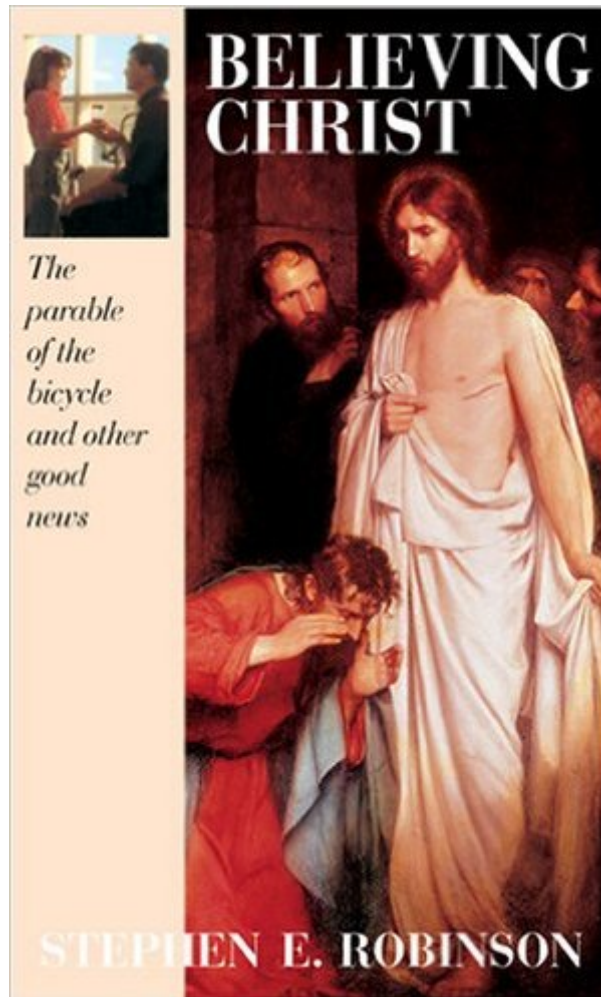


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# Believing Christ: The Parable Of The Bicycle And Other Good News



## Synopsis

Author Stephen Robinson illustrates the power of the Savior as he uses analogies and parables, such as his own bicycle story, and scriptures and personal experiences in this moving, best-selling book. Mortals have finite liabilities, he explains, and Jesus has unlimited assets. By merging the two, exaltation can come. As long as we progress in some degree, the Lord will be pleased and will bless us. We must not only believe in Christ but also believe him believe that he has the power to exalt us, that he can do what he claims. People will better understand the doctrines of mercy, justification, and salvation by grace after reading this book.

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## Customer Reviews

I'm a recent convert and an avid reader of books. So I don't say "This is the best book I've ever read" very often. I read 4 books in the month before I converted (wanted to make sure this was the right decision). This one was recommended by a friend at church and it has changed my life. This book introduced me to the real Jesus Christ. I've heard about him my entire life. I've met people who love him beyond measure. I've met people who don't believe he ever existed. But I had never met anyone who could explain to me who he really was. I never really understood what he did, what he continues to do, what I should think of him or how he is supposed to fit into my life. If you truly seek to know Jesus Christ, READ THIS BOOK!

I read this book at a time when the concept of the atonement was confusing. I was bothered (and would still be bothered now if I hadn't gotten the bigger picture from this book) by the

"Holier-Than-Thou" attitude of a lot of members of the church. Stephen helped me understand the good news. There have been several tests in my life since then testing my testimony of the restored gospel, but I have passed through them all with confidence. No other book besides the Book of Mormon has changed my spiritual life and understanding other than Stephen's book. I highly recommend it.

This book will explain how to get rid of the baggage you carry around with you that keeps you depressed and feeling like a failure. It will change your mind and your heart and fill it with hope. Don't give up on life until you've read it. It's one of the most influential books you will ever read.

Though the author cites Mormon scripture as well as the Bible, don't let that put you off. If he had only cited Old and New Testament scriptures, the result would be the same: a wonderful explanation of Christ's Grace and where works comes into the picture, repentance, and how Jesus infinite atonement brings us back to Him. Justice and mercy are compared beautifully, and the Love of Christ comes through like a sun bursting over the horizon. I recommend this book for anyone who is struggling with issues of their own unworthiness and the possibility of redemption. A brilliant and thoughtful book.

I had a real hard time with The Miracle of Forgiveness, and this book was recommended to me by a friend. Nothing has made the atonement of Christ more clear. Although it uses a lot of LDS scripture, I believe a lot of people from other faiths would find this a good read. I enjoyed it, and I'm far from the cookie cutter Utah Mormon. It's definitely worth the time to pick up and study.

I originally resisted reading this book, as I considered it to be a fad within the Mormon culture. However, upon reading this book, I found it to be an incredibly profound, encouraging, and uplifting work. Stephen E. Robinson explains clearly the concepts of salvation through grace; Christ's atonement; and our need not to be perfect, but just to be doing the best we can with what we are and what we have. It has helped me to believe Christ, not just believe in Him. I would recommend Believing Christ to readers of any faith

I first read this book in 2002. I've read it many times since. I've bought and given away many copies. As a mental health professional I recommend it often to members who are working through depression. I wish it were ethical for me to recommend it to non-LDS as well. While depression is

often biologically based it can be exacerbated by and contribute to "cognitive distortions" which alter one's perception of gospel truths. Stephen E Robinson corrects such distortions. Like the scriptures, this book is best read and re-read for further reassurance and enlightenment. If you're wondering if you should buy it, I suggest you do. Also purchase "Parable of the Divers." These two books clear the mind and free the soul.

Believing In Christ is one thing. Author Robinson shows how our belief is often tainted by self-doubt. Do we really believe that Christ, in His infinite atonement, reaches down and saves us from the consequences of our sins? Our efforts to keep the commandments, to be nice to others and be good don't "qualify" us for God's salvation. Only Jesus makes up the difference we could never repay. The miracle is that His grace has paid the price for all of us. The difference comes in our acceptance of His grace. This book is an inspiration to me. I hope you will find it valuable too.

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