

Why did Jesus say to believe in Him?

(Jesus says in multiple verses, to believe in Him, because the miracles offered proof that He was sent from God. Because Jesus did miracles and people still refused to believe, they have sin and are guilty for not following Jesus. The miracles offered proof that Jesus was clearly sent from God, and God considers the miracles to be adequate proof. You can see Jesus's miracles in many churches today, because He is alive and well and is still the same - you can watch the 700 club M-F and hear miracle testimonials almost daily)

John 15:24 AMP. [24] **If I had not done among them the works (attesting miracles) which no one else [ever] did, they would not have [the guilt of their] sin;** but now [the fact is that] they have both seen [these works] and have hated Me [and continue to hate Me] and My Father as well.

John 10:37-38 AMP. [37] If I do not do the **works** of My Father [that is, **the miracles that only God could perform**], then do not believe Me. [38] But if I am doing them, even if you do not believe Me or have faith in Me, [at least] **believe the works** [that I do—**admit that they are the works of God**], so that you may know and keep on knowing [clearly—without any doubt] that the Father is in Me, and I am in the Father [that is, I am One with Him].”

Matthew 11:20-21 NASB1995. [20] Then He began to denounce the cities in which most of **His miracles** were done, because they did not repent. [21] “Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the **miracles** had occurred in Tyre and Sidon which occurred in you, **they would have repented** long ago in sackcloth and ashes.

John 11:1-7 NASB1995 [1] Now a certain man was sick, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. [2] It was the Mary who anointed the Lord with ointment, and wiped His feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was sick. [3] So the sisters sent word to Him, saying, “Lord, behold, he whom You love is sick.” [4] **But when Jesus heard this, He said, “This sickness is not to end in death, but for the glory of God, so that the Son of God may be glorified by it.”** [5] Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. [6] So when He heard that he was sick, **He then stayed two days longer in the place where He was.** [7] Then after this He *said to the disciples, “Let us go to Judea again.”

John 11:41-46 NASB1995. [41] So they removed the stone. Then Jesus raised His eyes, and said, **Father, I thank You that You have heard Me.** “[42] I knew that You always hear Me; but because of the people standing around I said it, **so that they may believe that You sent Me.”** [43] When He had said these things, **He cried out with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come forth.”** [44] **The man who had died came forth, bound hand and foot with wrappings, and his face was wrapped around with a cloth.** Jesus *said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.” [45] **Therefore many of the Jews who came to Mary, and saw what He had done, believed in Him.** [46] But some of them went to the Pharisees and told them the things which Jesus had done.

John 12:9-11 NASB1995 [9] The large crowd of the Jews then learned that He was there; and they came, not for Jesus' sake only, **but that they might also see Lazarus**, whom He raised from the dead. [10] **But the chief priests planned to put Lazarus to death also; [11] because on account of him many of the Jews were going away and were believing in Jesus.**

(Below it appears Jesus refers to Himself as **I AM, which is the name of God**. This appears to have given Peter the faith to walk on water) (1 Timothy 3:16 Jesus is referred to as “**God manifested in the flesh**” & as “**God our Savior**” in Titus 1:3)

Matthew 14:27-29 AMPC. [27] But instantly He spoke to them, saying, Take courage! **I AM!** Stop being afraid! [Exod. 3:14.] [28] And Peter answered Him, Lord, if it is You, command me to come to You on the water. [29] He said, Come! So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water, and he came toward Jesus.

Exodus 3:14 AMPC. [14] And **God said to Moses, I AM WHO I AM and WHAT I AM, and I WILL BE WHAT I WILL BE; and He said, You shall say this to the Israelites:** I AM has sent me to you!

John 2:9-11 AMPC. [9] And when the manager tasted the **water just now turned into wine**, not knowing where it came from—though the servants who had drawn the water knew—he called the bridegroom [10] And said to him, Everyone else serves his best wine first, and when people have drunk freely, then he serves that which is not so good; but you have kept back the good wine until now! [11] **This, the first of His signs (miracles, wonderworks), Jesus performed in Cana of Galilee**, and manifested His glory [by it He displayed His greatness and His power openly], and **His disciples believed in Him** [adhered to, trusted in, and relied on Him]. [Deut. 5:24; Ps. 72:19.]

John 21:25 AMPC. [25] And there are also **many other things which Jesus did. If they should be all recorded one by one [in detail], I suppose that even the world itself could not contain (have room for) the books that would be written.**