

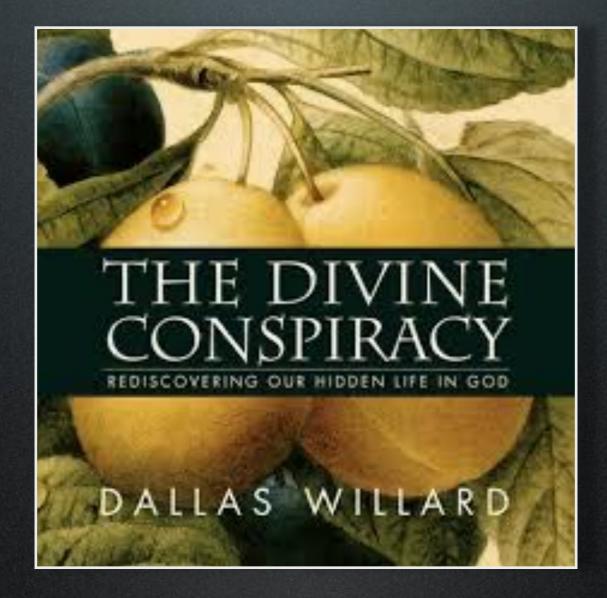
An Overview

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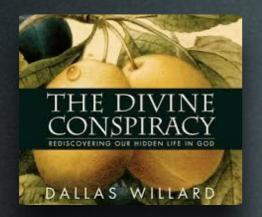




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Final Session



### Session 5 Summary "A Community of Love"

The powerful Kingdom attitude of Agape fills us with the grace to prayerfully treat others the way we want to be treated and to abandon condemnation and shame as a primary way to make others do what we want.

#### **Session 1 Summary** "Jesus on Eternal Life"

In an upside down, lost world absent of moral knowledge, goodness & beauty, with a truncated gospel presented by most Christians, the master teacher Jesus opens a doorway to a God bathed world offering a life that is really life thru a daily apprenticeship in His Kingdom.

#### Session 2 Summary "The Beatitudes Unpuzzled"

Jesus presents the Kingdom of God now fully available, affordable. and accessible to all including the least, the last, and the lost, those not only welcomed as Kingdom citizens, but empowered as Kingdom ambassadors of the divine life found in Jesus.

#### Session 3 Summary

"Being Salt & Light Daily"

Jesus, the Master and Maestro of true goodness, teaches and enables us through His Kingdom to be filled with the "agape" love of God in our every day, ordinary life.

### Session 4 Summary

"Trusting the Kingdom of God"

Life in the Kingdom among us leads us away from performing for others or finding security in wealth. In seeking God's Kingdom first, we experience a Father who takes care of us and others through us.

### What is the divine conspiracy in me?

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# Session 6 Theme

Apprentice Makers

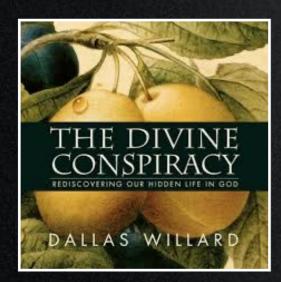
Matthew 28:18-20

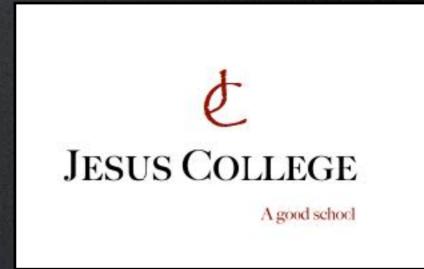
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### Session 6 – Three Big Ideas

#1 – Being a Disciple of Jesus – Chapter 8 A Student, An Apprentice

- # 2 Curriculum for Christlikeness Chapter 9 Apprentice Makers
- #3 The Restoration of All Things Chapter 10 Reigning Apprentices





"4M IQ" – Life's Four Most Important Questions

Q1 - What is reality? A - The Kingdom of God. "Repent, for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand."

Q2 - Who is well off - living the good life? A - Living in the direct availability of the Kingdom of God. "Blessed are the \_\_\_\_\_, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven."

Q3 - Who is a good person? A - One permeated with agape love. "Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you."

Q4 - How do I become a good person? A - Become an apprentice of Jesus. "Everyone who hears my words and puts them into practice is like a wise man..."

### Apprentice Makers = "Full Throttle Discipleship"\*

And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to follow all that I commanded you; and behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Matthew 28:18-20

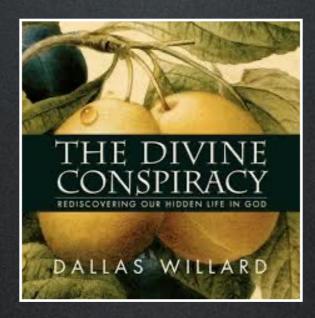
\* - Renovation of the Heart, Dallas Willard, Chapter 13

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## Session 6 – Big Idea #1

\* Being a Disciple of Jesus — Chapter 8 A Student, An Apprentice



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### Who is Our Teacher?

