

“Jesus, Dallas & NT – The Gospel” Course Study Guide



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Join our conversation to engage what Dallas & NT believed, taught and lived in the Gospel of Jesus and why so many of us find their message uncommonly common.

Session 1 — Simply Jesus

Session 2 — The Gospel of the Kingdom of God

Session 3 — Heaven on Earth

The course offers wise application, winsome affirmation and weekly accountability to envision and experience intentional, Christlike thought and action naturally developing from a biblical, accurate and true understanding of the Gospel in Jesus Christ.

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Miss or re-watch a session? — The sessions and presentation slides (PDF) are recorded and posted in the [Jesus College Library](#) in case you miss a session, you want to study further, or lead others through the material.

Your "V-I-M" Participation

Make your experience more than just a free webinar added to your routine. Place it as an intentional discipline for spiritual growth. Ideally, invite a partner, a spiritual growth "spotter", to journey with you to better learn, apply, and grow in Christlikeness as a launch pad from the 3 sessions. Here are a few suggestions on how to make the most of this course.

1) REVIEW the notes and scriptures from the handout before each session, capture notes and review your notes before each session.

2) SHARE - Bring questions and comments to each session that stood out in your preparation. Enter them in the Q&A tool on the bottom of the Zoom screen during the session. Linger longer for the post "Q&C" time.

3) ENHANCE - Watch each session's suggested Dallas & NT videos to complement your in-session learning.

4) PRACTICE - Answer the questions and put into action the spiritual action question in each week's guide.

5) RETREAT - As part of your practice, invest one hour solo time weekly with Jesus discussing your key discovery from the week.

6) REFLECT - At the end of the course, type or write a 300 word summary or journal entry recognizing the impact of the study and the vision of how it can, by God's grace, form your spiritual growth.

[** V-I-M = *Vision-Intention-Means* — Dallas calls this the reliable pattern for spiritual change, really any change. As you envision a life of hearing God and truly intend to want to hear God, you will seek and find the means to practice a life of hearing God. For more on V-I-M, see *Renovation of the Heart*, chapter 5 ([Webinar on the book](#).) Another rich resource on V-I-M is in the [Life With God Bible](#) Introduction, xxv-xxxvi]

"Simply Jesus"

Session 1

"He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation, for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together." Colossians 1:15-17

Simply Jesus as the One † (∂ & Ω) + ∅ = ∞



A few words from Dallas & NT

"Arguably, without much question, Jesus is the single most influential person in human history. His vision of reality, well being and life simply has nothing close to it." Dallas, "[Genius of Jesus](#)" [Session 1](#), part 2 [00:58 - 2:06]

"Go away, rub your eyes, open them, try to get this bigger picture of Jesus. Try and hold your mind open wide enough to see what this story is really all about." NT, [Simply Jesus Interview](#) - "What is Jesus really all about?" [3:23-3:53]

Jesus, Simply Himself...

"Jesus Himself is simply the brightest spot in the human scene. There is no real competition." Dallas, *The Great Omission*, p. XI

"Jesus Himself strides out into the middle of it all, into the very eye of the storm, announcing that the time is fulfilled, that God's kingdom is now at hand. He commands His hearers to give up their other dreams and to trust His instead. This, at its simplest, is what Jesus was all about.
NT, *Simply Jesus*, p. 55

Simply Jesus on the Cross

Dallas - "He so graced the ugly instrument on which He died that the cross has become the most widely exhibited and recognized symbol on earth."

NT - "Jesus lived and died in a cross shaped and cross haunted world."

"Who stands as a model of loving in our world? Jesus is the one..."
Dallas, "Spiritual Formation and Discipleship", Bethel College

"The cross is the effective sign that the God who made the world is the God of powerful, rescuing love..."
NT, *The Day the Revolution Began* interview

Simply Jesus as Truth — Jesus before Pilate, “What is truth?”

“My Kingdom is not of this world.” John 18:36

Dallas — The world is not its source.

NT — Jesus’ Kingdom is not from this world, but it is for this world.

Simply Following Jesus

“Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple..”

Luke 14:27

“To follow Him meant in the first place to be with Him. I am with Him to learn how to be like Him.” Dallas, *The Divine Conspiracy*, p. 276

“Following Jesus is being a Kingdom person and also being a Cross person.”

NT, “Who was Jesus?” Interview

Meditation — Colossians 1:15-17

Application for Transformation Training

- 1.) Who do I say Jesus is? Who does Jesus say He is?
- 2.) What is the truth about Jesus? How will I open my eyes to the bigger story?
- 3.) What 2 habits of Jesus will I practice this week to follow Him more closely?

