

"Introducing people into a loving and growing relationship with Jesus Christ"



### **ABIDE Series: Disciple's Identity**

*Journey Through the New Testament to Develop an Intimate Relationship with Jesus Christ*

*Christ did not command us to "do a list of things for Him or for God. Rather, He told us simply to "abide in Him", which means to remain in Christ. What does that look like in the life of a Christ-follower? Join Pastor Ted for this fantastic journey through the New Testament as we discover that God is most interested in our developing the intimate relationship with Him that He asked us to .... and that as our heart is transformed, the outward actions of our lives will naturally follow.*

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## Sunday October 11, 2009

The Disciple's Identity (**PART 1**)  
You IN CHRIST (Matt 11:28-30)

### *Christianity Explained...*

- We give up all we have to JESUS.
  - We give Him the full WEIGHT of our sin.
  - We give Him our complete and utter INABILITY to obey God.
  
- Jesus gives up all He has to us.
  - He gives us full PARDON for our sin.
    - Results in PEACE WITH GOD.
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    - Results in the PEACE OF GOD.

### *Personal Application. . . . .*

- Give Jesus the full weight of your SIN.
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## Sunday October 18, 2009

The Disciple's Identity (**PART 2**)  
You IN CHRIST (Matt 11:28-30)

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## Sunday October 25, 2009

The Disciple's Identity (PART 3)  
CHRIST IN YOU (Colossians 1:24-29)

### *The Christian Life.....*

#### CHRIST

##### ➤ The EMPOWERED life.

- He is the IMAGE of God.
- He is the AUTHOR of creation.
- He is the HEAD of the church.
- He is the SAVIOR of the world.

#### IN

##### ➤ The TRANSFORMED life.

- Jesus died **for** you so that He might live **in** you.
- Authentic spiritual transformation happens from the

##### INSIDE OUT.

EMOTIONS WILL MISSION (CIRCLE HERE.)

- Jesus has no desire to IMPROVE you; He desires to transform you.

- Christianity is nothing less than the outliving of the INDWELLING Christ.

#### YOU

##### ➤ The EXCHANGED life.

(CIRCLES) SINFUL SPIRITUAL

Nature

Nature

- Jesus has exchanged His life FOR us.
- To fulfill His mission THROUGH us.
  - Christ suffered to accomplish salvation; we suffer to

SPREAD salvation.

▪ Will we embrace the cross of Christ so that they might ENJOY the Christ of the cross?

#### THE HOPE

##### ➤ The SECURED life.

- Christ is in YOU.
- You are in CHRIST.
- Christ is in GOD.

#### OF GLORY

##### ➤ The COMPLETED life.

- Christ in you NOW means Christ in you **forever**.

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The Disciple's Identity (PART 4)

CHRIST IN YOU (Colossians 1:24-29)

*The Christian Life.....*

*Life Application*

To Experiencing the Christian Life to It's Fullest:

- Intentionally “switch on” the DIVINE ENERGY that is available in your life.
  
- Die to your own SELF-EFFORT.
  
- Make yourself AVAILABLE as a redeemed sinner to all that God has made available to you in His risen Son, Jesus Christ.
  
- Maintain by faith, an attitude of total DEPENDENCE on God.
  
- Mediate frequently on these awesome, 7 word truths:
  - To be *IN Christ* is REDEMPTION.  
For Christ to be *IN you* is SANCTIFICATION (holiness.)
  
  - To be *IN Christ* make you fit for HEAVEN.  
For Christ to be *IN you* makes you fit for EARTH.
  
  - To be *IN Christ* changes your DESTINATION.  
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**Sunday November 15, 2009**

The Disciple's Identity (PART 5)

CHRIST IN YOU (Colossians 1:24-29)

*The Christian Life.....*

*Life Application*

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### THE DISCIPLE'S MISSION (Matthew 9:35 - 10:4) (PART 5 Cont...)

Why is Christ in you?

Christ is IN you for them.

➤ Your life is now CONSUMED by the love of Christ for them.

