

How much more does scripture declare that Christ is the only way to God for eternal life?

John 3:16: "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."

John 5:24: "Most assuredly, I say to you, he who hears My word and believes in Him who sent Me has everlasting life, and shall not come into judgment, but has passed from death into life."

John 1:12: "As many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name."

John 20:31: "These are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name."

What's more?

1Corinthians 2:5: "Your faith should not be in the wisdom of men but in the power of God."

The proof of true belief being:

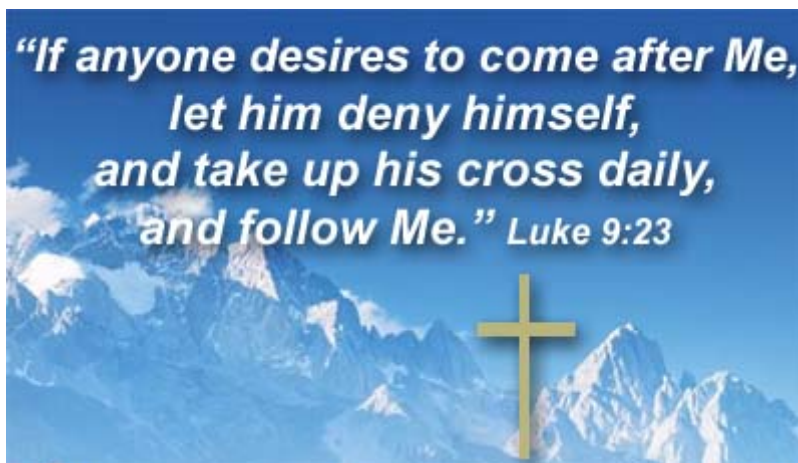
1 Thessalonians 2:13: "Because when you received the Word of God which you heard from us, you welcomed *it* not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the Word of God, which also effectively works in you who believe."

Therefore, as Jesus said:

John 6:29: "This is the work of God, that you believe in Him whom He sent."

How anchored is my belief in Christ, as the only way to God for eternal life?

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What leads us to true belief in Christ?

Romans 10:17: "Faith *comes* by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God."

What does true belief in Christ encompass?

Philippians 2:5-8: "Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, *and* coming in the likeness of men. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to *the point of death.*"

1 Peter 5:6-7: "Humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time, casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you."

And as such Jesus said:

Matthew 11:29: "Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls."

Therefore:

2 Corinthians 5:17: "If anyone *is* in Christ, *he is* a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new."

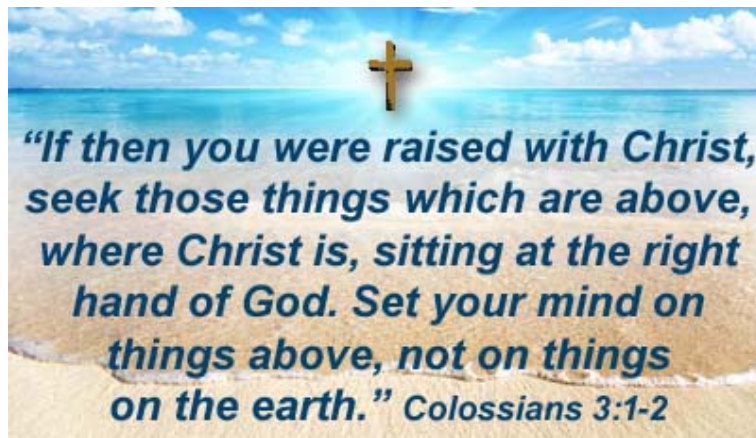
Why?

Colossians 3:3: "For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God."

1 Peter 2:21: "For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps."

Do I understand what true belief in Christ embodies?

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How is true faith manifested in a believer's life?

John 8:31-32: "Jesus said to the Jews who had believed Him, "If you abide in My word, you are truly My disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

Colossians 3:23-24: "And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance; for you serve the Lord Christ."

1 Peter 3:15: "Sanctify the Lord God in your hearts, and always *be* ready to *give* a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear."

