



To Believe

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What do you think GOD wants you to do the most?

THE ANSWER? To Believe that HE loves you.

John 3:16 (AMP)

16 “For God so [greatly] loved and dearly prized the world, that He [even] gave His [One and] [a]only begotten Son, so that whoever believes and trusts in Him [as Savior] shall not perish, but have eternal life. (AMP)

To Believe that HE cares for you.

Philippians 4:6-7 (AMP)

6 Do not be anxious or worried about anything, but in everything [every circumstance and situation] by prayer and petition with thanksgiving, continue to make your [specific] requests known to God. 7 And the peace of God [that peace which reassures the heart, that peace] which transcends all understanding, [that peace which] stands guard over your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus [is yours].

Philippians 4:19 (AMP)

19 And my God will liberally supply (fill until full) your every need according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus.

To Believe that HE wants the best for you.

Jeremiah 29:11-12 (AMP)

11 For I know the plans and thoughts that I have for you,' says the Lord, 'plans for peace and well-being and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope. 12 Then you will call on Me and you will come and pray to Me, and I will hear [your voice] and I will listen to you.

To Believe that Jesus died for you.

1 Peter 3:18 (NLT)

18 Christ suffered[d] for our sins once for all time. He never sinned, but he died for sinners to bring you safely home to God. He suffered physical death, but he was raised to life in the Spirit.

2 Corinthians 5:21 (NLT)

21 For God made Christ, who never sinned, to be the offering for our sin,[e] so that we could be made right with God through Christ.

To Believe that GOD longs to have a relationship with you.

Isaiah 55:1-3 (AMP)

“Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; And you who have no money come, buy grain and eat. Come, buy wine and milk Without money and without cost [simply accept it as a gift from God].

2 “Why do you spend money for that which is not bread, And your earnings for what does not satisfy? Listen carefully to Me, and eat what is good, And let your soul delight in [a]abundance.

3 “Incline your ear [to listen] and come to Me; Hear, so that your soul may live; And I will make an everlasting covenant with you, According to the faithful mercies [promised and] shown to David.

Isaiah 30:18 (AMP)

18 Therefore the Lord waits [expectantly] and longs to be gracious to you, And therefore He waits on high to have compassion on you.

[d]For the Lord is a God of justice; Blessed (happy, fortunate) are all those who long for Him [since He will never fail them].

With Believing is action required. The Word makes it clear that faith without the required actions are dead.

James 2:26 (NKJV)

26 For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.

We must therefore not only believe, but apply to what we believe, and that application will be by our actions. Make therefore an effort to acknowledge GOD's goodness and for what Jesus did for us on the cross. Build on a relationship with GOD & Jesus daily through prayer, studying and applying (works) HIS Word to our lives.