A Simple Bible Study on "Believing"

John 1:7; 1:12; 1:50; 2:11; 2:22-23; 3:12; 3:15-16; 3:18; 3:36; 4:21; 4:39; 4:41-42; 4:48; 4:50; 4:53; 5:24; 5:38; 5:44; 5:46-47; 6:29-30; 6:35-36; 6:40; 6:47; 6:64; 6:69; 7:5; 7:31; 7:38-39; 7:48; 8:24; 8:30-31; 8:45-46; 9:18; 9:35-36; 9:38; 10:25-26; 10:37-38; 10:42; 11:15; 11:25-27; 11:40; 11:42; 11:45; 11:48; 12:11; 12:36-39; 12:42; 12:44; 12:46-47; 13:19; 14:1; 14:10-12; 14:29; 16:9; 16:27; 16:30-31; 17:8; 17:20-21; 19:35; 20:8; 20:25; 20:27; 20:29; 20:31.

These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that YE MAY KNOW THAT YE HAVE ETERNAL LIFE, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.

Chapter 2 (2:11; 2:22-23)

The Purpose for *Miracles* **in "Believing"** = Supernatural Events Provoked Belief Jesus)

John 2:9-11 When the ruler of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, and knew not whence it was: (but the servants which drew the water knew;) the governor of the feast called the bridegroom, (10) And saith unto him, Every man at the beginning doth set forth good wine; and when men have well drunk, then that which is worse: *but* thou hast kept the good wine until now.

(11) This beginning of miracles did Jesus in Cana of Galilee, and manifested forth his glory; and his disciples **believed** on him.

- Who is believing? <u>_disciples_</u>
- Exactly what are they believing?_that He could do miracles_
- Exactly when did believing happen? _when the disciples heard of wine quality_
- What happened after they believed? <u>_their faith became very strong</u>
- Who's authority is behind the *miracles*? <u>an Omnipotent Creator God</u>
- Is believing a physical principle, a spiritual, or both? _primarily, here, believing is physical, but the disciples' acts thereafter proved it fully spiritual_

The Purpose of *Scripture* **for "Believing"** = Fulfilled Prophesy Provoked Believing

John 2:18-23 Then answered the Jews and said unto him, What sign shewest thou unto us, seeing that thou doest these things? (19) Jesus answered and said unto them, Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up. (20) Then said the Jews, Forty and six years was this temple in building, and wilt thou rear it up in three days? (21) But he spake of the temple of his body. (22) When therefore he was risen from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this unto them; and they **believed** the scripture, and the word which Jesus had said. (23) Now when he was in Jerusalem at the passover, in the feast *day*, many believed in his name, when they saw the miracles which he did.

Jesus tells them plainly using a term they could misunderstand to hide truth from them because of their unbelief–a curse to blind the willful rejecting one.

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