

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO TRULY BELIEVE?

INTRODUCTION

In the beginning God created Man with a spirit, male and female and called them Adam, yet He did not stop at that. He subsequently formed Man from the dust of the ground and made him a living soul. Why did God have to make Man a living soul rather than stop at having created him male and female at the initial? In order that he might have the ability to believe in the God that had created and made him good for His pleasure and purpose as it were. **Gen 1:26-27; Gen 5:1-2; Gen 2:4-7**

Man was made a living soul for the purpose of having the ability or the free will to choose or make choices on his own, based on knowledge that is made known unto him, to speak about and act/do thereafter as deeds with his members-body cum flesh. It is in this sphere that belief can be found; this the enemy of our soul knows fully well and had attacked right from the beginning when Adam was put to the test by God in the Garden of Eden and is still doing so till date. As it was with the first Man, Adam so was it with the last Adam but the results was different and opposite. **Gen 2:8-17; Mtt 4:1-2**

As it were, majority of those that call themselves “Believers” under the tutelage of the Ministers of the People (MOPs) of the Churches as an organization (CAO) do not even have clear cut understanding of what “belief” or “to believe” truly mean, rather as usual the definition and meaning of it has been so twisted in order to confuse, introduce and sustain error in its understanding. So many end up not truly knowing what they believe having not known what true belief entails in Christ Jesus. Many have been made to see belief as faith or as meaning the same thing but this is not so though they are related but still they are not synonyms of each other.

As long as one is kept in ignorance about “true belief” then such an one would always be found in error believing a lie as it were. In this literature, by his grace, we shall be delving into what true belief in Christ Jesus is all about in order that we do not end up till the end being “unbelieving Believers” as is the order of the day in this last days. This we shall do having our eyes of understanding squarely focused on Christ our Master and his doctrines.

WHAT IS BELIEF?

Belief has to do with our God given power as living souls to receive and choose from what we hear, see and accept to do accordingly. God had made Man so, in order that He can hold him accountable or responsible for his own actions, works or deeds whether they be good or evil; for God judgeth Man according to his works. **Rev 2:23; Rev 22:11-12**

Jn 1:11-13 (Vr.12 But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: **Vr.13** Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

Gen 3:4-6 (Vr.4 And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: **Vr.5** For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil. **Vr.6** And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat [*They heard, they saw and they did accordingly, that is belief though of a lie*].

The reason that Man is called a soul is majorly because of the innate ability given to him by his Creator to choose and to do thereafter in the exercising of his will freely without being coerced to do so. Therefore belief is manifested in our choices. Decisions that men take are backed up with actions for which God holds them responsible for, this is what defines a man's belief as it were. It is what you believe that you do.

Man was created with the power to believe and not to believe. It is God that gave such powers to him in giving him a soul in a heart. The power to belief or not to belief is a power of choice that men exercise by themselves in their own hearts. So man is responsible, accountable for the choices that he makes in life, what he believes in whether it be good or evil. Children are meant to be brought up in a godly manner in order for them to be able to make wise decisions at maturity. **Prov 22:6; Mtt 19:13-15**

It is with your soul and heart that you use to believe; for with the heart man believeth unto righteousness. **Rom 10:8-10**

WHAT IS TRUE BELIEF?

Belief and obedience of the truth that is of Christ is what is called true belief, while belief and obedience of a lie is false belief or unbelief as it were. Unbelief can be as a result of ignorance and/or rejection of the truth revealed or made known to you. Belief is a choice, you either believe or you disbelieve and there is no middle ground to it. Your belief is either true or it is

false. There are spirits that sustain belief in a man either the spirit of truth or the spirit of error.
I Jn 4:1-6; Jn 14:16-20; Jn 12:37-40; Jn 3:17-21; Jn 1:11-12; Rom 1:28,32

Jn 12:44-50 (Vr.47 And if any man hear my words, and believe not, I judge him not: for I came not to judge the world, but to save the world. Vr.48 He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words [*believeth not in me*], hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day.

Jn 3:32 And what he hath seen and heard, that he testifieth; and no man receiveth his testimony. **Vr.33** He that hath received his testimony hath set to his seal that God is true.

Jn 14: 1 Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. **Vr.6** Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

Jn 6:35 And Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst. **Vr.36** But I said unto you, That ye also have seen me, and believe not.

Jn 20:19-31 (Vr.29 Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed [*this is the foundation of true belief*]

Acts 4:1-4 (Vr.1 And as they spake unto the people, the priests, and the captain of the temple, and the Sadducees, came upon them, **Vr.2** Being grieved that they taught the people, and preached through Jesus the resurrection from the dead. **Vr.4** Howbeit many of them which heard the word believed; and the number of the men was about five thousand.

