

## Outreach Posters August 2014

Picture mountain with а many paths. There are narrow, winding tracks, some staircases crafted out of the mountainside, rocky outcrops, even a paved road with lanes. On each of these are people on a journey seeking truth, looking for a better future. There are hikers, rock climbers, long-distance runners... each finding their own way up towards the top.

We try and find our own way in life and hope we're making good decisions that will bring good outcomes in the future. Because, 'It doesn't matter how you get there, as long as you believe it's true for you'. Isn't that right?

But Jesus talks about the way to Heaven in very simple terms. He really says that we can't make it up the mountain without his help. He says that we have to trust in Him.

Here's what Jesus said to one of his friends called Thomas who struggled to believe:

"Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. And you know the way to where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we



do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. (John 14:1-6)

Because Jesus was the Son of God only he could make such a statement as this. He was saying that the only way to the top of the mountain, or to Heaven, is by believing and trusting in Him. Our human efforts, as hard as we may try or as much as we may believe in them, are just not enough.

If we trust in Jesus and ask him for forgiveness for everything, how wonderful it is to know that he is preparing a place for us. What a great comfort.

**Prayer:** Dear God, help me to know you by trusting in your son Jesus Christ.

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