"Go therefore to every ethnic group and help them become my students." Mt. 28:19

Who teaches you? Whose disciple are you? Honestly.

To be sure, you are somebody's disciple. You learned how to live from somebody else. Probably you are a disciple of several somebodies. Who has taught us, mastered us, and then, evaluate the results in us of their teaching.



(271 - 272)

### The Earthly Society of Jesus

The assumption of Jesus' program for His people on earth was that they would live their lives as His students and co-laborers. They would find Him so admirable in every respect — wise, beautiful, powerful, and good — that they would constantly seek to be in His presence and be guided, instructed and helped by Him in every aspect of their lives.

The provisions He made for us are provisions for those who are apprentices to Him in Kingdom living. We learn how to do everything we do "in the name of the Lord Jesus (Col. 3:17) In His presence our inner life will be transformed, and we will become the kind of people for whom His course of actions is the natural (and supernatural) course of action.

(273)

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# Matthew 7:13-27 — 4 Pictorial Contrasts



The Narrow & Wide Way

The Good & Bad Tree

The Obedient & Evil Doers

The Rock & Sand House

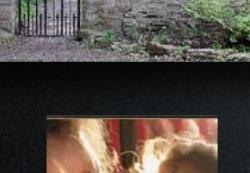












# Follow me.

A Disciple, or Apprentice... is simply someone who has decided to be with another person, in order to become capable of doing what that person does or to become what that person is.

(282)



### How to Become a Disciple

Discipleship remains, a distant, if only beautiful ideal.... one can be a professing Christian and church member in good standing without being a disciple.

As a disciple of Jesus, I am with Jesus, learning to be like Him to lead my whole, real, daily life in the Kingdom of God as He would lead my life if He were I. (282, 283, 291) What is the state of the soul that would bring us to

choose that condition? (291)

If we would make disciples, we should be disciples. (299)

### Help Others Find Their Way into Discipleship

By ravishing them with a vision of life in the Kingdom of the Heavens in the fellowship of Jesus...by proclaiming, manifesting and teaching the Kingdom to them in the manner learned from Jesus himself. (305)



### The Only Way Forward

If we cannot break through to a new vision of faith and discipleship, the real significance and power of the gospel of the Kingdom of God can never come into its own. (309)

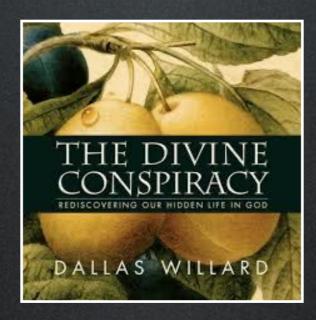
The purposes of God will eventually be realized. (310)

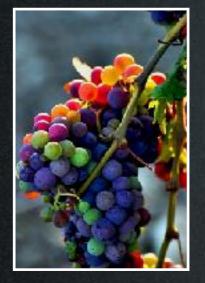
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# Session 6 – Big Idea #2

\* Curriculum for Christlikeness — Chapter 9 Apprentice Makers





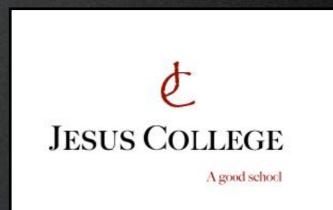
# Kingdom obedience is Kingdom abundance. (312)

Faith in Christ and the obedience/abundance of life in Christ has now become a mystery.

Training in Christlikeness...is just not there for us.\* (313)

There now is lacking a serious and expectant intention to bring Jesus' people into obedience and abundance through training.\* (315)

\* - It is now here for you ->





### The Case of the Missing Teacher

Jesus, the actual teacher of His people, has disappeared from the mental horizons of our faith. In that capacity He is not a part of how we 'do' our Christianity today...face this fact of the absence of Jesus the teacher and change it.