True belief is based on hearing the word of faith and doing the works of faith. Even as faith without works is dead so likewise belief without works is dead, unfruitful or is unbelief as it were. **Jn 8:30-32; Mtt 13:19-22**

True belief comes from the revelation of the truth that God opens the heart of a man to receive by the word of faith in the true gospel- the opening of your eyes of understanding. Because all have sinned and come short of the glory of God, men's heart are closed/blinded to the truth as a result (**2 Cor 4:3-4; Rom 3:23; Rev 12:9**). It is now God's prerogative to give repentance by the revelation of the knowledge of the truth to whomsoever He hath mercy on to believe unto salvation. So it is not of him that willeth nor of him that runneth but it is of the Lord that sheweth mercy. If God does not show you mercy you cannot come unto true belief as it were. God sent Christ into the world to call sinners unto repentance in order that they might be saved, that is the mercy of God. **Rom 9:11,15-18; Jn 6:44-45,64-65; Lk 1:68-79; Jn 12:37-43; Mk 2:17; Lk 15:17-21; Lk 18:9-14; Jn 9:35-41**

Many speak what their CAO MOPs tell them to repeat after them at “altar call” sessions with their mouth having neither godly sorrow nor the revelation of the truth of Christ that God gives to those that He gives repentance to, being without heartfelt conviction and therefore such are still found in unbelief after such feigned lips confessions. Without receiving the revelation of the truth unto the conviction of your heart you cannot come into true belief in order to do righteously. Belief without understanding ends up in unbelief eventually. **2 Cor 7:9-11; Mtt 13:18-23**

THE POWER TO TRULY BELIEVE HAS TO BE GIVEN

At the beginning, by the exercising of the power to believe, Adam choose to disbelieve the truth of God’s word unto believing the lie of the Devil, thereby bringing mankind into sin and death through his transgression (**Rom 5:12-14**). So by this, man lost the power to truly believe in God having been sold under sin into captivity thereafter (**Rom 7:14**). God restores this divine power to truly believe in Him unto all those that He sheweth mercy in Christ Jesus without which no man can truly believe. A sinner can believe in every other thing he likes with his heart by his power except true belief in God. For a sinner to truly believe in God through Christ and come out of the bondage of belief in a lie, it is not by his power or by his might but it is by the Spirit of God. The power of true belief is restored by God unto the justified, saved soul - the saint in Christ Jesus, who then lives by it believing and not being faithless unto the end. **Jn 12:37-43; Rom 8:19-21; Lk 18:9-14; Jn 20:24-29; Jn 3:27; Jn 19:10-11; Mtt 10:1,8; Acts 26:22-32**

The CAO MOPs have made many a sinner to believe that it is in their power to truly believe in Christ whenever they feel like or choose but this is not so because it is God that calleth in His mercy and it is Christ that chooseth as it were (**Jn 15:16; Acts 2:38-39,47; Mtt 22:14; Mtt 7:20-23; Jn 6:36-37**). Any belief by a sinner that is not backed up with genuine repentance and the bringing forth of fruit meet for repentance as a result is unbelief still (which is belief without repentance). **Mtt 15:7-9; Rom 10:8-10; Tit 1:16; Prov 23:6-9; Mtt 13:9-17; Mtt 11:27; Jn 3:16-21; Acts 5:30-32; 2 Tim 2:19,24-26; Acts 8:9-24; Acts 5:1-11; Lk 3:7-14**

Jn 12:37-43 (Vr. 39 Therefore they could not believe [*Why?*], because that Esaias said again, **Vr.40** He hath blinded their eyes, and hardened their heart; that they should not see with their eyes, nor understand with their heart, and be converted, and I should heal them.

Jn 6:36 But I said unto you, That ye also have seen me, and believe not.

Jn 10:24-28 (Vr.25 Jesus answered them, I told you, and ye believed not: the works that I do in my Father's name, they bear witness of me. **Vr.26** But ye believe not, because ye are not of my sheep, as I said unto you.

Jn 1:11-13 (Vr.12) But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:

Mk 9:14-29 (Vr.23) Jesus said unto him, If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth. **Vr.24** And straightway the father of the child cried out, and said with tears, Lord, I believe; help thou mine unbelief [*the power to truly believe belongs to God and it is Him that giveth it*].

When God gives a man faith He also makes available the power for him to believe. Thereafter the choice lieth with you either to receive, accept and believe or to reject and disbelieve. But whether a man believes or not such cannot truncate the power of God to do what He has ordained to do for the greater good and for His own glory before all men. You can sometimes truncate what God wants to do for you individually by your own unbelief, but not that which He had set to do for all mankind because such works have already been finished even from the foundation of the world and must come to pass. **Hebr 4:1-4; Acts 5:18; Rom 3:1-4; Mtt 5:18; Mtt 24:35; Ps 119:89-91**

Lk 1:5-58 (Vr.18) And Zacharias said unto the angel, Whereby shall I know this? for I am an old man, and my wife well stricken in years. **Vr.19** And the angel answering said unto him, I am Gabriel, that stand in the presence of God; and am sent to speak unto thee, and to shew thee these glad tidings [*faith made known to him*]. **Vr.20** And, behold, thou shalt be dumb, and not able to speak, until the day that these things shall be performed, because thou believest not my words, which shall be fulfilled in their season. **Vr.37** For with God nothing shall be impossible. **Vr.38** And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word. And the angel departed from her. **Vr.45** And blessed is she that believed: for there shall be a performance of those things which were told her from the Lord.

BELIEF IS KNOWLEDGE DRIVEN

Belief is based on knowledge, which can either be knowledge of the truth or that of a lie as the case may be. Choices are made, decisions taken and actions carried out by human beings on the basis of information made available to them or the knowledge that they have at hand. Belief is word based and therefore the Master warns that you should "Take heed what you hear" as it were. **Mk 4:23-25; Acts 10:1-6,22,33-44,45-48; Jn 6:66-69; 2 Tim 4:2-4**

Isa 7:14-16 (Vr.15) Butter and honey shall he eat, that he may know to refuse the evil, and choose the good. **Vr.16** For before the child shall know to refuse the evil, and choose the good, the land that thou abhorrest shall be forsaken of both her kings.

