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## *A Christmas Gift For All!*

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*"For God so loved the world, that he GAVE his only begotten Son, that WHOSOEVER believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." (John 3:16)*

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Dear Friend of ChristLife,

I realize that it is not even Thanksgiving yet! However, it is the time of year for us to offer our **Christmas card inserts again.**

For those who are new to this ministry, over the past few years, we have included small inserts that you can add to your Christmas cards. We have included a few inserts with this mailing for you to use. It is our hope that you will order more and include them in all of your Christmas cards this year!

The idea is very simple and yet so powerful. All you do is prepare your Christmas cards as usual and just place one of these inserts inside of each card.

How is this powerful? Because each insert contains the **Gospel of Jesus Christ!** By including an insert with each of your cards, you are sending the **power of God unto salvation.**

God so loved the world - He so loved you - He so loved me that He sent Jesus to die for our sins.

Including a **Christmas card insert** is an expression of how much you love and care for the person to whom you give the card.

These inserts work! **The Gospel they deliver is what really works!**

Over the past few years, there have been testimonies of people committing their lives to Jesus because of the Gospel message on these inserts.

Wouldn't it be great if this Christmas was God's ordained time for your loved one's salvation? Ask God to save them and present the Gospel to them!

Please pray about how God might want you to use this simple idea. **Please write us and let us know if you would like us to send you more.** As the Lord provides, we want to make available as many of these as you believe you can use.

**Seize the opportunity of Christmas to share the Truth of Jesus Christ!** Begin praying right now for those on your

Christmas list who need to know Jesus.

Be sure and request enough of these little inserts to send along with your Christmas cards.

Love in Christ Jesus,  
The ChristLife Team

*Proclaiming Christ Jesus All Sufficient Always in All Things to All Men Everywhere*

## *Do You BELIEVE?*

*"For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever BELIEVETH in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." (John 3:16)*

Dear Friend of ChristLife,

On the other side of this letter, I focused on the **GIFT** that God gave (Jesus Christ) and the recipients of that gift (**WHOSOEVER**). On this side, I want to continue to focus on this very popular passage from the Bible, but I want to concentrate on the word "**BELIEVETH**".

Since whoever **BELIEVES** in Jesus will have everlasting life... it is **very important** to know what it means when the Bible says "believeth".

I typed "define: believe" into the Google search field and here are some of the definitions of the word "believe" that resulted from that search:

"1 a : to have a firm religious faith b : to accept as true, genuine, or real <ideals we believe in> <believes in ghosts>  
2 : to have a firm conviction as to the goodness, efficacy, or ability of something <believe in exercise>  
3 : to hold an opinion : THINK <I believe so>"

It is **NOT ENOUGH** to have "a firm religious faith" or to "accept as true" in Jesus' death, burial and resurrection for our sins. The Greek word translated "believeth" has a **far deeper meaning** than those offered above.

Here is that Greek word (Strong's Concordance G4100): "pisteuo -- pronounced: pist-yoo'-o - from 4102; to have faith (in, upon, or with respect to, a person or thing), i.e. credit; by implication, to entrust (especially one's spiritual well-being to Christ): KJV -- believe(-r), commit (to trust), put in trust with."

As you can see, to **BELIEVE** in Jesus by the Biblical definition, is to completely **ENTRUST** yourself to Jesus Christ. It is a total commitment!

This is **VERY DIFFERENT** from the modern definitions above! The closest one to the Greek word is to have a "firm religious faith." Does that do justice to the Bible definition? Many Mormons, Muslims, Hindus and others have "firm religious faith". Is their "faith" going to get them into Heaven? **NO!**

To Biblically **BELIEVE** in Jesus Christ means to completely entrust yourself to Jesus Christ.

**Do you believe?** The answer to this question is critical to answering the question posed in Pastor Marr's message this month. Please read and prayerfully ponder the message, "**Where Will You Be 100 Years From Now?**"

Love in Christ Jesus,  
The ChristLife Team

*To God be All the Glory! He Alone is Worthy!*

# *Where Will You Be 100 Years From Now?*

I'm unusual.

I look forward to dying.

Oh, yes, there's the normal tug of this life and this world. In spite of the pain I've endured and continue to endure, there are good things, too.

There's the beauty of the trees, the flowers, the hills and mountains, the nearby Niagara Falls. There's the beautiful birds with their sweet songs. There's friends and family. And most of all there's God and His love.

Perhaps it's not really the dying that I look forward to.

It's what comes next.

The unpleasantness of dying is just the prelude to a perfect eternity for me.

