

Why I believe in Jesus Christ

Matthew 24:1-14

There is nothing more important in this life or the next, than a faith in Jesus Christ that is:

intelligent, logical, clear, functional and firm.

Why is that so critical?

John 14:6

Why do I believe in Jesus?

I. BECAUSE OF THE REMARKABLE FULFILLMENT OF HIS PROPHECIES.

Jesus made some astounding predictions regarding the future.

Predictions that seemed incredible, and in some cases absurd.

Matthew 24:1, 2

At the time this was spoken, no event was more improbable than this.

The temple was vast, rich, and splendid.

It was the pride of the nation; the nation was at peace!

Yet within 40 years, all this was accomplished exactly as Jesus had said!

Jerusalem fell to the Roman armies under the command of Titus in A.D. 70.

It was utterly destroyed. [account recorded by Josephus.]

Matthew 24:5 The names of 4 false Messiahs are recorded from the 2nd. Century to 1682 alone!

Matthew 24:7 There is continual war in the world!

Thousands die of starvation daily!

Billions have been spent on the study of earthquakes!

II. BECAUSE OF HIS FULFILLED PROMISES.

Jesus made extraordinary promises, yet every single person can test them!

And they are always found to be true!!

Revelation 3:20

Matthew 11:28

Acts 1:8

III. BECAUSE OF THE CHARACTER OF THOSE WHO ACCEPT HIM

2 Corinthians 5:16, 17

IV. BECAUSE OF THE UNIQUENESS OF HIS CLAIMS AND THE WAY HE SUBSTANTIATES THEM

His claim to be Divine is substantiated by :

1. His character! (**spotless**)

2. The miracles He performed! (**food, demon control, raised the dead, walked on water, healings**)

3. His influence of the history of the world.

V. BECAUSE OF THE FACT OF HIS RESURRECTION

He lives!

Because He lives, I live!

VI. BECAUSE OF THE POWER HE POSSESSES TODAY

I believe Jesus can save, because HE DOES SAVE!

I believe Jesus can save, because I HAVE SEEN HIM DO IT!

HE HAS POWER TODAY FOR FORGIVE SINS!

HE HAS POWER TODAY TO SET SATAN'S VICTIMS FREE!

I KNOW BECAUSE HE DID IT FOR ME!!!

Romans 10:9, 10