



Does it really matter what we do as long as we believe God exists? Absolutely. The Bible tells us to live a life of obedience—to back up our faith with actions—so that we grow closer in our relationship with God and live a life that points others to Him.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. On a scale of 1-10 with 10 being high, how willing are you to do whatever God asks of you—even when it's inconvenient or makes you uncomfortable?
2. What areas in your life do you feel extra vulnerable—alcohol, anger, greed, gossip? How can you be intentional about your decisions this week in order to build up your obedience muscle?
3. **Read James 2:14-26.** Why do you think James says faith without actions is dead? How can your life and actions demonstrate your faith to the people around you?
4. Have you taken the step of being baptized as an adult? If so, share your story with someone. If not, what's holding you back?

CHALLENGE

This week, don't let excuses get in the way of putting your faith into action. Think about what hinders you from following God's plan for your life and make a commitment to trust Him—no matter what.

If you missed the chance to get baptized this weekend, put July 17 on your calendar for the next baptism opportunity.

COMMIT TO MEMORY

"Each of you must turn from your sins and turn to God, and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ." **Acts 2:38**