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“God loved the world so  
much that He gave  
His only begotten Son  
that whosoever **believes**  
**in Him** shall never perish  
but have eternal life.”

(John 3:16)

In this passage of Scripture, we have the demonstration of God's love for the whole world, which is the gift of His Son, Jesus Christ. God the Father sent His eternal Son, Jesus Christ, from heaven to earth on that very first Christmas to take on true humanity. His mission – to go to a Cross – and while He was on that Cross, His purpose was to solve a problem that the whole world has, which is sin. It was there on the Cross

that God the Father gathered up all the sins of the world, imputed them to Christ, and judged all of our sins in the Lord Jesus Christ once and for all. Having solved the world's problem of sin, God is now free to offer the world a gift, and that gift is eternal life to anyone who at any time and at any place simply **believes in Jesus Christ.**

At that very instant of **faith in Jesus Christ**, God the Holy Spirit takes you and enters you into union with Christ. That defines what Christianity really is – it is not a religion; it is a personal relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ entered into by **faith in Him**. At that very second God gives to you His righteousness, declares you justified, and gives you the gift of eternal life, qualifying you to live with Him forever and ever in Heaven. Once you have this place in

union with Jesus Christ, you can never lose your salvation. You have eternal security and that is the grace of God. Once saved, always saved.

You don't earn it, and you don't deserve it because your salvation depends upon who and what Christ is, not who and what you are. To enter into that eternal relationship with God, you do no works.

“For by grace are you saved through  
faith;  
and that not of yourselves, it is the gift  
of God;  
not as a result of works, so that no one  
may boast.” (Eph. 2:8-9)

The One who did all the work for your salvation is Jesus Christ. You simply **believe in the Lord Jesus Christ** as your Savior, and God enters

you into the Royal Family of God forever.

If there is anyone who is without Christ, without hope and without eternal life, we want to make one issue very clear for you. When the Lord Jesus Christ went to the Cross, He was thinking about you. Every sin you have ever committed, past, present or future, was gathered up by God the Father, poured out on Jesus Christ, and judged in Him, once and for all. Therefore, your sins are no longer the issue. The issue is not a sin question; it's a Son question. What do you think of Jesus Christ?

For the one who **simply believes in Him**, there is the gift of eternal life. For the one who rejects Him, eternal condemnation. Wherever you are right now, you have the freedom and the



privacy in your own soul to be telling God the Father that you are **believing in Jesus Christ**. At that very instant, you pass from death to life, from condemnation to justification.

“These things were written that you might **believe** that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you might have life through His name.”

(John 20:31)

“But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become the sons of God, even to those who **believe in Him**.”

(John 1:12)

“**Believe in the Lord Jesus** and thou shalt be saved.”

(Acts 16:31)

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After salvation the issue for the believer is spiritual growth (1 Pet. 2:2). The Word of God is spiritual food which provides spiritual nourishment for the Christian (Matt. 4:4). The Word of God is more important than the air that you breathe (Ps. 138:2). As a believer, God wants you to grow up spiritually by consistently learning, believing, and applying His Word to your life (2 Pet. 3:18).

Pastor Olsen has been teaching the Word of God for many years, providing spiritual food for his congregation. Tape recordings of his classes are available without charge or obligation. A list of the Doctrinal Bible Studies will be provided upon request.

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