# LEARNING TO BE LIKE JESUS

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If you have read the Intro section on our website, jesusreignsnet, you may remember that we said if you went through the kingdom messages on this site, that **'You will begin to Think...See...Speak...Hear...Feel like Jesus did!'** Let's briefly explore each of those qualities in light of the following key verses:

• Luke 6:40 (**Be** like Jesus), John 14:12 (**Do** what Jesus did), 1 John 2:6 (**Walk** as Jesus did) (Each of these aspects will be covered more thoroughly in our **Kingdom Culture** section)

### THINK LIKE JESUS Jesus' believers have the mind of Christ - 1 Corinthians 2:16

As we read through the Gospel accounts, we never see Jesus discouraged, depressed, doubting, overwhelmed or worried. He had a **victory mind set**, based on His connection with the grand purposes of the heavenly Father. (It is only at Gethsemane and at the Cross where Jesus began to feel the weight of mankind's sin). Throughout His time with his disciples, **He saw obstacles as 'opportunities'** to express faith in God and exalt His name. **Problems were turned into 'possibilities'** to showcase the unlimited supernatural aspects of God's kingdom. If Jesus was with us today, He might even wear a **Nike cap!** (Nike means 'victorious overcomer'). You can wear one too. - 1 John 5:4-5.

## SEE LIKE JESUS

Jesus looked at life through the prism of the invisible realm via the Spirit of God. He discerned things beyond the limits of the physical senses - -Isaiah 11:3. He saw potential in persons who seemed beyond redemption. He took seeming nobodies and not only made them somebodies but made them nobility with generous favor as sons and daughters of the King of the universe. He saw that sinners of all kinds could be transformed into saints of the most high God. He saw life through the eyes of history and even into eternity. In today's world, far too many people are 'nearsighted and blind' to the true spiritual reality as found in God and in His ever expanding Kingdom through Jesus Christ.

'Of the **increase** of His government and peace there will be no end.'- Isaiah 9:7

### SPEAK LIKE JESUS

Jesus spoke with authority. His words were powerful and even prophetic at times. He spoke words of faith, blessing and life, although one time he did curse a fig tree from the roots and it dried up. In another message I will share how God has led me to curse a few times. One example, whenever I pray for a person with cancer, I curse the cancer at the roots and command it to die. In the kingdom of God there is no place for complaining, murmuring, coarse joking, gossiping, slandering or lying. The weapon of the Word of God is powerful and effective however it needs to be delivered. A cannon ball is used in war, but is useless without a cannon to launch it. How is the Word of God propelled? By our mouth.

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## HEAR LIKE JESUS

Jesus walked this earth as man, fully dependent on the Holy Spirit. He was led by the written Word of God but also by the promptings of the Spirit. At the temptation by Satan in the wilderness, He quoted verses from the book of Deuteronomy. At other times he operated by HSP (Holy Spirit Perception). He manifested most of the 9 gifts of the Spirit in 1 Corinthians 12. eg. He had a 'word of knowledge' for Nathaniel - John 1:47-49. In a more detailed message we will look at more examples from scripture and even from my own walk with God. I have shared some of them in our **Life in the Spirit** section. (It is strange that some preachers invite people to accept Christ into their life to have a personal relationship with him and yet they say the only way God speaks to us is through the Bible. Imagine a married couple that never spoke to one another except through letters and photos) God is a person who speaks to his children. Jesus said 'my sheep hear my voice and they follow me' - John 10:27. He often said: 'He that has ears, let him hear.' God wants us to 'be trained through constant use to distinguish between good and evil'. - Hebrews 5:14

#### FEEL LIKE JESUS

Jesus was <u>'moved with compassion</u>' over scattered and distressed sheep that had no shepherd - Matthew 9:36; over the multitudes and individual persons that suffered with sickness - Matthew 14:14,20:34; Mark 1:41. The word compassion in Greek= 'to be moved as to one's inwards'. It is a deep feeling of sympathy and sorrow for suffering of others, accompanied by a desire to relieve that suffering. Jesus was not so much a 'faith healer' but a 'love healer. His deep love for the hurting led to action. The faith of people increased when they saw the deep and genuine love of Jesus Christ. In our **Kingdom Wisdom** section, you can read about the amazing life of John G. Lake who developed a great desire to see people healed because he had so many family members who died prematurely. 'Perfect love drives out fear'. May God fill us with more compassion to step out and bring hope and healing to those around us. The love of God has already been poured into our hearts, we just need to release it. -Romans 5:5.

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