

# Barriers To Belief

"I have told you that you would die in your sins, for unless you believe that I am He you will die in your sins." John 8:24 (English Standard Version)

Why do some - even \_\_\_\_\_! - not \_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus?

## Jesus' Claim To Be God's Son

A. Some don't overcome this barrier to belief:

1. Matthew 16:15-17 - The \_\_\_\_\_ revealed the truth about Jesus to \_\_\_\_\_.
2. John 10:24-26a - The \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus did testified about Him.
3. John 10:30-33 - They saw that Jesus made Himself \_\_\_\_\_.
4. John 8:23,24 - If we don't believe "I \_\_\_\_\_", we will \_\_\_\_\_ in our sins.

B. Lewis: Jesus is either a \_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_, or the \_\_\_\_\_. There is enough \_\_\_\_\_ to make the right choice.

## Jesus' Standard Of Holiness

A. Do Jesus' followers have a standard of conduct?

1. Mark 1:15 - From the beginning of His ministry His message was "\_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_."
2. John 5:14 - Jesus charged the man to "\_\_\_\_\_ no more" or something \_\_\_\_\_ would come upon him.
3. Luke 13:3 - Unless we \_\_\_\_\_, we will all likewise \_\_\_\_\_.

B. Matthew 7:13,14 - Why do so \_\_\_\_\_ follow Christ? The \_\_\_\_\_ is narrow - He demands \_\_\_\_\_.

## Jesus' Call To Die To Self

A. Matthew 16:24 - To \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus, we must \_\_\_\_\_ ourselves, take up our \_\_\_\_\_, and follow Him.

B. Are we motivated by "\_\_\_\_\_" \_\_\_\_\_?

1. Romans 6:3,4 - "Self" must \_\_\_\_\_ and be \_\_\_\_\_ with Christ. Only then can we walk in \_\_\_\_\_ of life.
2. Colossians 3:2-4 - To be a Christian we must \_\_\_\_\_. From now on, \_\_\_\_\_ is our life.

Acts 24:24,25 - Did Felix \_\_\_\_\_? He obviously understood the \_\_\_\_\_ of what Paul said about \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ.

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