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3 OBJECTIONS

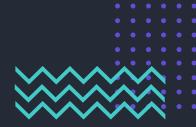
TO BELIEF IN JESUS IN 2019















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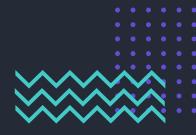




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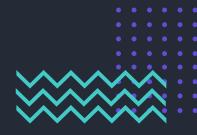


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² "Do you see all these great buildings?" replied Jesus. "Not one stone here will be left on another; every one will be thrown down."

Mark 13:1-2





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³ For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance:

That Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures,

⁴ that he was buried,
that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures,

⁵ and that he appeared to Cephas,
and then to the Twelve.

⁶ After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep.

1 Corinthians 15:3-6





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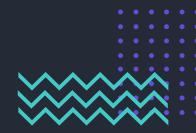
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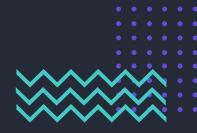


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Peter's denial – Luke 22:54-62 Jesus' Ascension – Mark 13:32 Jesus' crucifixion – Matthew 27:46







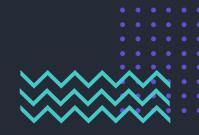


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In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar—when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, Herod tetrarch of Galilee, his brother Philip tetrarch of Iturea and Traconitis, and Lysanias tetrarch of Abilene—during the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas...

Luke 3:1-2



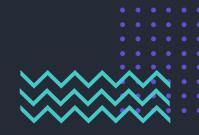


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"I think the evidence is just so overwhelming that Jesus existed, that it's silly to talk about him not existing. I don't know anyone who is a responsible historian, who is actually trained in the historical method, or anybody who is a biblical scholar who does this for a living, who gives any credence at all to any of this."

Bart erhman Secular agnostic bible scholar







"Jesus existed, and those vocal persons who deny it do so not because they have considered the evidence with the dispassionate eye of the historian, but because they have some other agenda that this denial serves."

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Jesus' opponents – John 10









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³⁰ "I and the Father are one."

³¹ Again his Jewish opponents picked up stones to stone him, ³² but Jesus said to them, "I have shown you many good works from the Father. For which of these do you stone me?"

³³ "We are not stoning you for any good work," they replied, "but for blasphemy, because you, a mere man, claim to be God."









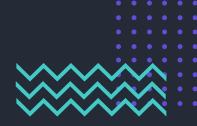
Jesus' opponents

Jesus' followers – John 20

²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."

²⁸ Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"









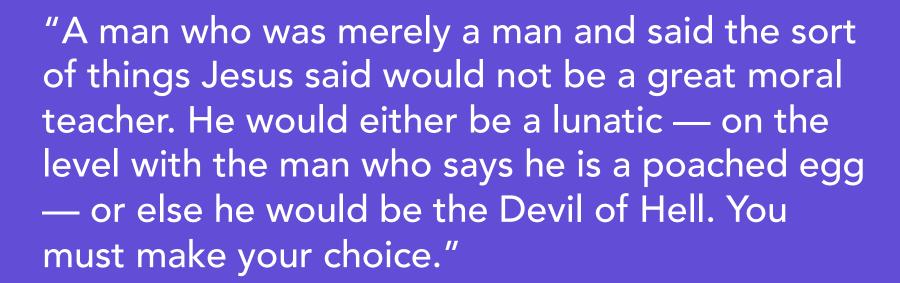
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Jesus' himself – John 14

- ⁸ Philip said, "Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us."
- ⁹ Jesus answered: "Don't you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show' us the Father'?"





C.S. Lewis











Crucified by Pontius pilate

historical bedrock







Crucified by Pontius pilate

Empty tomb









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Postpartum appearances







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Disciples' belief in the resurrection







Mass hallucination

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#3 – the resurrection didn't happen

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Only one of these explains all the facts





Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the worst.

1 Timothy 1:15



The Bible?!



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