And that's the rub.

## **I Can't Stand the Present Imperfections**

I don't like the imperfections of this world. Even the most wonderful things this world offers are flawed by imperfections of all kinds, and they're fleeting at best.

When I go to nearby Lake Ontario, and gaze, and enjoy, and relish the tranquility I feel, I can't stand the idea that I can't take it all away with me.

Just so, I hate the certainty that the beauty of the new warm green of spring and the magnificent multicolors of fall will be followed by the cold grey-brown barrenness of winter.

I can't stand the hurtful imperfections that are the common lot of all mankind. I loathe my own worst of all.

I long for the day when I will at last escape from all the uncertainties, failures, follies, stupidities, and imperfections of all kinds that are so obviously mine.

## **Is There Really Life After Death?**

"But," you ask, "what makes you think you're going to live on in any form after you die?"

Well, in the first place I'm not really going to die at all. Never. My body may die, be buried and return dust to dust. But my soul, the real me will live on.

Now, the question isn't so much whether we're going to live on after death.

## **Is There a God?**

The real question is, "Is there a personal, all-powerful, all-knowing, everywhere-present, eternal, and infinite God who created all that is?"

Any other answer than, "Yes, obviously He is," is quite ridiculous.

Look up at the stars. Look out at the world. Look in at your body, and most notably at your brain. There can be no other answer.

Billions of brain cells work together to accomplish the most marvelous feats. Every organ plays its role in the human body; if it weren't there, or if it weren't designed to work exactly as it does work, the body wouldn't function. When almost any organ stops functioning, the whole stops functioning. And you die.

There are billions of stars in our galaxy and billions of such galaxies in our universe. Suspended in space, they operate

in the most awe-inspiring order.

The earth's ecosystem is so marvelously balanced that, from tigers to microbes, vultures to rabbits, it functions to keep everything in it functioning.

Every creature is provided with all it needs to operate adequately in its environment.

Now, go ahead, tell me that all this came about by unplanned accident. Tell me there is no God. And hear God reply from his book, the Bible, "The fool has said in his heart, there is no God."

A noted biologist, the late professor Edwin Conklin, declared that the probability of life originating by accident is comparable to the probability of the Unabridged Dictionary resulting from an explosion in a printing shop.

### **The Devil's Awful Lies**

It's the devil's lie that there's no God, no life after death, no eternally perfect place prepared for God's then perfected children.

A long time ago this same devil told another lie. He told Eve, the mother of the race, "You shall not surely die." When he told that lie, he introduced into the earth and the human race not only death, but all the anguish, and hurt, and pain, and suffering, all the uncertainty, all the frustration, all the loneliness, all the sin and evil that have cursed mankind ever since. And he arranged to take men with him into the hell that God had provided for the devil and his angels.

### **God Provided a Way Out**

But the God who created mankind loved you too much. He wanted no part in this. He arranged for an end to all the pain, suffering, sin and hell for all of those who would accept His way out.

He sent Jesus, His sinless Son, to die on the Cross, taking our sin and punishment on Himself. And His Spirit is pursuing you relentlessly, calling you to turn from your sin and receive Him as your Savior and Lord.

### **You Don't Believe - So What?**

Now, you don't have to believe any of this. You don't have to take Him as your Savior. No one can force you.

The choice is yours. But it's a non-choice. Do you really want to choose the devil's way, not God's? Do you really want to choose your sin, not your Savior? Do you really want to choose hell, not heaven?

"But," you say, "I don't believe there's a heaven or hell where I'll live on after physical death."

My dear friend, that really doesn't make a bit of difference. A minute after you're dead you'll be a believer. But then it will be too late.

So, to seek God and His salvation must be right now the very most important concern of your life.

### **This Will Make All The Difference**

Pray simply something like this:

Dear God, I know I'm a sinner, I've done things that displease you. I want you to save me from my sins and their deserved punishment.

So, as best I know how, I take Jesus to be my Savior and Lord right now. And I ask your help to enable me to live in such a way as to increasingly please you and help others to know and love you too.

Thank you for forgiving my sins and cleansing me of them. Thank you for preparing a place for me in heaven. Amen."

### **You've a New Life Now & Forever**

Then start reading your Bible beginning with the Gospel of John. Talk to God often in prayer. Get together with others who love the Lord Jesus at a Bible-believing church or wherever you can. Tell others often what the Lord has done for you, and encourage them to pray the same kind of prayer you've prayed.

*Jesus Christ - the King of kings and Lord of lords!*

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*Great is Thy Faithfulness!*