Why?

James 2:14: "What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him?"

James 2:26: "For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also."

And as Jesus clearly said:

Matthew 9:24: "Whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will save it."

Therefore:

Galatians 5:16: "Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh."

James 4:7: "Submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you."

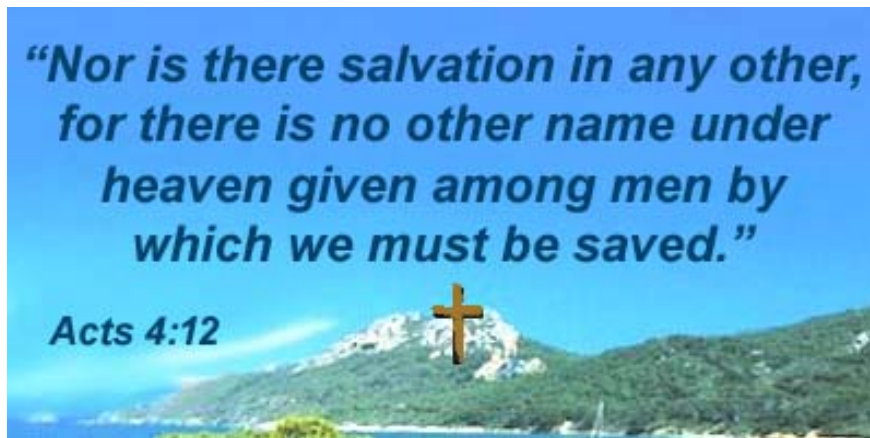
James 1:22: "Be doers of the Word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves."

How grounded and active is my faith in Christ in abiding in His Word, so I am a true disciple?

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***“Nor is there salvation in any other,
for there is no other name under
heaven given among men by
which we must be saved.”***

Acts 4:12



Is true belief in Christ and abiding in Him the only way to eternal life with God?

John 3:36: “He who believes in the Son has everlasting life; and he who does not believe the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him.”

As such Jesus added:

John 15:5-6: “I am the vine, you *are* the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing. If anyone does not abide in Me, he is cast out as a branch and is withered; and they gather them and throw *them* into the fire, and they are burned.”

Matthew 7:21-23: “Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven. Many will say to Me in that day, ‘Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?’ And then I will declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!’”

Therefore:

John 8:24: “I said to you that you will die in your sins; for if you do not believe that I am *He*, you will die in your sins.”

What’s more?

Luke 14:27: “Whoever does not bear his cross and come after Me cannot be My disciple.”

Do I understand how paramount it is to truly believe in and follow Christ?

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Why does salvation in Christ require that we sincerely repent and turn from our sins?

Romans 3:23-24: “For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and all are justified freely by His grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.”

Romans 6:23: “For the wages of sin *is* death, but the gift of God *is* eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

2Corinthians 7:10: “For godly sorrow produces repentance *leading* to salvation, not to be regretted; but the sorrow of the world produces death.”

As such Jesus said:

Luke 13:3: “Unless you repent you will all likewise perish.”

Why?

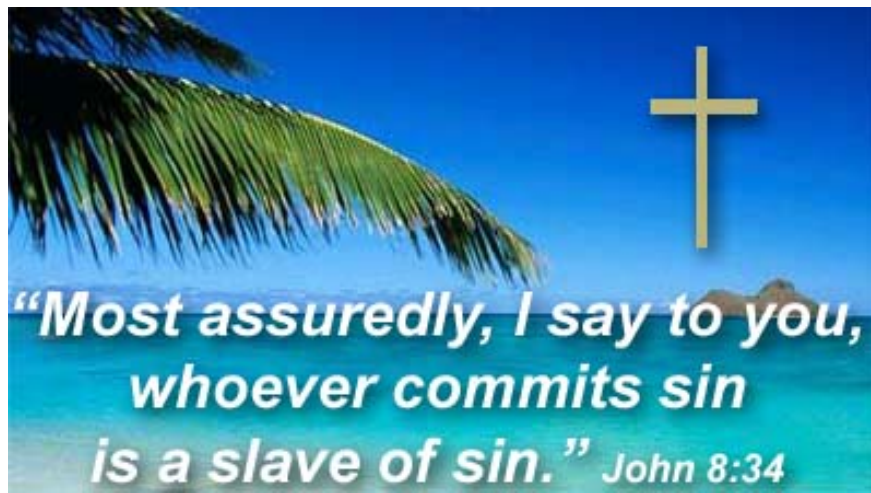
Romans 2:4-5: “Don’t you see how wonderfully kind, tolerant, and patient God is with you? Does this mean nothing to you? Can’t you see that His kindness is intended to turn you from your sin? But because you are stubborn and refuse to turn from your sin, you are storing up terrible punishment for yourself. For a day of anger is coming, when God’s righteous judgment will be revealed.” (NLT)

