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There are many reasons we can and should believe in God. He has helped us through thick and thin but also has let us run our own course. My beliefs have wavered at some points and I ask myself and others: "Why did/does God let this or that happen?" But it always comes back to the same answer: He does not always intervene but only when necessary to do so. So in that case my beliefs in God are He can help you out no matter where or who you are. It doesn't matter how rich or poor or strong or weak you may be or seem. God cares and will help us all with our problems but it may not be directly.

There are probably only a few encounters with God that we children can see for our belief and relationship with him and others is still growing and we have not yet reached adulthood yet. One of my close encounters with Him is when I was born. I think if He had not intervened then I probably would not be here right now.

The church can help us with our connection to Jesus and others in many ways. Some of these ways include choir, bible studies, confirmation, and tons of group meetings. Some of the things I personally like about our church include: the pastors and their sense of humor which keeps the church alive especially in the morning services. They have many ways of getting you into the church life with different groups and assemblies. Some of the wonderful people I have met in the church are my confirmation classes, the teachers, and many adults who are there for you if you have troubles or need to talk.

The youth of our church could help out more by cleaning the inside and taking care of the surrounding grounds just to keep it clean and inviting. They could also help out around the city more like picking up trash, visiting retirement homes and preschools or nurseries. Some ways that I've changed or grown in my Christian faith include the following: I have connected more to Jesus, learned more about the Bible and what it means, how to not look away from God in our times of need but embrace Him and ask Him for help and guidance.

Jesus Christ is God's only Son sent to die for our sins. I think that in that case we should all instead of doubt and question Him, embrace and love Him. To me the Holy Spirit lives in all of us from when we are in our mother's womb to when we die and are buried or cremated. And even beyond that the Holy Spirit still lives in us even when we are in heaven or hell for God has forgiven us but we just chose to ignore Him and deny Him. The church is there to help everyone strengthen their connection with God and Jesus Christ.

There are many things we must be wary of in life. Two of these are Sin and Evil. These things are of the devil and his followers or demons; they will try and turn you from God. Forgiveness is the one thing you know you can have from God. I think everyone deserves it no matter who you are. Yes there are some things that cannot be forgiven by man, but they can be forgiven by God.

One of the many ways you can communicate with God is by prayer. I am willing to promise God and Jesus Christ that I will try harder to spread his Holy Word the Bible. My promise to the church is I will try harder to attend and help out. A promise to myself is that I will do my best to serve God, help Earth His creation and try and help others through difficult times.