

So What... **Who Cares?****ACROSS THE TIGHTROPE**

A huge crowd of people watched the famous tightrope walker, Blondin, cross Niagara Falls one day in 1860. Blondin crossed the rope numerous times—a 1,000-foot trip, 160 feet above the raging water. The story is told that he spoke to the crowd, asking if they believed he could take one of them across. Of course, they all agreed that he could. Then Blondin approached a man and asked him to get on his back and go with him. The man who was invited refused to go. Next he asked several others who likewise refused. Not a single person was willing.

All the people said that they believed Blondin could carry a person across but none of them were willing to actually climb up on his back and cross Niagara Falls.

It is the same way with God. Many people say all the right things about God but are unwilling to really put their life into God's hands. They are afraid to ever fully get on board with God by trusting and obeying Him. It is one thing to know the "right" answers about God, but it is another to believe in Him enough to follow what He says, even when it is hard or unpopular.

Remember What We Learned in Our First Two Sessions?

FIRST: God made each of us different so that we might have a unique relationship with Him and discover His special plans for our life (Session #1).

SECOND: He lovingly left us directions in the Bible on how life must be lived to be successful. The Bible is our owner's manual on life (Session #2).

Even so, for many people, God seems distant and far away. They are surprised to know that you can know God (have a personal relationship with Him!)

BUT THIS IS EXACTLY WHAT THE BIBLE PROMISES:

Jesus said:

And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.

—John 17:3