

Like Christ Like Christ

Christians are encouraged to heed the words of Jesus by embracing the practice of dying to self as the key to spiritual fruitfulness.

'Thich Nhat Hanh is a holy man, for he is humble and devout. He is a scholar of immense intellectual capacity. His ideas for peace if applied, would build a monument of ecumenism, to world brotherhood, to humanity.' Martin Luther King, Jr. Buddha and Jesus Christ, perhaps the two most pivotal figures in the history of humankind, each left behind a legacy of teachings and practices that have shaped the lives of billions of people over the course of two millennia. If they were to meet on the road today, what would each think of the other's spiritual views and practices? Thich

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Thich Nhat Hanh has been part of a decades-long dialogue between the two greatest living contemplative traditions, and brings to Christianity an appreciation of its beauty that could be conveyed only by an outsider. In a lucid, meditative prose, he explores the crossroads of compassion and holiness at which Buddhism and Christianity meet, and reawakens our understanding of both.

Whether our notions of 'god' are personal projections or inherited traditions, author and theologian Brad Jersak proposes a radical reassessment, arguing for *A More Christlike God: a More Beautiful Gospel*. If Christ is "the image of the invisible God, the radiance of God's glory and exact representation of God's likeness," what if we conceived of God as completely Christlike—the perfect Incarnation of self-giving, radically forgiving, co-suffering love? What if God has always been and

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forever will be 'cruciform' (cross-shaped) in his character and actions? A More Christlike God suggests that such a God would be very good news indeed—a God who Jesus “unwrathed” from dead religion, a Love that is always toward us, and a Grace that pours into this suffering world through willing, human partners. "Seeing so much heartache in the world, and so much compromise within the Church, Jon Tyson believes we must redouble our efforts to build a community of hope that is stronger than the hollow culture around us. Tyson invites readers to pursue key disciplines and rhythms through truths such as: worship must be stronger than idolatry, rest must be stronger than exhaustion, and hospitality must be stronger than fear, principles that will make them spiritually stronger than the enchanting pull of the world"--

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Becoming a New Person in Christ

Become More Like Christ

The Life of Christ (Member Book)

Uncover the Meditative Practices of Jesus

A More Beautiful Gospel

A Community Approach to Becoming Like Christ

A Simple Guide to Becoming More Like Christ

This first novel introduces Mikey Alvarez.

Sexually abused as a child, eventually abandoned by his family, he becomes a West Side Highway hustler and drug dealer. Mikey survives the streets of New York by joining the House of X, a gang of godless gays who terrorize the

underground club scene and ball circuit.

Emphasizing a different theme each month, this daily devotional calls us into a deeper fellowship with God and equips us for the journey. Each reading is a moment with the master--another step in an ever-sweeter journey with Jesus.

Insightful and heart-warming, this classic book is written for those who seek to know God better. It unfolds life-impacting, biblical truths and has been called a "soul-stirring celebration of the pleasures of knowing God."

A detail Bible Study on: The spiritual richness of the life of Christ How to be grafted into the life of

Christ The image of Christ How to reflect the image of Christ and be Christlike

Lovin' Your Wife Like Christ When You Ain't No Jesus

Rethink Your Version of Christianity and Become More Like Christ

Eight Essentials to Get You There

The Great Reckoning

8 Habits for Growth

Think, Act, Be Like Jesus

What Did Jesus Look Like?

Re-Present Jesus identifies twelve core

character traits of Jesus and coaches the reader into discerning how these traits can be applied to their own lives and contexts.

