

# FOR ME TO LIVE IS CHRIST

Lesson #2 -Following the Example of Christ

Scripture Reading: 1Peter 2:21-25

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Introduction:

1. To duplicate woodworking projects, one must use the same pattern for each part.
2. Jesus is our pattern for living the Christian life successfully.

Proposition: If we are to live for Christ, we must walk as He walked. (1Jn 2:6)

Interrogative: How do we accomplish this successfully?

Transition: We walk as He walked by...

## **I. KEEPING HIS COMMANDMENTS -Jn 15:10**

### **A. JESUS KEPT HIS FATHER'S COMMANDS**

1. His food was to do the Father's will -Jn 4:34
2. He came to do the will of the Father -Jn 6:38
3. He prayed not for His will, but the Father's will be done -Lk 22:42

### **B. WE FOLLOW HIS EXAMPLE**

1. We are motivated by our love for Him -Jn 14:15
2. His commandments are not burdensome -1Jn 5:4
3. In so doing, we are building on a solid foundation -Mt 7:24-ff

## **II. SERVING OTHERS -Jn 13:1-ff**

### **A. JESUS WASHED HIS DISCIPLE'S FEET**

1. This was a duty no one else wanted.
2. Jesus showed great humility and care for others.

### **B. WE CARE FOR ONE ANOTHER -1Jn 3:16, 17; Ja 2:14-ff**

1. We place the needs of others above our own
2. We are never complacent about their needs.

## **III. ENDURE SUFFERING -1Pe 2:21-ff**

### **A. JESUS ENDURED THE CROSS**

1. He was motivated by His love for us -Ro 5:6-9
2. He did so patiently by committing Himself to God first.

### **B. WE ENDURE KNOWING WE HAVE A REWARD**

1. The suffering not worthy to be compared -Ro 8:28-ff
2. We focus on what is not seen -2Co 4:16-18
3. E.g. Seven churches of Asia: "He who overcomes..."

Conclusion:

1. We would never be able to say, “Jesus lives in me” apart from following His blessed example.
2. If we follow His obedience, service, and endurance then others will truly see Jesus living in us.