

**ULaity Missionary Baptist Church Incorporated's Bible Study Lesson
December 11th, 2021, "ZOOM" Meeting – 1:00 p.m.**



Topic: Unbelief

(A Continuation of Our Discussion About “Faith” in the LORD God Almighty, the Lord Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit of the Living God)

Opening Holy Scriptures: John 3: 35-36: The Father loves the Son, and has given all things into His hand. He who believes in the Son has everlasting life; and he who does not believe the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him.

Hebrews 11:1: Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

Questions to Consider:

- 1. What does the Holy Bible say about “unbelief” to the Christian population?**
- 2. Is “unbelief” a sin?**
- 3. Is there a difference in “a lack of faith”, “doubt”, and “unbelief”?**
- 4. What causes unbelief? Why are some people unbelieving?
Why do some people choose not to believe in the LORD God? (Atheist)**
- 5. Why do some people struggle with unbelief? Does everyone struggle with a lack of faith during some period(s) of his/her life?**
- 6. What are the horrific consequences of unbelief?**

7. How can Christians be “proactive” about their faith in the LORD God Almighty, the Lord Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit? What are “preventive” measures, we, as Christians, can take, ---collectively and individually?
8. When, where, and how are Christians attacked with the lie of unbelief? Why are they attacked? What happens when a person is attacked?
9. When your faith is attacked (or if you “lack” faith/if you doubt), what should you do? How does a person get rid of the “junk” that has saturated in his or her mind dealing with unbelief?
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What does God’s Word, the Holy Bible, say about unbelief?

Psalm 14:1: The fool has said in his heart, “*There is no God.*” They are corrupt, they have done abominable works. There is none who does good.

Hebrews 11:6: But without faith, *it is impossible* to please Him (the LORD God Almighty), for he who comes to *Him* must believe that He is, and that he is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

Hebrews 3:12-14: Beware, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief in departing from the living God; but exhort one another daily, while it is called “*Today*”, lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin. For we have become partakers of Christ if we hold the beginning of our confidence steadfast to the end.

II Thessalonians 3:1-2: Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may run swiftly and be glorified, just as it is with you, and that we may be delivered from unreasonable and wicked men; for not all have faith.

What causes unbelief?

Ignorance/Lack of Knowledge About the LORD God Almighty, Ignoring/Not Acknowledging

the Evidence of the LORD God's Existence, Power, and Involvement with Our Universe, Not Acknowledging the Power of God and His Loving, Personal Involvement in One's Life, Not Diligently Seeking the LORD God, Pride/Self-importance, Gratifying Self/ Preoccupation with Self and Worldly Things, Being a Lover of Darkness, Disobedience, Being Rebellious and Stubborn About Following the LORD God's Way, Lack of Prayer, Peer Pressure/ the Influences of Other People, Demonic Interference and Influences, _____

Luke 24:25-27: Then He (the Lord Jesus Christ) said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe in all that the prophets have spoken! Ought not the Christ to have suffered these things and to enter into His glory?" And beginning at Moses and all the Prophets, He expounded to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself.

John 12:37: But although He (the Lord Jesus Christ) had done so many signs before them, they did not believe in Him.

I Timothy 1:12-13: And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord who has enabled me, because He counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry, although I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and an insolent man, but I obtained mercy because I did it ignorantly in unbelief.

John 3:19-20: And this is the condemnation, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. For everyone practicing evil hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed.

I John 2:15-17: Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that *is* in the world---the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life---is not of the Father but is of the world. And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever.

Isaiah 65:2: I have stretched out My hands all day long to a rebellious people,

who walk in a way that is not good, according to their own thoughts;

Nehemiah 9:16-17: But they and our fathers acted proudly, hardened their necks, and did not heed Your commandments. They refused to obey, and they were not mindful of Your wonders that You did among them. But they hardened their necks, and in their rebellion, they appointed a leader to return to their bondage. But You are God, ready to pardon, gracious and merciful, slow to anger, abundant in kindness, and did not forsake them.

Mark 16:14-16: Later He (the Lord Jesus Christ) appeared to the eleven as they sat at the table; and He rebuked their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they did not believe those who had seen Him after He had risen. And He said to them, “Go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature. He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned.”

Romans 1:24-25: Therefore God also gave them up to uncleanness, in the lusts of their hearts, to dishonor their bodies among themselves, who exchanged the truth of God for the lie, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen.

I Corinthians 15:33-34: Do not be deceived: “Evil company corrupts good habits.” Awake to righteousness, and do not sin, for some do not have the knowledge of God. I speak this to your shame.

Titus 1:15-16: To the pure all things are pure, but to those who are defiled and unbelieving nothing is pure; but even their mind and conscience are defiled. They profess to know God, but in works they deny Him, being abominable, disobedient, and disqualified for every good work.

John 14:11: For they loved the praise of men more than the praise of God.

When your faith is attacked, what should you do?

II Thessalonians 2:15: Therefore, brethren, stand fast and hold the traditions which you were taught, whether by word or our epistle.

I John 4:1: Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but try the spirits, whether they are of God; because many false prophets have gone out into the world.

I John 5:23: Little children, keep yourselves from idols. Amen.

Mark 9:23-24: Jesus said to him, “If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes.” Immediately the father of the child cried out and said with tears, “Lord, I believe; help my unbelief.”

Acknowledge the sin of unbelief and pray to God. Only God can help you and me. Again, diligently seek the LORD God Almighty. He is a rewarder of those who seek Him.

Luke 18:8: I tell you that He will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will He really find faith on the earth?

(Be on guard, stay alert. Learn. Do not be one of the tragic statistics, the LORD God willing.)

How can Christians be proactive about their faith in the LORD God?

II Timothy 2:15: Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

Acts 17:10-11: Then the brethren immediately sent Paul and Silas away by night to Berea. When they arrived, they went into the synagogue of the Jews. These were more fair-minded than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness, and searched the Scriptures daily to find out whether these things were so.

II Corinthians 6:14-15: Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers. For what fellowship has righteousness with lawlessness? And what

communion has light with darkness? And what accord has Christ with Belial? Or what part has a believer with an unbeliever?

Romans 16:17: Now I urge you, brethren, note those who cause divisions and offenses, contrary to the doctrine which you learned, and avoid them.

II John 1: 9-10: Whoever transgresses and does not abide in the doctrine of Christ does not have God. He who abides in the doctrine of Christ has both the Father and the Son. If anyone comes to you and does not bring this doctrine, do not receive him into your house nor greet him.

Romans 4:20-22: He (Abraham) did not waver at the promise of God through unbelief, but was strengthened in faith, giving glory to God, and being fully convinced that what He had promised He was also able to perform. And therefore *“it was accounted to him for righteousness.”*

Philippians 4:8: Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy---meditate on these things.

Colossians 3:1-2: If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth.

John 3:14-16: And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. For God so loved the world that He gave His only Begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.