Isa 43:10 Ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, and my servant whom I have chosen: that ye may know and believe me, and understand that I am he:

Hos 4:6 My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children.

Before God put Adam, the living soul that He had formed into the garden that He had planted, He caused two specific trees to grow out of the grounds thereof amongst others- the tree of life and the tree of knowledge of good and evil. Why? So that Adam can make a choice between the two in the demonstrating his belief, his ability to choose and to do.

God gave Adam the knowledge upon which he was to believe on Him wholly and live. As it were God did not leave Adam ignorant of the truth that leadeth to life while putting him to work in the garden. This knowledge of the truth that God gave Adam in His word is what is called faith (the word of faith- for the Just shall live by faith- **Rom 1:17**) and Adam was to belief that faith unto eating of the tree of life. Adam instead of believing the word of God rather believed the lie of the serpent by which he beguiled the Woman unto eating the forbidden fruit. **Rom 10:17; Gen 3:6,11-13,17,22; Mtt 4:4**

Gen 2: 8-17 (Vr.8 And the LORD God planted a garden eastward in Eden; and there he put the man whom he had formed. **Vr.9** And out of the ground made the LORD God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and evil. **Vr.15** And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it. **Vr.16** And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: **Vr.17** But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.

In His dealings with the children of Israel in the wilderness of trial, God gave them faith (His word) through the Law that Moses received and passed unto them which they received, accepted and were meant to believe to do and live long in the Promised Land, but they failed to keep as it were.

Deu 30:10-20 (Vr.10 If thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to keep his commandments and his statutes which are written in this book of the law, and if thou turn unto the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul. **Vr.11** For this commandment which I command thee this day, it is not hidden from thee, neither is it far off. **Vr.14** But the word is very nigh unto thee, in thy mouth, and in thy heart, that thou mayest do it. **Vr.15** See, I have set before thee this day life and good [*of the tree of life*], and death and evil [*of the tree of knowledge of good and evil- as was set for Adam in his time*]; **Vr.16** In that I command thee this

day to love the LORD thy God, to walk in his ways, and to keep his commandments and his statutes and his judgments, that thou mayest live and multiply: and the LORD thy God shall bless thee in the land whither thou goest to possess it. **Vr.17** But if thine heart turn away, so that thou wilt not hear, but shalt be drawn away, and worship other gods, and serve them; **Vr.18** I denounce unto you this day, that ye shall surely perish, and that ye shall not prolong your days upon the land, whither thou passest over Jordan to go to possess it. **Vr.19** I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live: **Vr.20** That thou mayest love the LORD thy God, and that thou mayest obey his voice, and that thou mayest cleave unto him: for he is thy life, and the length of thy days: that thou mayest dwell in the land which the LORD sware unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.

In the New Testament God gave His word through His Son Jesus Christ at his coming with grace and truth (the gospel) for men to believe, obey and live eternally at the end in the kingdom of God. **Jn 3:14-16; Jn 1:14,17; Hebr 1:1-2; I Jn 5:13; Jn 20:31**

Jn 6:29-40 (Vr.40 And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day.

Without a man coming unto the knowledge and understanding of the truth, his choice in belief cannot be true and he cannot do the righteousness that is by the faith of Jesus Christ, rather he would be found in lies, doing error and unrighteousness instead. **Rom 10:1-3,13-17,20; Acts 15:17; Acts 10:36-37**

Jn 8:29-32 (Vr.32 And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

Jn 10:37-38 (Vr.38 But if I do, though ye believe not me, believe the works: that ye may know, and believe [*knowing comes before believing*], that the Father is in me, and I in him.

2 Thess 2:9-15 (Vr. 9 Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, **Vr.10** And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth [*neither believed in the truth*], that they might be saved. **Vr.11** And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie [*thereby remaining in unbelief*]: **Vr.12** That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness. **Vr.13** But we are bound to give thanks alway to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth:

Many, which are of the CAO, are found to believe what they do not know and they erroneously call such faith or “walking by faith” but this is not true because true belief is not based on ignorance but on knowledge and understanding of the truth that sets free and gives life. They

are made to blindly believe what they do not know which is actually unbelief in disguise. It is sheer foolishness to say you have received and believed what you have no true knowledge of thereby deceiving yourself. **Jn 8:19; Jn 14:15-17; Jn 16:1-3; Mtt 22:29**

Jn 4:20-26 (Vr.22 Ye worship ye know not what: we know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews. **Vr.23** But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

Jn 3:11 Verily, verily, I say unto thee, We speak that we do know, and testify that we have seen; and ye receive not our witness. **Vr.12** If I have told you earthly things, and ye believe not, how shall ye believe, if I tell you of heavenly things? **Vr.27** John answered and said, A man can receive nothing, except it be given him from heaven.

Mtt 13:10 And the disciples came, and said unto him, Why speakest thou unto them in parables? **Vr.11** He answered and said unto them, Because it is given unto you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given.

