

week two: Become like Jesus

PRACTICING THE WAY



- What is the end goal of Christianity?
 - Matthew 22:37-40
 - 1 John 4:7-16
 - _____
- Why can't we get there?
 - True starting point: Free Will
 - Deuteronomy 30:19
 - Luke 7:29-30
 - Philippians 2:12-13
- Free Will allows the opportunity to sin.
 - Jesus as Messiah and Savior is the answer to this problem.
 - Atonement

Without God,
we cannot.
Without us,
God will not

Saint Augustine

PROBLEM: SIN

"It is just the word we use to name the felt experience of the human condition that pretty much all luminary thinkers agree on. Whether ancient, modern, Eastern, Western, religious, or secular, they all harmonize on this specific point: Something is deeply off in the human heart." ***PTW, 89***

SIN DONE BY US

SIN DONE TO US

SIN DONE AROUND US

"But our Physician is the only true God...Jesus the Christ...He became subject to corruption, that He might free our souls from death and corruption, and heal them,₂ and might restore them to health..." **Ignatius of Antioch**

prevenient WE HAVE BEEN FORMED

So I went down to the potter's house, and there he was working at his wheel. The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him. **Jeremiah 18:3-4**

STORIES

HABITS

RELATIONSHIPS

THEORY OF CHANGE

- ▣ Teaching
- ▣ Practices
- ▣ Community
- ▣ Holy Spirit
- ▣ Time
- ▣ Suffering

How can I become more loving?



You are not
in control of
your spiritual
formation.
PTW, 115

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