

VISION PATH

Spiritual Formation: Becoming Like Jesus

Galatians 5, 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

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Do you believe in Jesus and do you walk with Him every day?

Spiritual formation is a theological phrase meaning becoming like Jesus.

If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit. ²⁶ Let us not become boastful, challenging one another, envying one another.

Galatians 5:25-26 NAS

Every person is faced with the same problem: How to be good and how to make up for our mistakes.

AS A DISCIPLE BE CONVINCED WHO JESUS IS

Now, brothers and sisters, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. ² By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain.

³ For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴ that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures. 1 Corinthians 15:1-4

Have you given up trying to accomplishing it by your own strength?

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

The decision to follow Jesus can be laid out in three steps.

Commitment-Repent and decide to follow Jesus
Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved.
Acts 4:12 NIV

Confession-
If you declare with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. Romans 10:9-10 NIV

Physical expression-

Peter replied, “Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.
Acts 2:38 NIV

BECOMING CHRISTLIKE PEOPLE

Therefore as you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, ⁷ having been firmly rooted and now being built up in Him and established in your faith, just as you were instructed, and overflowing with gratitude.

⁸ See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deception, according to the tradition of men, according to the elementary principles of the world, rather than according to Christ. Colossians 2:6-8 NAS

Perhaps the key is realizing that our life is no longer our life.

I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me. Galatians 2:20 NAS

Is it your desire to walk with Jesus every day of your life?