

Jesus Talks With a Samaritan Woman

John 4:1-42

"So now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other."
(John 13:34)

Jesus loves everyone... and wants us to believe in him.

Sometimes it's hard to believe in Jesus. After all, you can't see him. It would be so much simpler if he'd just stayed on earth so you could stop by and chat with him. That would have helped everyone believe in him.

But Jesus didn't do that. Instead, he asks you to believe even though you can't see him. You *can* talk to him—that's what prayer is all about—but everything else you take on faith.

You see the beauty of his creation. You see how knowing him changes people. You watch him work in the world.

There are lots of ways to know he's real, but if sometimes you wonder...talk with him about it. Tell him you're not sure, and ask for help. He'll give you what you need.

Because he *totally* believes in you.

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Why do you believe Jesus is real?

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Sit on a chair. Wait—you can't because your body is mostly...nothing. Atoms making up your body are 99.99 percent empty space. Same for the chair. So you'll simply fall through the chair, right? Wrong—because electrons orbiting your atoms push against one another making you and the chair feel solid. You have to take all that on faith, just like you take so many things you can't see on faith. Jesus asks you to take *him* on faith, too—faith that will be rewarded with eternal life!



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One of Jesus' own disciples at first didn't believe Jesus would come back to life. And some people Jesus met only sort of believed at first. Jesus still loved them! Read John 20:24-29 and Mark 9:20-24.



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