

What really matters? Jesus Matters

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[Matthew 7:13-14, 21-23](#)

[Jesus said] 13 "Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. 14 But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it. 15-20... 21 "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only he who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. 22 Many will say to me on that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and in your name drive out demons and perform many miracles?' 23 Then I will tell them plainly, 'I never knew you. Away from me, you evildoers!'

Jesus matters because...

1. OUR ETERNITY HINGES ON KNOWING HIM

[Matt 7:23](#)

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Jesus matters because...

2. HE PROVIDES ABUNDANT LIFE

[John 10:10](#)

[Jesus said] "The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full (more abundantly)."

[Gal 2:20](#)

I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me...

Jesus matters because...

3. THERE'S POWER IN HIS NAME

[Phil 2:9-10](#)

9 Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, 10 that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow...

- JESUS HEALS

[Acts 4:10](#) (After Peter & Jon healed crippled begger)

... It is by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified but whom God raised from the dead, that this man stands before you healed.

[Ps 147:3](#)

[The Lord] heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.

- JESUS SAVES

[Acts 4:12](#)

Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved."

- JESUS REDEEMS

[Gal 3:13](#)

Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us...