Acts 17:22-31 (Vr.22 Then Paul stood in the midst of Mars' hill, and said, Ye men of Athens, I perceive that in all things ye are too superstitious. **Vr.23** For as I passed by, and beheld your devotions, I found an altar with this inscription, TO THE UNKNOWN GOD. Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, him declare I unto you. **Vr.30** And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent: **Vr.31** Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained; whereof he hath given assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead.

Jn 17:2 As thou hast given him power over all flesh, that he should give eternal life to as many as thou hast given him. **Vr.3** And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.

It is by the true knowledge of who the Father and the Son is truly that one can have true belief and this knowledge is found only in the doctrine of Christ and the understanding that the Spirit of truth gives and not in the doctrine of the Trinity of the CAO that is of the understanding of men; by it the understanding of God and His Son is still shrouded and kept in a mystery. **I Jn 2:26-28; I Jn 5:20; Jn 4:22-26,39-42**

Jn 9:1-38 (Vr.35 Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when he had found him, he said unto him, Dost thou believe on the Son of God? **Vr.36** He answered and said, Who is he, Lord, that I might believe on him? **Vr.37** And Jesus said unto him, Thou hast both seen him, and it is he that talketh with thee. **Vr.38** And he said, Lord, I believe. And he worshipped him.

BELIEF BASED ON WHAT YOU SEE AND WHAT YOU HEAR

Generally, belief comes by the seeing of the eyes and the hearing of the ears in men, whether it be true or false. True belief comes by hearing the word of faith (the truth) to do and/or seeing the works of faith in order to hear the word of faith to do thereafter. **Deu 4:3,9-13,32-37; Jn 14:10-12**

Jn 4:43-54 (Vr.48 Then said Jesus unto him, Except ye see signs and wonders, ye will not believe.

Lk 7:18-23 (Vr. 22 Then Jesus answering said unto them, Go your way, and tell John what things ye have seen and heard;

Acts 2:30-36 (Vr.33 Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear.

Jn 15:22 If I had not come and spoken unto them [*the words of faith, the truth*], they had not had sin: but now they have no cloke for their sin. **Vr.24** If I had not done among them the works [*of faith*] which none other man did, they had not had sin: but now have they both seen [*and heard*] and hated both me and my Father.

Jn 10:24 Then came the Jews round about him, and said unto him, How long dost thou make us to doubt? If thou be the Christ, tell us plainly. **Vr.25** Jesus answered them, I told you [*the word of faith*], and ye believed not: the works [*of faith*] that I do in my Father's name, they bear witness of me. **Vr.26** But ye believe not, because ye are not of my sheep, as I said unto you. **Vr.27** My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: **Vr.37** If I do not the works of my Father, believe me not. **Vr.38** But if I do, though ye believe not me, believe the works [*of faith*]: that ye may know, and believe [*the word of truth*], that the Father is in me, and I in him.

Mtt 13:9-17 (Vr.16 But blessed are your eyes, for they see: and your ears, for they hear.

The hearing of the word of faith or truth, spiritually, is paramount to receiving true belief in your heart since faith cometh by hearing and the mouth speaketh out of the abundance of what the heart have believed and understood (**2 Cor 4:13**). The seeing of the works of faith cements belief based on the word of faith in our hearts. Those that do not encounter the works of God after believing with their heart most times have their belief turned into unbelief by reason of experiencing persistent evil works targeted against them. The enemy uses what men see (even wicked works) to deceive them unto believing his lying words and working iniquity thereafter. **2 Cor 11:13-15; 2 Thess 2:7-12; Rev 13:11-15; Gen 3:1-7**

2 Cor 5:7 For we walk by faith, not by sight:

Jn 20:24-31 (Vr.25 The other disciples therefore said unto him, We have seen the Lord. But he said unto them, Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe. **Vr.27** Then saith he to Thomas, reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side: and be not faithless, but believing. **Vr.29** Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen [*but only heard*], and yet have believed. **Vr.30** And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book: **Vr.31** But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.

Jn 12:37 But though he had done so many miracles before them [*to see*], yet they believed not on him: **Vr.38** That the saying of Esaias the prophet might be fulfilled, which he spake, Lord, who hath believed our report [*the word of faith*] and to whom hath the arm of the Lord [*the works of faith*] been revealed? **Vr.39** Therefore they could not believe [*Why?*], because that Esaias said again, **Vr.40** He hath blinded their eyes, and hardened their heart; that they should not see with their eyes, nor understand with their heart, and be converted, and I should heal them. **Vr.47** And if any man hear my words [*of faith*], and believe not, I judge him not:

Mk 4:23-25 (Vr.23 If any man have ears to hear, let him hear. **Vr.24** And he said unto them, Take heed what ye hear: with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you: and unto you that hear shall more be given.

I Pet 1:7-13 (Vr.7 That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ: **Vr.8** Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory: **Vr.9** Receiving the end of your faith, even the salvation of your souls.