Inspired by the acts of sacrifice and discipline exemplified by the D-Day generation as well as the current generation of young American soldiers, many Christians today are looking for an obedient, disciplined approach to faith. This user-friendly study guides readers toward a greater understanding of eight

spiritual disciplines of the Christian faith—prayer, humility, self-control, sacrifice, submission, solitude, silence, and hope. Each chapter defines and discusses the concept, then provides interactive assignments and suggestions for further study, as well as content summaries and outlines that aid in retention. Activities can be revisited again and again for a new outlook or just for a periodic refresher. Perfect for individual or group or family study, So, You Want to be Like

Christ? is just right for anyone desiring to delve deeper into the fundamental elements of Christian life, and essential for all who hunger for authentic faith experiences. It is destined to be a classic text on the practice of Christianity. If you want to arrive at a new destination, you must be willing to travel on a new road. Meditate Like Jesus is that new road, leading individuals and spiritual communities to new places of hope and renewal. Drawn from decades of

experience as a meditation leader, instructor, and pastor, K. D. Weaver incorporates the meditative principles of Jesus into everyday life. Whether you are new to meditation or a seasoned practitioner, you will receive an insightful understanding of a topic rarely explored. This work will equip you to find your purpose while inspiring you to a richer spiritual life.

None of us are born Christ-like, none of us become Christ-like at conversion and

none of us become more Christ-like by just being in church or even reading the Bible. We all need to personally change to become more like Jesus—to become more human. The book calls for a rethinking of current church practice, where people are normally expected to change at conversion, becoming more like other members but subsequently are not required to change much at all. The book outlines and introduces the reader to a step by step approach to personal

***positive change and wholeness, for
anyone wishing to begin a journey toward
greater Christ-likeness***

Stuff Christians Like

The spirit of Christ

Surviving a Christianity That Looks

Nothing Like Christ

Cold-Case Christianity

In His Steps

Meditations of a Christian Hedonist

Renewing Your Mind

Using the same humor and honesty that galvanized more

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than a million online readers from more than 200 countries, blogger Jonathan Acuff brings his insightful take on Christianity to the book world with *Stuff Christians Like*. From prayer shot blocks to Metro worship leaders, no stone is left unturned in this hilarious look at faith.

"Each of your students is a unique creation. Some are funny, some serious, some industrious, others are more thoughtful. Together, they make up the body of Christ and are each called to serve in their own special way. *Serving Like Christ Together* helps students discover ways to serve God by serving others. Six sessions unpack and explain the aspects of a servant's heart that Jesus values most:

- Humility and Sacrifice: redefining what it means to be successful
- Seeing Christ in Others: learning to serve God by serving his people

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• Compassion: seeing need and taking action • The Holy Spirit: relying on the Holy Spirit to direct and fuel service • Bondslaves: understanding what it means to be a slave to Christ • Serving Outsiders: discovering the joy of helping difficult people Service gives students a chance to discover their gifts, build friendships inside and outside the group, and refocus their priorities on something larger than themselves." What do we do when the church looks nothing like Jesus? Many followers of Jesus feel disillusioned by a broken religion—one that loves political power, promises prosperity, and feeds on fear. We are desperately trying to rationalize how a loving God can be connected to unloving churches, institutions, and people. We can no longer deny that our version of Christianity is not just imperfect but has been

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coopted to inflict violence, racism, abuse, hate, and even death. The question before many Christians is no longer how their faith can survive within a secular culture. It's how their faith can survive Christianity itself. In *The Great Reckoning*, writer Stephen Mattson writes out of the rubble of the failed American faith. Instead of doomsaying or casting aspersions, however, Mattson offers hope for seekers looking for inspiration, solace for Christians fed up with an unsatisfying religion, and clarity for those sifting through the remains. *The Great Reckoning* is a clear-eyed yet tender critique of where we've gone wrong, and a guide away from the culture wars and toward the life of Jesus. Rather than further immersing ourselves in Christendom, what if we started rethinking what it means to be a Christian in the first place? What if Christians

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shed the hopes and dreams of Christianity and turned instead of the Christ at the center of our faith? Consider this a dispatch from the wreckage of American cultural Christianity, and an ode to the Jesus-looking faith we seek.

Privilege the Text! spans the conceptual gap between biblical text and life application by providing a rigorous theological hermeneutic for preaching. Kuruvilla describes the theological entity that is the intermediary between ancient text and modern audience, and defines its crucial function in determining valid application. Based on this hermeneutic, he submits a new mode of reading Scripture for preaching: a Christiconic interpretation of the biblical text, a hermeneutically robust way to understand the depiction of the Second Person of the Trinity in Scripture. In addition,

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Kuruvilla's work provides a substantive theology of spiritual formation through preaching: what it means to obey God, the Christian's responsibility to undertake "faith-full" obedience to divine demand, and the incentives for such obedience—all integral to understanding the sermonic movement from text to application. *Privilege the Text!* promises to be useful not only for preachers, and students and teachers of homiletics, but for all who are interested in the exposition of Scripture that culminates in application for the glory of God.

