

WHAT SHOULD I DO?

WHERE DID I COME FROM?

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WHAT IS IT ALL ABOUT?

WHO AM I?

WHAT SHOULD I DO?

WHERE AM I GOING?

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WHAT IS MY PURPOSE?



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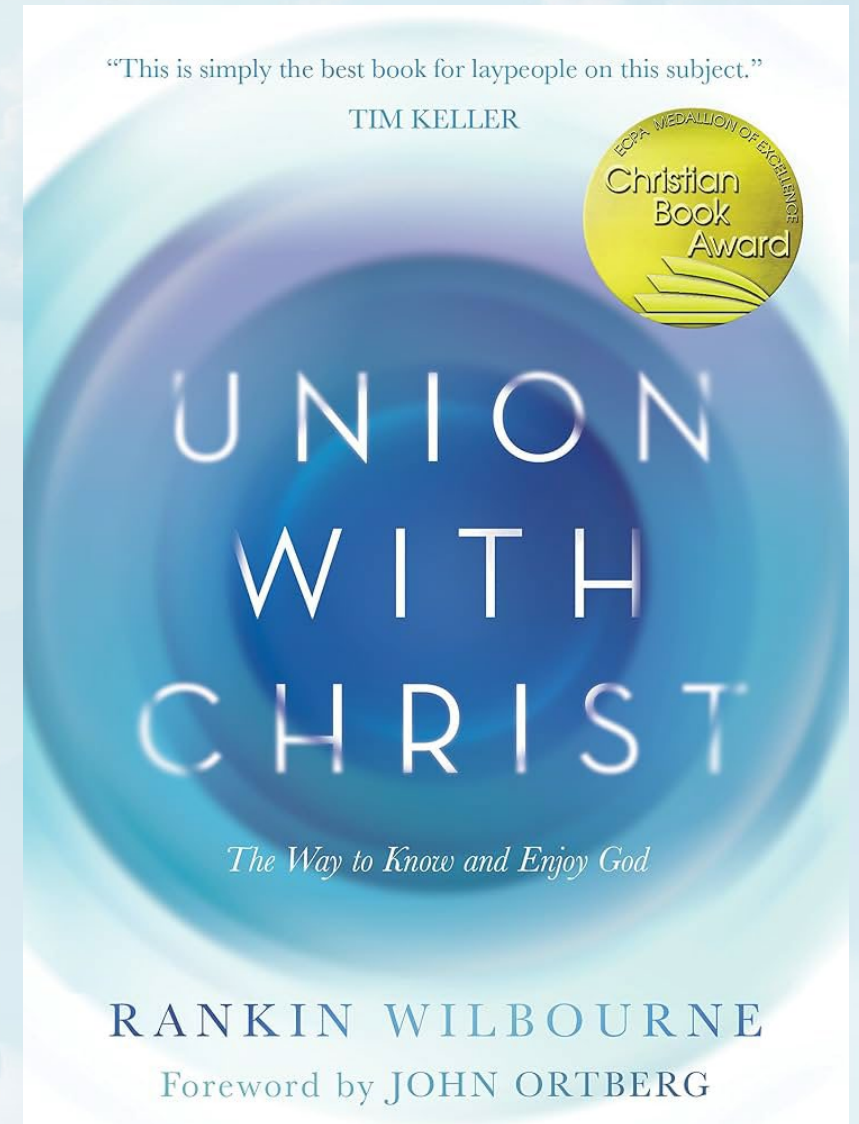
*Living Out Our
Union with Christ*



Big Idea:

Union with Christ answers our greatest questions.

1. Identity - Who am I?
2. Purpose – What am I here for?
3. Direction - What should I do?



Identity – Who am I?

In Christ

Every person who has trusted in Jesus has been forever united with him.

You are in Christ and Christ is in you.

Identity – Who am I?

In Christ

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

2 Corinthians 5:17

I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me...

