

# The Life of Christ

Course 2

Jesus said, "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life...." John 14:6

Lesson 9



## Jesus Christ

# Our All in All

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Dear Friend,

We have learned many wonderful things about the Lord Jesus in this course. We have learned that He is the promised Savior, He is the mighty God, He is the great Teacher, He is the Lamb of God, He is the risen Lord, He is Lord of all, He is our great Intercessor, and He is our Righteousness.

Jesus Christ is all of these and much more. He is our power, our holiness, our victory, our joy, our strength, our patience, and much, much more. And God has given this wonderful Christ to us to be everything we need. The Bible says,

*"Because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts ...."*  
Galatians 4:6

What does this mean? It means that Christ is actually living in us by His Spirit. The Bible says,

*"... Christ in you, the hope of glory."*  
Colossians 1:27

Does Christ live in every believer? Yes, He does! The Bible says,

*"... know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you ...?"*  
2 Corinthians 13:5

*"... if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of His."*  
Romans 8:9

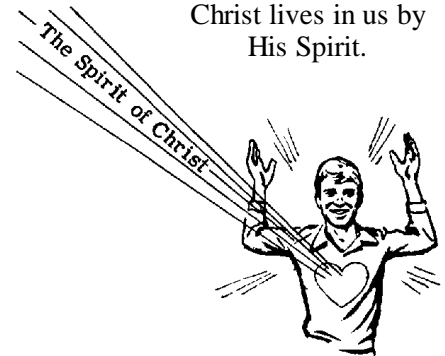
In this lesson we are going to learn more about the indwelling Christ and who He really is.

### •WE WERE CREATED TO BE INDWELLED BY GOD

The Bible says that man was created "in the image of God." We were not only created in the image of

God, but we were made in such a way that God Himself could live in us.

Christ lives in us by His Spirit.



A sweater is a piece of clothing made in the form or image of a man. It is not only made in the image of a man, but it is made to be filled with a living person. We, too, were made to be filled with a living person - the Lord Jesus Christ, Himself!

### •WHO IS CHRIST?

Christ lives in the heart of every believer, but not every believer understands who Christ really is.

The Gospel of John emphasizes two great truths:

1. that Jesus Christ is God.
2. that Christ Himself is the answer to all our needs.

It will help us to know who Christ is if we learn more about one of His names. He is the great "I AM."

The name "I AM" is a name which belongs exclusively to God. God Himself said that this was His name. To understand the meaning of this name, we must go back to the time when the children of Israel were slaves in Egypt.

God chose a man named Moses to lead His people out of Egypt and into the land which God had promised them.

Moses was in the wilderness tending sheep when God appeared to him in a burning bush. The bush burned with fire, but it did not burn up.

God spoke to Moses from the burning bush and told him to go back to Egypt and lead the children of Israel out of slavery and bondage.

Moses was afraid that the people would not believe that God had sent him. He said, "When I come unto the children of Israel, and shall say unto them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me unto you;' and they shall say unto me, 'What is His name?' what shall I say unto them?"



God is the great "I AM."  
God told Moses that His name was "I AM." God said,

*"Thus shall you say unto the children of Israel, I AM has sent me unto you."*

*Exodus 3:13,14*

When God said that His name was "I AM," He meant that He is the self-existent One - the God who has always existed and always will exist.

But there is another meaning to the name "I AM." It is really an unfinished sentence like this:

"I AM \_\_\_\_\_."

It was as though God was saying to Moses, "Moses, I am the Almighty God. I am the One who will meet all your needs. You will need courage to do this great work that I have called you to do; I AM your courage. You will need wisdom; I AM your wisdom. You will need strength; I AM your strength. You will need patience; I AM your patience. I AM whatever you need."

Moses believed God and he depended on God to be all that he needed. What was the result? The Bible tells us that God brought the children of Israel out of Egypt "with a mighty hand."

