

## The "Haves" Of John's Gospel

### 1. By Looking to him we can know we have eternal life.

John 3:15 that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life.

### 2. Salvation and wrath are in the present tense.

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

### 3. A saved person has passed into life.

John 5:24 "I tell you the truth, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be condemned; he has crossed over from death to life.

### 4. Salvation is present tense.

John 6:47 I tell you the truth, he who believes has everlasting life.

### 5. The Life of Jesus is abundant and "now".

John 10:10 The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

### 6. True life is in the Son of God.

1 John 5:11 And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son.

### 7. There are only two kinds of people in the world.

1 John 5:12 He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life.

### 8. A person can know for sure if they are saved.

1 John 5:13 I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life.

### 9. Jesus' sheep will never perish.

John 10:27 My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me.

John 10:28 I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of my hand.

### 10. Jesus will never drive one of His own away.

John 6:37 All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never drive away.

To believe in Jesus means to trust in, totally rely on, be persuaded of, to place one's confidence in Christ as your Savior.

The Apostle John states in his book that his purpose for writing is to cause the reader to believe in Christ.

*John 20:31 But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.*

# Believing in Christ

*As found in John's  
Gospel*

The Gospel  
according to  
*John*

*Jesus came to the world in order that He  
might give eternal life to all who  
would believe in Him.*

## **The Following 7 Things Occur When One Believes In Christ:**

### **1. Believing in Christ gives us eternal life.**

John 3:15 that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life.

### **2. Believing in Christ makes us children of God.**

John 1:12 Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God--

### **3. Believing in Christ will cause us to not be condemned.**

John 5:24 "I tell you the truth, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be condemned; he has crossed over from death to life.

John 3:16 "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

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

### **4. Believing in Christ will cause us to never spiritually thirst and hunger again.**

John 6:35 Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never go hungry, and he who believes in me will never be thirsty.

### **5. Whoever believes in Christ will live and not die (eternally).**

John 11:25 Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies;

John 1 1:26 and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?"

### **6. Believing in Christ will keep a person out spiritual darkness.**

John 12:46 I have come into the world as a light, so that no one who believes in me should stay in darkness.

### **7. Believing in Christ will cause us to see and have life.**

John 19:35 The man who saw it has given testimony, and his testimony is true. He knows that he tells the truth, and he testifies so that you also may believe.

## **How does a person believe? John gives us 7 illustrations of what it means to believe.**

### **1. Believing is like drinking water.**

John 4:14 but whoever drinks the water I give him will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life."

REV 22:17 The Spirit and the bride say, "Come!"

And let him who hears say, "Come!" Whoever is thirsty, let him come; and whoever wishes, let him take the free gift of the water of life.

### **2. Believing is liking hearing.**

John 5:24 "I tell you the truth, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be condemned; he has crossed over from death to life.

### **3. Believing is like going to a place.**

John 6:37 All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never drive away.

### **4. Believing is like eating food.**

John 6:54 Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day.

John 6:56 Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me, and I in him.

### **5. Believing is like saying yes.**

1JO 2:23 No one who denies the Son has the Father; whoever acknowledges the Son has the Father also.

### **6. Believing is like following.**

John 8:12 When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

### **7. believing is like going through a gate.**

John 10:9 I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. He will

come in and go out, and find pasture.

By believing in Christ a person receives eternal life.

Upon believing, the Bible assures us that we possess salvation. It is not that we hope we will be saved someday or that we will get salvation in heaven but that it becomes a present possession when a person puts their faith in Jesus.

See on the next page how John uses the word "have".