Teachings from Dallas & NT to complement session 1



Dallas - “[The Divine Conspiracy #1](#)”-“Jesus & Culture” [0:00-16:15]

NT - “[The Love Story of the Crucifixion](#)” [0:00-15:25]

[Talk Notes - see Study Guide p. 10-11 for Dallas and p. 12-13 for NT]

Next Session 2 of 3 — “The Gospel of the Kingdom of God”

"The Gospel of the Kingdom of God"

Session 2

"Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people."

Matthew 4:23



[Words from NT](#) "We've been getting it all wrong." [1:25-3:00]

The Gospel is Not

Dallas — Three False Gospels - "Gospels of Sin Management"

The Divine Conspiracy, chapter 2

Forgiveness Centered ~ Liberation Centered ~ Church Centered

NT — Problems with our Gospels "The Book of Acts", video 1

Two sorts of Christians:

Epistle Christians - Getting Saved

Gospel Christians - Liberating kingdom on earth. *Why did Jesus have to die?*

Three Layered Problem *The Day the Revolution Began*, Chapter 1 and p 147

1.) Platonized our Eschatology - Going to heaven is the goal.

2.) Moralized our Anthropology - The human problem is behavioral sin.

3.) Paganized Our Soteriology - An angry God punishes an innocent victim.

The gospels have been treated as the backstory to the real thing you get in Paul and Hebrews. Part of the problem if you start reading the Gospels at the beginning with "how you get to heaven", Matthew's gospel has Jesus saying, "so you may enter the Kingdom of heaven". Unless someone says look, "Kingdom of Heaven is not a place you go to when you die, but it's a fact called the rule of God in the world that we are to pray on earth as it is in Heaven", you'll lurch back. NT, "Living in the Light of the Jesus Story", 3, Pepperdine, 2016, [45:00]

The Gospel Is — *The Good News of the Kingdom of God*

"What is the gospel? You can trust Jesus! The gospel is Jesus. His availability. Come under the rule of God in your life. All of us have this in bits and pieces. There is a coherent whole of finding our life in the Kingdom. Mt. 4:17, 6:33 Dallas, "The Divine Conspiracy Lectures" #6, Introduction

"All this can be summed in one phrase, 'the forgiveness of sins' - a bigger reality than we imagined. It was a new state of being, a new world, a resurrection world...enabling people to become fully image-bearing human beings within God's world." NT, *The Day the Revolution Began*, p. 155-158



[Words from Dallas](#) "Seek the Kingdom" [1:10:55-1:12:20]

"The Gospel of the Kingdom of God"

Session 2 — continued

The Kingdom of God

"The Kingdom of God is...

...God's ruling - His governing."

Dallas, *The Divine Conspiracy Lectures*, #4 Introduction

...the range of God's effective will, where what God wants done is done."

Dallas, "The Genius of Jesus", Ohio State University

When I was a graduate student, I asked, "*Can somebody please tell me in one sentence what this phrase "Kingdom of God" actually means?*"

The phrase "Kingdom of God" has been so misunderstood in the Western tradition...declined away from what it means in the New Testament. So many people go back to the default mode where Kingdom of God means heaven...a long way away...a place where people of God go to when we die. The whole point of the gospels and Acts is it is not so. The Kingdom of God is God's sovereign, saving rule coming on Earth as in Heaven." NT, *Surprised by Hope*

Living & Proclaiming the Kingdom of God

"You lead people to become disciples of Jesus by ravishing them with a vision of life in the kingdom of the heavens in the fellowship of Jesus. And you do this by proclaiming, manifesting and teaching the kingdom to them in the manner learned from Jesus himself. You thereby change the belief system that governs their lives." Dallas, *The Divine Conspiracy*, p. 305

"The gospel of Jesus is public truth about the different way about being human. The mission of the church is to go to the place where we are sent which will be a place where other powers are at work and announce and embody the power of Jesus in that place." NT, "The Book of Acts", video 26

Meditation — Matthew 4:17-23

Application for Transformation Training

- 1.) How do I define & describe the "gospel"? "Heaven"?
- 2.) How am I seeking the Kingdom of God? And, is it "First" or #_____?
- 3.) What place or person will I serve this week to ravish them with the kingdom?

