

I Want to Believe • Roadblocks

JOHN 18:28-38 &

October 24, 2010

Week 3 of 4

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Take it Home

Bring your life-changing questions to ***God***.

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Major Roadblocks to Christianity

Caveat:

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Matthew 7:13-14

Questions:

1. Historical — Did Jesus really live? Is the Bible trustworthy?
2. Scientific — With modern science, the existence of God seems more remote.
3. Logical — If God is good and omnipotent, why is there evil and suffering?
4. Moral — What good does religion do? It has caused great atrocities.
5. Emotional — What about those who have never heard of Jesus or who were raised in another culture/faith?
6. Hermeneutical — What about the Bible's teaching on _____ in light of modern society?

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