

What is the definition of a Real Christian?

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There was someone who gave an exhaustive list on the internet of what it means to be a Real Christian. I have it copied here to give a comparison.

Signs of a true Christian we can identify only by using the Biblical guidelines.

Not everyone who is born in a Christian family is considered a real Christian. Real Christians will live according to the Word of God.

So what are Signs of a true Christian? A true Christian is one who worships and witnesses Jesus Christ. In this article, it gave and explained 37 characteristics for identifying a true child of God.

37 Signs of True Christian based on the Internet

This what the article says: You should examine yourselves to see if you are a true child of God by reading the listed qualities. If you have these qualities, you need to increase them. Let me now explain each of these points.

1. A Real Christian Always Loves Jesus

Matthew 22:37 – “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind”.

A real Christian will love Jesus more than life because the first and great command is given in the Word of God is to love God and Jesus Christ. It is the most powerful and life-transforming command.

2. A Born Again Individual Hates Sin

Psalm 97:10 – Let those who love the Lord hate evil

One of the clear signs of a True Christian is that they hate sin. A healthy Christian can usually identify negative habits and get rid of them because they know sin is a kind of evil.

3. A Child Of God Will Seek Baptism

Acts 2:38 – “Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins”.

A baptism is an act of faith also necessary for salvation. It is the first qualification to become a true Christian the fact that only through Baptism one can spiritually reborn.

4. A True Believer Practices Patience

Ecclesiastes 7:8 – The end of a matter is better than its beginning, and patience is better than pride.

Bible verses encourage every true believer to be patient to any given situation. In order to make progress in your life, you need to practice patience.

5. A Follower of Jesus Life Will Be Morally Pure

1 Corinthians 6:18 – “Flee fornication. Every sin that a man doeth is without the body, but he that committed fornication sinned against his own body”.

A child of God will flee from immorality. It is not challenging for someone to live for Jesus if he is morally and spiritually pure.

6. A Real Christian Practices Charity

Proverbs 19:17 – Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will repay him for his deed.

Charity is a key component of faith. A Godly man will help those in need. They will take it as a privilege to improve the lives of others.

7. A Child of God Will Be a Better Employee

Titus 2:9 – “Exhort servants to be obedient unto their own masters”.

True Christian will stay professional. They respect co-workers and managers and will not ever complain about their organization and the way of work will represent the Christian faith.

8. A Good Christian Will Not Be Jealousy

James 3:16 – For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice.

A true believer will celebrate the blessings of other individuals. They practice gratitude for what they have and will not encourage unhealthy competition with others.

9. Follower of Jesus Will Be Assertive

Ephesians 6:20 – “I might speak boldly as I ought to speak”.

A believer will prioritize good relationships with others. They will speak with boldness and confidence. As per the Word of God, a follower of Jesus needs to declare God’s words boldly to others.

10. A Real Christian Will Attend The Church And Take Part Holy Communion

1 Corinthians 11:26 “For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.”

A true believer will attend the church regularly and take part in Holy Communion. They are devoted followers of Jesus Christ and are not hypocritical.

11. A True Believer Will Not Discriminate Others

Galatians 3:28 – There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

Everybody is equal in Jesus' eyes. Believers will treat everyone equally (no matter what religion, nationality, gender, social status, etc) because "We have all been created in the image of God".

12. A Born Again Christian Always Be Empathetic

Romans 12:15 –Be happy with those who are happy and weep with those who weep.

Empathy has a key role in a believer's life because the Bible repeatedly refers to the act of empathy. The best example of empathy is Jesus Christ.

13. A Real Christian Will Bear No Grudges

Leviticus 19:18 "You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against the sons of your own people, but you shall love your neighbour as yourself: I am the Lord".

True Christians prefer to let go of the hurt, and happily move on with their life. They have the capacity to truly forgive others.

14. A True Christian Will Be Helpful To Others

Romans 12:13 – Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.

A child of God must help others. It is good to be a blessing in someone's life. Children of God will never be like self-absorbed people. As a Christian, It is mandatory to share Jesus' blessings with others.

15. A Good Christian Will Be Responsible

Galatians 6:5 – “For every man shall bear his own burden.”

Children of God must show responsibility towards family and friends. They never avoid or shrink their personal responsibility. They keep their promises.