Teachings from Dallas & NT to complement session 3



Dallas [The Divine Conspiracy #3](#) "Kingdom Gospel" [1:00:25- End]

NT - [Acts 1:1-11 "Heaven on Earth Show"](#) [Run time = 8:10]

[Talk Notes - Study Guide p. 14-15 for Dallas and p. 16 for NT]

Next Session 3 of 3 — "Heaven on Earth"

"Heaven on Earth"

Session 3

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"Heaven on Earth"
Session 3 – continued

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Meditation — Scripture Focus

Application for Transformation Training

- 1.)
- 2.)
- 3.)

Videos to complement session 1



Dallas - [Video link to be added]

NT - [Video link to be added]

[see notes in the Study Guide for both of these sessions]

Dallas ~ The Divine Conspiracy #1 - Jesus & Culture [Link 0:00-16:15]

Some people find it a little odd that a philosophy professor should do all the things I do, in particular that I should be such an explicit advocate and follower of Jesus Christ. But that's because of a peculiar past that we have in our culture. The truth of the matter is when the Christian gospel came into the Graeco-Roman world, it was understood to be answering the questions that the philosophers were asking. Especially in the 2nd and 3rd century of Western history, the intellectuals converted en mass precisely because and they said because the gospel of Jesus Christ with the background of the people of Israel and the Old Testament answered the questions that at that point philosophers had been trying to answer for 500 years or so.

Today we live in a situation where the culture has more or less taken Jesus and put Him aside. You don't think of Jesus as being particularly intellectual or intelligent. You think he is nice but not smart. If you ask a group of unsuspecting people who is the smartest person in the world, they won't think of Christ.

When we come with the message of Christ into our world, we get re-categorized. One of the main things I want to do is to try to shift that back and see Jesus Christ in a different kind of way. [3:00]

Paul was the one who really came to understand the place of Christ in world history.

Colossians 1:13 ff - *In Him. He delivered us from the domain of darkness into the kingdom of his beloved son. In Him, we have redemption the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For in him all things were created...by him and for him. He is before all things and in Him all things hold together. That he might have first place in everything.*

* The order of the chair you're seated on is Christ in action.

That is the picture that impressed the 1st Century. This is how the 1st Century body thought about Jesus. This is how we must think about Him today if we are to think about REALITY. It's all about "REALITY"!

Philippians 2:5-11 [7:00]

This mind that was in Christ Jesus was one that arose out of a community which we call the Trinity. The absolute stunning quality of love and trust in that community was that One who had it all could turn it all loose in confidence that He lost nothing.

He emptied himself. Took the form of a slave. Took the shape of human beings. The meaning of the Cross is the ultimate point of emptying out of one who was equal with God. Laying that down. Turning it loose in death on the cross.

—> **That Cross became the center point of the Divine Conspiracy.**

Someone asked me a few days ago, "Why did Jesus die on the cross?" So that Mel Gibson could make the movie! It is true, profoundly true. Jesus planned it and brought it off. All through the ages that has stood there as a high point in human history - The Cross.

What is God doing to do it that way?

Who would have chosen to do it that way? No one.

That's for our benefit for that's where we are in union with God and union with Christ. We walk forward in what He's doing now as we join Him on the cross.

The reality of Christ and the Cross in human history is what brings us into the flow of the single greatest force in human life which is the Cross.

Believing that totally flips everything else upside down. It affirms a Kingdom which is eternal and different from anything human.

Philippians 2:9 - *"Therefore God has highly exalted His name above every name. Every knee should bow, every tongue should confess."*

* When I was younger and a bit meaner than I am now, I used to believe this was a picture of Christ standing with His foot on the neck of every unbelieving person making them say, "You're Lord." I don't think that's the picture at all. I think the picture will be one of great relief. I think it will be people who have not accepted Him will thank God that He is who He is and the world is a reflection of that kind of God.

When we think of *The Divine Conspiracy*, we are thinking of the action of God in history. This is the description of the central personality of God in action in history and that is Jesus Christ.

The Kingdom - Jesus taught mainly about the Kingdom of God on the assumption that He and His Father and His Spirit were the King. [11:30]

The Kingdom was what Jesus mainly spoke about. That was His gospel. The Kingdom of God is a kind of life.

Matthew 13 - Parables of the Kingdom of the Heavens [12:15]

* v. 31 - Like a mustard seed - small, insignificant, meaningless, tiny
Christ dying on the cross - insignificant. That's the way the Kingdom is. The Kingdom from the human point of view looks like nothing. Small and insignificant.