- In Christ, we see the SIZE of the multitudes.
- In Christ, we feel the SUFFERING of the multitudes.
- In Christ, we realize the SEPARATION of the multitudes.
- And as a result, we can no longer live for OURSELVES.

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- Jesus' concern is not that the **lost** will not come to the Father; His concern is that the CHURCH will not go to the lost.
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- We have the AUTHORITY of the King.
- We live and die to MULTIPLY the Kingdom.
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**November 29, 2009**

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**December 13, 2009**

**THE DISCIPLE'S MIND (Romans 12:2)**

**PART ....**

**Connecting the Dots. . . . .**

**Question:**

How can we most **effectively MULTIPLY**

the glory of Christ over there?

**Answer:**

By **MATURING** into the image of Christ over here.

**CIRCLE**

**WHEN CHRIST IS IN US...**

- **Our hearts are TRANSFERRED to His worship.**
  - We are commanded to avoid the **PATTERN** of this world...
    - Disordered **WORSHIP**.
    - Disordered **THOUGHT**.
    - Disordered **DESIRE**.
    - Disordered **BEHAVIOR**.
  - Yet we are called to live as **PILGRIMS** in this world.

- **Our minds are TRANSFORMED by His Word.**
  - Jesus not only gives us a new heart; He gives us a new **MIND** .
  - We need to learn to **THINK** Christianly—letting the person of Christ, the Spirit of Christ, the truth of Christ, and the mission of Christ shape and direct our every thought.
    - We continually **SAVOR** the person of Christ.
    - We humbly **SUBMIT** to the Spirit of Christ.
    - We diligently **STUDY** the truth of Christ.
    - We fully **SURRENDER** to the mission of Christ.
- **Our lives are TRANSITIONED into His will.**
  - We **ALWAYS** live according to our beliefs.
    - The question: What do you really **BELIEVE?**
    - The answer: Look at our your **BEHAVIOR**.
  - When God transforms our minds...
    - We are able to **DISCERN** His will.
    - We begin to **DISPLAY** His will.
    - We then **DISCOVER** that His will is more satisfying than anything this world has to offer.

## ABIDE SERIES

**SUNDAY MORNING January 3, 2010**

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Sunday Morning January 17, 2010

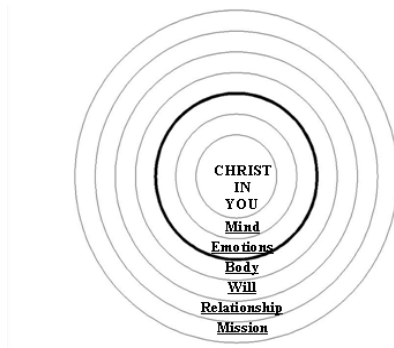
**THE DISCIPLE'S EMOTIONS:**

**"God Alone Fulfills."**

**(John 6:25-35)**

**The Foundational Truth:**

We cannot separate faith in Christ from **FEELINGS** for Christ.



**The Hunger of Our Souls...**

- Christ alone can **FULFILL** our desires.
- God created us to **CRAVE**.
- Our cravings are designed to be satisfied by our **CREATOR**.
  - Satisfaction is not found in gifts, but in the **GIVER**.
  - Our deepest craving is not for something, but for **SOMEONE**.
- Sin and satisfaction...
  - The trigger of sin...
    - Looking to the things of this world to satisfy us **APART FROM** our Creator.
  - The tragedy of sin...
    - We **RUN** from the One our souls long for most.

**Sunday Morning January 24, 2010**

**The Disciple's EMOTIONS : God Alone Fulfills (Cont) (Jn 6:25-35)**

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  - Our options...
    - We can conquer sin by **WORKING** hard to change our deeds.
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- Our faith...
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Sunday Morning  
February 7, 2010

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  - Christ alone can **GUARANTEE** our satisfaction.
    - The basis of His guarantee...
      - The initiative of the **FATHER**.
      - The obedience of the **SON**.
      - The promise of **RESURRECTION**.
    - The bottom line...
      - We can live for the **FLEETING** pleasures of this world.
      - Or we can live for the **EVERLASTING** pleasures of the world to come.
        - He **PROMISES** to fill our deepest cravings.
        - He **PREVENTS** us from even craving anything else.
        - He **PRESERVES** our salvation for all of eternity.