Belief that is solely rooted on seeing the works of faith is not complete or true without the hearing of the word of faith in order to do it as it were- seeing the arm of the Lord revealed without believing the report amounts to unbelief at the end and this was the bane of the children of Israel in their walk with God and the Pharisees as well (**Deu 4:1-40; Deu 29:1-4; Jn 12:37**). The arm of the Lord is revealed unto men in order that they might believe the report of God. **Isa 53:1; Jn 9:11,29,35-38; Ps 103:7**

Rom 10:8-19 (Vr.8 But what saith it? The word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, the word of faith, which we preach; **Vr.9** That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. **Vr.10** For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness [*there is a doing after one has believed-* **Mtt 5:20; Mtt 3:14-17; Mk 16:15-16**]; and with the mouth confession is made

unto salvation. **Vr.14** How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard?*[without hearing the word of faith and obeying it true belief cannot be]* **Vr.16** But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Esaias saith, Lord, who hath believed our report? **Vr.17** So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. **Vr.18** But I say, Have they not heard? *[in order to believe?]* Yes verily, their sound went into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world.

BELIEF WITHOUT WORKS IS USELESS

Even as faith without works is dead so also belief without works is unbelief. If you believe the word of truth of the gospel you must of necessity do what it says in order for your belief to be true. Unfortunately today we have more of hearers and confessors of the letters of the word, rather than doers of the word by the Spirit, thereby having many deceiving their selves as it were amongst the CAO. **Mtt 23:1-3**

Jam 1:21-25 (Vr.21) Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted word *[in belief]*, which is able to save your souls. **Vr.22** But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. **Vr.25** But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed.

Rev 1:3 Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein:

Lk 11:28 But he said, Yea rather, blessed are they that hear the word of God, and keep it *[this is the meaning of true belief]*.

Rom 2:13 For not the hearers of the law are just before God, but the doers of the law shall be justified.

True belief is established by the doing of faith and not by hearing and mere continual confession with the mouth of which the CAO and their adherents are given to doing. They say with their mouth but do to the contrary by their actions as it were. **Jn 7:19; Rom 2:16-23; Mtt 21:28-32**

Mtt 7:20-28 (Vr.21) Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. **Vr.23** And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.

Mtt 15:7-9 (Vr.8) This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me. **Vr.9** But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.

Mtt 23:1-3 (Vr.3) All therefore whatsoever they bid you observe, that observe and do; but do not ye after their works: for they say, and do not [*this is unbelief*].

Lk 6:46 And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say? **Vr.47** Whosoever cometh to me, and heareth my sayings, and doeth them [*is the one that truly believe in me*],

Tit 1:13-16 (Vr.16) They profess that they know God [*with mouth*]; but in works they deny him, being abominable, and disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate [*belief without works is unbelief*].

Jam 2:17-26 (Vr.19) Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe, and tremble. **Vr.20** But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead? [*devils are workers of iniquity and that is what makes their belief to be unbelief*]

When a man truly believes he has to compulsorily do righteousness, if not his belief is unfruitful. How? for with the heart man believeth unto doing righteousness (**Rom 10:10**). John came in the way of righteousness (**Mtt 21:32**). How? he came baptizing men, who believed in the gospel that he preached confessing their sins, with water unto repentance (**Mtt 3:5-6,11**). The publicans and harlots repented and submitted to be baptized of him but not the Pharisees and scribes as it were. The Master told us that if our righteousness does not exceed that of the Pharisees and scribes we would not enter into the kingdom of heaven; for he himself being without sin submitted to be baptized of John as an example for us to follow but not so the Pharisees. **Mtt 3:13-17; Mtt 5:19-20; Lk 7:28-30**

WHAT DO YOU HAVE TO DO AFTER YOU BELIEVE THE WORD OF THE TRUE GOSPEL?

We believe in order to do accordingly. Our works are the demonstration of our belief in our hearts for all to see and confirm. True Believers are those that do what they believe in their heart and say with their mouth. **Jn 3:19-21; Mtt 7:15-20; Lk 3:2-16**

When a man hears the true gospel and receives it in his heart then what does he have to do subsequently in order to demonstrate his belief in Christ as a witness and to fulfill all righteousness as required by the Lord and demonstrated by him? If you repent of your sins by believing in the death and resurrection of Jesus, then you must submit to be baptized for the remission of your sins and should pray earnestly for the baptism with the Spirit and with power; for this is the compulsory lot for all those that truly believe the true gospel of Jesus Christ unto

being born again. **Acts 19:1-7; Acts 16:29-34; Acts 8:12-17,35-39; Acts 10:39-48; Mtt 3:13-17; Mtt 5:20**

Acts 2:36-42 (Vr.37 Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do? **Vr.38** Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. **Vr.39** For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call. **Vr.40** And with many other words did he testify and exhort, saying, Save yourselves from this untoward generation. **Vr.41** Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls.

Unfortunately the CAO MOPs preach the another gospel of belief by confessing with your mouth and believing with your heart only, but without the doing that accompanies it for one to be truly born again. They teach that you do not have to do anything but only confess with mouth and believe in your heart for one to be saved and born again. In this they run to Paul in their erroneous interpretation of **Rom 10:9-10** spoken to believers and not to sinners, while the Master taught us how to be born again in **Jn 3:3-8** and commissioned his apostles to teach others that believe to follow suit in **Mk 16:15-20**. What did the Master really teach? for it is him that we hear first in all things before any other:

Jn 3:3-8 (Vr.5 Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. **Vr.6** That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. **Vr.7** Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.

