much you love and obey God. Loving God means doing what he tells us to do, and really, that isn't hard at all; for every child of God can obey him, defeating sin and evil pleasure by trusting Christ to help him. But who could possibly fight and win this battle except by believing that Jesus is truly the Son of God?

TLB 1 John 5:1-5

Promises *Jesus Is The Son Of God*

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is God's child, and whoever loves the Father also loves the Father's children. This is how we know we love God's children: when we love God and obey his commands. Loving God means obeying his commands. And God's commands are not too hard for us, because everyone who is a child of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world—our faith. So the one who wins against the world is the person who believes that Jesus is the Son of God.

NCV 1 John 5:1-5

Jesus Is The Son Of God

Year _____ Week _____ Day _____ Date _____

Promises – 1 John 5:1-5

In Context: Read 1 John 5

Begin With Prayer:

Here I am Lord. I Am Listening.

Meditating On God's Word: ***(What is God speaking to your heart?)***

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Considering The Words: ***(What words speak to your heart?)***

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Praying The Scripture: ***(What prayer from your heart will you write?)***

Lord, I believe in you with all my heart. You are my Savior and Lord. I love you with all that is within me. Loving you makes obeying your commandments not burdensome. Help me to follow and serve you. Help me to love others. Give me victory over the world. Amen

What It Means: ***(What questions speak to your heart?)*** *(Suggested questions for small group discussion are in bold)*

What does it mean to truly believe in Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord?

What will happen to you when you come to believe in Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord?

How has believing in Jesus Christ changed you from the inside out?

How has believing in Jesus Christ completely changed your thoughts and words and actions?

How is believing Christ causing you love Him and others with all your heart?

How has loving Christ with all your heart made it not burdensome for you to obey His commandments?

How is believing in Jesus Christ giving you victory over the world and all that is within it?

Living It Out: ***(What action step is God guiding your heart to take?)***

Believe in Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord so you will joyfully and wholeheartedly love, follow and serve Him

Seeing It Happen: ***(What are you trusting God for in your heart?)***

Have faith that believing in Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord will give you victory over the world.

Get Ready To Share: ***(What can you share with others from your heart?)***

Share with another person or your small group how believing in Jesus Christ has changed the entire course of your life.

Close With Prayer:

Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

Pause And Offer Prayers Of...

With An Attitude Of Faith Listen To What The Lord Wants To Say To You

Adoration... _____

Thanksgiving... _____

Confession... _____

Intercession... _____

Petition... _____

Journal

As You Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

What Do You Want To Say To Me Lord?

What Prayers Are You Praying Today?

Prayer Of Blessing

(What Prayer Of Blessing Can You Pray For Another?)

May believing in Jesus Christ give you victory over the world.

Prayer To Carry

(What Prayer Would You Like To Carry Throughout Your Day?)

Lord, give me victory over the world as I keep on believing in you.

What Do You Want To Remember About Today?

A Question To Ask God

(What Would You Like To Ask God?)

Lord, how will believing in you give me victory over the word today?