### •CHRIST IS THE GREAT "I AM"

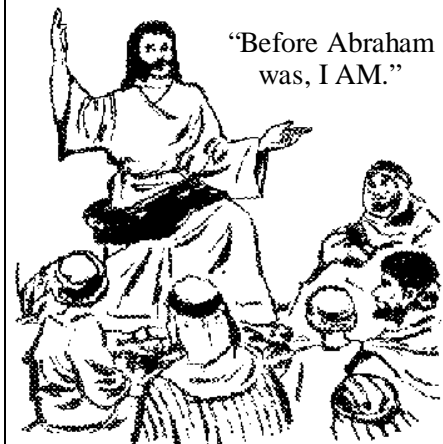
The Jews understood fully that the name "I AM" belonged only to God. No prophet or king, however great he might be, would dare to use this name for Himself. John records Jesus' astounding claim that He is the great "I AM." Here are our Lord's own words,

*"... if you believe not that I AM you shall die in your sins." "When you have lifted up the Son of*

*Man, then shall you know that I AM...." "Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, I AM." John 8:24,28,58*

In taking to Himself the name "I AM," the Lord Jesus was declaring these two great truths:

1. that He is indeed God.
2. that He himself is the One who meets all our needs.



Jesus Christ is the great "I AM."

### •JESUS CHRIST IS INDEED GOD

When Jesus took the name "I AM" for Himself, He was saying in unmistakable words that He was God. The Jews who did not believe in Him hated Him for this and they tried to kill Him. When Jesus asked them why they wanted to kill Him, they said, "Because you, being a man, make yourself to be God."

If Jesus were not really God, it would have been a terrible thing for Him to claim to be God. But He was, and is, and always will be God. Jesus said,

*"I am My Father are one." John 10:30*

*"He that has seen Me has seen the Father..." John 14:9*

**• JESUS IS THE ONE WHO MEETS ALL OUR NEEDS**

If we were asked to write down a list of qualities that we need to live the Christian life, we would probably list such things as these:

- I need patience
- I need strength.
- I need wisdom.
- I need truth.
- I need victory.
- I need joy.
- I need love.
- I need peace.
- I need hope.

God certainly knows that we have these needs. He even knows of needs that we are not aware of. How does God meet all our needs? He meets all our needs by giving us Christ.

The Lord Jesus is the great "I AM." He is the One who is every thing we need. The Lord Jesus said,

*"I AM the door."  
John 10:9*

*"I AM the way."  
John 14:6*

*"I AM the truth."  
John 14:6*

*"I AM the light."  
John 8:12*

*"I AM the life."  
John 14:6*

*"I AM the true vine."  
John 15:1*

*"I AM the living bread."  
John 6:51*

*"I AM the good shepherd."  
John 10:14*

*"I AM the resurrection."  
John 11:25*

*"I AM the Alpha and Omega."  
Revelation 1:8*

★ **CHRIST IS OUR DOOR.**

Jesus said "I AM the door." He does not just point us to the door of salvation; He IS the door. He is not just one of the doors; He is THE door - the only door by which we can enter Heaven.

★ **CHRIST IS OUR WAY.**

Jesus said "I AM the way." He does not simply show us the way to God; He Himself IS the way to God - the only way. If you have been saved, you have had the experience of knowing Christ as the way to God.

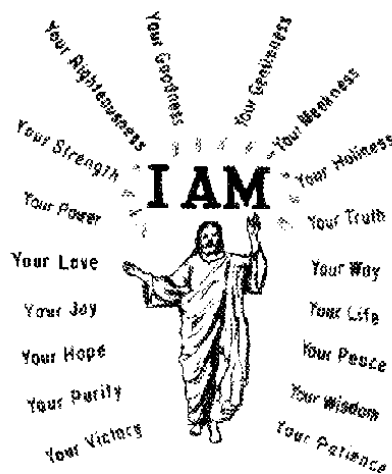
★ **CHRIST IS OUR TRUTH.**

Jesus said "I AM the truth." He does not simply teach us the truth; He Himself IS the truth. The Bible says,

*"In whom [Christ] are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge."  
Colossians 2:3*

★ **CHRIST IS OUR LIFE.**

Jesus said "I AM the life." Christ does not give us eternal life apart from Himself. He Himself IS the life.



Christ is our "all in all."