16. A Real Christian Has Self-Control

Galatians 5:22-23 -But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

A true believer has self-control and emotional stability. It is the fruit of the spirit and helps to resist temptation. They have a clear conscience before Jesus.

17. Follower Of Jesus Will Not Take Bribe

Proverbs 17:23: “The wicked accepts a bribe in secret to pervert the ways of justice”.

According to Bible scripture bribe is considered a sin. A true Christian will not consider it and they will not encourage corruption.

18. A Real Christian Will Not Selfish

Philippines 2:3 – Don't be selfish; don't try to impress others.

A child of God will not be selfish. They will think about others and not spend time satisfying their own desires. They are generous.

19. A Child Of God Will Have Genuine Faith

1 Peter 1:7 – These trials will show that your faith is genuine. It is being tested as fire tests and purifies gold—though your faith is far more precious than mere gold.

Genuine Faith is one that believes Jesus Christ, Son of God is the Saviour of mankind and he will admit and confess his sins. A child of God believes that the trials in his life are eventually in control of Jesus.

20. A True Believer Will Obey God's Commandments

John 15:10 – If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commands and remain in his love.

The true Christian must obey God and His 10 commandments. A true Christian must obey the Ten Commandments to live life happily and peacefully. Being obedient to God is also means that one must love God.

21. A Born Again Christian Will Not Be Ego Centric

1 Peter 2:11 – I urge you, as foreigners and exiles to abstain from sinful desires which wage war against your soul.

A Believer will not be an egotist. They will never feel insecure. The ego will keep away from God's plan.

22. A Real Christian Will Not Threatened By Failure

Proverbs 24:16 – Indeed a righteous person will fall seven times, and then get up again, but the guilty will collapse in calamity.

Godly people never have the idea of failing because they know God is the only one taking care of them no matter what happens. God will provide the maturity to handle it.

23. A Real Christian Never Criticizes Others

Romans 14:4– What right do you have to criticize someone else's servants?

Godly people will not criticize and spread negativity rather understand the situation and mentor them. They love everyone and never focus on the imperfections of other individuals.

24. A Good Christian Never Judge

Matthew 7 – Do not judge, or you too will be judged

A good Christian will never judge someone based on appearance. They don't have a right to judge anyone. A believer will accept more rather judging.

25. A True Christian Is Courageous

Deuteronomy 31:6 “Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the Lord your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you”.

Believers know they are protected by God and they were willing to take that risk. We are to be solid in Jesus and in His strong power. We need to realize that God's grace is adequate for the greatest struggle we may face.

26. Follower of Jesus Will Be Polite In Nature

Colossians 4:6 – Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.

A true Christian needs to be polite under all circumstances. They respect the feeling of other individuals and create a positive environment.

27. A Child Of God Never Lies

Colossians 3:9- Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices.

One of the main things God hates is telling lies. Jesus is truth and we are to be like Him. Born again Christians never lie to anyone and they don't scare, to tell the truth.

28. A True Believer Will Take Care Of Their Parents

Ephesians 6:2 the first commandment with a promise- "Honor your father and mother".

A Godly man will find time to make sure to take care of their parents how busy his -life is. They will always Be grateful and respectful to their parents.

29. A Born Again Christian Is Honest In Relationships

Proverbs 24:26– An honest answer is a sign of true friendship.

A truly Christian will be honest in their relationship. A believer always needs to act with integrity. Honesty and truth are highly valued in the Bible hence they need to be honest with others and God.

30. A Healthy Christian Repent For Their Mistakes

Luke 13:3 – No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish.

True Believers will be quick to repent their sins. And ask Jesus for forgiveness as long as, they don't want to repeat their mistakes.

31. A Real Christian Will Pray For Others

1 Timothy 2:1– I urge you, first of all, to pray for all people. Ask God to help them; intercede on their behalf, and give thanks for them.

Believers are prayer warriors on behalf of other people. They like to pray for others and share their burden. The most important thing we can do for an individual is to pray for them.

32. A Good Christian Has The Habit of Spending Time with God

Joshua 1:8 – Study this Book of Instruction continually. Meditate on it day and night so you will be sure to obey everything written in it.

A real Christian spends time meditating God's Word. Scripture reading has become a part of their daily routine. They like to grow in faith and increase their understanding of the Bible.