To Be Like Jesus

The Courage to Pray Dangerously

Lead Like Jesus

Living Buddha, Living Christ

Humility

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Serving Like Christ

Who He Calls Us to Be

Let ' s take a walk with the Master... Is it even possible to walk as Jesus walked? Well, there ' s only one way to find out! Follow along and study the very model of how to live life—the way Jesus lived. More than just highlighting various aspects of Jesus ' life, ministry veteran Dann Spader examines the broad scope of who He is, helping us understand how the life of Christ should transcend our busy, 21st-century lifestyles. With a practical approach, daily lessons in this 10-week study touch on foundational elements of Jesus ' life, including: His intentionality in fostering loving relationships His unwavering obedience

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and reverent submission to God A life that was steadfast in prayer His dependence upon the Holy Spirit His movement of multiplying disciples Walk Like Jesus will not only provide you with a wealth of biblical knowledge on Jesus ' life, it will also challenge you to follow after Christ. It is sure to bring insight and godly nourishment in your trajectory toward knowing Christ and becoming more like Him. Learn how to implement the Like Jesus series into your small group, ministry and church to build a culture of disciple-making. Use the Like Jesus App and Digital Access platform for videos, assessment, engagement, real-time metrics are more, download today: <https://LikeJesus.church>

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This classic presents people seeking to change their community by pledging themselves to experiment for a whole year with the question, 'What would Jesus do?' Men, if you want to be a better husband, father, and follower of Christ, but often feel like you miss the mark, this book might be for you. Be assured, you are not alone . . . To add to this sense of failure, the best-known passage on marriage in the Bible, and one our wives have put to memory, instructs us as husbands to "love your wives, as Christ loved the church . . ." Now that's a bar we can barely see, let alone reach. What husband can love his wife like Christ? Who do our wives think we are? Jesus?

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Overcome the Hurts of Yesterday and the Fears of Tomorrow As people created in the image of God, we have been given the capacity to choose what we do and do not believe. Yet even followers of Christ often stay mired in misguided ways and unhealthy thought patterns. In *Renewing Your Mind*, Dr. Neil Anderson reminds us that faith is a journey of growth, and that as we mature in our beliefs, we should experience a total change from the inside out. In this fourth of eight Victory Series studies, you will learn how to allow Christ to rule in your heart, be led by the Spirit, tear down mental strongholds that keep you in bondage, live under grace, and overcome anger, depression, and losses. This study,

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with six sessions, can be used individually or in a group, and includes a leader's guide, along with illustrations and questions for deeper reflection and practical applications. We are not called to dispel darkness on our own; instead, being an overcomer means knowing how to turn to the light of Christ, our source of truth. Only in doing so will we win the battle for our minds.

The Joy of Conviction in a Culture of Compromise

How to Become Like Christ, and Other Papers

Beautiful Resistance

Becoming Christlike

RePresent Jesus

Christ-like

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The Key to Becoming More Like Christ

The bestselling author serves up “a marvelous, full-bodied repast for those Christians who seek God’s presence rather than any blessings he might bestow”

(Publishers Weekly). Most of us want to know God more intimately. But are we willing to boldly face the challenge of what that means? Are we truly willing to pray a prayer that may be dangerous in ways we cannot anticipate? Are we willing to ask God to make us like Jesus? Author Michael Phillips shares from his own life

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how he has learned to take up that challenge. Then he examines key decisions in the life of Jesus Christ that illuminate what it means for each one of us to be conformed to the image of his son—to love like Jesus, think like him, pray like him, and trust the Father like him. If status-quo spirituality is for you, do not read this book. It is a dangerous book—dangerous to the flesh—for the journey toward Christlikeness may be painful and costly. Yet that journey leads to the ultimate purpose God intends for

