



WELCOME to “The Human Side of Holiness”
by Dallas Willard
a 17-session Course sponsored by



Session 14 Summary

When you come to Jesus, He is going beyond anger, desire, manipulation and retaliation to a life of love like Jesus. The teaching of Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount is largely about going beyond into a better way where you are taken care of by Kingdom resources.



SESSION 15 — CHANGE, DISCIPLINES, INDIRECTION

Session Theme — The principle of indirection by grace with disciplines is the path of power to form us spiritually into Christlikeness.

“Teaching us that denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world...”

Titus 2:12

Three Paths of Christian Progress

1.) Try harder to live up to the commandments.
Not trying but training...with intensity.

2.) Live in defeat and call it “Brokenness” and rest on forgiveness by grace.

Forever living in Romans 7 and not go to Romans 8

The Holy, Humble Side of Brokenness

“Brokenness would show up as you go on [by] learning more and more of dependence* upon God. ...you are going to find that you don't have to try harder and you wind up doing what Jesus said.”

Session 15 @ 6:45

(* Session 5 @ 19:45)



Three Paths of Christian Progress (continued)

3.) Progress toward the character and power of Christ by INDIRECTION — disciplines in the process of spiritual formation toward Christlikeness.

*This is the whole deal as far as
the human side of holiness is concerned!*

The INDIRECTION is through discipline. And remember that thing I said to you over and over now, don't try to do what He said. Try to become the kind of person who would do what He said.

INDIRECTION means you do one thing by doing another.

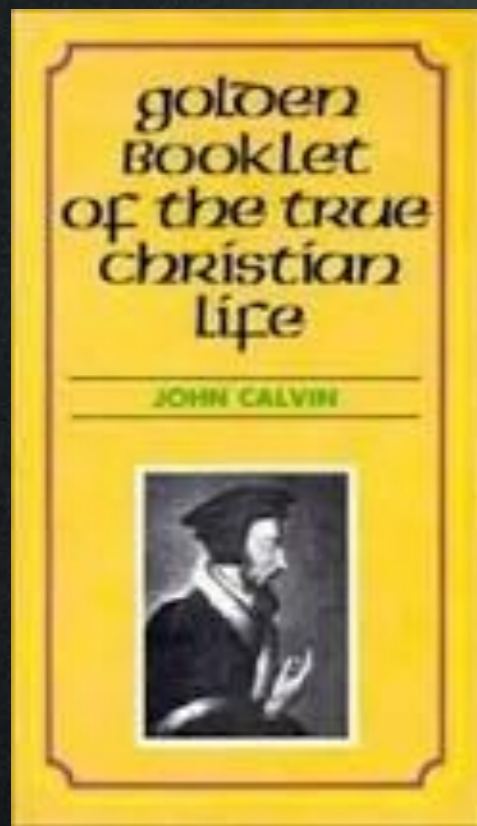
What is the whole thing about?

The whole thing is about obedience!

The deadly natural tendency...
to make one's kingdom prevail.

When you do things that seem wise,
you don't trust your own efforts. You trust God.
And you let Him get others to do something.





Godly Wisdom through John Calvin

- Holiness — Full obedience to Christ (pages 18-19)
"We should exhibit the character of Christ in our lives. For what can be more effective than this one stirring consideration?"
- Self-Denial — Sobriety, righteousness and godliness
(page 25) *Titus 2:11-14*
- In Small Kindnesses (p. 36)...of Good Cheer toward God's image bearers. (p.38)

“¹¹For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all people, ¹²teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age, ¹³looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, ¹⁴who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works.”

Titus 2:11-14

Godly Wisdom through John Calvin (continued)

- Self-Denial through Cross Bearing – The Cross cuts off your self-dependence. (page 47, 49)

