

## Can We Really Be Like Jesus?

When thinking about the earthy life of Jesus Christ, it is nothing short of extraordinary. From His humble birth in a manger, to His ministry to the multitudes, we are fascinated by His composure, compassion and character. He reached out to the rich and the poor, the popular and unpopular, without partiality. Having the full measure of the Holy Spirit, He performed amazing healing miracles including bringing the dead back to life. Yes, when we consider the life of Jesus, it is remarkable.

Thus, the perceived dilemma of 1 John 2:3-6. "Now by this we know that we know Him, if we keep His commandments. He who says, "I know Him," and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. But whoever keeps His word, truly the love of God is perfected in him. By this we know that we are in Him. He who says he abides in Him ought himself also to walk just as He walked." Walk (live) just as Jesus walked? How is that possible? Why would God ask us to do the impossible? The truth is, He never would.

Not only does this passage encourage us to be like Jesus, but there are others as well. Matthew 11:29, John 13:15, and 1 Peter 2:21 all tell us to exemplify the life of Christ. We do this by being humble, compassionate, giving, sacrificial, and possessing the servant's attitude. We may not be able to heal the sick, raise the dead or walk on water, but we can take on the character of the Christ and thus be like Jesus!

- Jay Launius, Maud church of Christ, Maud, TX (*Bulletin Digest*) -

### We See Jesus

Hebrews 2:9

**We see His sacrifice: what He gave up**  
(Philippians 2:8, cf. 2 Corinthians 8:9).

**We see His suffering: what He went through**  
(1 Peter 2:21-24; Romans 5:1).

**We see His success: what He now enjoys**  
(Hebrews 10:12-14; Philippians 2:9-11).

**We see His salvation: what we may enjoy**  
(Romans 6:1-4; cf. 2 Timothy 2:10).

Mark Posey

*Keep your eyes fixed on Jesus - Hebrews 12:1-2*

- (House to House Heart to Heart) -

*He who offers God second place, offers Him no place at all.*

### News & Notes

**CARE & SHARE BEARS:** Each Tuesday, 9:00-11:00 a.m. All ladies are invited to participate in making stuffed bears for sick & needy kids.

**CONVERT'S CLASS:** Each Thursday at 11:00 a.m. Open to all.

**LADIES DAY:** Next Saturday, Sept. 28th, Southern Hills Church of Christ 9-10:00 a.m., Breakfast Snack. 10:00 a.m., Program: "Look Into The Mirror: See Christ In Us". Speakers: Danielle Burch & Bobbie Good-night. Lunch provided. Additional details on the bulletin board.

**MEN'S DAY:** Next Saturday, Sept. 28th, 10:00 a.m.-noon, Lubeck Church of Christ, Washington, WV. Speakers: Ed Melott & Rodney Nulph. Lunch provided. Additional details on the bulletin board.

**QUARTERLY Q & A:** Next Sunday evening, Bible questions previously submitted will be considered and answered. Submit Bible questions in the next week to Bro. Rico to be considered for a future segment.

**PANTRY:** Shampoo.

**SICK & SHUT-IN: At Home:** Scharlotte Jones, Becky McKitrick, Lois Hissom, Dean Spencer, Harry Huff, Peggy Linger, Nancy Cox, Barbara DeLong, Cheryl Renfro Walker. **Fox-Chester:** Audrey Geer, Janice Hutchins, Mary Johnson. **Elsewhere:** Carloyn Carbone, Care Haven Center, 2720 Charles Town Rd., Martinsburg, WV 25405. **Brenda Harris,** 102 Cardinal Dr., Rockwell, NC 28138. **Herman McHan,** 7401 Elmwood Dr., Lisbon, OH 44432.

### Gospel Meetings

Bridgeport, WV.....Sept. 29-Oct. 3.....Different Speakers

Salem, Glen Easton, WV .....Sept. 29-Oct. 4.....John Board

Weirton Heights .....Oct. 13-18.....Andy Robison

Lake Milton, OH .....Oct. 18-20.....Ed Melott & David Deagal

(Additional details on the Bulletin Board)

### A Mirror For The Soul

"For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass: for he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was. But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed." (James 1:23-25).

Here the WORD is a mirror for the soul. We can see ourselves as we are in the scriptures. We "behold as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, and are changed into the same image." (2 Cor.3:18).

Mirrors change people and cause them to clean up. You would not have kept your hair properly cut, etc., if it had not been for a mirror into which you looked and saw yourself as others saw you. Just so, the Bible will clean up those who want to be clean, if they read.

- Gus Nichols (deceased), via *Bulletin Digest*