

Who Is a Disciple of Christ? (Part 2)

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The sermon emphasizes the transformative journey of a disciple of Christ, focusing on living a life that reflects Jesus' love and grace.

Scripture: Genesis 1:27, Luke 19:10, John 3:16, Romans 3:23, Romans 8:29, 2 Corinthians 5:17, Ephesians 4:22-24, Philippians 2:5, Colossians 3:10, 1 John 4:19

Topics: "Transformation in Christ", "Discipleship"

Description

K.P. Yohannan emphasizes that the quest for understanding life's purpose and the end of existence has been a long-standing pursuit of philosophers, yet God provides clear answers through the Bible. He explains that humanity was created in God's image but fell into sin, necessitating Jesus' sacrifice for redemption and eternal life. The transformation that occurs when one believes in Jesus is crucial, as it aligns believers' lives with Christ's example. This earthly life serves as a classroom for believers to learn and grow in Christ-like behavior through their relationships and interactions. Ultimately, a transformed life leads to a deeper understanding of life's meaning, characterized by selflessness, love, and grace.

Transcript

People have eagerly tried to find answers to certain questions since the beginning of the earth. This is exactly what philosophers do. They think, they discuss, they talk, they write long articles - about what? Their topics are "what is life?" and "what is the end of everything?" Philosophers used to sit together, discuss and worry about questions which do not have answers even now. But the Lord gave the answers to us in a simple and clear way. What is the purpose of life? Where will we go at the end of life?

The Holy Bible, which is the Word of God, says that God created us in His image and likeness. But Adam committed sin and departed from God. Because of that sin, Jesus Christ, the Son of Man, came to earth to redeem us and to give us eternal life. Jesus said, "The Son of Man has not come for the blameless and upright, but for the sinners; to save them from their sins I came." The crucifixion of Jesus revealed his divine love toward us, that He would give His life for us to forgive our sins.

At the same time His crucifixion revealed what we should do to seek the purpose of life. cross-71530_1280 There will be a great transformation in the person who believes in Jesus and accepts Him as the Lord. His life will be like the life of Jesus. God expects this from us. This should be the purpose of our life. The Bible says, "For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters." (Romans 8:29) In simple

language, God wants our lives to be like the life of Jesus.

This earth is our "classroom". It's a place where we study to live, to change, to be like Jesus; a place where the Lord teaches us. How is God doing this? He teaches us through our relationships and the way we deal with others to be like Jesus in our behavior. God desires to change our lives through all these things. Remember one thing: a transformed person finds the meaning of life. He abandons himself, stops considering his likes and starts loving others, being kind and leading a life full of grace. When we wish and decide to lead such a life, the love of Jesus will be in us.

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