FRAME

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Foundation Verse

Ephesians 2:10: "For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them."



FRAME Questions:

- 1. What does it mean to LEARN Christ?
- 2. How do I practice Learning about Christ?

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Learning Christ. This is not a phrase we use very often today. But it's a pivotal habit if we really want to *Surprise the World* and introduce people to Jesus. It's a pivotal habit for two reasons.

Learning Jesus helps me in my own personal devotional life, it's good for my soul, and it's good for my heart.

Secondly, Learning Jesus enables me to speak about who Jesus is. I need to know Jesus and know about Him if I want to introduce Him to others.

CS Lewis wrote this, "In the same way that the church exists for nothing else, but to draw people into Christ, to make them little Christ's. If we're not doing that than all the cathedrals, the clergy, the missions, the sermons, even the Bible itself, are simply a waste of time, that sit in your heart for a second. God became man for no other purpose. It is even doubtful you know whether the whole universe was created for any other purpose. It says in the Bible, that the whole universe was made for Christ and that everything is to be gathered together in Him."

Incarnational mission is us doing the same thing. Incarnating. Bringing Jesus to the world around us, living amongst those who don't know Him, and showing them Jesus.

Michael Frost describes incarnational like this:
"it describes not simply going out, but also
the difficult work of going deep with others,
just as God took on flesh and dwelt among us
in Jesus. So his followers are called to dwell
among those whom they are sent to those
whom they're sent."

Sometimes we get so full of stuff on our schedules. And it takes a sacrifice of time and heart to incarnate Jesus, in our neighborhood, in the workplace, the basketball courts, in the park wherever the Lord would lead you.

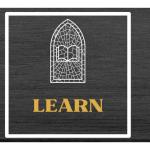


Question #1
What are some things
you want to learn
about Jesus? How do
you need to know him
better?

How do we Learn Jesus?
READ John 14
with your group



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Let's talk about sailing. But one thing sailors need to know is that if the captain just gets off point a little bit–if your reading is even just slightly off by a couple of degrees–in a couple of miles, you're way off course. Learning Jesus keeps on course.

What if you read the gospels through the lens of finding the correct course heading for your life? When we choose to read and study Jesus's life, we can learn so many things about Him and about our own course heading.

How do I practice Learning Christ?

The #1 way to learn about Jeus is to read the Gospels. What if you read them in one sitting? Did you know that you can read the book of Mark in 90 minutes. Just sit down and soak in Jesus for about 90 minutes.



CHALLENGE Your mission this week, should you choose to accept it.

Spend at least 30 minutes just learning Jesus.

Maybe it's watching a film and reflecting -maybe it's 30 minutes reading through one of
the Gospels. You can do more, But at least
take the 30 minute challenge.

Ouestion #2

Discuss your thoughts with your group after reading John 14

Read this excerpt from Michael Frost in *Outreach Magazine*





Question #3

Talk with your group about who Jesus is and who you know him to be. Try to talk like best friends would talk about each other. What do you know about Jesus' life and character—not just doctrinal facts?



Resource:

Surprise the World, 5 Habits of Missional People by Michael Frost