* v. 33 - Yeast - like a virus [goes viral]. Hidden in a bushel. [13:30]
Leaven works quietly and keeps growing just like the mustard seed.

Originally intended the book to be titled "The Kingdom Among Us".

The Divine Conspiracy is God's plan and process of overcoming evil with good in human history.

That is why the CROSS and the RESURRECTION! [15:45]



NT ~ "The Love Story of the Crucifixion"

[Link 0:00-15:25]

The story of the Crucifixion with a theme of love.

- Crucifixion was common under Roman Rule but not a love story.

* Spartacus - 6000 rebels crucified = 1 cross every 40 yards

* Thousands at the time of Jesus birth for staging a rebellion

* Thousands more at the destruction of the Temple in 70 A.D.

Jesus lived and died in a cross shaped and cross haunted world.

Nobody said Gal. 2:20; I Co. 15:3 or John 3:16 when they saw crucifixions.

They were living in a radically new way as a result of the crucifixion.

This shock of historical reality ought to kickstart a process of reflection way beyond the standard, rather tired, formulations that we can say so well.

The Trouble

Not "God so loved the world, that he gave his son", but

"God so hated the world that He killed his son."

This is what many ordinary folk in churches think they are hearing. Many are supposed to believe it happened because God hated us.

We sinned, God was going to kill us, Jesus got in the way, so that's alright now.

This radically shrinks what the New Testament actually says and the four Gospels say.

How do we rightly tell the story of Jesus' crucifixion and live that story?

The Bible insists...by 6 PM on Good Friday, the world was a different place.

"Getting to Heaven" is not the point at all.

Jesus on the cross disarmed the powers and made a public example of them.

How do we cope with a one-off victory when it seemed like nothing changed the day...or did it?

John 13 - Washing the feet of the Disciples

[9:30]

Jesus has come to Jerusalem for the last time. This is the moment of confrontation, of victory, of the end of Jesus' kingdom work. Instead of Jesus marching into the Temple confrontation (like John 2) he takes His followers to an upper room and he shares with them an acted parable, instruction of the secret of what is about to happen.

As the true Temple, Jesus and his followers standing for a moment at the dangerous intersection of Heaven & Earth. John opens the chapter with these words,

"Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end."

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Jesus is enabling them to stand at the place of Heaven and Earth coming together by purifying them to come into God's presence. They need to be washed to have a full share.

* Foot washing, like Philippians 2:5-11, Jesus emptied himself and died the slave's death on the cross and was then exalted.

Jesus acts the part of the slave. The foot washing is clearly an acted parable to show what Jesus is about to accomplish - the incarnation, death & resurrection. Jesus laid aside the garments of heaven to reveal his glory on the cross. Cleansing his followers so they can be part of God's New Temple, the microcosm of God's new creation.

The Satan, the accuser has put it into Judas heart to betray Jesus. Enacting the anti-God, anti-creation, anti-human force at large in the world.

* Early Mark's gospel - Jesus begins to announce God is becoming King and the demons start shrieking at Him in the synagogue. The Satan is at work.

Tension of celebration of love and diabolical preparation. The powers of evil are gathering one last time.

Luke 22 - Jesus, "This is your hour and the power of darkness."

John 12 - Greeks at the Feast were not answered by Jesus,

"Now is the judgment of this world. Now the ruler of this world is cast out. If I am lifted up from the world, I will draw all people to myself."

Final confrontation of the kingdom of God against the kingdom of the Satan. Carries thru the chapters 13-17 until we see Jesus confronting Pontius Pilate, Kingdom of God against the Kingdom of Caesar, arguing over Kingdom, truth and power. In the crowning irony of the gospel, Pilate loses the argument by sending Jesus to be crucified.

I Corinthians 2 - *"The rulers of this age did not know what they were doing otherwise, they would not have crucified the Lord of Glory."*

They were signing their own death warrants.

After the foot washing and Judas has gone out into the dark, Jesus tells the disciples with a sense of excitement that God is going to be glorified at last and they must learn to love one another as He has loved them.

"Glory and Love" - two great Johannine & Pauline themes.



[Dallas ~ The Divine Conspiracy Lectures #3](#)

[Link 1:00:30-1:14:18]

Jesus' Teaching on the Gospel of the Kingdom

[1:00:30]

Matthew 3 - John the Baptist, "*Repent, the Kingdom of Heavens is at hand.*"

Matthew 4:17 - Same message, same words from Jesus

Matthew 5 - Beatitudes - Teaching about the Kingdom. The order begins & ends with the Kingdom. The Beatitudes are basically a proclamation of the Kingdom of God.

