



GRACE LEADERSHIP TRAINING
Class 14: Christ In Me

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Class Summary: This lesson focuses on the Christian life by emphasizing all that God's presence and power in us enables us to be.

1. Review

- a) The believers position (union) in Christ
- b) The real results/benefits of our union with Christ

2. The personal invitation from Jesus

- Matthew 28:19-20 _____
- Acts 1:6-8 _____
- John 21:18-22 _____

3. Take five minutes to answer the question:

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4. What we often find true about the Christian life

- Negatives vs. Positives

5. The problem of living the Christian life

- The New Testament is full of _____ and _____.

- The call of the Christian life is impossible, _____?

- Example #1: Romans 7:14-25

- Example #2: Galatians 3:3-5

- Example #3: Article: "You Can't Succeed" (<https://riseupdiscipleship.com/>)

6. Who is our hope for living the Christian life? "Christ, who is our life"

- Colossians 1:27

- Colossians 3:3-4

- Galatians 2:20

- Romans 8:10-11

- John 14:16-20; 15:1-5; 17:23

- Philippians 1:6; 2:13

- Ephesians 3:17

- 1 Thessalonians 5:24

- Example #4: Article: Why do I fail in my Christian life? (The calling to live a life that we could never live) Gabe Cleator's testimony.

7. Who/what is the goal of Christian living?

- Ephesians 4:13; 15
- Colossians 1:28
- 2 Corinthians 3:18
- Hebrews 12:1-2a



8. Who is the power for Christian living?

- The indwelling Holy Spirit: _____
*John 7:37-39; 14:17, Rom. 5:5; 8:9, 1 Cor. 3:16; 6:16, 2 Cor. 5:5; 6:16
- The filling of the Holy Spirit: _____
*Eph. 5:18, Acts. 2:4; 12-21, Gal. 5:25

9. Principles for living “the Christ life”

- The pattern of the Pauline epistles: _____ then _____

Phrase/ idea	✓			Passage(s)
Abiding in Him				
Living in/by the Spirit				
Believing the Word of God				
Setting your mind				
Confession				
Presenting your members				
Truth from your union with Christ				
Putting off the old, putting of the new				
Walk, walking worthy				

10. Challenges to living Christ's life

- The World: the systems of this world in opposition to God
- The Flesh: our own natural tendencies to self-effort and merit
- The Devil: the activity of Satan and his forces to deceive and control
- Unbiblical understanding of Spiritual maturity
- Neglecting the power of the Spirit who is resident within us

Favorite Quotes from "He that is Spiritual"

Though He (The Holy Spirit) does not reveal Himself, He is, nevertheless, the cause of all true spirituality. His work is to produce "the life that is Christ" so completely that one could say: "For to me to live is Christ"; but the sufficient power back of this possible out living of Christ is the in-living Spirit of God, and this as a result of the Spirit's filling.

Chafer, L. S. (1918). He that is Spiritual (pp. 31–32). Chicago.

It is the revealed purpose of God that the Spirit shall be constantly ministered unto the Christian: "He therefore that ministereth to you the Spirit" (Gal. 3:5). A Christian, to be spiritual, must, then, be filled and re-filled with the Spirit. An experience may or may not accompany the first entrance into the Spirit-filled life; but, even when there is an experience, the Bible knows nothing of a "second blessing," or "second work of grace," wherein there will be any less need of the mighty enabling power of God tomorrow than there has been today. One may learn better how to "walk in the Spirit"; but he will never come to a moment in this life when he will need to walk less by the Spirit. The divine resources for a moment by moment triumph in Christ are limitless; but the utter need of the helpless creature never ceases.

Chafer, L. S. (1918). He that is Spiritual (pp. 33–34). Chicago.

It may be said in conclusion, that a spiritual Christian is a Spirit-filled Christian in whom the unhindered Spirit is manifesting Christ by producing a true Christian character, which is the "fruit of the Spirit"

Chafer, L. S. (1918). He that is Spiritual (p. 55). Chicago.

True spirituality does not consist in what one does not do, it is rather what one does. The unregenerate would not be saved if he should cease sinning: he would not be born of God. The Christian would not be spiritual if he should abstain from worldliness: he would possess none of the manifestations of the Spirit.

Chafer, L. S. (1918). He that is Spiritual (p. 56). Chicago.

It is often the "beginning of days" in a Christian's life when he really believes and heeds the Word of God enough to be made aware of his own limitations, and seriously considers the exact revelation as to what he, of himself can or cannot do, and what the Spirit Who indwells him has come to do. We seldom attempt to do the work we have engaged another to do. We naturally rely on the person we have engaged to do it. Have we ever learned to depend on the Spirit for anything? Are we intelligently counting on the Spirit to undertake those particular things which, according to the Scriptures, He is appointed to do? Do we really believe we are just as helpless as His Word declares us to be? Do we really believe He is able and waiting to do every thing we cannot do? Having begun in the Spirit, so far as the divine undertaking in salvation is concerned, are we now to be perfected by the flesh? In meeting the impossible issues of a true Christian life, are we consciously living upon a works-principle, or upon a faith-principle? The Bible emphatically declares the believer to be upon a faith-principle when he is really within the plan of God for his daily life. These uncomplicated teachings are on the pages of God's Book and an attentive Christian can hardly avoid them.

Chafer, L. S. (1918). He that is Spiritual (pp. 94–95). Chicago.

What, then, is true spirituality? It is the unhindered manifestations of the indwelling Spirit. There are in all, seven of these manifestations. These blessed realities are all provided for in the presence and power of the Spirit and will be normally produced by the Spirit in the Christian who is not grieving the Spirit, but is confessing every known sin; who is not quenching the Spirit, but is yielded to God; and who is walking in the Spirit by an attitude of dependence upon His power alone. Such an one is spiritual because He is Spirit-filled. The Spirit is free to fulfill in him all the purpose and desire of God for him. There is nothing in daily life and service to be desired beyond this. "But thanks be unto God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

Chafer, L. S. (1918). He that is Spiritual (p. 140). Chicago.