

# WHAT IS A CHRISTIAN?

## WEEK ONE

### OPEN

1. In this series we are talking about what Christians should look like. Have you ever had an experience with a Christian who didn't act like a Christian? What was that like?
2. Was there a time in your own life when you were observed not acting like a Christian? What was that like?

### DIG

1. Christians have a series of beliefs that define them. The major beliefs that we trust in are:

<b>Creation</b>	God created the world because He wanted a relationship with us.
<b>Fall</b>	That relationship was broken when we decided to not listen to God's direction.
<b>Sin</b>	As a result of our sin, the entire creation was cursed and we experience death.
<b>Redemption</b>	God created a way for us to get back into good standing with Him through Jesus
<b>Justification</b>	All of our sin was nailed with Jesus to the cross and those who believe and put their trust in this are made right with God and will live with Him forever in heaven
<b>Mission</b>	The church is God's way to tell the world about this truth.
<b>Restoration</b>	Jesus will return again at the end of time to judge everyone and restore the relationship with God and man as in the garden of Eden.

- Of those beliefs, which one do you find most interesting or appealing?
  - Which one is the hardest to believe?
2. Read John 6:22-29
    - Why were the crowds following Jesus?
    - When Jesus says, 'just believe' what does He mean? Can anyone believe and just continue to do what they want?
  3. Look in verse 30 - does it look like they believed in Jesus? Why did they need more proof?



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## SHARE

1. Have you decided to believe in and follow Jesus? If yes, how did that happen? If not, what are you undecided about?
2. If people didn't know you were a Christian, would it be obvious from how you behave?

## PRAYER

Take turns sharing an area of your faith that you struggle with belief. As a group, ask God to show you how you can increase your faith.

## GO DEEPER

**The Gospel Project - Faith** - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f4X1OjnBzj0>

**Tim Mackie - Faith** - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A-zK3Uy-QcY>