Mk 16:15 And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. **Vr.16** He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. **Vr.17** And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; [*they shall receive the gifts of the Holy Ghost*]

In the above doctrine of Christ we can deduce the baptisms by water, the Holy Ghost and with fire clearly embedded therein signifying being born of water and of the Spirit; for these bear witness that ye have become the children of God as it were. Without their witness your born again experience is incomplete or feigned as it were. **Rom 8:9,14-16; Hebr 6:1-2**

I Jn 5:6 This is he that came by water and blood, even Jesus Christ; not by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit that beareth witness, because the Spirit is truth. **Vr.8** And there are three that bear witness in earth, the spirit, and the water, and the blood: and these three agree in one.

Acts 1:1-8 (Vr.4 And, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, "which," saith he, "ye have heard of me. **Vr.5** For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence. **Vr.8** But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

Jn 1:11-13 (Vr.12 But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:

Jn 7:37-39 (Vr.38 He that believeth on me [*what shall happen to him?*], as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. **Vr.39** (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive [*everyone that have not yet received of the Spirit in baptism is not yet born again truly; you cannot be born of the Spirit any other way*]:

ONLY BELIEF IN THE GLORIFIED CHRIST LEADS TO TRUE SALVATION

There is a great ignorance that is found amongst the CAO and their adherents which has to do with, amongst others, their inability to distinguish between the gospel of the glorified Christ and that of the unglorified Christ. Belief in the former brings about salvation while belief in the latter doesn't but is meant to bring you to the understanding of the former as it were. It is what you believe in that you would live by. Sadly the CAO MOPs preach, focus and cause men to dwell more on the latter than the former in their another gospel as it were. **Jn 5:39-40; Gal 3:21-22**

The unglorified Christ was the one that came into the world being made flesh and dwelt amongst us. He was anointed by God and went about doing good, healing all those that were oppressed of the Devil, the work that the Father sent him to do on earth (**Acts 2:22-23; Acts 10:38; Lk 4:18-21; Lk 24:18-19; Jn 1:14**). He finished the work on the cross at his crucifixion (**Jn 17:4; Jn 19:30**). The glorified Christ is the one that resurrected on the third day, received of the promised Holy Ghost from the Father and ascended into glory to be seated at the right hand of the Father and in his name we preach repentance and remission of sins. It is belief in the testimony of this glorified Christ that brings about salvation and eternal life at the end. **Acts 3:13-20; Acts 4:10-12**

The unglorified Son of man came as flesh and blood, while the glorified Son of God ascended as flesh and bone, being made a quickening spirit. Before the death of Christ there was a pre-resurrection gospel message that he sent out his apostles to preach unto the Jews, while after his death there was a resurrection gospel that he commissioned them to preach to the whole

world in his name this time around; belief in the former does not bring about remission of sins and true salvation but belief in the latter does. **Jn 1:14; I Cor 15:45; Acts 1:1-9; Mtt 10:1-8; Lk 10:1-11; Acts 4:1-4,17-21**

Lk 24:36-40 (Vr.46 And said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day: **Vr.47** And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

The scriptures of the Law and Prophets witnessed about the unglorified Christ, while the gospel of the Goodnews testifies about the glorified Christ. The former was propagated by men that God anointed and sent in the Old Testament, while the latter is by the Holy Ghost and apostles that Christ baptized and commissioned after his resurrection in the New Testament. **Jn 5:39-40; Jn 15:16,26-27; Jn 16:7-15; Hebr 1:1-2; Lk 24:25-27,44; Rev 12:11**

Acts 3:13-26 (Vr.13 The God of Abraham, and of Isaac, and of Jacob, the God of our fathers, hath glorified his Son Jesus; whom ye delivered up, and denied him in the presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let him go [*while he was not yet glorified*]. **Vr.15** And killed the Prince of life, whom God hath raised from the dead [*and glorified*]; whereof we are witnesses. **Vr.16** And his name through faith in his name hath made this man strong, whom ye see and know: yea, the faith which is by him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all. **Vr.17** And now, brethren, I wot that through ignorance ye did it, as did also your rulers. **Vr.18** But those things, which God before had shewed by the mouth of all his prophets, that Christ should suffer, he hath so fulfilled. **Vr.19** Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord; **Vr.20** And he shall send Jesus Christ [*the glorified*], which before was preached unto you: **Vr.21** Whom the heaven must receive until the times of restitution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets since the world began. **Vr.22** For Moses truly said unto the fathers, A prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you of your brethren, like unto me; him shall ye hear in all things whatsoever he shall say unto you. **Vr.24** Yea, and all the prophets from Samuel and those that follow after, as many as have spoken, have likewise foretold of these days. **Vr.26** Unto you first God, having raised up his Son Jesus, sent him to bless you, in turning away every one of you from his iniquities [*this is the means by which true salvation comes*].

Jn 12:23-34 (Vr.23 And Jesus answered them, saying, The hour is come, that the Son of man should be glorified. **Vr.24** Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit. **Vr.32** And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me. **Vr.33** This he said, signifying what death he should die.

Jn 3:14-17 (Vr.14 And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up: **Vr.15** That whosoever believeth in him [*that is glorified*] should not perish, but have eternal life.

Jn 7:37-39 (Vr.39 But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified [*the unglorified Christ*].

