

clearly see his invisible qualities his eternal power and divine nature. So they have no excuse whatsoever for not knowing God” (Romans 1:20).

So Creation is there to be observed by all to indicate the existence of God (Hebrews 1:2, 11:1-3, 6, Colossians 1:13-17). I believe in God the Creator!

2. The Person of Christ. The second reason I believe in Christ and Christianity is the reality and truth of the person of Christ himself. Whatever we may believe about Jesus Christ there is a wealth of documentation which demands serious consideration. He made unique claims about himself existing before everything and everyone else. He pre-existed, obviously not as a human being, but as God.

The Old Testament prophets wrote about his birth, life and death, hundreds of years before he was born of Mary. Surely this is worthy of an honest evaluation.

When I examined the claims of Jesus Christ I realised that He was no ordinary man. I came to understand the truth of what his disciple John wrote: *“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only One, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth”* (John 1:1-3, 14).

**Jesus answered, "The truth is,
I existed before Abraham
was even born!"
John 8:58**

Jesus himself said He was the only way to God and Heaven (John 14:6). I came to realize there was a divine purpose manifested in the person of Jesus Christ, his birth, death and resurrection. The Bible says, *“For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life”* (John 3:16).

Understanding the love of God in Jesus, I honestly confessed my sinfulness and asked Him to save me. It is not possible to fully describe the joy of forgiveness, the love and peace I experienced at that moment. I believe in God, Jesus Christ and the Bible.

Does It Really Matter? I believe it does. As the early Creeds put it: “I believe in God the Father and in Jesus Christ, whom he sent.” Do you believe? Where will you spend Eternity? If you put your faith and hope in the wrong thing or wrong person, you will be lost forever. With Jesus you can’t go wrong!

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It is not uncommon today to hear people say that all religions lead to God. That so long as a person tries to live a good life he will go to Heaven.

Many religious leaders are saying that it doesn't matter if one is a Hindu, Muslim, Buddhist, Shintoist, Animist or Christian, we are all headed in the same direction. It's up to the individual to 'do the best he can' to win favor with the gods or God or whatever 'Ultimate Reality' they believe will reward them at the end.

What they are really saying is, "It Doesn't Matter What You Believe — As Long As You Are Sincere."

This is really a two-fold statement. One addresses 'what we believe' and the other whether 'sincerity alone,' is enough.

Does it matter what a person believes?

Most assuredly! It is possible to be persuaded to believe almost anything. For years people believed the world was flat and that the sun rose and set. People have often believed things that later have been proven wrong.

If we listen to some of the voices of our day they will tell us some pretty unbelievable things like: we evolved from slime or we lived as another creature in time past or we will live as a cat or a dog in the future life.

Does it really matter? Yes, because everything we believe in, effects our viewpoint on life. If we do not believe in God or that He

created mankind, then we are certainly not accountable to Him. We can live as we please, with little regard for what He says. Which means we can follow any 'religion' that suggests we just do the best we can, and be left to our own convictions as to what IS the best that we can do.

The real issue is, 'which religion or way is the right one.' If it is established that God, Jesus, the Bible and Christianity give the right interpretation of life, then we may well need to re-think, 'Does it really Matter?'

What a man believes in his heart, is what he is.

Proverbs 23:7

Is sincerity enough? The argument for sincerity is a horrible line of reasoning. If sincerity is all that counts, then any devout Nazi or Stalinist would be commendable. Most people are sincerely committed to what they believe.

The idea that God might applaud the sincerity of a Satanist doesn't fit anything we know to be good and right. After all Jesus was crucified by sincere religious leaders and the apostle Paul was a sincere persecutor of the church prior to his conversion.

So while sincerity may be an essential ingredient of belief, it is not sufficient in and of itself.

Then 'What Really Does Matter?'

What you believe of course! And belief or faith is like a scientific experiment. You start with an assumption, then seek to prove or disprove it.

What assumptions have you accepted? Are

you able to verify them with factual documentation? How do they square with what is known about God, Jesus, the Bible and Christianity?

What if you are believing the wrong thing? Does it really matter?

Here are just two reasons why I believe in God and Christ.

1. Creation. There's a song which contains these words, "*Creation shows the power of God, there's beauty all around, in every little bird and flower, His handiwork abounds*". I like this as it declares the truth of Psalm 19:1, "*The heavens tell the glory of God. And the skies announce what his hands have made.*"

Anyone who wants to come to God must believe that He exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek Him.

Hebrews 11:6

The fact of God's handiwork can be seen all around us. I love the wildlife and nature programs on TV narrated by Sir David Attenborough. They are well presented and reveal unimaginable insight into the marvels of nature and the universe. Though David Attenborough sees 'evolutional adaptation' as the reason for the unique differences in nature, I stand in awe at the marvellous designs of the Creator and recognise the truth of the Bible verse which says, "*From the time the world was created, people have seen the earth and sky and all that God has made. They can*