

It's Personal!



The NT refers to Christians as “believers.” I cannot be a Christian without believing certain fundamental facts or doctrines.

The NT (also) refers to Christians as “children of God.” One does not become a child by “believing” something. Children are related to parents. I cannot be a Christian without having a fundamental relationship with God.



“This man was... sitting in his chariot reading the book of Isaiah the prophet” (*Acts 8:28*)

I **BELIEVE** that God has given **reliable information** (*Bible*)

“He was led like a sheep to the slaughter... Tell me, who is the prophet talking about? (8:34)

**I BELIEVE** the message  
centers on **one** unique **person**  
*(Christ)*

He was led... he was  
deprived... his life was taken...”  
(8:32-35)

**I BELIEVE** Christ’s  
**accomplishments** are “good  
news” for my **condition**.  
(*repentance*)

“Philip began with that very passage and told him the good news about Jesus.” (8:35)

**I BELIEVE** this transaction is God’s **offer** of **life**, and I choose to **receive** it! (*faith*)

“Why shouldn’t I be baptized?”

**I BELIEVE** that I must deny my  
own pride and **identify** with  
Christ. *(baptism)*



“... and the eunuch went on his way rejoicing.” (8:39)

**I BELIEVE** I must **pursue**  
the implications and victory  
of the **Christian life.**

WHAT IS A RELATIONSHIP?  
*WHAT IS A TRULY  
PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP?*

- **Intimacy with...**
- **Interest in...**
- **Importance of...**
- **Impact upon...**

It's Personal!