**Sunday Morning February 21, 2010**

**THE DISCIPLE'S BODY: Created By God. (1 Corinthians 6:12-20)**

**The Foundational Truth...**

**As a follower of Jesus Christ, your body is NOT your property.**

**MIND  
BODY  
RELATIONSHIPS  
WILL  
EMOTIONS**

**The Body That Belongs To Christ...**

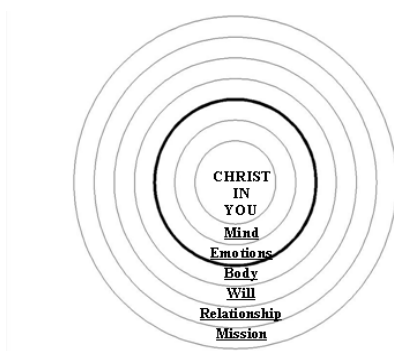
- Your body was **CREATED** by God.
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  - He has made an eternal **INVESTMENT** in our bodies.
  
- Your body was **PURCHASED** by Christ.
  - He has **UNITED** us with Himself.
    - Christ took on a **LIKE** us.
    - Christ gave His body **FOR** us.
    - Christ now displays His body **THROUGH** us.

Sunday Morning February 28, 2010

DISCIPLE'S BODY: You Were Purchased  
(1 Cor 6:12-20)

The Foundational Truth...

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The Body That Belongs To Christ...

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- He has set us free FROM ...
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  - Bodily sin that CONTROLS so quickly.
  
  - Bodily sin that DEVASTATES so painfully.

**Sunday Morning March 7, 2010**

**DISCIPLE'S BODY: You Are Filled by the Holy Spirit. (1 Cor 6:12-20)**

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  - **ENJOY** His great purpose for our bodies.
  - **EXALT** His great glory in our bodies.

- Your body is **FILLED** by the Spirit.
  - The temple...
    - The place where God's presence **DWELLS** among His people.
    - The place where God's holiness **DRAWS** the nations to Himself.
  - Our bodies...
    - We **POSSESS** His presence as the church.
    - We **DISPLAY** His holiness to the nations.

## SUNDAY MORNING MARCH 14, 2010

THE DISCIPLE'S WILL: Our New Identity (Galatians 2:20)

### The BAD News...

Countless people are confused and wondering,  
"How do I find God's will for my life?"

### The GOOD News...

God's will is **NOT LOST**.

### The BOTTOM Line...

God desires for me to follow His will so much that  
He **LIVES IN** me to accomplish it.

### The Transformation of the Will...

- Christ gives us a new **IDENTITY**.
  - The great exchange at the cross...
    - I give him my sin; He gives me His **RIGHTEOUSNESS**
    - I give him my slavery; He gives me His **FREEDOM**.
    - I give him my defeat; He gives me His **VICTORY**.
    - I give him my judgment; He gives me His **MERCY**.
    - I give him my death; He gives me His **LIFE**.
  - Our will is now **LOST** in Him.

## SUNDAY MORNING MARCH 21, 2010

### DISCIPLE'S WILL: "Discovering the Will of God." (Gal 2:20)

- Christ gives us a new **DIRECTION**.
  - Contemporary methods for discovering the will of God...
    - The Random **FINGER** Method.
    - The Miraculous **EVENT** Method.
    - The Striking **COINCIDENCE** Method.
    - The Cast the **FLEECE** Method.
    - The **OPEN** Door Method.
    - The **CLOSED** Door Method.
    - The Still Small **VOICE** Method.
  - A biblical method for discovering the will of God...
    - The **FAITH** Method.
    - Knowing God's will is secondary to simply knowing **GOD**.