Matthew 9:35-38 - Jesus went about preaching the Kingdom of God

Matthew 13 - Parables are stories of the Kingdom (parallel passages in Luke)

Matthew 11:12 - The transition into the Kingdom from the Jewish system. Until John the Baptist, the Law & the Prophets were proclaimed as the officially appointed doorway into the Kingdom of God. Since John the Baptist, the gospel of the Kingdom is preached. [Jesus began His public ministry when John was imprisoned. He knew His was the only voice.] People came by force into the Kingdom.

Luke 16:16 - Kingdom followers do not stand on Jewish proprieties.

Matthew 8 - They charge in.

* Leper — "*Jesus, if you would, you could make me clean.*"

Jesus touched him with a human touch. The leper bulled his way in.

* Roman Centurion — He understood Kingdom power.

Matthew 21:43 - *The Kingdom shall be taken away from you and given to a people producing the fruit of it.* That's what happened in the book of Acts was a description of how **Matthew 21:43** was carried out. The Kingdom of God was not in the Jews' peculiar possession to make it available to the world.

John 3:5 - "To enter the Kingdom you have to be born from 'above'."

"Above" - Entry into the Kingdom is not mediated through any human institution. The whole passage as an illustration of the gospel of the Kingdom of God and how it now bypasses human institutions entirely.

"Whoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." **Romans 10:13**

The Church and the Kingdom

[1:08:47]

The church does not omit the kingdom. The kingdom is present in the church.

Romans 14:17 - *"For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink, but righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit."*

What happens in the church that keeps us from being a discipling body of Christ? We are distracted. These people were distracted about eating. Paul says, "Don't worry about that." Eating comes up over and over.

When in church matters we want to understand that the Kingdom of God is manifested by a kind of righteousness or goodness, peace & joy that can only be supernaturally produced.

The gospel of the Kingdom of God is the announcement that God is here and anyone who wants to find Him can come through Jesus Christ and find the Kingdom of God.

Seek the Kingdom of God

[1:11:00]

Matthew 6:33 - How do you seek the Kingdom of God?

Find out what God is doing - the Kingdom - and do that.

How do you find out what God is doing?

Observe Jesus Christ. Look at Him. Listen to what He said. Watch what He did. That's what God is doing. Now do that where you are and you will find the Kingdom of God and the kind of righteousness that God has. When you find that, everything else you need will be provided. *Good night, what a statement that is!*

Look at the 23rd Psalm - *"The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not lack."*

Same thing? Sure! Now we have a face on the Shepherd, a person to point to and say, "That's where you can find it...Jesus Christ." We can't just rest in the name. We have to move to the reality and the presence of the Kingdom.

Prayer by Dallas

[1:13:14 - 1:14:18]





NT ~ [Acts 1:1-11 - "The Heaven on Earth" show](#) [Total = 8:10]

The whole book is about what it looks like when the life of Heaven comes to birth on Earth. We fail to realize that the fact of the church is grounded in the belief that heaven and earth have actually come together in several highly significant senses. Yes, we await the time of the final consummation when they will come together in a new way again. We sell ourselves short when we imagine the two have not already come together.

Acts 1:1-5 - This is all about Jesus. It's easy to forget what you're doing.

From one point of view, Jesus has done all he is going to do on Earth.

The first book - the gospel of Luke - all Jesus did and taught from the beginning. Luke's first book - How Jesus began to do those things. The book of Acts - Jesus through His Spirit, working in and through the church to establish His Kingdom on Earth as in Heaven.

v. 2-3 - *"He appeared to them over the course of 40 days and spoke about the Kingdom of God."*

When I was a graduate student, I asked, "Can somebody please tell me in one sentence what this phrase "Kingdom of God" actually means?"

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The whole point of Jesus' ministry and mission was to inaugurate what He taught us to pray, "Thy Kingdom come on Earth as it is in Heaven."

I suspect ever since the Middle Ages, Western Christianity has tended to assume the gospel is about how to go to heaven and the gospels plural are books about the stuff Jesus did to set a good example, teach some important truths, then to do the climactic thing of dying and rising so we could then one day go to heaven. For many people, as long as He was born of a virgin and died and rose on the third day, it would not have much have mattered if he had not done all that stuff in between.

We have two different sorts of Christians:

One - Epistles Christians - all about getting saved.