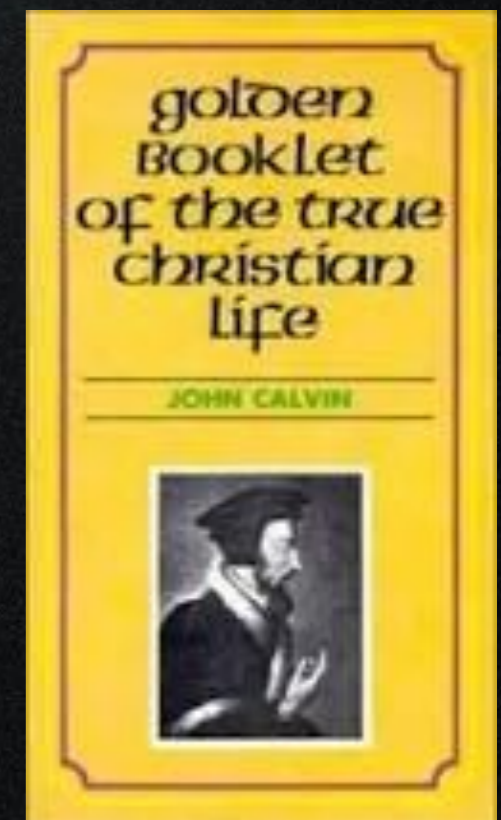
- And Hopeful through the Cross (p. 51) – Putting our trust in what genuinely gives us hope.

We are not required to be cheerful.” (p. 29)

“To be sorrowful but always rejoicing” 2 Cor. 6:10

We have to teach joy –

“a pervasive state of well being.” (Willard)



Burden of Anxiety or Easy Routine Obedience?

I think all I can do there is ask you to sort of work on that and see if you can come to an understanding of joy and lightness that is consistent with burdens. You're not promised no burdens, but you're promised strength to bear them. And the lightness is seen in how you take your responsibilities in relationship to them. And I am going to try to get you all to offload the responsibility of outcomes and shift those to God. And when you do that, you begin to experience the lightness of the yoke.



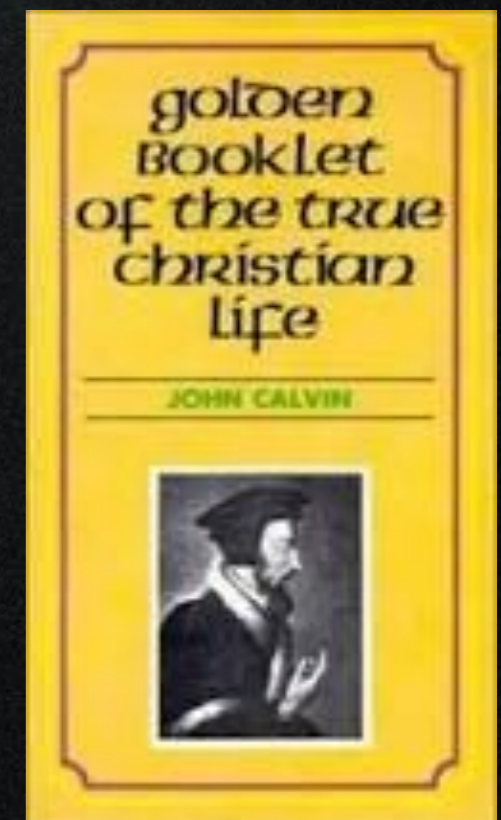
Dallas, Session 15 @ 32:00

Godly Wisdom through John Calvin (continued)

- The Hope of Heaven (page 67)

“Whatever kind of trials we may be afflicted, we should always keep our eye on this goal, that we accustom ourselves to the contempt (i.e., indifference).” John Calvin

You just want to make sure you don't think that means only after you're dead. But it does mean that and there really is no solution to the difficulties of life than the hope of heaven. We've entered into by the Cross and so forth, then hopefulness for the next life is what lifts us out of all of the difficulties in this life. Dallas @ 33:30