If we have Christ, we have eternal life; if we do not have Him, we do not have eternal life. The Bible says,

*"He that has the Son has life; and he that has not the Son of God has not life."  
1 John 5:12*

★ **CHRIST IS OUR LIGHT.**

Jesus said "I AM the light of the world." Without Christ as our light we cannot "see" and understand spiritual truth. Before we were saved, the Bible was all a great mystery to us. But once Christ came to live in us, we could see and understand spiritual truth.

★ **CHRIST IS OUR LIVING BREAD.**

Jesus said "I AM the living bread." Bread represents that which satisfies us and sustains us. Christ is our "living bread" - the One who satisfies and sustains us.

★ **CHRIST IS OUR GOOD SHEPHERD.**

Jesus said "I AM the good shepherd." We are the sheep and He is our shepherd. Just as the shepherd protects and cares for his sheep, so the Lord protects and cares for us.

★ **CHRIST IS OUR TRUE VINE.**

Jesus said "I AM the vine, you are the branches." This teaches us that our union with Christ is a Living union. Just as the living vine supplies all that the branches need, so the living Christ supplies all that we need.



Jesus said, "I am the Vine, ye are the branches."

★ **CHRIST IS OUR RESURRECTION.**

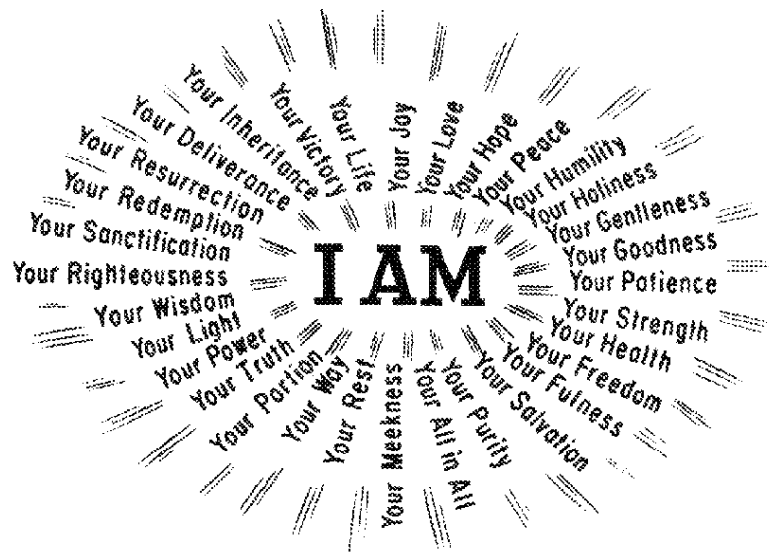
Jesus said "I AM the resurrection." Jesus went into death and came out of it. He said, "I am He that lives, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive forevermore." One day we may have to enter into death, but, because Christ is in us, we shall be raised from the dead. We will have a new body like Christ's glorious resurrection body. Why? Because Christ is our "resurrection."

★ **CHRIST IS OUR ALPHA AND OMEGA.**

Jesus said "I AM Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending" (Revelation 1:8). The words "Alpha" and "Omega" are the first and last letters of the Greek alphabet. Jesus is saying, "I am the first and the last - the One who begins your salvation and the One who completes it."

★ **CHRIST IS OUR "ALL IN ALL."**

Christ Himself is the answer to all our needs. He is our righteousness, our joy, our peace, our love, our patience, our wisdom, our holiness, our - victory - everything we need. He is our "all in all." Christ lives in the heart of every believer and He is all we need. The Bible says,



Christ is the great "I AM." He is everything that we need.

*"... Christ is all, and in all."  
Colossians 2:11*

Do you need wisdom? Christ is your wisdom! Say to Him, "Lord Jesus, You are my wisdom. I am trusting You to be my wisdom."

Do you need love? Christ is your love. Say to Him, "Lord Jesus, I am trusting You to be my love."

Do you need victory over your sins? Christ is your victory. Say to Him, "Lord Jesus, You are my victory! I am trusting You to be my victory."

God wants us to see that He has met all our needs by giving us His Son. We do not need to go outside

of Him for anything. Christ is the great "I AM." God wants Him to be everything to us. The Bible says,

*"For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily and you are complete in Him...."  
Colossians 2:9,10*



*Discovered Gem*

The Christ who lives in me is the great "I AM." He is my "all in all."

