

Why Ask

WHY?

John 6:66-69

WHY?

There are a few times
when asking WHY would
be inappropriate.

“IT IS NOT MINE TO QUESTION THE
JUDGMENTS OF MY LORD”



WHY?

MANY fail to see the
significance of ever
asking **WHY**.



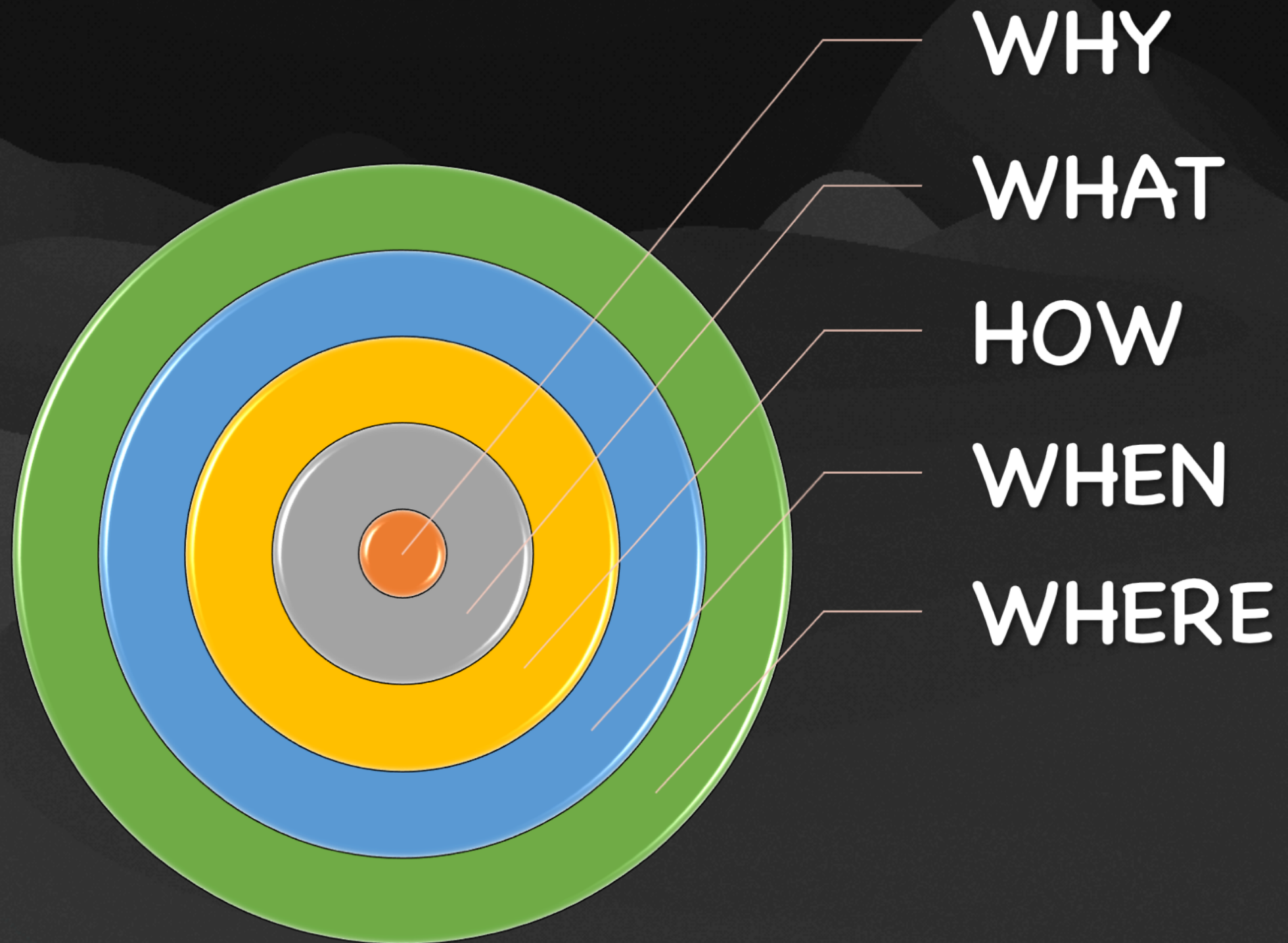


INQUIRING MINDS WANT TO KNOW



WHY ASK WHY?

To properly understand the WHY is to naturally lead to the need to know the what, how when and where.



WHY ASK WHY?



WHY SHOULD YOU BELIEVE
IN GOD?

WHY SHOULD YOU BELIEVE
IN JESUS AS GOD'S SON?

WHY SHOULD YOU BELIEVE
JESUS WAS CRUCIFIED, AROSE,
AND ASCENDED INTO
HEAVEN?

WHY SHOULD YOU BE A
CHRISTIAN?

WHY ARE YOU A CHRISTIAN?

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TO PLEASE SOMEONE ELSE?
Ezek. 18:20-31; Gal. 6:4-5; 2 Cor. 5:10

TO AVOID HELL?
John 14:21,23,24; 1 John 3:18-21

TO EARN GOD'S FAVOR?
Rom. 11:6; Eph. 2:5-8

WHY ASK WHY?