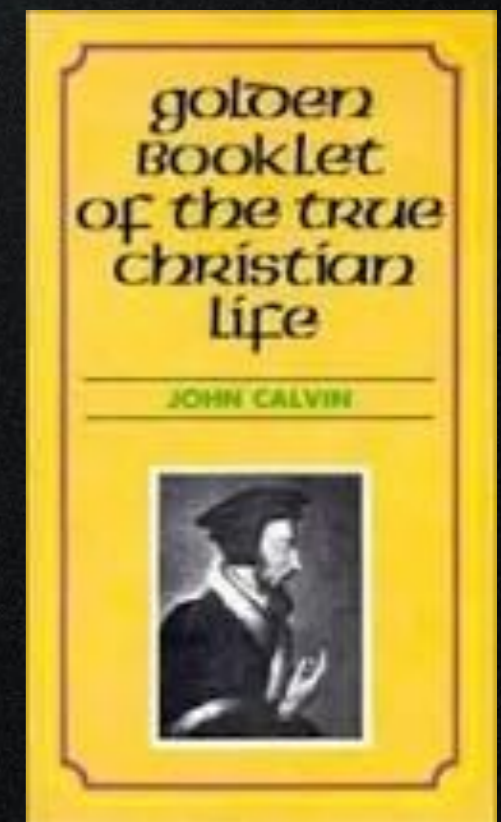
Final Godly Wisdom through John Calvin

- Vocation as a Divine Calling (page 70)

“Human life is nothing but a vapor or shadow.” John Calvin

The importance of vocation — God has placed us in this world at a place in a time and that we are to stand there as His vicars (a representative of clergy).

Now, if you don't believe that you're a vicar of Christ, you believe you need a backward collar to be a vicar, please work on that. You are a vicar of Christ where you are. That's your calling. If you're working in a taco stand, you are a vicar of Christ. And he wants to teach you how to do that, as he would do it if he were you.

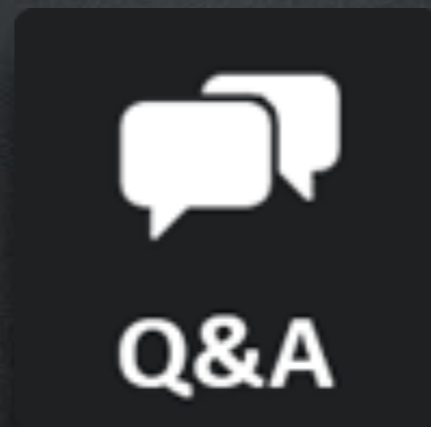




Q&C

Your Questions & Comments are welcome!

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



80:00 + 10K

Meditation — *Titus 2:11-14*

V-I-M in your next 10,000 minutes...

VISION — What would it look like for me to be a vicar of Christ in the small kindnesses because of the Christlikeness nature of my character?

INTENTION — How does practicing “indirection” influence and reflect my intention?

MEANS — What cheerful cross will I pick up this week to obey Jesus?



† Cross Fit

Session 15 Summary

The key to the human side of holiness is obedience to Jesus through indirection of doing what we can do — spiritual disciplines by grace with grace — to be formed like Jesus into a person we can not become on our own.



Next Week — Session 16

“KNOWLEDGE, GRACE, DISCIPLESHIP” [1:29:44]

**THE ROLE OF KNOWLEDGE IN MAKING DISCIPLES
LIVING TOGETHER IN TRINITARIAN FELLOWSHIP &
TEACHING PEOPLE TO DO EVERYTHING CHRIST SAID**

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May your direct effort of daily, disciplined, holy, humble self-denial through the Cross, even in small kindnesses, unveil the hope of Heaven in your next 10,000 minutes to outlast the next 10,000 years.

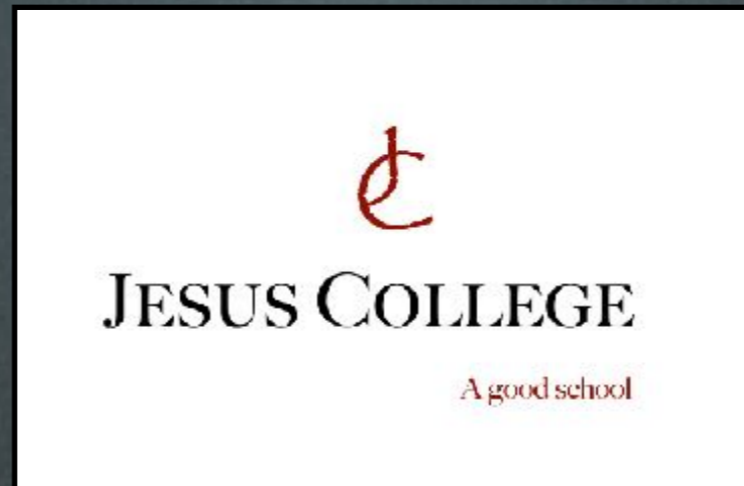
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