Two - Gospel Christians - all about bringing God's kingdom on Earth as in heaven and they wonder why Jesus had to die and rise. He did stuff and we try to copy that stuff. I try to enable those two sorts of Christians to listen to and learn from one other. That's part of the agenda we have to engage with in the Western church right now. We need to bring the picture back together again. That is what the book of Acts is all about.

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[Courses on Dallas' Books](#) - (5) courses

The Spirit of the Disciplines - Understanding How God Changes Lives (11 sessions)

Hearing God - Developing a Conversational Relationship with God (10 sessions)

The Allure of Gentleness - Apologetics in the Manner of Jesus (7 sessions)

Life Without Lack - Living the 23rd Psalm (9 sessions)

Becoming Dallas Willard - biography (9 sessions)

[Courses on Dallas Speaking](#) - (4) courses

"For Such a Time as This" - 3 teachings on Ministry Leadership (6 sessions)

"The Genius of Jesus" - 2 teachings at Ohio State University (4 sessions)

"The Problem of Evil" - 3 sessions focused on 3 chapters from Dallas' books

"Spiritual Formation & Salvation" - 1 teaching at Wheaton College (3 sessions)

[Renovation of the Heart](#) - (1) course on the book (13 sessions)

Renovation of the Heart - Whole Life Spiritual Transformation

[The Divine Conspiracy](#) - (2) courses

The Divine Conspiracy - In-depth 31 session course on the book

"The Divine Conspiracy - An Overview" - 6 session highlighting key principles

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"Master's in the Master" Spiritual Training

The Jesus College "Master's in the Master" is a clear, realistic, practical method to foster "Christlikeness" in ordinary people who take transformation seriously. *This is not an accredited degree.* The Master's offers you a Jesus centered, wisdom guided, community* engaged, mentor** supported, daily life integrated, spiritual growth plan.

CURRICULUM — The Master's is built around (15) webinars varying in length from 3 to 31 sessions per course based on the books and teachings of Dallas Willard. (12) courses (listed on the previous page) are completed and available in the [JesusCollege.com](https://www.jesuscollege.com) library to start today. Courses will be offered again "live" throughout the year.

CALENDAR & TIME - The Master's is an individually paced time frame based on when you start and how often you participate in "live" courses or watch recordings of the sessions. We use the word "cohort" but there is not a set group - "no freshman class" - nor pre-set time to commence or complete your Master's. This is an independent study and growth training effort. We estimate for serious participation 3+ hours per week over a timespan equal to the 3+ years Jesus walked with His disciples. *3+ hours weekly for 3+ years.* Again, this is your preferred pace NOT according to a Jesus College calendar or semester syllabus.

COMMUNITY* — We are seeking the platforms to facilitate connection with other students to engage and enjoy rich diversity of Jesus' friends from 44 countries involved in Jesus College.

COST — The "Master's" training is offered for FREE by Jesus College. Additional personal coaching, church consulting and training, teaching or preaching at your location or virtual are available from Jesus College at pre-determined costs between the two parties. Financial donations are also welcomed for those who want to help further the impact of Jesus College.

COMMENTS from Jesus College Students:

- Cath from Australia, "I had another look at the website link - WOW! Amazing syllabus and I'm excited about the 3 years walk with Jesus."
- Tony from England, "In brief, these courses have changed my view on discipleship. I feel myself a new creation."
- Pastor Oladipo from Lagos, Nigeria, "I've participated in all the courses except one. It has impacted my ministry strongly because we are fine tuning our church to become a church who really does what Jesus said. The whole experience has been personally transforming for me personally and in my ministry. In time we can become the example of the kind of church Dallas has said he has never seen."
- Judy from Virginia, "I'm definitely interested and I've loved everything you have offered. Everything! The idea of experiencing this with other people face-to-face is very appealing to me."
- Don from Canada, "This Jesus College vision is on the leading edge for the future of the Christ community."

For information on the courses, a plan worksheet for your custom Master's V-I-M, or a personal consult** with Doug Webster to discuss your desired spiritual training and growth, email us — info@JesusCollege.com.

Jesus College Postscript

Thank you and God bless you for venturing into a life that is really life with Jesus as your Master and Maestro. We trust you have had a fresh hearing of Jesus through the minds and souls of two humble followers of Jesus in Dallas & NT alongside a cadre of the crucifixion of friends from around the world. May your quietly transforming, conversational friendship with Jesus immersed in the Trinitarian community be pervaded with joy and relaxed with shalom, as you willfully seek the good of God, others & yourself.

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