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## A Decision for Christ

Whether we realize it or not, we all make spiritual decisions in life, and what we decide makes a big difference. This month at NBBC, we'll focus on four decisions that can change the trajectory of our lives. The most critical of all is making a decision for Christ.

Decide to take God seriously.

Decide to consider the claims of Christ.

Decide to believe in Him for eternal life.



## For Further Consideration

- 1. What does it mean to you to 'take God seriously'? For different people, this may mean different things. What part(s) of your life is it hardest for you to let God have His way in? What in our human condition causes us to ignore God, or to resist taking Him seriously when we do think about Him? Read Romans 1.18-23. How does secular society, political correctness, liberal ethics, and the loss of moral absolutes contribute to our treatment of God? How will you *take God seriously* this week?
- Jesus claimed to be God in the flesh (Mark 14.61-64; Luke 22.66-71; John 1.1-5; 5.17-18; 8.54-59; 10.30-33), and His deity is affirmed throughout the rest of the New Testament (e.g., Titus 2.13; Hebrews 1.1-12; 2 Peter 1.1). Consider the implications of the claims of Jesus to be God. If this is true – if Jesus is Creator of the universe, Savior of the world, and is returning to earth someday, how central should He be to your life? What role does Jesus play in your life plans?
- 3. John 6.47 records an incredible offer from the lips of Jesus: "Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me has everlasting life." Such a promise would be ludicrous for you or me to make. Only God Himself can deliver on that kind of offer! Amazingly, it comes *with no strings attached*! Acts 16.31 is clear: *Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved*. Saved from what? From the penalty of our sin, hell, and also from life without hope. Your *eternal life* can begin today. Believe in Jesus right now, and receive His free gift of eternal life.