



Revelation 12:11

And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives to the death.

God is real

Romans 1:20

For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse:



God gave us His Word

John 1:1-5

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in *the* beginning with God. 3 All things came into being through Him, and without Him not even one *thing* came into being that has come into being.

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John 1:1-5

4 In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. 5 And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overtake it..



His Word became flesh

John 1:14-18

14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

15 John spoke about him. He cried out, "This is the one I was talking about when I said, 'He comes after me, but he is greater than I am. because he existed hefore I was horn ' "



His Word became flesh

John 1:14-18

16 For from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace.
17 For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.
18 No one has ever seen God;

the only God, who is at the Father's side, he has made him known.



Jesus and God are One

John 14:9-14

9 Jesus said to him, Have I been with you such a long time and yet you have not known Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father. And how do you say, Show us the Father?

10 Do you not believe that I *am* in the Father and the Father in Me? The Words that I speak to you I do not speak of Myself, but



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the Father who dwells in Me, He does the works.

11 Believe Me that I *am* in the Father and the Father in Me, or else believe Me for the very works themselves.

12 Truly, truly, I say to you, He who believes on Me, the works that I do he shall do also, and greater *works* than these he shall do, because I go to My Father.



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John 14:9-14

13 And whatever you may ask in My name, that I will do, so that the Father may be glorified in the

14 If you ask anything in My name, I will do *it*.

Jesus and God are One

John 8:58

"Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, before Abraham was, I am.'



Jesus and God are One

Colossians 1:16

For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are upon earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:



Jesus died on a cross

Romans 5:17-19

17 For if by one man's offense death reigned through one, much more those who receive abundance of grace and the gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ.)
18 Therefore as through one man's offense judgement *came* on all men, resulting in condemnation, even so through



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Romans 5:17-19

one Man's righteous act the free gift *came* to all men to justification of life. 19 For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so also by one Man's obedience many will be made righteous.'

Jesus Rose again

Romans 14:9

For this Christ both died and rose and lived again, that He might be Lord both of *the* dead and living.



Holy Spirit our Helper

John 15:20

20 Remember the word that I said to you, The servant is not greater than his master. If they have persecuted Me, they will also persecute you. If they have kept My saying, they will also keep yours.

21 But all these things they will do to you for My name's sake, because they do not know Him who sent Me.

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John 15:20

22 If I had not come and spoken to them, they would not have had sin; but now they have no excuse for their sin.

23 He who hates Me hates My Father also.

24 If I had not done among them the works which no other did, they would not have had sin. But now they have both seen and hated Me and My Father.



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25 But that the Word might be fulfilled that is written in their Law, "They hated Me without a cause."

26 And when the Comforter has come, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He shall testify of Me. 27 And you also shall bear witness, because you have been



For the sake of a mere idea

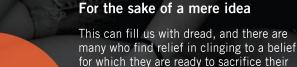
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A Point of View: The perils of belief

The evangelical urge to make other people share our beliefs is a blight upon civilisation - and religion is by no means the sole offender, says John Gray.

For the sake of a mere idea

While human beings are willing to kill others for the sake of belief, they are ready to die for the same reason. No other species shows any sign of killing or dying *for the sake of a mere idea*. Some will say that's because other species can't formulate ideas or beliefs, but I think the answer lies elsewhere. The ability to form complex beliefs about the world has given us humans great power - at least over material things. But these more highly developed intellectual capacities also give us a clearer awareness of the fact that we are going to die.



many who find relief in clinging to a belief for which they are ready to sacrifice their lives. Curiously, it may be fear of mortality that has led so many believers to embrace death..

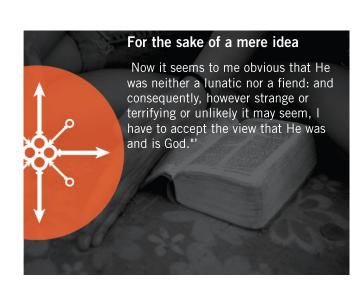


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"I am trying here to prevent anyone saying the really foolish thing that people often say about Him: I'm ready to accept Jesus as a great moral teacher, but I don't accept his claim to be God. That is the one thing we must not say. A man who was merely a man and said the sort of things Jesus said would not be a great moral teacher. He would either be a lunatic — on the level with the man who says he is a poached egg — or else he would be the Devil of Hell. You must make your choice.

For the sake of a mere idea

Either this man was, and is, the <u>Son of</u> <u>God</u>, or else a madman or something worse. You can shut him up for a fool, you can spit at him and kill him as a demon or you can fall at his feet and call him Lord and God, but let us not come with any patronising nonsense about his being a great human teacher. He has not left that open to us. He did not intend to. ...





God is love

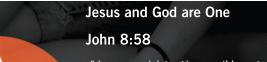
John 3:16-17

16 For God so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

17 For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but so that the world might be saved through Him. God is love

John 15:13-14

13 No one has greater love than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.14 You are My friends if you do whatever I command you..



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The choice is ours

Real – Existing as a thing or occurring as a fact.

Fact – A thing that is known or can be proved to have happened to be true or exists.

Truth – A fact, believe that is accepted as true.

Faith - Complete trust or confidence in God, in His Word and in His actions.

Die keuse is joune

Werklik – Wesentlik bestaande. Regtig en inderdaad.

Feit – lets wat werklik plaasgevind het, wat vasstaan. lets waaraan niks verander kan word nie.

Waarheid – Wat waar is; in ooreenstemming met feite; Beginsel wat algemeen aanvaar word, juis en waar.



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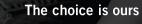
Romans 1:18-22

18 For the wrath of God is revealed from Heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness,

19 because the thing which may be known of God is clearly revealed within them, for God revealed *it* to them. The choice is ours

Romans 1:18-22

20 For the unseen things of Him from *the* creation of *the* world *are* clearly seen, being realized by the things that are made, *even* His eternal power and Godhead, for them to be without excuse.



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21 Because, knowing God, they did not glorify Him as God, neither were thankful. But *they* became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. 22 Professing to be wise, they became fools.