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all his children: conformity to the image of his son. "This book is a gem, written from the heart by a man I have called brother and friend for twenty years. Make Me Like Jesus gives us an open, honest look at what it really means to walk truthfully with Christ." –Jim Ryun, former Congressman, Olympian, and coauthor of Heroes Among Us "Phillips offers a much-needed corrective to several popular but superficial descriptions of the Christian life." –Bishop William C. Frey, author of The Dance of Hope

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From the experiences of Abraham and Moses, to Jesus' life on earth, to the return of the Lord, Scripture reveals a tremendous amount to believers on how to live a life of devotion to God. Author Jennifer Devlin wants every Christian to know the magnitude of God's merciful plan for our salvation, and how every portion of the Bible fits together to reveal His plan for mankind.

What do you want out of life? What are you pursuing? Happiness? Money? Fame? Fortune? Pleasure? Security? The ultimate prize is

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none of these but is actually something much higher and better: Christlikeness. It sounds formidable, but ask yourself one question: Don't you want to be like Christ? If you answered YES! then this book is for you! Have you ever asked yourself, "How can I be more like Jesus? How can I stop sinning? How can I live consistently in a way that pleases God?" Have you ever wondered what the scripture means, "Without holiness no man will see the Lord"? Does it distress you that many believers seem to disregard holiness

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because they think that they are not "under the law"? Have you ever thought about what it means to be "under the law" and "under grace"? Are you concerned that our nation has cast God aside and is pursuing a secularist agenda? How can that be reversed? Like Christ By Grace: Pursuing the Prize of Christlikeness By God's Grace will give you the answers you seek. Jesus Christ supplies everything you need to be like Him. The book you hold in your hands is a message of encouragement and hope, as well as a challenging call to

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Christlikeness. No matter how many times you have fallen and no matter how miserably you may have failed, God is on your side. God is for you. He's not about to give up on you. You can be like Christ by grace!

Written by an L. A. County homicide detective and former atheist, Cold-Case Christianity examines the claims of the New Testament using the skills and strategies of a hard-to-convince criminal investigator. Christianity could be defined as a "cold case": it makes a claim

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about an event from the distant past for which there is little forensic evidence. In Cold-Case Christianity, J. Warner Wallace uses his nationally recognized skills as a homicide detective to look at the evidence and eyewitnesses behind Christian beliefs. Including gripping stories from his career and the visual techniques he developed in the courtroom, Wallace uses illustration to examine the powerful evidence that validates the claims of Christianity. A unique apologetic that speaks to readers' intense

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interest in detective stories, Cold-Case Christianity inspires readers to have confidence in Christ as it prepares them to articulate the case for Christianity.

None Like Christ ...

Make Me Like Jesus

Pursuing the Prize of Christlikeness by God's Grace

A Homicide Detective Investigates the Claims of the Gospels

Life Principles for Christ-Like Living

The Same Mind As Christ

A Theological Hermeneutic for Preaching

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The Great Reckoning Surviving a
Christianity That Looks Nothing Like
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A Study Guide and a Teacher's Manual
Gospel Principles was written both as a
personal study guide and as a teacher's
manual. As you study it, seeking the
Spirit of the Lord, you can grow in
your understanding and testimony of God

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the Father, Jesus Christ and His Atonement, and the Restoration of the gospel. You can find answers to life's questions, gain an assurance of your purpose and self-worth, and face personal and family challenges with faith.

Don't just do the right actions. Build habits—and watch your life be transformed. Many books try to help you do the right actions. But the real key to life transformation—for yourself and

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then for others—is building habits that become part of your life. Because habits don't just dictate what you do. They reflect who you are. In *8 Habits for Growth*, Darryl Dash wants to show you the eight long-term practices—all very doable—that will lead to permanent growth if you incorporate them into your life. You'll learn why it's important to: Make time Rest Read or listen to the Bible Pray Pursue worship and community in a church Care for your

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body Simplify your spiritual life Build a rule of life Personal growth doesn't happen overnight. But it does happen, slowly, as you build God's habits into your life. So what are you waiting for? Start your new habits today and let God transform who you are . . . and who you can become.