At the initial, Peter with the rest of the Apostles believed in and confessed the unglorified Christ that was yet flesh and blood with them on earth (as did Judas Iscariot and unclean spirits- **Mk 1:24; Mk 5:6-8**), but refused to believe in the glorified Christ after his resurrection until he appeared unto them severally and they saw and touched him, thereby believing and bearing witness of his resurrection thereafter. **Mtt 16:15-20,21-24; Jn 6:66-71; Jn 2:18-22; Jn 21:1-14; I Jn 4:1-3; Jam 2:19; Jn 11:23-27,38-40**

Lk 24:6-50 (Vr.6 He is not here, but is risen: remember how he spake unto you when he was yet in Galilee, **Vr.10** It was Mary Magdalene, and Joanna, and Mary the mother of James, and other women that were with them, which told these things unto the apostles. **Vr.11** And their words seemed to them as idle tales, and they believed them not. **Vr.12** Then arose Peter, and ran unto the sepulchre; and stooping down, he beheld the linen clothes laid by themselves, and departed, wondering in himself at that which was come to pass. **Vr.25** Then he said unto them, O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken: **Vr.26** Ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into his glory? **Vr.27** And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself. **Vr.45** Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures, **Vr.46** And said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day: **Vr.47** And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. **Vr.48** And ye are witnesses of these things. **Vr.49** And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high.

Mk 16:9 Now when Jesus was risen early the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom he had cast seven devils. **Vr.10** And she went and told them that had been with him, as they mourned and wept. **Vr.11** And they, when they had heard that he was alive, and had been seen of her, believed not [*in the glorified Christ*]. **Vr.12** After that he appeared in another form unto two of them, as they walked, and went into the country. **Vr.13** And they went and told it unto the residue: neither believed they them. **Vr.14** Afterward he appeared unto the eleven as they sat at meat, and upbraided them with their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they believed not them which had seen him after he was risen.

The true gospel message that we preach is a testimony or witness of Christ the Messiah that God raised from the dead and glorified in heaven by whom we preach repentance and remission of sin through baptism in his name in order for you to receive the baptism with the Holy Ghost and with power (**Acts 2:36-41**). Those that truly believe in the gospel of the glorified Christ submit to be buried with him in death through water baptism and are sealed with the Holy Ghost subsequently in order to be made true and faithful witnesses of his resurrection thereafter on earth. We declare that this is how a man gets to be born again and not by a feigned "altar call" system of the CAO based on the preaching of the Scriptures and the gospel of the unglorified Christ. Unfortunately the gospel that we preach is hid unto many that are still lost being ardent followers of CAO MOPs and not true disciples of the glorified Christ as it were. Without Jesus being glorified there would have been no salvation possible for all mankind. **Jn 15:26-27; Eph 1:13-14; I Cor 1:18-24; 2 Cor 4:3-6; Rev 19:10; I Cor 15:12-17; I Jn 5:4-6; Colo 2:12-15**

I Cor 2:1-2 (Vr.2 For I determined not to know any thing among you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified.

Phil 3:10-11 (Vr.10 That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death;

Those that truly believe in the glorified Christ undergo the baptisms as taught in the doctrine of Christ, partake regularly of his flesh and blood in Holy Communion, preach and teach the true gospel as a way of life, doing good works continually. Such hear Jesus in all things and obey his commandments always. Christ in them is the hope of glory which they look forward to receiving at his appearing on the last day- these are the true Believers. **Jn 6:53-58; Jn 17:24; Rom 5:1-2; Eph 1:18; Colo 1:26-28; Hebr 6:1-2; Mk 16:15-18**

THE EVIDENCE OF A TRUE BELIEVER IN CHRIST

The evidence of a true Believer in Christ is the Spirit of Christ (the Holy Ghost) and the power given to him in baptism to witness of his resurrection after such have believed. This is manifested in the wisdom of God and power of God at work in such a person that walks in true belief. **I Jn 4:4; I Cor 2:4-5**

I Jn 5:1 Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth him that begat loveth him also that is begotten of him. **Vr.5** Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God? **Vr.6** This is he that came by water and blood, even Jesus Christ; not by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit that beareth witness, because the Spirit is truth. **Vr.10** He that believeth on the Son of God hath the

witness in himself: he that believeth not God hath made him a liar; because he believeth not the record that God gave of his Son.

Jn 7:37-39 (Vr.39 (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.)

Jn 1:11-13 (Vr.12 But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: **Vr.13** Which were born, , but of God.

Anyone that have truly received Jesus Christ into his life by belief in the faith that is by the true gospel must of necessity receive the Holy Ghost and power in baptism as an evidence and be found to be producing the fruit of the Spirit and manifesting the gifts of the Spirit given to him unto the edification of the Body of Christ (BOC). **I Cor 12:7-11; Mtt 7:20-27**

I Jn 3:24 And he that keepeth his commandments dwelleth in him, and he in him. And hereby we know that he abideth in us, by the Spirit which he hath given us.

I Jn 4:13 Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit.

Acts 5:30-32 (Vr.32 And we are his witnesses of these things; and so is also the Holy Ghost, whom God hath given to them that obey him.

Rom 8:9 But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his.

Acts 10:44-46 (Vr.44 While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word. **Vr.45** And they of the circumcision which believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because that on the Gentiles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost. **Vr.46** For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God.

God sent John to baptize with water all those that repent and believe in the pre-resurrection gospel, while Christ was sent to baptize (in addition) with the Holy Ghost and with fire all those that truly repent and believe in the resurrection gospel after his glorification. **Mk 1:5,9; Jn 1:26-34; Lk 7:28-30; Mtt 21:31-32; Acts 19:1-7**

Mtt 3:11 I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire:

Acts 1:1-8 (Vr.4 And, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, "which," saith he, "ye have

heard of me. **Vr.5** For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.

