

3 - CS TO “LIVING YOUR BEST LIFE” IN CHRIST

1) BECOME COMPLETE (Get an “IN CHRIST” Identity & Purpose)

COMPLETE means that all your parts and pieces are together. You are whole and nothing is missing or broken.

“I determine to see myself through God’s eyes and judge my worth and value by what His Word says about me!”

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

- But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. Matthew 6:33 (NIV)
- For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking, but of righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit. Romans 14:17 (NIV)
- And you have been made complete in Christ, who is the head over every ruler and authority.
- You don’t need a telescope, a microscope, or a horoscope to realize the fullness of Christ, and the emptiness of the universe without him. When you come to him, that fullness comes together for you, too. His power extends over everything. Colossians 2:10 (MSG)
- For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. Isaiah 55:9 (NIV)
- Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ. 2 Corinthians 10:5
- Don’t let the world around you squeeze you into its own mold, but let God re-mold your minds from within, so that you may prove in practice that the plan of God for you is good, meets all his demands and moves towards the goal of true maturity. Romans 12:2 (Phillips)
- Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself unless it abides in the vine, so neither can you unless you abide in Me. John 15:4
- As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. Colossians 2:6-7
- For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven: a time to be born, and a time to die... Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

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2) BECOME CONTENT (*Get "IN CHRIST" Companionship & Fulfillment*)

CONTENT means that you are pleased with your status or situation in life and not needing or desperately desiring it to be otherwise.

"I choose to look to the Holy Spirit and develop a real relationship with Him instead of seeking from others what only He can fulfill in me."

SCRIPTURES REFERNCES:

- For your Maker is your husband, the Lord of hosts is his name; the Holy One of Israel is your Redeemer, the God of the whole earth he is called. Isaiah 54:5
- And I will take you for my wife forever; I will take you for my wife in righteousness and in justice, in steadfast love, and in mercy. I will take you for my wife in faithfulness; and you shall know the Lord." - Hosea 2:19-20
- As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. John 15:9
- The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. Lamentations 3:22-23
- Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, 'I will never leave you or forsake you.' So we can say with confidence, 'The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me (or for me that God can't do)? Hebrews 13:5-6
- For you shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Isaiah 55:12
- The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord. Lamentations 3:25-26
- For I, the Lord your God, hold your right hand; it is I who say to you, 'Do not fear, I will help you.'" - Isaiah 41:13
- But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. Isaiah 43:1-
- Do not fear, for I am with you, do not be afraid, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my victorious right hand. Isaiah 41:10
- But those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint. Isaiah 40:31
- I adjure you, O daughters of Jerusalem, by the gazelles or the wild does: do not stir up or awaken love (LUSTFUL DESIRES) until it is ready! The Song of Solomon 3:5
- Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting. Proverbs 31:30
- Therefore I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God. Romans 12:1
- But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh. Galatians 5:16
- For we walk by faith, not by sight 2 Corinthians 5:7

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3) COMPASSIONATE – (GET "CHRIST INTO" YOUR COMMUNITY & RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHERS)

COMPASSIONATE means that you have strong feelings of empathy & love for the suffering of others and it moves you to reach out to help them.

"I surrender my life to you Holy Spirit. I choose to trust you to fill my mouth with words that will turn the course of my life and overflow my heart with compassion and power to those around me!"

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

- How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil Acts 10:38
- But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. Acts 1:8
- And everyone present was filled with the Holy Spirit and began speaking in other languages, as the Holy Spirit gave them this ability. Acts 2:4 (NLT)
- And look at the ships. Even though they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are still directed by a very small rudder wherever the impulse of the helmsman determines. 5 In the same sense, the tongue is a small part of the body, and yet it boasts of great things. James 3:4-7 (AMP)
- I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. John 15:5
- You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another. John 15:16-17
- By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another. John 13:35 (NKJV)
- And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us. Romans 5:5
- So that you will walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, to please Him in all respects, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; strengthened with all power, according to His glorious might, for the attaining of all steadfastness and patience; joyously. Colossians 1:10-11
- When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Matthew 9:36
- When the Lord saw her, his heart overflowed with compassion. Luke 7:13
- Moved with compassion, Jesus reached out and touched him. "I am willing," he said. Mark 1:41
- But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was ...saw the man, he felt compassion for him. Luke 10:33
- It has often thrown him into fire or water to kill him.... But if you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us. Mark 9:22