

# TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE

**“Too Good to Be True”**

*“When Something  
Looks Too Good to  
Be True, It Usually Is,”*



# DOUBT

**to call into question the truth of; to be uncertain**

**to lack confidence in**

**to consider unlikely**



# DOUBT

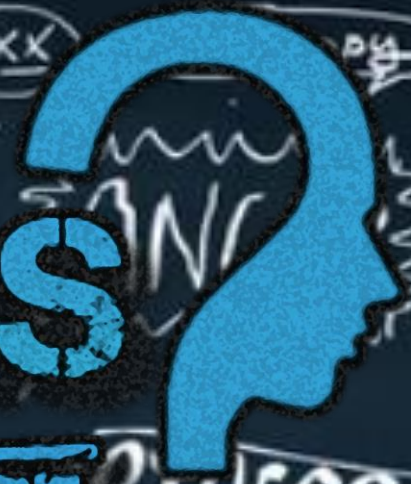
**Doubt is the Opposite of Belief!**

**“Jesus can't Use People that  
have Doubts”**

**“If you have doubts you  
can't be a Christian”**



# DOUBTERS WELCOME



Hand-drawn white text and symbols on a dark background, including: "FRUSTRATION", "Tired", "PAIN", "SUFFERING", "GRIEF", "STOP", "STRESS", "Sorrow", "Depression", "SHAME", "Worry", and a sad face icon.



# DOUBTERS

**They all had a physical contact with Jesus**

**All of them saw miracles and still doubted**

**All of them heard Jesus and still doubted**

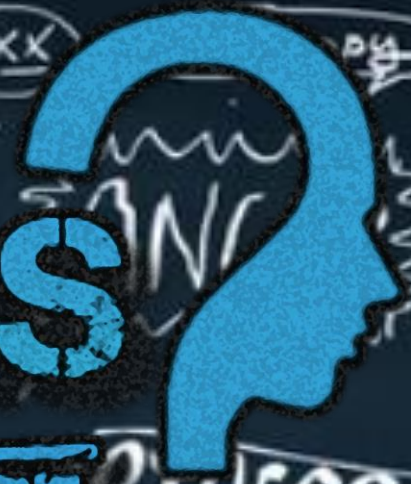
**To them Jesus was a real I am to you, and they still doubted**

**They all went on to play valuable roles in the ministry of Jesus and the church**

**DOUBTERS?**  
**WELCOME!**

A small figure of a person sitting on the ground next to a large question mark.

# DOUBTERS WELCOME



FRUSTRATION  
Tired  
PAIN  
SUFFERING  
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STOP  
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Sorrow  
Depression



# Nicodemus

# CALCULATING

# DOUBTING



# WHO IS HE?

Now there was a **Pharisee**, a man named Nicodemus who was **a member of the Jewish ruling council.**

**John 3:1**

**DOUBTERS**  
**WELCOME?**

A man in a white shirt and dark pants is sitting on the floor, looking up at a large, glowing question mark. The scene is dimly lit, with a spotlight effect on the man and the question mark. The background is dark and textured.



# HIS MEETING WITH JESUS

He came to Jesus at night and said,  
“Rabbi, **we know** that you are a teacher  
who has **come from God**. For no one  
could perform the signs you are doing if  
God were not with him.”

John 3:2

DOUBTERS  
WELCOME?

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# DEALING WITH HIS DOUBTS

(John 3:3-9)



DOUBTERS  
WELCOME?

# DEALING WITH HIS DOUBTS

For Nicodemus Jesus did not give him answers he gave him more questions

For people that are driven by looking for answers, telling them the answer will never calm their doubts

Jesus goes on the offensive

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**DOUBTERS**  
**WELCOME**

# DEALING WITH HIS DOUBTS

I am sure Nicodemus came to Jesus with an agenda

He probably had questions

Perhaps he had some doctrinal arguments to lay out

Maybe he was going to attempt to convince Jesus to do things differently

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**DOUBTERS?**  
**WELCOME!**

# DEALING WITH HIS DOUBTS

The conversation ends and  
Nicodemus goes home to ponder  
who is Jesus really

DOUBTERS  
WELCOME?



# THE JESUS PROBLEM

**Nicodemus, who had gone to Jesus earlier and who was one of their own numbers, asked, “Does our law condemn a man without first hearing him to find out what he has been doing?”**

**John 7:50-51**

**DOUBTERS  
WELCOME?**



# THE JESUS PROBLEM

**Jesus' popularity is on the rise**

**He is performing miracles and teaching**

**He is actually claiming to be God!**

**The Pharisees wish to silence him**

**It's Nicodemus that reminds them  
their law prohibits condemning a  
man without a trial**

**DOUBTERS  
WELCOME?**

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# THE BURIAL

(John 19:39-42)

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WELCOME?

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# NICODIEMUS

What if it never happened?



DOUBTERS  
WELCOME?

# JOHN 3:16

**For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.**



**DOUBTERS?**  
**WELCOME!**

# JOHN 3:16

**God is love**

**The deity of Jesus (One and Only Son of God)**

**The mission of Jesus (Give His Life)**

**The Openness of the invitation (Whosoever)**

**Our need to believe**

**And the eternal ramifications  
of your decision**

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**DOUBTERS  
WELCOME?**

# JOHN 3:16

From one man's doubts we  
have the most concise  
statement of Christian faith

DOUBTERS  
WELCOME



**DOUBTERS**

**WELCOME**



**Belief Required!**

