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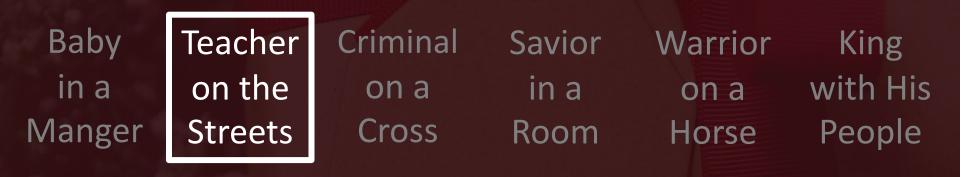






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# What does it look like to have Christ unwrapped in your life?

### **Looking for Life**

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- 1. The origin of life
- 2. The meaning of life
- 3. The moral framework of life
- 4. The destiny of life



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### <u>John 10:10</u>

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.

### **Growing in Faith**

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### **Ephesians 4:15-16**

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Speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into Him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.

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### **Ephesians 5:15-21**

Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit,

addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

### **Maturing through Failure**

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# Psalm 51:1-4

1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

# **2** Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin!

3 For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.
4 Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment.

### **Learning to Love**

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### <u>I Corinthians 16:13-14</u>

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Be on the alert, stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong. Let all that you do be done in love.

### **Investing in Others**

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#### <u>Romans 5:1-5</u>

1 Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

- **2** Through Him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.
- **3** More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings,

knowing that suffering produces endurance,

4 and endurance produces character, and character produces hope,

**5** and <u>hope</u> does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

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#### **Ephesians 3:14-21**

**14** For this reason I bow my knees before the Father,

15 from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named,

- **16** that according to the riches of His glory He may grant you to be strengthened with power through His Spirit in your inner being,
- **17** so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith--that you, being rooted and grounded in love,
- **18** may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth,

**19** and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge,

that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

20 Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or

think, according to the power at work within us,

21 <u>to Him</u> be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.





You are my joy, You are my song. You are the well, the One I'm drawing from. You are my refuge, my whole life long. *Where else would I go?* 



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