

# I Believe In God

Blessed are those whose strength is in You, who have set their hearts on pilgrimage.” Psalm 84:5

I believe in God. I walk with God. I listen to God. Sometimes he speaks through people, but more often he speaks in a clear but unmistakable voice.

Belief in God gives us an eternal significance, and brings beauty and meaning to daily events. When we walk with God, we never walk alone. That’s the beauty of Christian faith.

Every Sunday in the Apostles’ Creed we begin with the phrase, “I believe in God.” That simple statement changes the way we think, live, and act. Belief in God takes us places we could never go on our own. It takes the pressure off, for we no longer have to know everything; we believe in the God who does.

When we believe in God, life, and history begin to make sense. There is no contradiction between faith and science. There are only those who cannot yet see the connection.

“I believe in God,” writes Antony Hewish. “It makes no sense to me to assume that the Universe and our existence is just a cosmic accident, that life emerged due to random physical processes in an environment which simply happened to have the right properties. As a Christian I begin to comprehend what life is all about through belief in a Creator, some of whose nature was revealed by a man born about 2000 years ago.”

That man born 2000 years ago is Jesus, the only son of God. When we hear the words of Jesus, we hear the words of God. “Do not be worried and upset,” Jesus told them. “Believe in God and believe also in me.” ~ John 14:1 And when we believe in Christ Jesus as God’s son, our savior, we finally have that connection to God we have always been seeking.

Some might see God in the things of this world. Perhaps they are hints of God, but nothing more than a preview. And anonymous writer tries to put it this way.

“I believe in God,” she says. “I saw him today in the eyes of a child, in an older couple walking arm in arm, in the smile of a cancer survivor, in a field of flowers, and in the stars filling a night sky. I hear God calling to me as I close my eyes to pray. I feel his hand upon me when I am most in need. For this and so much more, I believe.”

Don’t you want to believe, dear reader? Don’t you want to know that there is someone who has a plan for you which nothing and no one on earth can alter? Come to the altar of God, and your eternity will be altered forever!

Others can try to tell us to believe in God. They can tell of his wonders, and should. They can tell you how wonderful God is to them, and you can still wonder. But you cannot believe in God until you have seen him for yourself.

“I believe in God,” the Christian writes, “not because the church told me, not because my parents told me, but because I’ve experienced his goodness and mercy myself.

Go to church where you will hear about God. Invite others to know the God who has made everything, including us. Find a relationship which is beyond anything the world can explain or scoff away. “In him,” preaches the apostle Paul, “we live and move and have our being.”~Acts 17:28

Now that’s a relationship! And it is impossible without believing, and walking with, the living God.

The wise theologian C.S. Lewis is always able to take ideas of faith to the next level. We see the sun each day, and it reminds us of God, a gift given just to us each day from heaven.

But Lewis puts it this way. “I believe in God, like I believe in the sun, not because I can see it, but because of it all things are seen.”

Because of God we can see so much more. We can eventually see everything. Right now just seeing a little more is helpful, but belief in God makes time irrelevant. We now have forever to find out.

Finally, let us speak in techie terms to those whose God may be their cellular telephone or computer, or some other device. Some spend enough time on it for it to seem their God.

“Always believe in God,” types the experienced browser, “because there are some questions even Google can’t answer.”

And, even further, writes another electronic veteran.

“God has no Phone, but I talk to him. He has no Facebook, but he is still my friend. He does not have Twitter, but I still follow him.”

May all this and more be true for you, because you indeed believe in God.