Galatians 2:20a

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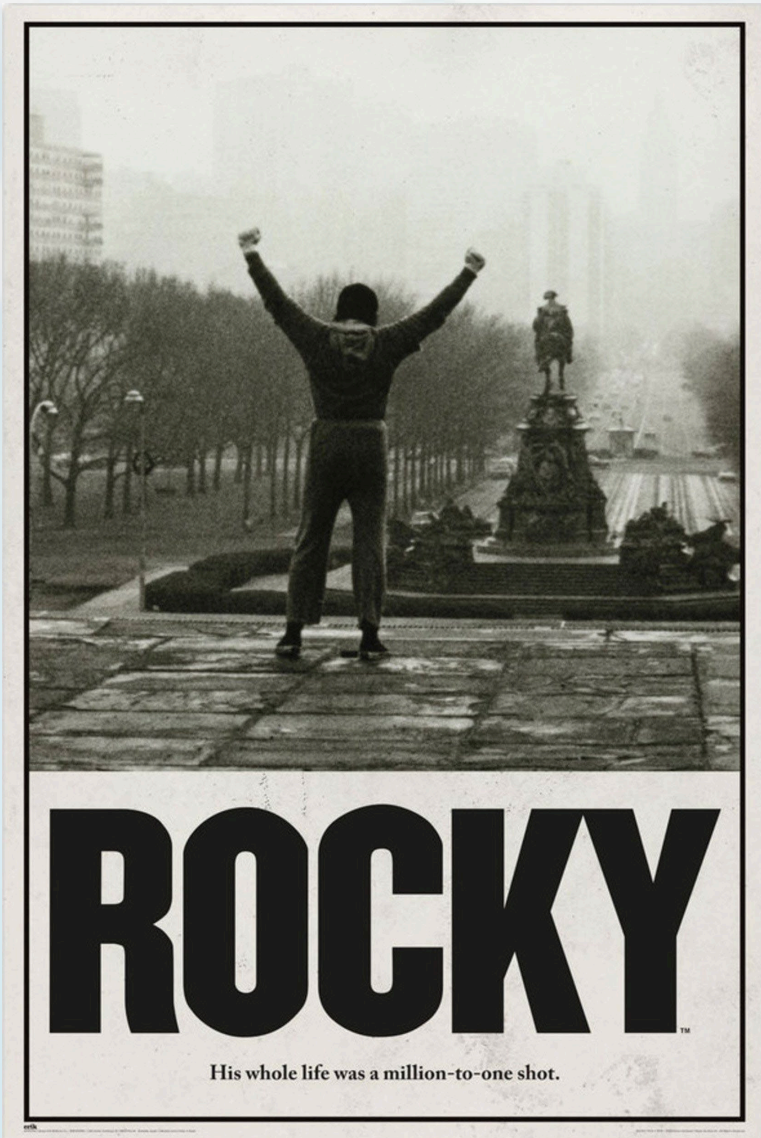
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There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

Galatians 3:28

What different things do you look to do define you?

Identity – Who am I?



‘All I wanna do is go the distance... and if I can go the distance and that bell rings and I’m still standing, I’m gonna know for the first time in my life, you see, that I weren’t just another bum from the neighborhood.’

-Rocky

Identity – Who am I?

In Christ

The freeing beauty of union with Christ is that our identity does not come from our accomplishments or anything *in* us.

Our identity comes from Jesus.

Identity – Who am I?



Purpose – What am I here for?

To Reflect God's Image

Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness... So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

Genesis 1:26-27

Purpose – What am I here for?

Jesus perfectly imaged God

“He is the image of the invisible God...”

Colossians 1:15a (See also Heb 1:3a, John 1:18)

God restores his image in us through Jesus

“For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son...”

Romans 8:29a (See also 2 Cor 3:18, Col 3:10)

Purpose – What am I here for?



Direction – What should I do?

Grow in Holiness

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him.

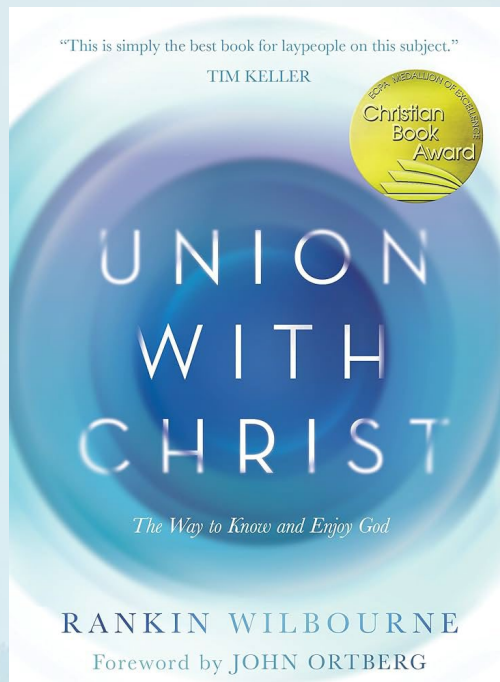
Ephesians 1:3-4

Direction – What should I do?

Grow in Holiness

...since it is written, “You shall be holy, for I am holy.”

1 Peter 1:16



“If God’s life has indeed come into our lives, then our lives will necessarily reflect the light of God’s life.”

Rankin Wilbourne

Direction – What should I do?

Grow in Holiness

Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life... So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Romans 6:3-4, 11