WHY SHOULD YOU BE A CHRISTIAN?

**GOD IS
CREATOR**

BECAUSE OF WHO GOD IS

Acts 17:24-31 (NKJV)

²⁴ God, who made the world and everything in it, since He is Lord of heaven and earth, does not dwell in temples made with hands.

(Gen. 1:1; Ac. 4:24; 14:15; He. 1:2; 3:4; 11:3)

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SUSTAINER**

Acts 17:24-31 (NKJV)
25 Nor is He worshiped with men's hands, as though He needed anything, since He gives to all life, breath, and all things.

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²⁶ And He has made from one blood every nation of men to dwell on all the face of the earth, and has determined their preappointed times and the boundaries of their dwellings,

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²⁷ so that they should seek the Lord, in the hope that they might grope for Him and find Him, though He is not far from each one of us; ²⁸ for in Him we live and move and have our being,

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Acts 17:24-31 (NKJV)

as also some of your own poets have said, 'For we are also His offspring.'

²⁹ Therefore, since we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Divine Nature is like gold or silver or stone, something shaped by art and man's devising.

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BECAUSE OF GOD'S LOVE

John 3:15–17 (NKJV)

¹⁵ that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁶ For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. ¹⁷ For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.

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HIS PEACE

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Romans 5:8–10 (NKJV)

⁸ But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.
⁹ Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him.

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¹⁰ For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life.

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Romans 8:31–32 (NKJV)

³¹ What then shall we say to these things? If God *is* for us, who *can be* against us? ³² He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?

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BECAUSE JESUS DIED FOR YOU!

Galatians 2:20 (NKJV)

²⁰ I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the *life* which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.



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Ephesians 5:1–2 (NKJV)

¹ Therefore be imitators of God as dear children. ² And walk in love, as Christ also has loved us and given Himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling aroma.



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1 John 3:16 (NKJV)

¹⁶ By this we know love,
because He laid down His
life for us. And we also
ought to lay down *our* lives
for the brethren.



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2 Corinthians 5:14–15 (NKJV)

¹⁴ For the love of Christ compels us, because we judge thus: that if One died for all, then all died; ¹⁵ and He died for all, that those who live should live no longer for themselves, but for Him who died for them and rose again.



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BECAUSE JESUS IS LORD!

Matthew 28:18–20 (NKJV)

¹⁸ And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. ¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, *even* to the end of the age.” Amen.



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Acts 2:36–37 (NKJV)

³⁶ “Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ.” ³⁷ Now when they heard *this*, they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, “Men *and* brethren, what shall we do?”



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Luke 6:46 (NKJV)

**46 “But why do you
call Me ‘Lord, Lord,’
and not do the things
which I say?”**



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Philippians 2:9–11 (NKJV)

⁹ Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, ¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, ¹¹ and *that* every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.



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2 Corinthians 5:10–11 (NKJV)

¹⁰ For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things *done* in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad. ¹¹ Knowing, therefore, the terror of the Lord, we persuade men; but we are well known to God, and I also trust are well known in your consciences.



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Matthew 25:31–32 (NKJV)

³¹ “When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. ³² All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides *his* sheep from the goats.



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Matthew 25:41,46 (NKJV)

⁴¹ “Then He will also say to those on the left hand, ‘Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels: ... ⁴⁶ And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.’”



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**BECAUSE OF WHO GOD
AND JESUS ARE!**

**BECAUSE OF WHAT GOD
AND JESUS HAVE DONE!**

**BECAUSE OF WHAT GOD
AND JESUS WILL DO!**



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**BECOMING A CHRISTIAN MEANS ONE
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Luke 9:23–25 (NKJV)

²³ Then He said to *them* all, “If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me. ²⁴ For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will save it. ²⁵ For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and is himself destroyed or lost?



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- ▶ **BELIEVE** (John 8:24; Rom. 10:9,10)
- ▶ **REPENT** (Luke 13:3,5; Acts 2:38; 17:30,31)
- ▶ **CONFESS** (Matt. 10:32; Rom 10:9,10; Acts 8:37)
- ▶ **BE BAPTIZED** (Mat. 28:19; Mk 16:16; Acts 2:38)
- ▶ **FOLLOW CHRIST** (Lk 9:23–25; Ro. 6:1–23; 2 Co. 6:14–7:1; 2 Pt. 1:5–11)



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Romans 6:8–14 (NKJV)

⁸ Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him, ⁹ knowing that Christ, having been raised from the dead, dies no more. Death no longer has dominion over Him. ¹⁰ For *the death* that He died, He died to sin once for all; but *the life* that He lives, He lives to God. ¹¹ Likewise you also, reckon yourselves to be dead indeed to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord. ¹² Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body, that you should obey it in its lusts. ¹³ And do not present your members *as* instruments of unrighteousness to sin, but present yourselves to God as being alive from the dead, and your members *as* instruments of righteousness to God. ¹⁴ For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law but under grace.