Therefore:

Acts 3:19: “Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord.”

Did I repent from the heart, with the intent to reject sin and follow Christ the Lord?

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What is the source of sin in life?

James 1:14-15: "Each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed. Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death."

As such Jesus said:

Mark 7:20-23: "What comes out of a person is what defiles him. For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

Why must we then reject sin?

Romans 8:7: "Because the carnal mind *is* enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be."

God's purpose being:

2 Corinthians 5:21: "He made Him who knew no sin *to be* sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him."

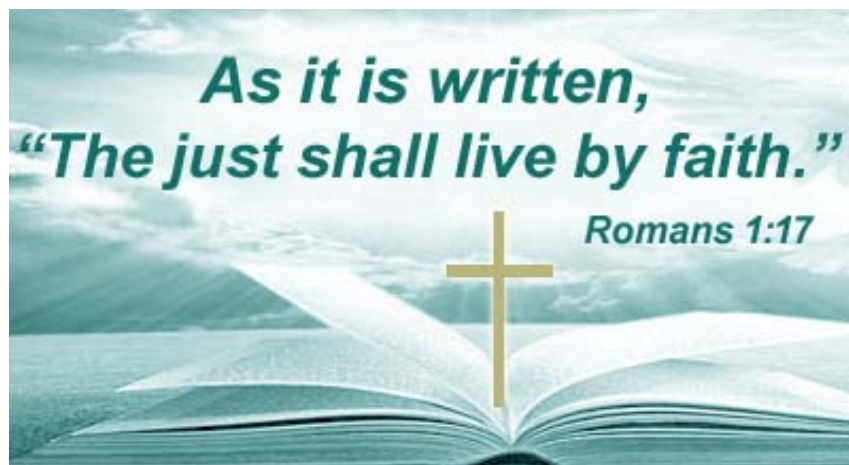
Therefore:

Colossians 3:5-6: "Put to death your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. Because of these things the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience."

James 4:7: "Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you."

Do I choose to resist the devil and follow Christ, or am I rather enslaved to sin?

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Why must we trust God no matter the circumstances of life?

Hebrews 11:6: "Without faith *it is* impossible to please *Him*, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and *that* He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him."

1 John 5:4: "For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith."

What is the path to trusting God?

Proverbs 3:5-6: "Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths."

James 1:5-8: "If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him. But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind. For let not that man suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord; *he is* a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways."

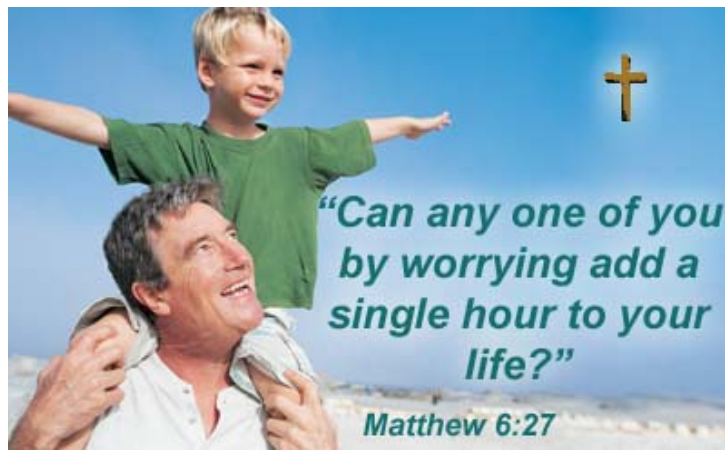
Therefore:

Ephesians 6:16: "In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one."

