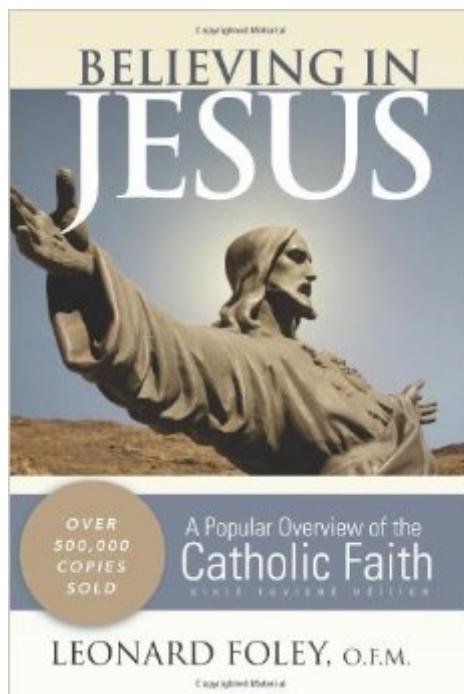


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# Believing In Jesus: A Popular Overview Of The Catholic Faith



## **Synopsis**

Leonard Foley wrote Believing in Jesus to help "born Catholics" come to a deeper understanding of the beliefs and practices they have held all their lives and to help those who approach the Catholic Church for the first time. He wrote, "I hope this book will help some scared and scarred people and challenge others." Now in its sixth edition, the best-selling Believing in Jesus captures the Christian's continuing journey of faith, ever new, ever alive-yet always founded on God's steadfast love for us. In a lively style Foley covers the complete spectrum of the Catholic faith, leading the reader from early Old Testament times through a world starting over in Jesus, and looking ahead to the time when Jesus will come again and we will share fully in his life. This edition is updated to reflect the latest church documents and events and is cross-referenced to the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Discussion questions will help readers to delve more deeply into the mysteries of the faith, and the expanded resources section provides ample opportunities for further exploration. Believing in Jesus is an indispensable guide to the faith we cherish.

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When I first picked up this book, I kind of had the impression I'd be reading a dry textbook, something akin to trying to read the Catechism cover to cover. I was pleasantly surprised to find that that wasn't the case. Believing in Jesus offers insight and explanations for many things that Catholics do and believe. As a "cradle Catholic", many of us have grown up knowing that the church teaches this or that, but not necessarily understanding why. This book answers many of those questions. I particularly enjoyed Chapter 13: Jesus Living in His Members. It talks about the

fact that the church is like the humans who make up the church... sometimes there are flaws and sometimes there are bad choices made by those who are supposed to lead. The metaphor puts things into perspective in terms of the church not being the perfect institution many expect it to be. I received my copy of this book through the Catholic book reviewer program from The Catholic Company.

This is a very good text to use for Adult Faith Formation and RCIA sessions. Easy to read and concise enough for beginners and those needing a refresher on the faith of the Catholic Church.

This book is a serviceable Catholicism primer, though I learned more by reading "Catholicism for Dummies." I used both books together during the "Pondering Catholic Conversion" phase of my life. If you are interested in learning more about Catholicism, this isn't a bad buy.

Believing in Jesus is an excellent well written book that gives you a good understanding of the Catholic faith. It is wonderful for RCIA classes and I also use it for confirmation classes. I have used this book and its updates for 15 years now.

Excellent overview of Catholic faith and tradition. Written in a very readable manner for laity and with some light-hearted humor added in!

We are presently using it for RCIA classes - more as a reference and guide. It is good so far. Topics are good and chapters are just right.

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