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What is the ultimate lifelong goal of a Christian? **To be more Christ like.** As long as we are in the world, we are the lights of the world. Reflect Christ in your life. We will be exactly like Christ in His nature only when He shall appear.(1 John 3:2) No one can be more like Christ by their own will power, Holy Spirit of God will help us to be more like Christ as we obey Him in the areas which He gives light to us.

For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate **to be conformed to the image of his Son** -Romans 8:29

My little children, of whom I travail in birth again **until Christ be formed in you** - Galatians 4:19

Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not.

2 Beloved, **now are we the sons of God**, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, **when he shall appear, we shall be like him**; for we shall see him as he is.

3 And every man that hath this hope in him **purifieth himself**, even as he is pure. - 1 John 3

Romans 8

There is therefore **now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus**, who walk not after the flesh, **but after the Spirit.**

2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.

3 For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh:

4 That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, **who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.**

5 For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit.

6 For to be carnally minded is death; **but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.**

7 Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be.

8 So then **they that are in the flesh cannot please God.**

9 But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his.

10 And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.

11 But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.

12 Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh.

13 For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: **but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live.**

14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

Trying to walk the talk and **when he shall appear, we shall be like him.** (1 John 3:2)