It is a main purpose of this book on Jesus and His Kingdom to help us face this fact of the absence of Jesus the teacher and to change it. (316)



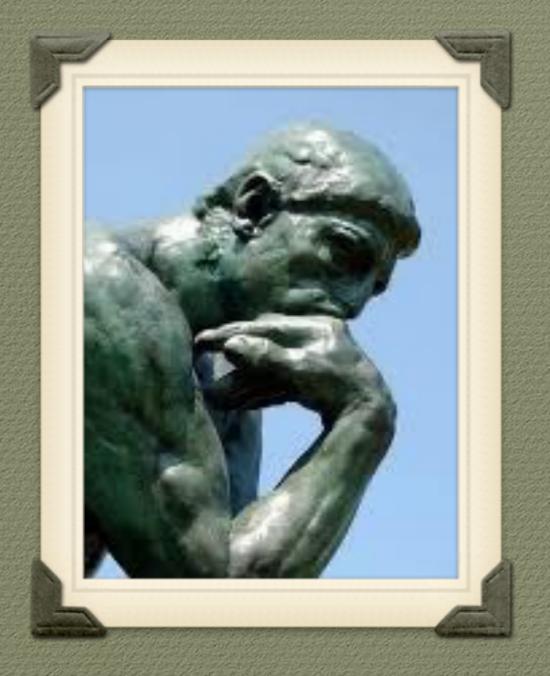
### **Big Idea #2** (continued) **A Curriculum for Christlikeness** - Ch. 9

A Course of Study and Practice for Apprentices of Jesus in the Kingdom Among Us

Learn from Jesus how to live our life as He would live it if He were we. (316) (Ch. 8 - 283, 284, 285, 291, 302)

The training to hear and do must begin. Bring them to believe what they have already heard. Our task is to transform right answers into automatic responses to real life. (317) Two Primary Objectives for Christlikeness (321-322)

Enthralling the Mind With God Practicing the Habits of Goodness





### Big Idea #2 – A Curriculum for Christlikeness (cont'd)

**Enthrall the Mind with God** — When the mind is filled with this great and beautiful God, the 'natural' response, once all 'inward' hindrances are removed will be to do 'everything I have told you to do'. (321)

- Through Creation (326-332)
- God's Acts in History & Jesus (332-336)
- Our experience of God (337-341)

**Practice Habits of Goodness** – To remove our automatic responses against the Kingdom of God (322)

- Breaking the bondage of sin in our body (341)
- What Sin is (342-343)
- Training (345-346)...will not be done for us

# The Golden Triangle of Spiritual Growth (347)

 $\Delta 1 \approx$  His Holy Spirit "The action of the Spirit must be accompanied by our response." (348)



### $\Delta 2 \approx$ Ordinary Events

"Accept circumstances as the place of God's Kingdom and blessing." (348)

The Mind of Christ

# $\Delta 3 \approx$ Planned Disciplines

"Any activity within our power that we engage in to enable us to do what we cannot do by direct effort."

(353)

"Knowledge of the Kingdom puts us in position to welcome all of these... to thrive on everything life can throw at us." (349)

# #2 - Practicing the Habits of Goodness (continued) Automatic or Stick?

 $\Delta 1 \approx$  His Holy Spirit



**Δ2** ≈ Ordinary Events

 $\Delta 3 \approx \text{Disciplines}$ 

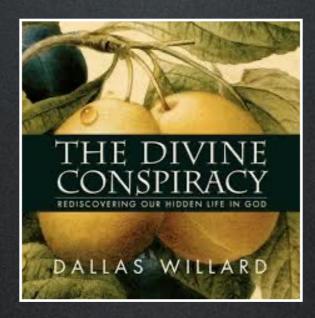
Training that will bring us to do from the heart the things - Kingdom habits - that Jesus knew to be best. (354)

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## Session 6 – Big Idea #3

\* The Restoration of All Things – Chapter 10 Reigning Apprentices



"Those who overcome are welcome to sit with Me on My throne." Revelation 3:21-22

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### **Restoration of All Things** - God's Future for Us

Those who have apprenticed themselves to Jesus learn an undying life with a future as good and as large as God Himself. (375)

Firmly fixed in our minds what our future is to be like. (376)



**God's Future for Us** — Meaning is a kind of spiritual oxygen that enables our souls to live. (386) In the future phases of the Kingdom lies the meaning of our lives. (387)

### God's Future for us...

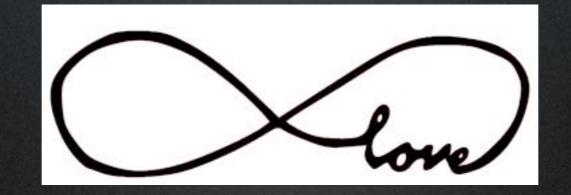
...to develop, as apprentices of Jesus, to the point where we can take our place in the ongoing creativity of the universe. (378)

...is that we should each become the kind of person whom He can set free in His universe empowered to do what we want to do. (379)

Matthew 13:43 :: Daniel 12:3

# Suppose you are never going to stop existing and there is nothing you can do about it.

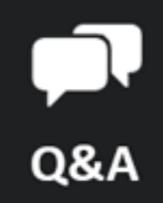
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# Your Questions & Comments are welcome!

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### Meditation – Matthew 28:18-20; Romans 12:1-2

# Application

1.) "Who teaches you? Whose disciple are you? Honestly." (271)
2.) "I am learning how to live my life as He would live my life if He were I." How might this impact my role in everyday life at home and work?

