Jesus, bringing praise, glory and honour to our Father.

I thank God, that because of Jesus, my life has purpose, I'm valued and loved. I thank God that he acted and came in person so that I can now be sharing a personal relationship

of love and affection with him in Jesus, through the Spirit.

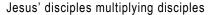
Otherwise my life would just be a waste In Jesus, I'm not of time, like a tourist seeing all the wonderful sights, only to forget them. I don't

what my life to be a wonderful distraction that counts for nothing.

forgotten, but loved; in Jesus I count.

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13 October 2019 LAY OUT THE TRUTH; PLAIN & SIMPLE

2 Timothy 2:8-15

Paul calls Timothy to and witness the life lay out the truth; plain giving change he and simple. Actually I makes. think we all are called to lay out the truth; plain and simple. That's part of mission: of sharing our faith, being able to lay out the truth;

I'm sure we all would have our own style, and phrase things differently, but the truth would still be there. This week I'd encourage you to take some time to write down in your own words the truth of Jesus; plain and simple.

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You never know, Jesus just might lead you to someone who is keen to know, and give you the privilege fix it, because if we to share his truth with could we surely them. Isn't that the greatest privilege in life, to share Jesus with another person,

I wonder who Jesus will lead you to this

week that you might share the truth; plain and simple with them, in words they understand. What a privilege to share Jesus with another

Here's my attempt at sharing the truth; plain and simple.

person.

First I need help. I'm not all I want to be. This world isn't all I need it to be. Somethings gone wrong, and I can't fix it. There is something gold; or is he hard gone wrong, at the very core of this world, and we can't would have by now.

'Sin' is the name given to what's gone

wrong. 'Sin' has destroyed my relationship with God. It has left me not knowing who God is, let alone: does he think about me, is he relevant.

Just this week someone was describing how the people he was talking with had simply turned God into genie. You rub him the right way and you get everything you want. Is that who God is?

When I look at a rock, what does that tell me about God? Does God shine like and cold like a rock. What is God like?

Thank God he hasn't left it up to me to determine what he's like. God has taken the initiative and come in person to

reveal his true identity. That's Jesus. great passion for

time, is born in time, born a human being, just like you and me, so we could know him for who he really is.

Isn't that the best way to get to know them tell you who they are? To spend time with them, listening to them, getting to know them personally.

Jesus must have thought that because that's what he did. He was born. one with us, he spent time talking, sharing, revealing what's on his heart and soul, so everything he does we could come to know him personally.

Outside of Jesus. I know I'm just guessing. When I'm listening to Jesus; then he tells me the truth about God. himself; plain and simple.

Jesus tells me of his humanity. Jesus Jesus: God before all hasn't come to make treaties with sin, death and the devil, but totally destroy them, so that ultimately they'll have no influence in my life, or in your life. Jesus' love for us burns far too strong another person; have for him to give up any humanity has to offer,

> Jesus comes and loves us in person.

part of you to lies, deception, and futility.

Jesus comes and loves us in person: living out his personality in and says. We don't have a mystery, but a person to follow, to aet to know. Jesus tears through sin, offering life, love, hope. Jesus comes not to destroy people, but to seek and save the lost. for life lived with his Father in an

intimate relationship of love and affection.

Jesus wins this life by giving his life for us. Jesus' love for us is genuine; he isn't simply using us to get what he doesn't have. Jesus love is genuine; he willingly goes to the cross. taking the worst and in exchange

he gives his best, himself.

When Jesus fights to win us, - we don't see a battle field of dead soldiers. That's the way humanity fights; killing each other. No, Jesus, dies that we might live. Jesus freely gives of himself, taking the worst so he has the right to give back the best. Jesus takes the horrors on sin upon himself that we might have the joys of being loved children of the heavenly Father.

On the cross the curse of sin is broken and Jesus ushers in

a new world, where at the heart we have genuine love, for it is the very love of God.

This is not pretend. or empty sentiment. but real, honest, love, the future to start for Jesus has literally given himself for us, that we might benefit at his expense.

Now in Jesus we have a new life to live.

Jesus doesn't stay in the grave but has burst forth to new life.

inviting us into that word. Jesus does. I don't have to live by the truth of Jesus to shape my future. In to a dead end: I'm coming into Father's loving embrace.

That's not wishful thinking, for Jesus has given his life for me. Jesus has me and raise me to new life. In Jesus. I

am Father's child. In Jesus, I am forgive, I am redeemed, I am loved.

But we don't have to wait for some time in living this new life; Jesus has sent the Spirit to be with us now. The Spirit; God with us now, that we might walk and talk

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with him through all new life with him. Sin of life. The Spirit with doesn't have the final us now that we might us to do what we see know what is on Jesus heart and the devil's lies. I have mind, now. We're not Jesus saying. We live left with our best live in. Death doesn't guesses and logic. we can ask Jesus Jesus I'm not coming through the Spirit, and walk with him through all the ups and downs of life.

The Spirit isn't some super power we use to get what we want: that would be to promised to come for simply be using God to get what we want. That's not what

Jesus gave his life for. Rather Jesus gave his life that we might know what is on his heart and mind and live in harmony with him.

Jesus said he only does what he sees his Father doing and says what he hears his Father saying. He lives in harmony with his Dad. he didn't use his Dad to get

what he wanted.

Now Jesus.

through the Spirit, - empowers us to live the same way. For the Spirit enables Jesus doing, and to say what we hear in harmony with Jesus. And as we do that guess what; we're living in harmony with his Dad as well. Who. in Jesus, just happens to be our Dad.

I thank God that my life now revolves around his. and by the Spirit I have the hope of growing to be more and more like