

1. Difficult not to believe in someone you have met twice
2. Experience
3. What do you make of Jesus?
4. Impact of the resurrection

*the power and mystery of inspiration -  
e.g. Fauré's Requiem (etc)*

*We don't believe in Xianity -  
we believe in Christ!*

*the promise of new life*

### IN JESUS' NAME

WE'RE ALL ON THE  
SAME SIDE.  
THE HERE (HEAR)  
AND NOW.  
ROLLED UP SLEEVES –  
CHRISTIANITY.

DESPITE LIVING IN A  
SINFUL WORLD WE HAVE  
JOY AND HOPE BECAUSE  
WE BELIEVE IN JESUS WHO  
DIED FOR OUR SINS AND A  
LOVING GOD WHO  
FORGIVES US.

*Experience - makes  
sense of what we are.*

*CofE as our vehicle or  
way.*

Christianity is a great  
way of interpreting  
God through love and  
charity.

**Because:**

**The person of Jesus Christ  
changed our lives.**

*Relationship with Jesus (New life)  
Not about rules (full life)*

*Jesus greatest inspiration - what he did  
and said showed the character of God*

*He invites to enter into relationship  
through forgiveness*

*I don't believe in Christianity but  
I do know Jesus Christ. Through  
knowing His love for me and for  
the world I have discovered new  
life and purpose in life.*

*God loves me*

Why you believe in Christianity

Wanted to be a "tent maker"  
- inspired by the Holy Spirit

No better moral teaching than  
Jesus'

I feel fully alive in Christ

It makes sense of the world

I know it to be true at a place in  
my heart that refuses to be  
denied.

Jesus loves me this I know.

Theological basis is compelling

*Christianity is a way of negotiating the challenges; confusion; mess of life.*

*God is with us in this*

PERSONAL EXPERIENCES  
EXPERIENCES CAN BE DIFFERENT  
UNDERSTAND THE RELATIONSHIP.

*My experience is that there is a supreme being, that has revealed himself in Jesus.*  
*My relationship with Jesus fills a deep longing in me, brings me peace, security, joy + delight + purpose in my life*

Love to the loveless  
Shown that they might lovely be.

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- *about relationship, rather than rules.*
- *about 'seeing the beyond'*
- *Christianity takes seriously the best & the worst in human beings.*

*Why do you believe in christianity?*

*I was born a christian, because my parents were christians.*

*I believe in helping the poor, the weak and the needy.*

*I have chosen to believe in christ and his teachings*

*I believe that there is more to life than our physical substance. I believe that Jesus Christ transforms lives today and for eternity.*

The life of Jesus and the Resurrection gives hope that death, evil and despair can and will be overcome by love.

JOHN 3:16

THERE IS ONE GOD AND ONE MEDIATOR BETWEEN GOD & MAN, THE MAN CHRIST JESUS.

JESUS IS THE ONLY ONE WHO HAS COME BACK (THE RESURRECTION) TO ASSURE US THAT THERE IS LIFE AFTER DEATH.

- ① *All my life- and it has never let me down!*
- ② *A framework for conduct*
- ③ *Belief in Redemption*

*Not necessarily in that order!*

*We believe in the living person of Jesus Christ.*

*"Jesus is real to me today"*

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*"He created us in love and wants us to love one another"*

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*"God loves you"*

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