3.) How is this fresh hearing of the Kingdom Among Us changing me as an Apprentice of Jesus?

4.) How big is God's future for me and those whom I love?

# **Related Teaching by Dallas**

LINK: <u>#5 - Salvation Confusion</u> "On Being a Disciple" [24:25-1:00:40]

LINK: <u>#9 - Church Communities</u> "Curriculum of Christlikeness" [1:05:10-1:11:00]

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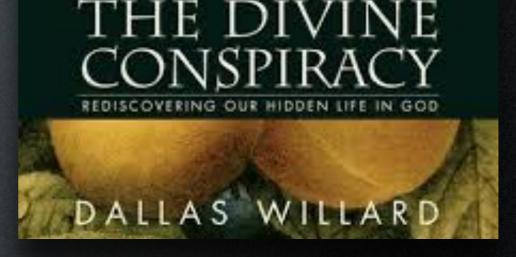
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### **Session 6 Summary**

As an apprentice of Jesus, we first follow Jesus with our whole lives from which we ravish others with the Kingdom, enthralling their minds with God, and training them in Kingdom habits from a good heart in preparation to reign forever and ever with Jesus Christ.





### What is the divine conspiracy in YOU?

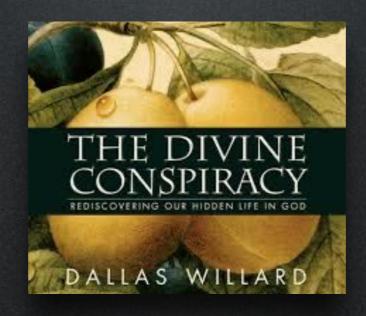
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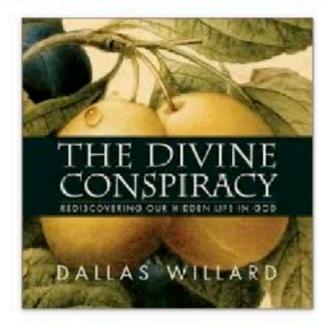
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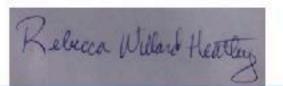
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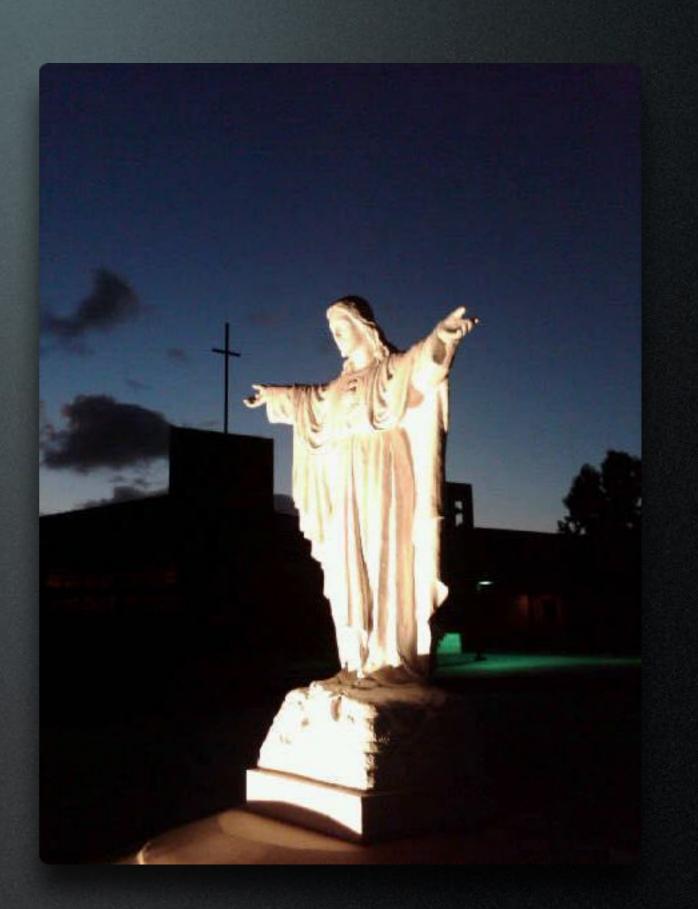
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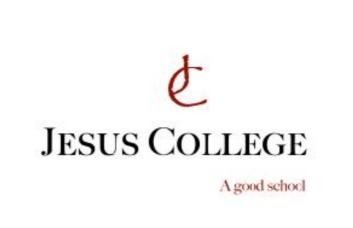




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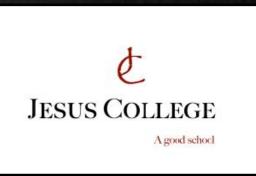
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