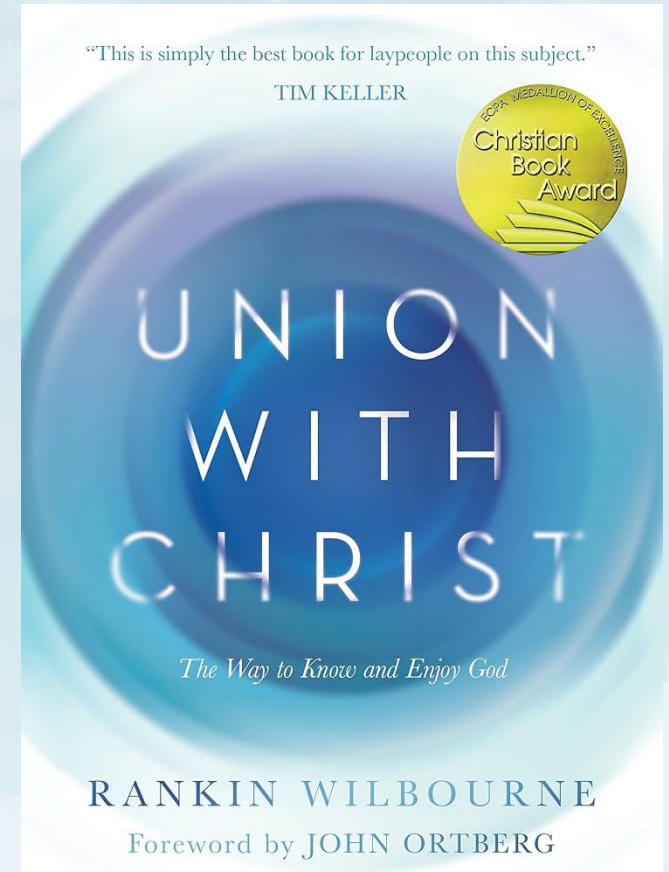
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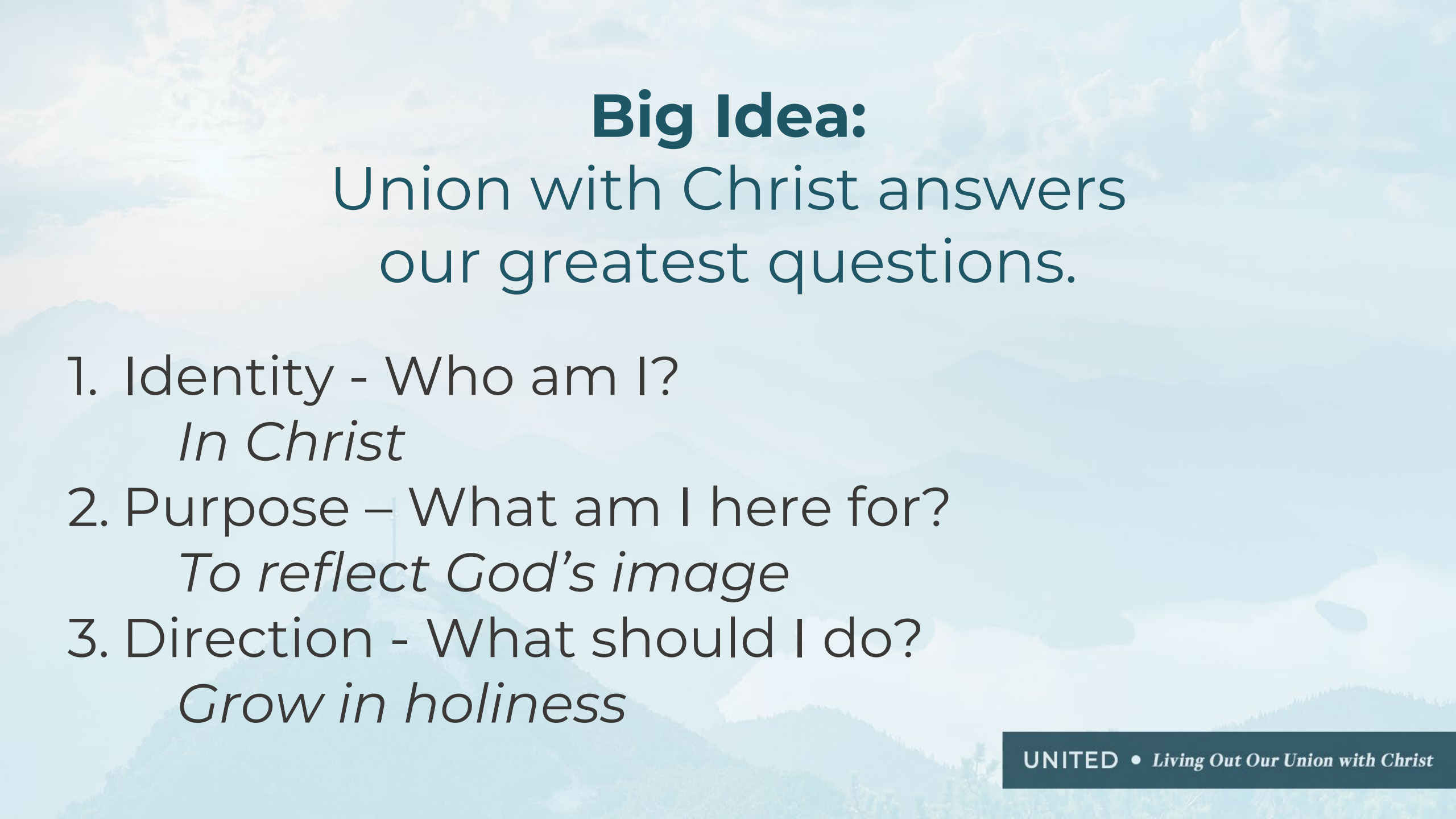


Direction – What should I do?

“God wants us to grow in holiness, not as some sort of test or punishment, not even just as preparation for the future, but because he wants us to enjoy life with him more. The more we grow in holiness, the more we can enjoy his presence.”

-Rankin Wilbourne





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