Meditate Like Jesus

Hope for Ordinary Men

Thinking Like Christ and Thriving Like Christ

Walk Like Jesus

In Christ to Become Like Christ

A More Christlike God

The Bible teaches that the goal of the Christian life is to become like Jesus—for our own personal growth and for the sake of others. Every believer needs to ask three big questions: What do I believe? What should I do? And who am I becoming? In *Think, Act, Be Like Jesus*, bestselling author and pastor Randy Frazee helps readers grasp the vision of the Christian life and get started on the journey of discipleship. After unfolding the revolutionary dream of Jesus and showing

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how our lives fit into the big picture of what God is doing in the world, Frazee walks readers through thirty short chapters exploring the ten core beliefs, ten core practices, and ten virtues that help disciples to think, act, and be more like Jesus Christ. This compelling new book can be used in conjunction with the 30-week all-church Believe campaign or read separately as an individual study. Either way, readers will deepen their understanding of what it means to not just know the Story of God, but to live it.

Through this compelling classic, every Christian can learn how to allow the beauty of Christ's image to shine through to the world. "He that saith he abideth in Him, ought himself also so to walk even as He walked."--1 John 2:6. "We are t

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easily content with the thoughts suggested by the words Bible, though these are but forms of truth, without giving for the substantial spiritual reality, which the Word as the truth of God contains, to get lodged and rooted in the head. Let us, in meditating on the Image of God in Christ, to which we are to be conformed, remember this. When some special trait has occupied our thoughts, let us shut our eyes, and our hearts; let us think, and pray, and believe in the working of the Holy Spirit, until we really see the blessed Master in that special light in which the Word has been setting Him before us and can carry away for that day the deep and abiding impression of that heavenly beauty in Him which we know is to be reproduced in us. Let us gaze, and gaze again

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let us worship and adore; the more we see Him as He is, the more we
liker Him we must become. To study the image of God in the
man Christ Jesus, to yield and set open our inmost being for
that image to take possession and live in us, and then to go
forth and let the heavenly likeness reflect itself and shine
in our life among our fellow-men,--this is what we have been
redeemed for, let this be what we live for." -Andrew Murray

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Christ Our Example.

Remind your group of the centrality of Christ, His uniqueness
and how His life and character greatly impact our lives.

'God wants people to become like Christ,' said international
preacher, writer and teacher John Stott in a public address
the end of his long life. Peter Lewis is similarly passionate

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about the Bible's message – that God has a plan which centres on Jesus and includes each one of us. In this accessible and helpful book, he focuses on the: source of Christlikeness, model of Christlikeness, helps to Christlikeness, contradiction of Christlikeness, and triumph of Christlikeness. Here, the reader who wants to become like Christ will find radical – sometimes challenging – teaching, practical wisdom and reassurance.

The Beauty of Holiness

Privilege the Text!

Foundations of Spiritual Formation

The Path to Spiritual Growth

Celebration of Discipline

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Spiritual Brokenness

A Contemporary Biblical Journey

This book is designed to motivate both seekers and believers to journey into the depths of the faith so that all God intends for us to be and to do becomes a reality in our everyday life. In this sense it is a primer for the Christian life that helps us focus on the very words of Jesus that has the power to change any destructive areas of our life into a healthy and wholesome response to all of life's situations. With the power of Christ inside of us there is nothing outside of us that can permanently destroy the life God has given us in Christ Jesus. "Let the same mind that was

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in Christ Jesus be also in you” (Philippians 2:5), the Apostle Paul instructs us. As we allow the words of Christ to be the controlling element in our lives we are marvelously transformed from being ruled by the troubles of the world into being victorious in spite of what's going on around us. This means that the power Christ had, we also have. Then the burdens of everyday life no longer weigh us down because we are constantly being lifted up by the same power that lifted Christ from the confines of a stone cold tomb. Jesus says to us “learn from me” (Matthew 11:29). He is our teacher who imparts to us the secrets of life and the passageway into eternal life. It is the