1 Corinthians 16:13: "Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong."

Do I trust God and stand by His Word, so I am not like a wave in the sea driven and tossed by the winds of the world?

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Why is fear and worry a hindrance to our faith in Christ?

2 Timothy 1:7: "For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind."

What's more?

1 John 4:18: "There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves torment. But he who fears has not been made perfect in love."

As such God declared:

Joshua 1:9: "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go."

The reason Jesus said:

John 14:27: "Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid."

Therefore:

Philippians 4:6-7: "Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus."

And as Isaiah 26:3 says: "You will keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on You, because he trusts in You."

Is the world a source of worry and fear in my life, or do I rather trust God and follow Christ with all my heart?

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***“No one can serve two masters.
Either you will hate the one
and love the other, or
you will be devoted to the one
and despise the other.”***



Matthew 6:24

Are there warnings we must heed as believers, so we reject temptations for sin in our lives, and truly follow Christ?

1 Corinthians 3:16-17: “Do you not know that you are the temple of God and *that* the Spirit of God dwells in you? If anyone defiles the temple of God, God will destroy him. For the temple of God is holy, which *temple* you are.”

As such:

2 Corinthians 6:14-16: “Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers. For what fellowship has righteousness with lawlessness? And what communion has light with darkness? And what accord has Christ with Belial? Or what part has a believer with an unbeliever? And what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For you are the temple of the living God.”

The reason why:

Proverbs 28:26: “He who trusts in his own heart is a fool, but whoever walks wisely will be delivered.”

Therefore:

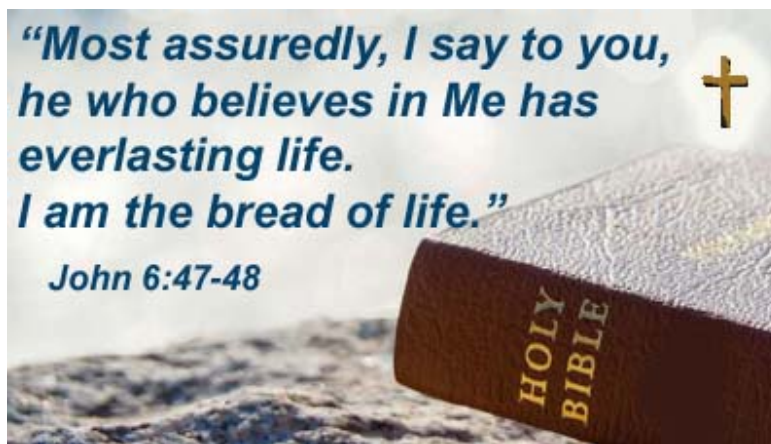
1 Peter 5:8: “Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.”

Matthew 26:41: “Watch and pray, lest you enter into temptation. The spirit indeed *is* willing, but the flesh *is* weak.”

James 1:22: “Be doers of the Word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.”

Am I always on my guard, trusting in and following Christ, so I am not deceived by the world?

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What blessings does God bestow to those who truly and effectively believe in and follow Christ?

John 7:38: "He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water."

1 Peter 1:8: "Though you have not seen Him, you love Him; and even though you do not see Him now, you believe in Him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy."

Ephesians 1:3: "Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly *places* in Christ."

The purpose being:

2 Corinthians 5:21: "He made Him who knew no sin *to be* sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him."

As such:

1 John 1:7: "If we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin."

The reason Jesus said:

John 8:31-32: "If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

Therefore:

Galatians 2:20: "I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the *life* which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me."

Do I abide in Christ and follow Him, so He abides in me?

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