

Look Up

(How to give God the only thing you've got He wants)
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"... I lift up my eyes to the hills-- where does my help come from? My help comes from the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth"
(Psa 121:1-3)

"And **without faith** it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him." (Heb 11:6)

What do you believe in?

I believe in **me**.

"Where were you when I laid the foundations of the earth? Tell me, if you know so much. Do you know how its dimensions were determined, and who did the surveying?" (Job 38:4-11)

I believe in **nothing**.

"For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities--his eternal power and divine nature--have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse."
(Rom 1:20-22)

I believe in **everything**.

"**Ever learning**, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth." (2 Tim 3:7)

I believe in **truth**.

"Jesus answered, 'I am **the way** and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.'" (Joh 14:6)

Who do you believe in?

Jesus is **a liar**.

"... Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'?" (John 14:9)

Jesus is **a lunatic**.

Jesus is **Lord**.

"I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile." (Rom 1:16)

God's 3 Demands

God says, "**trust me**."

"For salvation that comes from trusting Christ--which is what we preach--is already within easy reach of each of us; in fact, it is as near as our own hearts and mouths." (Rom 10:8-11)

God says, "**test me**."

"Will a man **rob God**? Yet you rob me. But you ask, 'How do we rob you?' 'In tithes and offerings. You are under a curse--the whole nation of you--because you are robbing me. Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this,' says the LORD Almighty, 'and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it.'" (Mal 3:8-10)

God says, "**take me at my word**."

"**Against all hope**, Abraham in hope believed and so became the father of many nations, just as it had been said to him, 'So shall your offspring be.'" (Rom 4:18)