

C2:7 Personal Growth

Part 6 – Christlikeness

Our ultimate goal on earth

KNOW IT! - Christlikeness is **PORTRAYED** in three ways:

- An ever **CHANGING HEART** – transformation
Psalm 66:16; Matthew 5:16; Galatians 5:22-23
- An ever growing **LOVE FOR PEOPLE** – witness
John 13:34-35; Philippians 2:3-4
- An ever deepening **TRUST IN GOD** – faith Hebrews 11:6

LIVE IT! - Christlikeness is a **PROCESS**:



Christlikeness is FUELED by our personal growth practices: Saved, In the Word, Obedience, Prayer, Fellowship

WRITE IT! – How has your character changed as you’ve become more like Him? Have others noticed? If so, what is noticeable?

SHARE IT! – **SAY** it! **POST** it! **SEND** it!

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Auburn Grace Community Church – August 2, 2020

Life Group Discussion Questions – August 2, 2020

John 13:34-35 “A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.”

QUICK REVIEW

1. Read John 15:15. With regards to your personal relationship with Jesus, what are some of the benefits of Bible study? How can Jesus be your friend and master at the same time?
2. Read 1 Corinthians 13:4-7. How can you utilize this passage to identify the areas of your life where you consistently struggle to put others’ interests ahead of your own, especially when it hurts you?

MY STORY

1. Who influenced you for Christ because of their character, not because of their accomplishments or how gifted or talented they were? In what areas do you want to be more like Jesus?
2. What are the similarities in cultivating and growing a healthy relationship with someone (e.g. spouse) and Jesus? Describe the process of a growing relationship. What are the benchmarks of a mature relationship? Are there any drawbacks?

GOING DEEP

1. Do most believers have the confidence that they can spread the love of Jesus? Why do most Christians believe that being like Jesus is not enough? How is saying, “I am not gifted in that area.” or “That’s not me.” a flimsy justification?
2. Read John 14:18-24. In order for Jesus to disclose Himself to you, what two things must you do? In what personal ways has Jesus revealed Himself to you? How can you use this to further His Kingdom?
3. “To be like Christ requires knowing the power of His resurrection.” Discuss the truth of this statement. What is the believer’s role in this?
4. Spiritual formation or Christlikeness is a process: an ever-changing heart that has an ever-growing love for people through an ever-deepening trust in Christ. What are some opportunities God has given you to display your personal growth practices (salvation, Word, obedience, prayer and fellowship)?

PUTTING IT TOGETHER:

1. What do you think are some of the challenges to living out each point?
2. Which of the above teaching points are most important for you to remember?



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"...having been firmly rooted and now being built up in Him and established in your faith, just as you were instructed, and overflowing with gratitude."

— Colossians 2:7 NASB



Exchanging
SALVATION



Nourishing
GOD'S WORD



Responding
OBEDIENCE



Understanding
PRAYER



Uniting
RELATIONSHIP



Becoming
CHRISTLIKENESS

BECOMING



GROWTH
PATH

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Christlikeness

Christlikeness: A follower of Jesus Christ who lives in submission to the indwelling Holy Spirit.

Psalm 66:16

Come and hear, all who fear God,
And I will tell of what He has done for my soul.

Matthew 5:16

Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven.

Galatians 5:22-23

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.

John 13:34-35

“A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.”

Philippians 2:3-4

Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves; do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others.

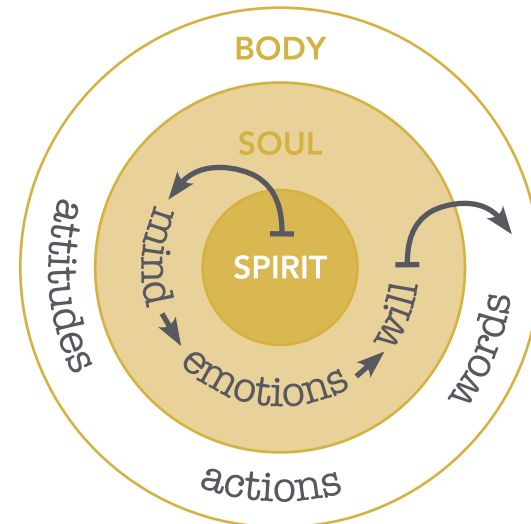
Hebrews 11:6

And without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is and that He is a rewarder of those who seek Him.

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- An ever changing heart
- An ever growing love for people
- An ever deepening trust in God

Christlikeness is a process:



Christlikeness is fueled by our personal growth practices:

Saved, in the Word, obedience, prayer, fellowship