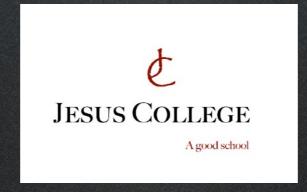


WELCOME to a 9 session course **BEYOND BELIEF**by Dallas Willard

with the Jesus College student body of Christ



The Course Vision

Present the with-God life in the reality of His available Kingdom beyond mere profession and belief.

The Course Intention

- * Proclaim biblical truth.
- * Teach the Kingdom of God among us as Jesus taught and revealed.
- * Present spiritual disciplines for training into *Christlikeness*.
- * Provide weekly encouragement and accountability.

The Course Means

- * 9 interactive sessions with optional, extended Q&C.
- * Study Guide with resources and spiritual growth practices.
- * A global guild of apprentices of Jesus!

Format - 30 minutes

- Welcome, Focus & Review
 - Session Highlights
 - Your Q&C's
 - Summary & Blessing
- After: Optional more Q&C

Recorded sessions, slides, & study guide in the Jesus College Library

Your easy yoke brother Doug Webster

- * Following Jesus for 51 years & working with Him since age 18
- * Vanguard University & Fuller Seminary
- * The Spirit of Jesus through the teaching of Dallas' awakened Jesus College in me a dozen years ago.
- * This is Jesus College's 36th course engaging 3350+ students from 60 Countries.
- * Jesus College's

 Master's in the Master

 spiritual training guide.
- * A blessed family of 17 + Sadie









BEYOND BELIEF

Session 1 - "Who You Are" Video 1 [35:18]

I - Moving Out into Real Life in the Kingdom of God...Beyond Belief

II - Who You Are as Taught by Jesus

III - What is "Spirit"?

IV - God - the Father of Spirits



Session 1 - Who You Are

I - Moving Out into Real Life in the Kingdom of God...

Beyond Belief

"Mastery of your real life through confidence in Jesus Christ."

- Know the Kingdom of God.
- Know an eternal kind of life.
- The Word is the best information for what matters most.

This is the life "beyond belief".

Belief is the route we take into real life.

- ?) Can I be a Christian without being a disciple of Jesus? Is this my "belief system?"
- ?) Will I live in the easy yoke of Jesus as a disciple or settle for mere forgiveness and heaven when I die?

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

Matthew 11:28-30





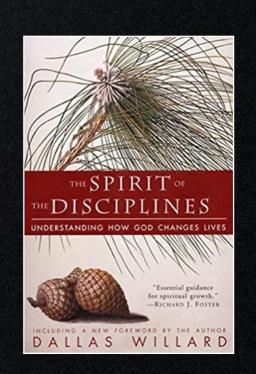
Is the Easy Yoke Life Possible?

The secret of the easy yoke is simple, actually. (10)

The easy yoke is to learn from Christ how to live our total lives, how to invest all our time and our energies of mind and body as He did. (9)

Intelligent, informed, unyielding resolve to live as Jesus lived in all aspects of His life, not just in the moments of specific choice or action. (10)

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Session 1 - Who You Are

II - Who You Are - Jesus on "Death"

"Truly, truly I say unto you, if anyone keeps my word, he shall never see death." John 8:51 Also John 11:26 and II Timothy 1:10

Death is never going to happen to you if you are a person who has confidence — faith — in Jesus Christ. When we have faith, we rest on it, like on a chair!

If we are going to die, this life is all of it.

If we are never going to die...

"You will have a clarity of consciousness and a realization of reality that you can't even begin to approach now, and when you step through the doorway and you go into the full world of God, you then really begin to live." [14:28]





Session 1 - Who You Are

III - What is Spirit?

We are in a world that is set against the spirit and is obsessed with the material.

The spirit is treated as if it were marginal, somewhere else when in fact, it is the center of reality.

"No graven image." (2nd Commandment) Deuteronomy 5:8

God is not material. How we think about God determines how we think about ourselves. Your "god worship" defines you.

God is spirit = creative power and will. "I am that I am." Exodus 3:14



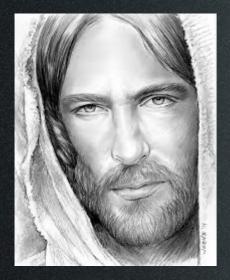


Spirit is...

Un-bodily - not physical. We act not by laws of physics but by ideas, thoughts, choices.

Personal - emotions, choices, will thoughts, desires, feelings, habits, character

Power - anything that does work with laws of physics.



Jesus and His Old Testament tradition reveals a God made up of thoughts, feelings, and choices.

"In the beginning was the word." John 1:1

A word is a person who speaks. God, out of His infinite being, produced matter, a physical universe with laws.

We produce things out of personal acts, our thoughts, intentions, willings, and these are most important.

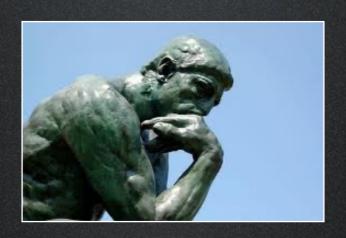


Redemption & Repentance

Redemption really begins to move when we realize the source of our life is in our heart, and we begin to change the heart by the grace of God. We open our heart to Jesus Christ. We say yes to Him in the depths of our being. We begin to say...

"I really do want to be a different kind of person.
I'm prepared to take the steps that are required to do that."

That's repentance.



