
Essential Christianity: Choosing What to Do About Jesus

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⁶ This is he who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not by the water only but by the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. ⁷ For there are three that testify: ⁸ the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree. ⁹ If we receive the testimony of men, the testimony of God is greater, for this is the testimony of God that he has borne concerning his Son. **1 John 5:6-9, ESV**

Who is Jesus?

Just a Man

A Spirit

God Come in The Flesh

“Many deceivers have gone out all over the world, people who do not acknowledge that Jesus Christ came as a human being...” **2 John 7, GNB**

Jesus Came by Water: His Baptism

“Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him; and behold, a voice from heaven said, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.” **Matthew 3:13–17, ESV**

Jesus Came by Blood: The Cross

“[Jesus] for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.” **Matthew 26:28, ESV**

“... Pilate [said] “I am innocent of this man’s blood; see to it yourselves.” And all the people answered, “His blood be on us and on our children!” **Matthew 27:24–25, ESV**

Nothing Is More Important Than Having Eternal Life

¹⁰ Whoever believes in the Son of God has the testimony in himself. Whoever does not believe God has made him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony that God has borne concerning his Son. ¹¹ And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ¹² Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. ¹³ I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, **that you may know that you have eternal life.**” **1 John 5:6–13, ESV**

Once A Person Dies Physically There Is No Hope for Their Soul

How Can I Have Eternal Life?

The Way to Have Life Is to Have the Son

“This Life Is IN His Son”

What Does It Mean to HAVE the Son of God?

When You HAVE Something, It Does Its Thing for You

Having Eternal Life

“[Jesus Said] ... I have come in order that you might have life—life in all its fullness.” **John 10:10, GNB**

“I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, **that you may know that you have eternal life.**” **Vs 13**

We Have the Son by Believing in His Name

Three Ways You Can Reject the Son of God

You Can Say ...

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding." **Proverbs 3:5, NLT**

"Lord Jesus, I want to have Eternal Life. I thank you for dying on the cross in my place. I open the door of my heart and give my life to you. I accept you as my Savior and the Lord of my life. I thank you for giving me eternal life and forgiving my sins. Guide my life according to your will"