

Read John 1:1, Hebrews 1:1-3. We pay attention to Jesus teaching and trust Him because of His unique nature; because of who He is. What characteristic of Jesus causes you to stand up and take note? What is it about Him that builds trust in your life?

Read Hebrews 4:12-13, John 6:63, John 14:6. We pay attention to Jesus teaching and trust Him because of the unique nature of what He says. There is an authority in Christ's teaching that no one else has, it is dynamic and active. What are some of Jesus' teachings that have radically shaped your life?

Believing Jesus & applying what He says brings us life in Christ's presence. Read John 6:67-69. All of us go somewhere to find life. If we don't come to Christ, we have gone somewhere else, such as to material things, health, relationships, worldly religions. Share stories from your life of those places you have gone to find "life" instead of coming to Jesus.

Believing Jesus & applying what He says brings to us freedom for sin's wages and consequences. Sin is to fall short or to miss the mark of God's glory. It is to trespass into areas where God tells us not to go. God gives commands because He wants to bless us & protect us. We hold to His teaching and orient our lives around what He says, experience freedom instead the of consequences of sin. What are those areas in your life that God is calling you to further rearrange in obedience to Him?

Believing Jesus & applying what He says brings to us wisdom for life's challenges. Read Matthew 7:24-27. We construct our life on the foundation of His wisdom so that when trouble comes, we have experience strength and stability. We are called to hear God's will and put it into practice. In your life, what spiritual practices can you strengthen so that your foundation will better weather life's storms?

Believing Jesus & applying what He says brings to us rest from religion's burden. "Religion" calls us to work for God's favour, striving after rules. Jesus offers us rest from "religion", instead He invites us into relationship with Him by grace. What does it mean to you to grow deeper in your relationship with Jesus?