

Just a Closer Walk with Jesus

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What Jesus does now for us

THE NEED FOR JESUS HELP

- In times of trouble, people instinctively call out Jesus name. Why?
- Jesus was a man he knows how we feel
- Jesus is integral to our individual spiritual life journey and corporate journey
- Ever feel like your spiritual development is stalled, overwhelmed by circumstances...?
- There is much to learn and experience from Jesus
 - What we believe about how Jesus helps us, shapes our destiny
 - Are we willing to take time to get to know Jesus? If we do, their values rub off on us
 - **Phil 1:6** - He is faithful to complete the work in you

What Jesus is doing now for our benefit (completion).

- Jesus provides access to the Father - **Jn 14:5-6**
 - without the death and resurrection there was no way to the Father
 - we can now approach the Father directly anytime anywhere...
- Jesus our intercessor - **Rom 8:34**
 - He is the middle voice for us. He helps us deal with issues from a position of authority
- Jesus Our Advocate (why do we need one?) - **1Jn2:1-2 Amp, Jn 14:16**
 - Even when we sin he helps us. He will always and forever be there for us
- Jesus the author and finisher of our faith (How?) - **Heb 12:1-2**
 - He is the (completer) of our beliefs
 - He knows our heart and our struggles

Jesus the Second Adam a life giving spirit - 1Cor15:45-47

- We are called to bring life and not death but how?
 - **Lk 4:16-19,21** - Shows us what we need to do
 - **Jn 1:3-5** - Life is in Jesus and in us if we believe in Jesus **Jn 3:36.**
 - **Jn 7:37-38** - Out of our hearts will flow rivers of living water

Jesus Protector of your heart - Jn 14:27, Jn 14:1, 1Thes 3:13 NIV

- What Happens when we really believe in Jesus in our Heart
 - **Gal 2:20** - Christ lives thru us
 - **Jn 14:12** - We will do greater works than Jesus

Questions to Consider

1. What has been your experience in developing an intimate relationship with Jesus?
2. Does the strength of your relationship with Jesus vary?
3. What are the factors that weaken or strengthen your relationship with Jesus?
4. **Lk 4:16-19,21** gives us a number ways by which we can bring life to others. Are there other ways that you have experienced, to bring life to others and what are they?
5. How did you feel when you brought life to someone else?
6. Ever find yourself hurting someone instead of helping them? How did you turn it around?