**QUIET TIME HIGHLIGHTS**

**WEEK - 9**

There is a Bible passage listed for each day. Read it carefully. Write out the verse(s) that impress you most. Then write down in your own words what it is in the verse(s) that impresses you. Perhaps you have a personal need that the Lord answers for you in the Scripture. Or perhaps He shows you something about Himself that you have not known before. This is YOUR Personal Quiet Time with the Lord, so keep it personal.

 **MONDAY Read: John 13:18-30**

Verse(s) that impressed me most: \_\_\_\_\_

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This is what impresses me about the verse(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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 **TUESDAY Read: John 13:31-38**

Verses(s) that impressed me most: \_\_\_\_\_

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This is what impresses me about the verses(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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 **WEDNESDAY Read: John 14:1-14**

Verse(s) that impressed me most: \_\_\_\_\_

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This is what impresses me about the verse(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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 **THURSDAY Read: John 14:15-31**

Verse(s) that impressed me most: \_\_\_\_\_

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This is what impresses me about the verse(s): \_\_\_\_\_

 **FRIDAY Read : John 15:1-17**

Verse(s) that impressed me most: \_\_\_\_\_

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This is what impressed me about the verse(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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 **SATURDAY Read: John 15:18-25**

Verse(s) that impressed me most: \_\_\_\_\_

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This is what impresses me about the verse(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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 **SUNDAY Read: John 15:26-27 and 16:1-16**

Verse(s) that impressed me most: \_\_\_\_\_

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This is what impresses me about the verse(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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# QUESTIONS PAGES

## INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Turn to the Questions page as you finish each lesson. Fill in the answers for that lesson before going on to the next lesson.
2. When you have studied the lessons and have completed both Question Pages, carefully detach these question pages. Fold them carefully for mailing with a First Class stamp on the envelope. Or go on the web to [www.ednetusa.com](http://www.ednetusa.com) and email us your exam.

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**QUESTION**

INSTRUCTIONS: Select the best answer (a), (b), or (c), and write it in the square provided.

- 1. When we say that Christ lives in us.
  - (a) we know that it is not really true but we pretend that it is.
  - (b) we mean that we think about Him a lot.
  - (c) we mean that He actually lives in us by His Spirit.
- 2. Christ lives in
  - (a) every believer.
  - (b) most believers.
  - (c) some believers.
- 3. The name "I AM" is a name
  - (a) which has not special meaning.
  - (b) which anybody can claim.
  - (c) which belongs only to God.
- 4. When Jesus took the name "I AM" for Himself, He was
  - (a) very foolish because He is only a man.
  - (b) not really claiming to be God.
  - (c) claiming that He is indeed God.
- 5. The Jews who did not believe in Jesus hated Him and tried to kill Him because
  - (a) He claimed to be God.
  - (b) He did not ask their permission to teach and preach.
  - (c) He hated them and tried to destroy them.
- 6. When Jesus said, "I AM the Door," He meant that
  - (a) He is one of the doors to Heaven.
  - (b) He is THE door to Heaven - the only door.

- (c) He is the best of many doors to Heaven.
- 7. When Jesus said, "I AM the way," He meant that
  - (a) He is the One who shows us the way to God.
  - (b) He shows us the way to enjoy life.
  - (c) He is the way to God the only way.
- 8. When Jesus said, "I AM the life," He meant that
  - (a) He Himself is eternal life; if we have Him, we have eternal life.
  - (b) He can make us feel better in this life.
  - (c) He can give us eternal life apart from Himself.
- 9. When Jesus said, "I AM Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end," He meant that
  - (a) He is the One who begins our salvation but we have to do the rest ourselves.
  - (b) He helps those who help themselves.
  - (c) He is the One who begins our salvation and the One who completes it.
- 10. When the Bible says that Christ is our "All in all," it means that
  - (a) He lives in the heart of every believer and He is all that we need.
  - (b) He will be all that we need when we get to Heaven.
  - (c) He lives in our heart but He cannot help us now.

What is the most important thing you have learned in this lesson?

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