

## Why do People say they believe the Bible, But Don't?

Jesus is the living word. John 1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

Well first of all there are multitudes that do believe the Bible is the infallible written word of God.

2 Timothy 3:16 **All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:**

2 Peter 1:21 **For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.**

The first thing that those that question the authenticity of the scriptures, is that even tho they believe Jesus is the son of God. They do not know Him. You see, to know him is to love him and Jesus said, "If You love me keep my commandments."

John 14:15 **If ye love me, keep my commandments.**

John 15:10 **If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love.**

The first thing that these people will quote is:

**For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.** Ephesians 2: 8-9

**This is true, but I would like to go a bit more into reality.**

We will use the scenario of a single man and girl, you meet this girl and believe you would like to spend the rest of your life with her. You believe you have enough compatibility to make it work. **BUT UNTIL** you ask her, it will never become reality.

You see you can believe in Christ and his grace till the cows come home, but until you apply it to yourself and acknowledge your sinfulness and ask him to forgive you or come into your life or at least say, remember me, like the thief on the cross.

Your profession is in vain, **the Devils believe and tremble.** James 2:19

Getting back to the scenario, You get married and because you love your spouse, you refrain from doing the things that they don't like or unnecessarily hurt them.

So it is with Jesus, when you love Jesus, things in your life change.

2Corinthians 5:17 **Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.**

One of these things is that when Christ lives within you, the scriptures become real and that is because you **KNOW** the author. You have a totally different outlook on life, that is what love does. Your old sinful habits change.

Hebrews 11:6 **But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.**

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