Video 1 @ 27:55



Session 1 - Who You Are

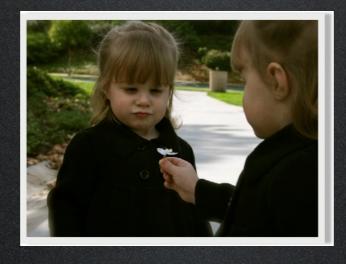
IV - God — the Father of Spirits

God uniquely creates a spiritual part of each one of us. When we come into existence, we come into existence with a body. But, our physical parents do not create our spirit. God creates our spirit. {28:40]

"Their angels do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven." Matthew 18:10

All children are created by God and wanted by God.







You are not your brain!

If I wanted to get to know you, the last thing I should do is open up your head and look in your brain.

I would not find your thoughts, intentions, habits, emotions, memories.



God inhabits space* like we are in our bodies.

If I want to meet you, then I come where your body is, and you manifest your presence to me.

Or you may not. One of the things we do with our bodies is we hide in them. If we evade, and split off, and deceive ourselves and consequently we are lost. We don't even know who we are.

* - The Divine Conspiracy
"Space Inhabited by God"
Chapter 3, p. 74-78



A Summary of Who You Are

You are an unceasing spiritual being.

- You are never going to go out of existence.

God has plans for you. He is invested in you. He loves you.



Your only option is to not love Him and then you can avoid Him, perhaps for eternity, but you will never stop existing. That's one of the things we need to think

and think seriously about.

We will never stop.

Who We Are

"There are no ordinary people. You have never talked to a mere mortal. Nations, cultures aren't civilizations, these are mortal. And their life is to ours as is the life of a gnat. But it is immortals whom we joke with, work with, marry, snub and exploit. Immortal horrors or everlasting splendors. Next to the blessed sacrament itself, your neighbor is the holiest object presented to your senses."

Q&C

Your Questions & Comments are welcome!

(Use the Q&A on the bottom of your Zoom screen)





Whether you are in Southern California or South Africa, Malaysia or Mauritius, each one of us is a steward of 10,080 minutes every week. If you spend 80 minutes weekly in personal study plus our course discussion, you have 10,000 minutes to flesh it out in your ordinary life. Each session offers life application to help you make every effort to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.



Meditation — John 8:51-52

Application

VISION - Do I see myself in the created image of God?

INTENTION - Do I want to move beyond the physical and mere belief?

MEANS - What child can I recognize and celebrate for a special way of life?



† Cross Fit

Summary of Session 1

You are an unceasing spiritual being with an eternal destiny in God's great universe.

You are spiritual in substance.

You are never ceasing in duration.

You are ruling, creative governance in destiny.

Your purpose is to learn* to rule and live with Christ and with God forever and forever.



"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn* from me..."

Beyond Belief 2025 Course Schedule

Beyond Belief is from six sessions Dallas Willard taught at a two-day conference in 1998. <u>Dallas Willard Ministries</u> generously produced and provided for free the six audio-only teachings as 11 videos with quotes, scriptures and pictures in the Dallas Willard Ministries YouTube channel.

Study Guide page 4

The 2025 Beyond Belief course from Jesus College covers Dallas' six teachings in nine course sessions with two sessions - session 3 on July 8 and session 7 on August 5 - combining 2 of the 11 videos for one session each.

2025 Dates	(6) Dallas Sessions	Video # & Topic (with YouTube link)	Video Length
June 24	1A	1 - Who You Are	35:18
July 1	1B	2 - Why You are Here & What's the Problem	45:18
July 8	2A 2B	3 - Getting the Gospel Right (part 1) 4 - Getting the Gospel Right (part 2)	19:12 45:23
July 15	3A	5 - Discipleship - Apprentices of Jesus	23:50
July 22	3B	6 - Who is Really Well Off? The Beatitudes	23:51
July 29	3C	7 - Who is Truly a Good Person?	40:11
August 5	4A 4B	8 - <u>Spiritual Disciplines (part 1)</u> 9 - <u>Spiritual Disciplines (part 2)</u>	28:29 20:51
August 12	2 5	10 - Spending One Day with Jesus	25:44
August 19	9 6	11 - Prayer - What & How	53:04





More Dallas Willard to complement Session 1

The Human Side of Holiness

#1 - Reality of Spirit Visible & Invisible Dallas teaching session 6 of 17



#2 - JesusCollege.com 30-minute session 6
Reality of Spirit (A/V) and Slides (PDF)

from the

The Human Side of Holiness 17-session course



Next Week — Session 2

Why You are Here &
What's the Problem

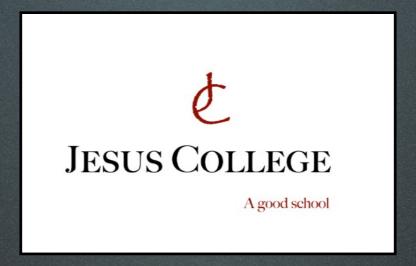
Video 2 [45:18]

Invite others?
Register at info@JesusCollege.com

May you use your brain to think beyond your brain to ask Jesus to teach you how to use the mind of Christ that is in you for this week's real life moments.

Doug





Apprentice to Master Love — //Nouns "A Student of the Superior Benefactor"

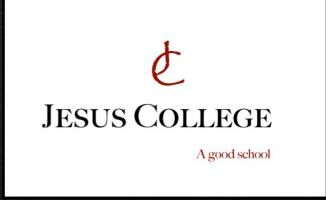
Apprentice to Master Love — //Verbs "Training to be proficient in willing the good"

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