

PART 3 Let's Define Christ-Likeness



Our Destination: Heaven – someday

THE JOURNEY

Our Destiny: Christlikeness — along the way





"God gave [church leadership] to equip God's people to do his work and build up the church, the body of Christ, until we come to such unity in our faith and knowledge of God's Son that we will be mature and full grown in the Lord, measuring up to the full stature of Christ. Then we will no longer be like children ... Instead, we will hold to the truth in love, becoming more and more in every way like Christ, who is the head of his body, the church."

EPHESIANS 4:11-15

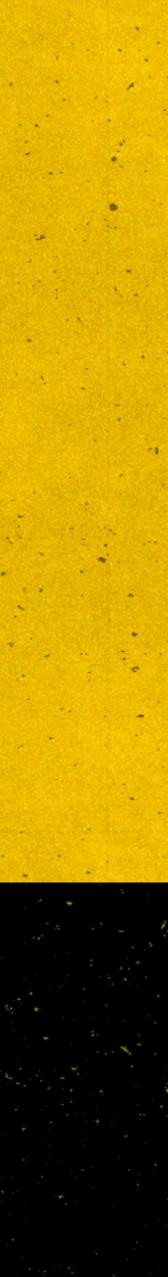


KEY NORDS

Mature Measuring up to the full stature of Christ

"Putting on Christ' ... is not one among many jobs a Christian has to do, it is the whole of Christianity. Christianity offers nothing else at all." C.S. LEWIS

 Full-grown
Becoming more like Christ in every way



THE GLORIOUS PURSUIT

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The journey to Christlikeness—walking with him and becoming like him—is its own reward.



"We know in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose." ROMANS 8:28





"For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, so that the firstborn would have many brothers and sisters."





God uses everything—attacks, failure, disappointment, disease, grief, loss-to chisel my character into the shape of Christ's character.





"When I understand that everything happening to me is to make me more Christlike, it resolves a great deal of anxiety." A.W. TOZER



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Love – Romans 5:8 Joy – Hebrews 12:2 Peace – Isaiah 9:6 Patience - 1 Timothy 1:16 Kindness – Titus 3:4-5 Goodness - Acts 10:38 Faithfulness – Hebrews 2:17 Gentleness - Matthew 11:29 Self-control – Matthew 26:53-54

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Even now, the Holy Spirit is most definitely producing that **very same fruit in me!**





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He worshiped passionately He lived righteously **1 CORINTHIANS 1:30** LUKE 4:16 He served compassionately He surrendered willingly LUKE 22:42 HEBREWS 12:2

CHRIST'S CONDUCT





"I have set an example for you to do as I have done." JOHN 13:15

God has empowered me for the conduct of Christ; that is who I am!

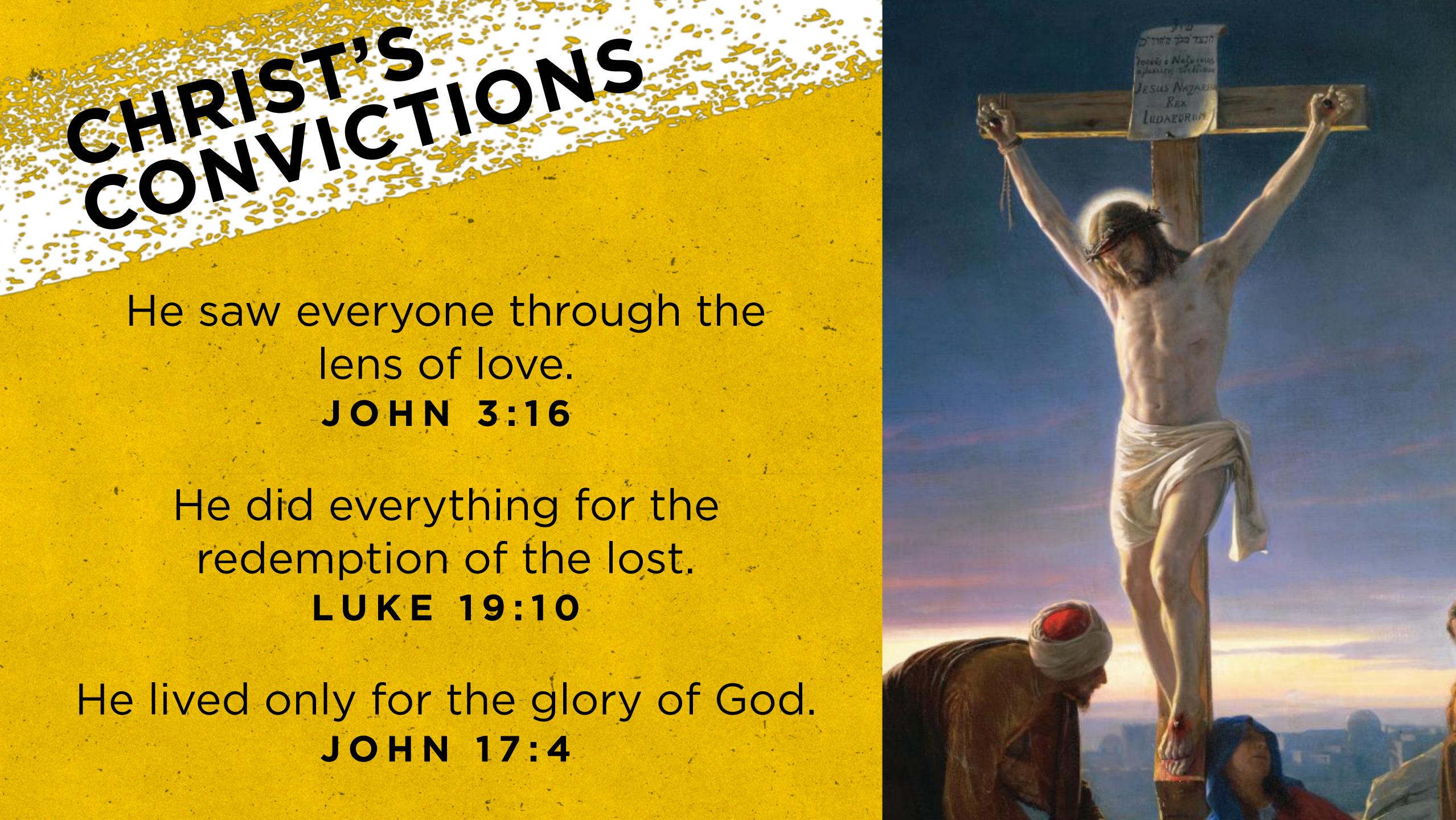


He saw everyone through the lens of love. **JOHN 3:16**

He did everything for the redemption of the lost. LUKE 19:10

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He lived only for the glory of God. **JOHN 17:4**



God has implanted the DNA of Jesus within me. Now through the indwelling presence of the Spirit, **I must go live it**.







