

WHY BE A CHRISTIAN ?

1. BECAUSE JESUS IS GOD'S SON!

The first reason why anyone should be a Christian, a follower of Jesus Christ, is because of who Jesus is: the Son of God (Matthew 14:33; 16:16; Acts 8:37). Jesus fulfilled prophecies (Luke 24:44), worked miracles (Acts 2:22; John 20:30-31), and even rose from the dead (Romans 1:4)– all of which prove He is indeed God's only begotten Son!

2. BECAUSE OF OUR NEED!

Man's greatest need is for forgiveness (Romans 5:12; Romans 3:23; 6:23). We need to follow Christ because we need what He offers by His blood – forgiveness! (Read John 1:29; Acts 2:36-38; Acts 22:16; Romans 1:16).

3. BECAUSE OF THE CHRISTIAN WAY OF LIFE!

Living the Christian life is the right, the very best, way to life! Living for Christ gives life meaning, purpose, and hope. In Christ, we have new life (Romans 6:3-4; 2 Corinthians 5:17). The Christian life is right – intellectually, socially, morally, and spiritually!

4. BECAUSE OF WHAT THE CHRISTIAN POSSESSES!

What does the child of God have? Forgiveness (1 John 1:7), hope (Hebrews 6:19), the privilege of prayer (1 Peter 3:12), relationship with God (1 John 1:3), and freedom from the slavery of sin (Romans 6:11-12, 14). All of these are great reasons for any man or woman to be a Christian!

5. BECAUSE OF GRATITUDE!

Another great reason to be a Christian is simple gratitude – thanks and appreciation for what God has done for us in giving His Son, and what His Son has done for us in giving His life. The Bible says, "*We love him, because he first loved us*" (1 John 4:19). Ought we not be forever thankful unto God for His great gift?

IN CHRIST WE HAVE ...

A love that can never be fathomed,
A peace that can never be understood,
A joy that can never be diminished,
A hope that can never be disappointed,
And a life that can never die!