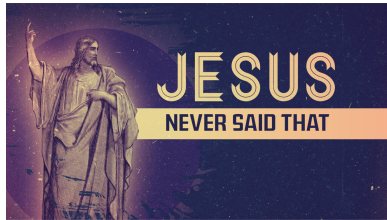


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**Jesus never said:
"Believe in God"**
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Jesus said we all must be born again

There was a man named Nicodemus, a Jewish religious leader who was a Pharisee. After dark one evening he came to speak with Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "we all know that God has sent you to teach us. Your miraculous signs are evidence that God is with you." John 3:1-2

Jesus said, "I tell you the truth, unless you are born again, you cannot see the Kingdom of God."

"How can a man be born when he is old?" Nicodemus asked. "Surely he cannot enter a second time into his mother's womb to be born!" "Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit." John 3:3-6

For Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. 1 Peter 3:18

I passed on to you what was most important and what had also been passed on to me. Christ died for our sins. 1 Corinthians 15:3

People are made right with God when they believe that Jesus sacrificed his life, shedding his blood. Romans 3:23-25

Jesus said narrow is OK.

"I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me." -Jesus, John 14:6

"There is no judgment against anyone who believes in him. But anyone who does not believe in him has already been judged for not believing in God's one and only Son." John 3:18



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"Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life, but whoever rejects the Son will not see life, for God's wrath remains on him." John 3:36

"There is salvation in no one else! God has given no other name under heaven by which we must be saved." Acts 4:12

Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have God's Son does not have life. 1 John 5:12

Then they asked Jesus, "What must we do to do the work God wants?" Jesus answered, "The work of God is this: to believe in the one he has sent." John 6:28-29

Others need to know.

For God was in Christ, reconciling the world to himself, no longer counting people's sins against them. And he gave us this wonderful message of reconciliation. 2 Corinthians 5:19

For your LifeGroup and accountability partner...

What does it mean that Jesus "never said believe in God"? Why is believing in God not enough?

Have someone read John 3:1-21 (Jesus' interaction with Nicodemus).

What do you think and how do you feel about Nicodemus?

Why do you think Jesus changed the subject from verse 2 to 3?

What does it mean to be 'born again'?

Read Matthew 7:13-14. What is Jesus talking about? Why is the gate 'narrow' and why do few 'find the right road'?

Who is God putting on your mind that you can share the story of Jesus with?

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