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JESUS

Week 8

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Philippians 3:10a AMPC

¹⁰ [For my determined purpose is] that I may know Him [that I may progressively become more deeply and intimately acquainted with Him, perceiving and recognizing and understanding the wonders of His Person more strongly and more clearly],

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I. Living the life of Jesus.

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John 1:4 NIV

⁴In him was life, and that life was the
light of all mankind.

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John 10:10b NIV

I have come that they may have life, and
have it to the full.

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We not only get Jesus, we get to live His
life!

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“But the idea of redemption as the impartation of a life provides a totally different framework of understanding. God’s seminal redemptive act toward us is the communication of a new kind of life, as the seed—one of our Lord’s

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most favored symbols—carries a new life into the enfolding soil. Turning from old ways with faith and hope in Christ stands forth as the natural first expression of the new life imparted. That life will be poised to become a life

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of the same quality as Christ's, because it indeed is Christ's. He really does live on in us. The incarnation continues.”

- Dallas Willard, The Spirit of the Disciplines: Understanding How God Changes Lives.

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II. His life living on in our life is the
essence of our existence.

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John 12:24 NIV

²⁴ “Very truly I tell you, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds”.

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John 6:48, 51, 53 NIV

⁴⁸ “I am the bread of life.

⁵¹ I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world.”

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⁵³ Jesus said to them, “Very truly I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you”.

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John 15:5 NIV

⁵ “I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing”.

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We need Jesus like we need oxygen.
Without them we will die.

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III. How we respond to this **invitation** to
let Jesus live on in us?

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- There is no way I can do that.

John 20:21 NLT

²¹ Again he said, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I am sending you.”

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- I want to try to live like Him.

Romans 8:29-30 NLT

²⁹ For God knew his people in advance, and he chose them to become like his Son, so that his Son would be the firstborn among many brothers and

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sisters.³⁰ And having chosen them, he called them to come to him. And having called them, he gave them right standing with himself. And having given them right standing, he gave them his glory.

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Romans 8:29-30 MSG

²⁹⁻³⁰ God knew what he was doing from the very beginning. He decided from the outset to shape the lives of those who love him along the same lines as the life

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of his Son. The Son stands first in the line of humanity he restored. We see the original and intended shape of our lives there in him. After God made that decision of what his children should be like, he followed it up by calling people

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by name. After he called them by name, he set them on a solid basis with himself. And then, after getting them established, he stayed with them to the end, gloriously completing what he had begun.

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“The secret of Christianity is something else altogether—the life of Christ in you. Allowing his life to become your life. His revolution is not self-transformation, but his transformation of us, from the inside

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out, as we receive his life and allow him to live through us. Vine, branch. Anything else is madness.”

- John Eldredge

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IV. How do we do this and remain in vital union with Him?

“Our only task, is to maintain a vital connection with Jesus Christ, seeing that nothing interferes with it.”

- Oswald Chambers

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- By surrendering our **self-determination.**

John 3:30 NLT

³⁰ He must become greater and greater,
and I must become less and less.

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John 15:4-5 NLT

⁴ Remain in me, and I will remain in you. For a branch cannot produce fruit if it is severed from the vine, and you cannot be fruitful unless you remain in me.

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⁵ “Yes, I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing”.

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- By obeying Him

John 12:49-50 NLT

⁴⁹ “I don’t speak on my own authority. The Father who sent me has commanded me what to say and how to say it. ⁵⁰ And I

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know his commands lead to eternal life;
so I say whatever the Father tells me to
say.” -

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- By loving Him.

Luke 10:27 NLT

²⁷ The man answered, “You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your strength, and all your mind.””

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V. This can change our world and the world.

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