Jn 4:6-15 (Vr.10 Jesus answered and said unto her, If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink; thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would have given thee living water. **Vr.14** But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life.

The Apostles of Christ were mindful in carrying out the divine mandate of the Lord in the gospel to follow the example of the Master in commissioning them in order to have those that believe also in their word (gospel) fulfill all righteousness. How?

Acts 8:14-17 (Vr.12 But when they believed Philip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women. **Vr.14** Now when the apostles which were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God [*by which they had believed*], they sent unto them Peter and John: **Vr.15** Who, when they were come down, prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Ghost: **Vr.16** (For as yet he was fallen upon none of them: only they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.)

Acts 19:1-7 (Vr.1 And it came to pass, that, while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul having passed through the upper coasts came to Ephesus: and finding certain disciples, **Vr.2** He said unto them, Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed? And they said unto him, We have not so much as heard whether there be any Holy Ghost. **Vr.4** Then said Paul, John verily baptized with the baptism of repentance, saying unto the people, that they should believe on him which should come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus. **Vr.5** When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. **Vr.6** And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came on them; and they spake with tongues, and prophesied.

Eph 1:3-15 (Vr.12 That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ. **Vr.13** In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth [*the word of faith*], the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise, **Vr.14** Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory.

Have you been sealed ever since you believed the true gospel of Christ? By the another gospel of the CAO you cannot be sealed with this Spirit of Christ though they continually anoint you with oil- you cannot receive what you do not know nor having understanding of.

That is why many that answer “Christians” today that the CAO have certified as Born again are not being led by the Spirit of Christ but by their CAO MOPs instead, being not sons of God but

yet sons of men that are deceived by their CAO MOPs to be so by the feigned words of men's wisdom. They promise them freedom while they themselves are in captivity to the flesh. Such are not yet born of the Spirit but still of the flesh. All those that have not been baptized both with water and with the Holy Ghost, according to belief in the true gospel, have not fulfilled all righteousness as it were and therefore cannot enter into the kingdom of God on the last day. This example the Master set for us and instructed us in his commandments to do likewise. Please be advised. **2 Pet 2:18-19; Mtt 5:20; Mtt 3:13-17; Rom 8:14**

CONCLUSION

You have to receive faith in the word of truth before you can have true belief in order to do faith and not merely by seeing the works of faith in the form of miracles and testifying about such. There are those that say they believe in Christ but have not truly repented nor have they been convicted at heart of sin, righteousness and judgment by the Spirit of truth but by the prodding of men instead. They are still living their old lifestyle while being ministers in the CAO system. They are still struggling with the old man of sin within them, rising and falling continually, these are not true believers yet, but "unbelieving Believers" instead. Everyone that truly believes have to be given and receive the Spirit that is holy and power to overcome sin in baptism by Christ without which you deceive yourself. **Jn 7:37-39; Jn 1:12; Mtt 3:11; Jn 4:10,14; 2 Tim 2:18-19; Rom 6:3-8**

Those that say that they believe in God but have not come to believe in His Son equally do not have true belief in them. True belief came as a result of the coming of Jesus Christ, the truth of God made manifest for us to believe in God the Father truly as it were. We believe in God the Father only through His Son and not through any other. Belief in God that is not by the faith of Jesus Christ is a false belief. **Jn 14:1,6; I Jn 5:1; Jn 1:14,17; Gal 2:16,20; Phil 3:9**

Christ knows those that are his. How? because he seals such with his Spirit and with power as tokens of his ownership. True believers are Christ's in God as it were. **Rom 8:9; 2 Tim 2:19**

Therefore salvation in Christ that is made available for and offered to all cannot yet be gotten by all because not all shall have true belief in them in order to be saved thereby.

Rom 10:16-21 (Vr.16 But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Esaias saith, Lord, who hath believed our report? **Vr.18** But I say, Have they not heard? Yes verily, their sound went into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world. **Vr.19** But I say, Did not Israel know? First Moses saith, I will provoke you to jealousy by them that are no people, and by a foolish nation I will anger you. **Vr.21** But to Israel he saith, All day long I have stretched forth my hands unto a disobedient and gainsaying people.

Hebr 4:1-11 (Vr.2 For unto us was the gospel preached, as well as unto them: but the word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in them that heard it. **Vr.3** For we which have believed do enter into rest, **Vr.6** Seeing therefore it remaineth that some must enter therein, and they to whom it was first preached entered not in because of unbelief:

Lk 13:23-30 (Vr.23 Then said one unto him, Lord, are there few that be saved? And he said unto them, **Vr.24** Strive to enter in at the strait gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able.

God gives us the ability to choose and reveals to us the truth that we ought to receive and accept in the exercising of our will by which we believe, but He does not choose for us, we are to make our own choice from the options available to us all over. When we choose to obey God's commandment/voice by hearing His Son Jesus Christ in his doctrines then we have true belief and are found to be true Believers indeed, but if not we are yet Unbelievers. Jesus Christ is the TRUTH, the WAY and the LIFE; choose him today not by mere mouth confessions but by wholly obeying his commandments in his doctrine. **Lk 11:28; Jn 14:1,6**

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