33. Follower of Jesus Will Be Kind To Everyone

Ephesians 4:32- Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

Being kind is an important part of Christianity. Kindness brings joy to the lives of others. A true believer should be compassionate toward others.

34. A Real Christian Will Fear the Lord

Proverbs 9:10" The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom".

A Believer must be God-fearing in nature. Whoever fears the Lord will live righteously because they are aware that God is watching everything they do.

35. A Child Of God Should Be Thankful

1 Thessalonians 5:18 – Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

God has blessed everybody in so many ways. A Godly man's duty is to give thanks to God in all circumstances. They will train their heart to be thankful and it should be part of their lifestyle.

36. A True Believer Be A Witness Of Jesus

Acts 5:32 – We are witnesses to these things—we and the Holy Spirit, who is God's gift to those who obey him.

A Child Of God lives according to the teachings of Jesus. Witnessing for Jesus is a character and a purpose. Children of God will let Christ in their day-to-day life and be humble in nature. It is written, "For you will be a witness for him to everyone of what you have seen and heard."

37. A Born-Again Christian Be A Worshipper Of God

John 4:24 – God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth.

Only God is worthy to worship. Worshipping Jesus is the most important signs of a true Christian. A human being's highest glory is to worship God. God created us for fellowship with Him.

These are the main essential Signs of a true Christian and a follower of Jesus Christ. I pray that whoever is reads this blog about the Signs of a true Christian, Jesus may give the opportunity to be His representative. Regardless of where you are in your life, you have the power to make the decision to change. This is the end of the Internet Article on Being a Real Christian.

But this is my list of being a Real Christian according to the bible:

A true Christian should manifest these things:

1. The love of God. 1John 4:7
2. Obey the commandments, decrees, and statutes of God. Exodus 20:1-17
3. Have the Peace of God. John 14:27
4. Able to hear the voice of God. John 10:27
5. Know and do the father's will. Matthew 12:50
6. Possess the Holy Spirit. Acts 19:2
7. Increase in the application of the word of God like a mustard seed. Mark 4:8
8. Hate evil, lies, false witness, anger and sin. Proverbs 6:16-19
9. Bold and courageous. Joshua 1:7-9
10. Hold the testimony of Jesus. Revelation 19:10
11. Manifest the gifts of the Holy Spirit. 1 Corinthians 12:4-11
12. Born again through the Holy Spirit. 3 John:3-6

13. Produce the Fruits of the Holy Spirit. Galatians 5:22-23
14. Received part of the promises of God, like new name, like the Seal of God.
Revelation 2:17, Ezekiel 9:4, Revelation 7:3
15. Able to hear the voice of God and do what it says. John 8:47
16. Defeat the devil through the word of God by producing the testimony of Jesus.
Revelation 12:11
17. Repent when wrong, forgive when persecuted. Acts 3:19, Matthew 6:14-15.
18. Produce the bread crumbs after consuming the bread (bible or the logos word of God).
That's reproducing the Word of God in your life through applying the word of God. Matthew 14:20
19. Possess the Spirit of Prophecy. Revelation 19:10
20. Baptized in water and the Holy Spirit. John 3:5, Acts 19:2-4
21. Believes what the bible teaches and obey what Jesus taught. John 14:15
22. Doing God's will in your life and not your own will. Matthew 7:21-23

John 14:15 ERV

"If you love me, you will do what I command."

Is it very important what the author thinks or what I thinks, what do yourself thinks or what Jesus thinks?

Whose criteria will get us into Heaven? Of course, its Jesus! And its all clearly written in the bible but its all over the place. A little here and a little there, line by line, precepts by precepts.

If your list is different from Jesus, definitely you are not going to Heaven, because your list is different from Jesus' List and you are living in your own will not the will of God. So, can my list be found in the bible, or did I make it up by my own understanding. The most checks or ticks or signs that you have done it, shows you are getting closer to the Jesus'

Criteria. That's the Real Christian that Jesus is looking for because he said I know My Sheep and they can hear my voice. If you can't hear his voice then you are surely not his Sheep. That's exactly what is written in the bible. It didn't say my Sheep can read the bible, everyone can, including non-believers. But not all can hear his Voice. That's how we know who is a real Christian,