



# UNPACKING FAITH



## 2 Timothy 3:15-4:10

You have been taught the holy Scriptures from childhood, and they have given you the wisdom to receive the salvation that comes by trusting in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right. God uses it to prepare and equip His people to do every good work.



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As for me, my life has already been poured out as an offering to God. The time of my death is near. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, and I have remained faithful. And now the prize awaits me—the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give me on the day of His return. And the prize is not just for me but for all who eagerly look forward to His appearing.



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- To look at the good beliefs and the bad beliefs we were given as kids.
- To look at the questions we have that remain unanswered.
- To talk about the trauma and pain we've experienced *from the church*.
- To learn how to deal with hypocrisy and idolatry *inside the church*.
- To understand how we should handle faith disappointment.
- To figure out how to deal with doubt and deconstruction.



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“Sin is unwillingness to trust that what God wants for me is only my deepest happiness.”

**-St. Ignatius of Loyola**



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**You don't want to be someone who allows their deepest beliefs to be driven by:**

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2.

3.



## **Question from the Youths #5**

How can a God of love judge  
and send people to hell?



“Hell is the greatest monument to human freedom... There are only two kinds of people—those who say ‘Thy will be done’ to God or those who God in the end says ‘Thy will be done.’ All that are in Hell choose it.”

**-C.S. Lewis**







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**2. Is there room here for differing opinions?**

3.



## **Question from the Youths #6**

“I definitely have questions about the creation story...”



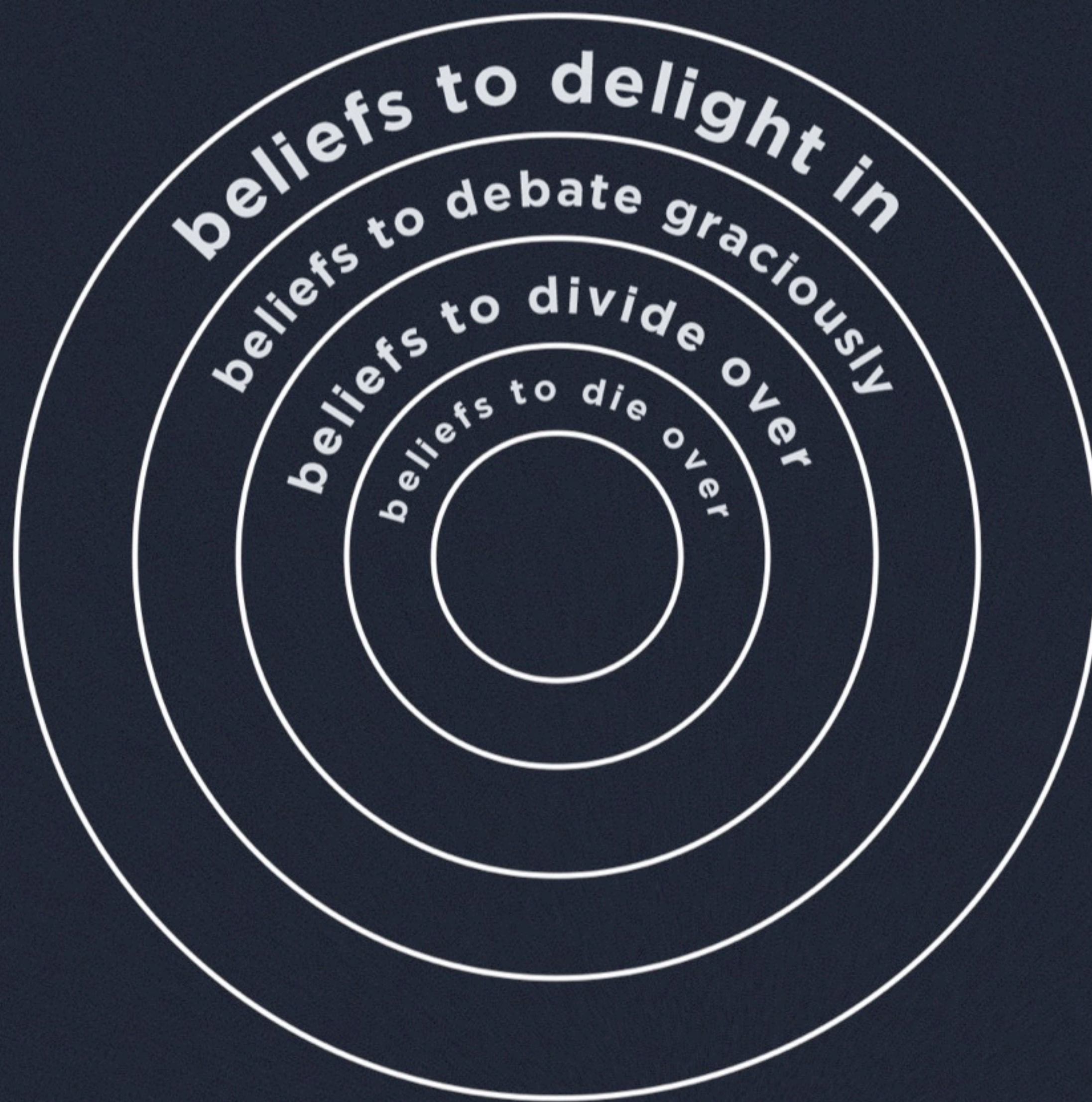
1. Young Earth Creationists

2. Old Earth Creationists

3. Theistic Evolutionists









# It is a essential for a Christian:

1. To believe that God exists.
2. To believe Jesus is Lord.
3. To believe Jesus is the risen Savior.
4. To be saved by grace through faith in Jesus.
5. To have new life in the Holy Spirit.
6. To persevere faithfully.





## **Question from the Youths #7**

I have doubts about something  
our church believes...





1. Is what I'm struggling with what Scripture actually teaches?
2. Is there room here for differing opinions?
- 3. If Scripture is God's truth, shouldn't it challenge everyone sometimes?**



## **Matthew 16:24**

“If any want to become My followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow Me.”



**Jesus:** “Never deny God, even if that means denying yourself.”

**Our Culture:** “Never deny yourself, even if that means denying God.”





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