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Key Thoughts on Behaving Like Jesus:

- ✓ \_\_\_\_\_ takes place inside-out.
- ✓ \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ does not reflect old life before Christ.
- ✓ Life with Jesus looks like \_\_\_\_\_.

**2 Peter 1:5-9** For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, mutual affection; and to mutual affection, love. For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. But whoever does not have them is nearsighted and blind, forgetting that they have been cleansed from their past sins.

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**Ephesians 2:8-9** For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast.

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