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hope and desire of the author that this book will help in the pursuit of both. As we learn what was in the mind of Christ and get that into our minds the door is opened for us to live like we have never lived before. Within the book, twelve of the major concepts that Jesus taught while on earth are presented. They each are explained in such a way that gives the reader insight into the thinking of Jesus. Biblical characters are used to personalize the teaching so that readers can possibly see themselves in the same position as the characters. Illustrations from the author's life, learnings and experiences seek to add insights that demonstrate how the concepts have been

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effective in people's lives. Quotes from scholars and sages are used to show the wide range of thoughts and ideas that connect us to the life of Jesus. Of course, the Bible is cited extensively. It is the author's belief that the Bible can speak for itself. That's an auxiliary aim of the book: to let the words of Christ enter our domain and reside with us as we live out our faith in this sometimes hostile and demanding world. There are two appendices that aid the reader in continuing the quest to be one with Christ. The "tools for studying the Bible" gives the reader specific means to understand what the Bible is saying to us. "A method of meditation" encourages the reader to slow

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down and think on the things of Christ. The hope is that the reader will develop some intentionality about being in a positive and productive relationship with Jesus. Sometimes being intentional helps us to develop holy habits that will send us in the direction we need to go. When we develop a holy habit of being with Christ then his power becomes ours. His mind is in our mind. Then we know for sure that Paul was right "we are more than conquerors through him who loved us" (Romans 8:37). As Christ was victorious, so are we in every situation of our life when we think and live like him. This textbook for introductory spiritual formation courses

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presents the fundamentals and practices of the discipline. This collection includes presentations by several well-known evangelical scholars including Gordon Johnston, Darrell Bock, Richard Averbeck, Klaus Issler, and others. In the twenty years since its publication, *Celebration of Discipline* has helped over a million seekers discover a richer spiritual life infused with joy, peace, and a deeper understanding of God. For this special twentieth anniversary edition, Richard J. Foster has added an introduction, in which he shares the story of how this beloved and enduring spiritual guidebook came to be. Hailed by many as the best modern book on Christian

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spirituality, Celebration of Discipline explores the "classic Disciplines," or central spiritual practices, of the Christian faith. Along the way, Foster shows that it is only by and through these practices that the true path to spiritual growth can be found. Dividing the Disciplines into three movements of the Spirit, Foster shows how each of these areas contribute to a balanced spiritual life. The inward Disciplines of meditation, prayer, fasting, and study, offer avenues of personal examination and change. The outward Disciplines of simplicity, solitude, submission, and service, help prepare us to make the world a better place. The corporate Disciplines of confession, worship,

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guidance, and celebration, bring us nearer to one another and to God. Foster provides a wealth of examples demonstrating how these Disciplines can become part of our daily activities-and how they can help us shed our superficial habits and "bring the abundance of God into our lives." He offers crucial new insights on simplicity, demonstrating how the biblical view of simplicity, properly understood and applied, brings joy and balance to our inward and outward lives and "sets us free to enjoy the provision of God as a gift that can be shared with others." The discussion of celebration, often the most neglected of the Disciplines, shows its critical importance,

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for it stands at the heart of the way to Christ. Celebration of Discipline will help motivate Christians everywhere to embark on a journey of prayer and spiritual growth.

This study guide is an individually available part of the authors' "Lead Like Jesus" kit. Only one study guide is included in the initial kit, but churches or organizations can buy as many study guides as needed for their leadership groups. There is plenty of room for writing as the concepts are explored via group and individual activities.

So, You Want To Be Like Christ?

Becoming More Like Christ

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Desiring God

Like No Other

Like Christ by Grace

Just Like Jesus

Gospel Principles

Jesus Christ is arguably the most famous man who ever lived. His image adorns countless churches, icons, and paintings. He is the subject of millions of statues, sculptures, devotional objects and works of art. Everyone can conjure an image of Jesus: usually as a handsome, white man with flowing locks and pristine linen robes. But what did Jesus really look like? Is our popular image of Jesus overly westernized and untrue to historical reality? This question

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continues to fascinate. Leading Christian Origins scholar Joan E. Taylor surveys the historical evidence, and the prevalent image of Jesus in art and culture, to suggest an entirely different vision of this most famous of men. He may even have had short hair.

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