

GOSPEL OF JOHN
Whoever Believes
John 2:23-3:21
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Everyone believes.
Everyone does not believe the same things.

Now when He was in Jerusalem at the Passover Feast, many believed in His name when they saw the signs that he was doing. John 2:23 ESV

Genuine belief does not just mean we agree on the surface but we turn from the way we are living and live the way Jesus lives.

NICODEMUS

Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. 2 This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him.” 3 Jesus answered him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.” 4 Nicodemus said to him, “How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?” 5 Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. 6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. 7 Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’ 8 The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” John 3:1-8 ESV

Nicodemus was open minded and ready to receive from God if Jesus was genuine.

YOU MUST BE BORN AGAIN

Having lived by the rules and broken most of them what would it mean to have a clean slate?

Repent refers to John the Baptist's water baptism leading us into repentance.
Repent: Turn from your own way of living life and walk with Jesus.

To be born again means to be born of the Spirit.

A GLIMPSE OF HEAVEN

No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. 14 And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, 15 that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.
John 3:9-15 ESV

Ezekiel 36:25-28
In our sin we have a heart of stone.
In salvation we are given a new heart.

Paul writes this about our knowledge of spiritual things.

The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of people, who suppress the truth by their wickedness, 19 since what may be known about God is plain to them, because God has made it plain to them. 20 For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse.
Romans 1:18-20 NIV

WHOEVER BELIEVES

16 “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16 ESV

Salvation can only be received by belief.
To perish is to be lost. Death is separation from God forever.

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. 6 If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. 7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. 8 If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
1 John 1:5-9 ESV

It is your choice to believe and accept the gift of salvation...