

30 BIG IDEAS IN THE BIBLE

THINK

KEY BELIEFS: WHAT DO I BELIEVE?

1 GOD WHO IS GOD? I believe the God of the Bible is the only true God—Father, Son and Holy Spirit. 2 Corinthians 13:14	2 PERSONAL GOD DOES GOD CARE ABOUT ME? I believe God is involved in and cares about my daily life. Psalm 121:1-2	3 SALVATION HOW DO I HAVE A RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD? I believe a person comes into a right relationship with God by God's grace through faith in Jesus Christ. Ephesians 2:8-9	4 THE BIBLE HOW DO I KNOW GOD AND HIS WILL FOR MY LIFE? I believe the Bible is the inspired Word of God that guides my beliefs and actions. 2 Timothy 3:16-17	5 IDENTITY IN CHRIST WHO AM I? I believe I am significant because of my position as a child of God. John 1:12
6 CHURCH HOW WILL GOD ACCOMPLISH HIS PLAN? I believe the church is God's primary way to accomplish his purposes on earth. Ephesians 4:15	7 HUMANITY HOW DOES GOD SEE US? I believe all people are loved by God and need Jesus Christ as their Savior. John 3:16	8 COMPASSION WHAT ABOUT THE POOR AND INJUSTICE? I believe God calls all Christians to show compassion to people in need. Psalm 82:3-4	9 STEWARDSHIP WHAT IS GOD'S CALL ON MY LIFE? I believe everything I am and everything I own belong to God. Psalm 24:1-2	10 ETERNITY WHAT HAPPENS NEXT? I believe there is a heaven and a hell and that Jesus will return to judge all people and to establish his eternal kingdom. John 14:1-2

KEY PRACTICES: WHAT SHOULD I DO?

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11 WORSHIP HOW DO I HONOR GOD IN THE WAY HE DESERVES? I worship God for who he is and what he has done for me. Psalm 95:1-2	12 PRAYER HOW DO I GROW BY COMMUNICATING WITH GOD? I pray to God to know him, to find direction for my life and to lay my requests before him. Psalm 66:18-20	13 BIBLE STUDY HOW DO I STUDY GOD'S WORD? I study the Bible to know God and his truth and to find direction for my daily life. Hebrews 4:12	14 SINGLE-MINDEDNESS HOW DO I KEEP MY FOCUS ON JESUS AMIDST DISTRACTIONS? I focus on God and his priorities for my life. Matthew 6:33	15 TOTAL SURRENDER HOW DO I CULTIVATE A LIFE OF SACRIFICIAL SERVICE? I dedicate my life to God's purposes. Romans 12:1
16 BIBLICAL COMMUNITY HOW DO I DEVELOP HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHERS? I fellowship with Christians to accomplish God's purposes in my life, in the lives of others and in the world. Acts 2:44-47	17 SPIRITUAL GIFTS WHAT GIFTS AND SKILLS HAS GOD GIVEN ME TO SERVE OTHERS? I know my spiritual gifts and use them to fulfill God's purposes. Romans 12:4-6	18 OFFERING MY TIME HOW DO I BEST USE MY TIME TO SERVE GOD AND OTHERS? I offer my time to fulfill God's purposes. Colossians 3:17	19 GIVING MY RESOURCES HOW DO I BEST USE MY RESOURCES TO SERVE GOD AND OTHERS? I give my resources to fulfill God's purposes. 2 Corinthians 8:7	20 SHARING MY FAITH HOW DO I SHARE MY FAITH WITH THOSE WHO DON'T KNOW GOD? I share my faith with others to fulfill God's purposes. Ephesians 6:19-20

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KEY VIRTUES: WHO AM I BECOMING?

21 LOVE WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO SACRIFICIALLY, AND UNCONDITIONALLY LOVE OTHERS? I am committed to loving God and loving others. 1 John 4:10-12	22 JOY WHAT GIVES US TRUE HAPPINESS AND CONTENTMENT IN LIFE? Despite my circumstances, I feel inner contentment and understand my purpose in life. John 15:11	23 PEACE WHERE DO I FIND STRENGTH TO BATTLE ANXIETY AND FEAR? I am free from anxiety because I have found peace with God, peace with others and peace with myself. Philippians 4:6-7	24 SELF-CONTROL HOW DOES GOD FREE ME FROM ADDICTIONS AND SINFUL HABITS? I have the power through Christ to control myself. Titus 2:11-13	25 HOPE HOW DO I DEAL WITH THE HARDSHIPS AND STRUGGLES OF LIFE? I can cope with the hardships of life because of the hope I have in Jesus Christ. Hebrews 6:19-20
26 PATIENCE HOW DOES GOD PROVIDE THE HELP I NEED TO DEAL WITH STRESS? I am slow to anger and endure patiently under the unavoidable pressures of life. Proverbs 14:29	27 KINDNESS/GOODNESS WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO DO THE RIGHT THING? HOW DO I KNOW? I choose to be kind and good in my relationships with others. 1 Thessalonians 5:15	28 FAITHFULNESS WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO BE LOYAL AND COMMITTED TO GOD AND OTHERS? I have established a good name with God and others based on my loyalty to those relationships. Proverbs 3:3-4	29 GENTLENESS HOW DO I DEMONSTRATE THOUGHTFULNESS AND CONSIDERATION? I am thoughtful, considerate and calm in my dealings with others. Philippians 4:5	30 HUMILITY WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO VALUE OTHERS BEFORE MYSELF? I choose to esteem others above myself. Philippians 2:3-4