

ATTITUDES OF THE BELIEVER

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1. **Believe** on Christ
2. **Pray** to Christ
3. **Abide** in Christ
4. **Walk** as Christ
5. **Take** from Christ
6. **Stand** with Christ
7. **Watch** for Christ

Fruit of the Spirit

Galatians 5:22-23

²² But the *fruit of the Spirit* is love, joy,
peace, patience, kindness, goodness,
faithfulness,

²³ gentleness, self-control; against such
things there is no law.

Christian Values

2 Peter 1:5-8

⁵ Now for this very reason also, **applying all diligence, in your faith** supply **moral excellence**, and in *your* moral excellence, **knowledge**,

⁶ and in *your* knowledge, **self-control**, and in *your* self-control, **perseverance**, and in *your* perseverance, **godliness**,

⁷ and in *your* godliness, **brotherly kindness**, and in *your* brotherly kindness, **love**.

⁸ For if these *qualities* are yours and are increasing, they render you neither useless nor unfruitful in the true knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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Love

Joy

Peace

Patience

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Goodness

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Christian Virtues

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Love

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1. Believe on Christ is the **secret** of the Christian life

Hebrews 11:6

⁶ And without faith it is impossible to please *Him*, for he who comes to God must believe that He is and *that He is a rewarder of those who seek Him.*

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1. To **Believe** on Christ is the **secret** of the Christian life

Galatians 2:20

²⁰ "I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but **Christ lives in me**; and **the *life* which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God,** who **loved me and gave Himself up for me.**

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2 Corinthians 11:23-28

²³ Are they servants of Christ?—I speak as if insane—I more so; in far more labors, in far more imprisonments, beaten times without number, often in danger of death.

²⁴ Five times I received from the Jews thirty-nine *lashes*.

²⁵ Three times I was beaten with rods, once I was stoned, three times I was shipwrecked, a night and a day I have spent in the deep.

²⁶ *I have been* on frequent journeys, in dangers from rivers, dangers from robbers, dangers from *my* countrymen, dangers from the Gentiles, dangers in the city, dangers in the wilderness, dangers on the sea, dangers among false brethren;

²⁷ *I have been* in labor and hardship, through many sleepless nights, in hunger and thirst, often without food, in cold and exposure.

²⁸ Apart from *such* external things, there is the daily pressure on me *of* concern for all the churches.

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1. To **Believe** on Christ is the **secret** of the Christian life

The crucial lessons in contentment illustrated in the life of Paul may be summarized in five words:

- a. Faith
- b. Humility
- c. Submission
- d. Dependence
- e. Unselfishness

These virtues characterize all who have learned to be content.

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2. To Pray to Christ is the **stay** of the Christian life.

Philippians 4:6

⁶ Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

1 Thessalonians 5:17

¹⁷ pray without ceasing;

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3. To **Abide in Christ** is the **strength** of the Christian life

John 15:4

⁴ "**Abide in Me, and I in you.** As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself unless it abides in the vine, so neither *can* you unless you abide in Me.

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3. To **Abide in Christ** is the **strength** of the Christian life

Three distinguishing marks of the true branches

a. They bear **fruit**

b. They also **abide** (remain; continue) **in Christ's love**

c. They operate in full cooperation with the source of life, keeping His commandments by following the perfect example of the Lord Jesus Christ, who always obeyed the Father

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4. To Walk as Christ is the **shining out** of the Christian life

Hebrews 12:1-2

¹ Therefore, since we have so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let us also lay aside every encumbrance and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us,

² fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

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4. To Walk as Christ is the shining out of the Christian life

1 Peter 2:21-22

21 For you have been called for this purpose, since Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example for you to follow in His steps,

22 WHO COMMITTED NO SIN, NOR WAS ANY DECEIT FOUND IN HIS MOUTH;

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4. To **Walk as Christ** is the **shining out** of the Christian life

1 John 2:4-9

⁴ The one who says, "I have come to know Him," and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him;

⁵ but **whoever keeps His word, in him the love of God has truly been perfected.** By this we know that we are in Him:

⁶ the one who says **he abides in Him ought himself to walk in the same manner as He walked.**

⁷ Beloved, I am not writing a new commandment to you, but an old commandment which you have had from the beginning; the old commandment is the word which you have heard.

⁸ On the other hand, I am writing a new commandment to you, which is true in Him and in you, because the darkness is passing away and the true Light is already shining.

⁹ The one who says he is in the Light and yet hates his brother is in the darkness until now.

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5. To **Take from Christ** is the **supply** of the Christian life

Proverbs 3:9-10

⁹ **Honor the LORD from your wealth And from the first of all your produce;**

¹⁰ So your barns will be filled with plenty And your vats will overflow with new wine.

Isaiah 27:5

⁵ "Or let him **rely on My protection**, Let him **make peace with Me**, Let him make peace with Me."

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5. **Take from Christ** is the **supply** of the Christian life

1 Corinthians 1:4-8

⁴ I thank my God always concerning you for the grace of God which was given you in Christ Jesus,

⁵ **that in everything you were enriched in Him, in all speech and all knowledge,**

⁶ even as the testimony concerning Christ was confirmed in you,

⁷ so **that you are not lacking in any gift,** awaiting eagerly the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ,

⁸ who will also confirm you to the end, blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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5. To Take from Christ is the supply of the Christian life

Philippians 4:19

19 And my God will supply all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus.

Colossians 2:3

3 in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

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5. To Take from Christ is the supply of the Christian life

2 Peter 1:3

³ seeing that His divine power has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence.

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6. To **Stand with Christ** is the **staple** of the Christian life

Ephesians 6:13-17

¹³ Therefore, take up the full armor of God, so that you will be able to resist in the evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm.

¹⁴ Stand firm therefore, HAVING GIRDED YOUR LOINS WITH TRUTH, and HAVING PUT ON THE BREASTPLATE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS,

¹⁵ and having shod YOUR FEET WITH THE PREPARATION OF THE GOSPEL OF PEACE;

¹⁶ in addition to all, taking up the shield of faith with which you will be able to extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil *one*.

¹⁷ And take THE HELMET OF SALVATION, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

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7. To **Watch for Christ** is the **standing order** of the Christian life

Mark 13:32-33

³² "But of that day or hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but the Father *alone*.

³³ "**Take heed, keep on the alert**; for you do not know when the *appointed* time will come.

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7. To **Watch for Christ** is the **standing order** of the Christian life

James 5:7-8

⁷ Therefore **be patient**, brethren, **until the coming of the Lord**. The farmer waits for the precious produce of the soil, being patient about it, until it gets the early and late rains.

⁸ You too be patient; **strengthen your hearts**, for the coming of the Lord is near. 22

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7. To **Watch for Christ** is the **standing order** of the Christian life

2 Peter 3:11-12

¹¹ Since all these things are to be destroyed in this way, what sort of **people ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness,**

¹² **looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God,** because of which the heavens will be destroyed by burning, and the elements will melt with intense heat! 23

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7. To Watch for Christ is the standing order of the Christian life

Revelation 1:7

7 BEHOLD, HE IS COMING WITH THE CLOUDS, and every eye will see Him, even those who pierced Him; and all the tribes of the earth will mourn over Him.

So it is to be. Amen.

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