

Building Beliefs

It's surprising what people, Christians & non-Christians, build their beliefs _____ of and where in the world they find the _____ materials.

Questions of Jesus to Consider :

... *Who do people say the Son of Man is?" ... But what about you?"* he asked. *Who do you say I am?"*

Matthew 16:13-15 (bold added)

Beliefs are **B** _____ **by what you say.** vs. 13-15

... *For out of the overflow of the heart the mouth speaks.*
Matthew 12:34

Beliefs are **B** _____ **on what you receive.** v. 17

From where do you get your *spiritual* beliefs?

- Are people mostly good or evil?
- What is God like?
- How old is the earth?
- What do angels look like? How many kinds are there?
- What does the Bible say about current issues?
- Where was Jesus during the days in the tomb?
- Have you read the Bible?

What Seems Complicated:

Personal Conviction comes from the Spirit from areas not _____ in Scripture.

Personal Interpretation is the leading from the Spirit in areas written _____ in the Scripture.

Dispensational is the determination of what's in the Scriptures for the culture of that day and what's to stand

Beliefs can **B** _____ **strong opposition.**

v. 18

¹⁵ *This is what the Lord says to you: 'Do not be afraid or discouraged because of this vast army. For the battle is not yours, but God's'* ¹⁷ *You will not have to fight this battle. Take up your positions; stand firm and see the deliverance the Lord will give you, ... Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged. Go out to face them tomorrow, and the Lord will be with you.'* ²² *As they began to sing and praise, the Lord set ambushes against the men of Ammon and Moab and Mount Seir who were invading Judah, and they were defeated.* *2 Chronicles 20:15, 17, & 22*

The Lord is a refuge for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble. Those who know your name will trust in you, for you, Lord, have never forsaken those who seek you. *Psalms 9:9-10*

Beliefs are what you **B** _____ **as possible.** v. 19

For nothing is impossible with God. *Luke 1:37*

Jesus replied, What is impossible with men is possible with God." *Luke 18:27*

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. *Romans 8:37*

I can do everything through Him who gives me strength. *Philippians 4:13*

Possible Scriptures Readings

Day 1 *Creation* **Genesis 1 & 2**

Day 2 *Sin & its Effect* **Genesis 3 & 4**

Day 3 *World wide Flood* **Genesis 6 - 8**

Day 4 *God's Promise to Noah* **Genesis 9**

Day 5 *God calls Abram* **Genesis 12**

Day 6 *God's Promise to Abram* **Genesis 15**

Day 7 *Abram becomes Abraham* **Genesis 17**