

A scenic landscape featuring a large, vibrant tree with orange and red autumn foliage in the center. To the right, a large, abstract red sculpture stands on a grassy field. The background shows rolling hills under a cloudy sky. The text "Believe in Him" is overlaid in a large, white, italicized font with a black outline.

Believe in Him

John 6:26-29 (Topical Message)

Many of us are still on the fence about this man called Jesus Christ. Who is this guy called Jesus Christ? We have heard about Him, we might know a little about Him, we have read about Him in the bible or other literature – ***but might not be sure if He is God, or that He is all that He says He is, and the salvation He claims to offer.*** Jesus told the world that He is the Son of God when he walked on the earth. For that, the Pharisees (Jewish leaders along with Roman officials) crucified Him because of that blasphemous statement .

So here many of us are in our life journey – not sure about Jesus Christ, and just going through the motions of life!

Trying to make life worth, and trying to have a sense of worth and purpose to satisfy (and work for) what we sense is something missing in our lives, or what we want in our lives.

If truth be told (being honest) all men who are spiritually dead (Without the Life of Christ – Spiritual Life) would admit something is missing in their life (Void, or Hole in one's Heart). And are searching the world (and working towards something) to fill what's missing or what we think they need that will satisfy. There is a void in one's soul that has the need to be filled: All men have this void. It all started when Adam & Eve sinned in the Garden.

It's not hard to see the consequences of this VOID:

Drug Addition, Alcohol Addiction, Divorce, Murder, Theft, Rioting, Sexual perversion, Immorality, Depression, Suicide, Assault, Sexual Abuse, etc. It's in the news every day.

There is a one core reason for this. It's man trying to fill his void of the need of Love, Acceptance, Value, Worth and Significance. He is searching and working towards things of the world, which will NEVER, NEVER, NEVER satisfy or fill this void. Frustration & Desperation of searching (trying) leads to all kinds of sins. There are degrees of sin; but the fact remains all sin is sin in the sight of God. The VOID in Man's heart will never be filled in things of the world – they will NEVER, NEVER, NEVER satisfy!

This is by God's design!

Ecclesiastes 3:11 (AMP)

¹¹ He has made everything beautiful in its time. He also has planted eternity in men's hearts *and* minds [***a divinely implanted sense of a purpose working through the ages which nothing under the sun but God alone can satisfy***], yet so that men cannot find out what God has done from the beginning to the end.

In man there is a divinely implanted sense of working towards (Void) something to satisfy them (Love, Acceptance, Value, Worth & Significance), but nothing under the sun will (in this world) satisfy – but God alone!

Today, I want to preach a message about man ***Working towards something that will never Satisfy, what only God can!*** from John 6:26-29, and Jesus' explanation of this and His answer to this!

Looking at John 6:26-29, we will discover that 3 life phases in discovering that the VOID in one's life can only be filled by Jesus Christ. Jesus Christ will satisfy all of man's needs: But one needs to "**Believe in Him**".

Thus, the title of my message this morning "**Believe in Him**".

Phases to "Believe in Him"

1. Dissatisfaction Guaranteed

2. Dissatisfaction's Endless Cycle

3. Satisfaction Guaranteed by Belief in Jesus Christ

John 6:26-29 (NASB)

²⁶ Jesus answered them and said, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you seek Me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate of the loaves and were filled. ²⁷ "Do not work for the food which perishes, but for the food which endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you, for on Him the Father, God, has set His seal." ²⁸ Therefore they said to Him, "What shall we do, so that we may work the works of God?" ²⁹ Jesus answered and said to them, "This is the work of God, that you **believe in Him** whom He has sent."

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Many want the benefits of what Jesus Christ can give them in the physical realm, without a relationship with Him in the spiritual realm: This is what Jesus is saying here.

You want what I can give You without getting to know Me. This is like using Jesus only for their need of provision, without wanting to get to know Him. They are using Him!

Have you ever met a person like that?

Their only interest they have in you, is what they can get from you! Its about what they get, versus a relationship with you.

Without God (Jesus Christ) in
our lives - *“Dissatisfaction is
Always Guaranteed”*

2. Dissatisfaction's Endless Cycle

John 6:27 (NASB)

²⁷ "Do not work for the food which perishes, but for the food which endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you, for on Him the Father, God, has set His seal."

The void, hole in your heart, your need for (Love, Acceptance, Value, Worth & Significance) can never be satisfied in the physical realm (Food), but only in the spiritual realm (Me). Do not work for, labor for, search for, and strive for things in the physical realm. They will perish, and never satisfy!

This is the *Endless Cycle of Dissatisfaction in the life of man!*

This is if I only had this (XYZ) – I will feel Loved, feel accepted, have value, have worth, and be significant (*and feel a sense of SATISFACTION*)!

1. If I only had a spouse:

- a. That person will end my search and fill the hole in my heart, and I will be loved

2. If I only had that job:

- a. I would feel I have worth and am significant

3. If I only could make more money:

- a. I wouldn't feel like a failure in life

4. If I could only buy that house, or that car

- a. I would feel valued in society

5. If I could get this or that

- a. I would be significant

Most Divorced Man

Glynn Wolfe, also known as Scotty Wolfe, was a Baptist minister who resided in Blythe, California. He was famous for holding the record for the largest number of monogamous marriages. His shortest marriage lasted 19 days, and his longest lasted eleven years. He married and divorced 24 times. He died a Bachelor.

Born: July 25, 1908

Died: June 10, 1997, Redlands, CA

In 89 years of life, he got divorced 24 times. Boy, what was He thinking? I guess if his spouse didn't meet his need for (Love, Acceptance, Value, Worth & Significance), I guess he decided he will divorce her, and search for and work towards another wife to satisfy his need for (Love, Acceptance, Value, Worth & Significance).

As a supposed Pastor - He should have read our passage today in John 6:26-28!

3. Satisfaction Guaranteed by Belief in Jesus Christ

John 6:28-29 (NASB)

²⁸ Therefore they said to Him, "What shall we do, so that we may work the works of God?" ²⁹ Jesus answered and said to them, "This is the work of God, that you **believe in Him** whom He has sent."

What will free me from working in the cycle of Dissatisfaction?

What are the works of God?

²⁹ Jesus answered and said to them, "This is the work of God, that you **believe in Him** whom He has sent."

John 6:29 (AMP Version Says)

²⁹ Jesus replied, This is the work (service) that God asks of you: that you believe in the One Whom He has sent [**that you cleave to, trust, rely on, and have faith in His Messenger**].

No More – Working towards things that will perish and never satisfy in this physical world!

Jesus says to “Believe in Him”

Do you believe in Him?

Not the belief that He exists, but the belief that He is the Son of God, died on the cross and rose again 3 days later for the forgiveness of sins and gives you “Eternal Life” which is His Life in You.

Do you believe, cleave to, trust in, rely on, and have faith in Him?

Do You “Believe in Him?”

Believe in Him



Satisfaction Guaranteed!

A scenic landscape featuring a large green lawn in the foreground. Several trees with vibrant autumn foliage in shades of orange, red, and yellow are scattered across the middle ground. In the background, there are rolling hills under a cloudy sky. A prominent red, abstract sculpture consisting of several vertical and horizontal beams is visible on the right side of the image. The text "Believe in Him" is overlaid in a large, white, bold, italicized font with a black outline, centered in the upper half of the image. Below it, the text "John 6:26-29 (Topical Message)" is overlaid in a smaller, white, bold, italicized font with a black outline, centered in the lower half of the image.

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