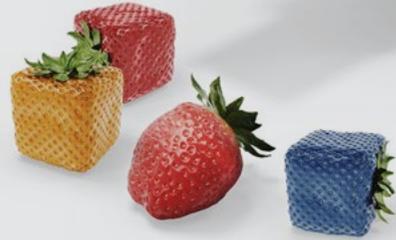


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The  
Ecosystem

Jesus the Designer's Plan  
to Change the World

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**From the author:** I've generally left my name off books and all that jazz, since self-promotion and selling things about Jesus and His Plan are wrong. "Life" makes a lot of people mad, and as with Jesus, it brings the "liars and looters" out of the woodwork. So people might as well know who to be mad at. For those who catch God's Intent and Vision... just RUN with it. I don't matter. Humans and human opinion are nothing. Only the kindness and forgiveness of God matter. "Only God is good." This book is about that.

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# Dedication

## *To Jesus,*

...the Lion of Judah,  
...the Designer of the human soul,  
...the Architect of the Ecosystem,  
...the One who refuses to be boxed,  
tamed, ritualized, or managed.



To Jesus

## *And to the generation rising now—*

Gen Z,

Gen Zoe,

...the courageous ones who I believe will jump over  
the System and embrace His Supernatural Zoe Life  
to the Full.

(Others have been waiting too, but just haven't had  
the courage to go full Ecosystem. Older folks want  
guarantees and a thousand failsafe System features that  
Jesus doesn't provide. Grab a hand!)

You are not asleep.

You are not afraid.

And your hunger for Reality is the sign  
that the future is already stirring.

# Epigraphs

***“The most common mistake of a smart engineer is to optimize a thing that should not exist.”***

– Elon Musk

***“He’s not like the others. He teaches as one having authority. You gotta do what He says.”***

– A stunned first-century observer of Jesus

***“Christianity in particular is the most fascinating to me... Jesus somehow or another had the best plan for how human beings should interact.”***

– Joe Rogan

***“No, He’s not safe. But He is good.”***

– C.S. Lewis, Chronicles of Narnia

***“Jesus was unlike any other man, and yet so much like me.”***

– Michael Card

***“There is nothing so useless as doing efficiently what should not be done at all.”***

– Peter Drucker

***“Every problem is a gift. Without problems, we would not grow.”***

– Tony Robbins

# Prologue



**NOW:  
An Epic Time**

This is kind of an epic time in human history.

You **HAVE** to know, if you're paying attention to the Life of Jesus at all...

- ♦ **Jesus didn't descend from Eternity-Life to show up and punch a time clock on Sunday morning**
- ♦ **Jesus didn't come with a construction permit to build steeple-houses**
- ♦ **Jesus did NOT start or envision a calendar-based ritual, ceremony, mass, service—or attendance-based club of any kind**
- ♦ **And least of all, Jesus did not authorize or establish a pyramid org chart with holy men on top like all the other world religions**

It was never HIS Plan that spectators succumb to the emotional hypnosis of a “Simon says” ceremony that someone cleverly constructed behind the curtain, or singing on cue to ProPresenter, “follow the bouncing ball.”

*Please don't take what follows as a negative. It is an opportunity!*

*This is the Good News of the Kingdom! On Earth as it is in Heaven!*

That was obviously not who Jesus was 2,000 years ago, and it is not who Jesus is now.

Of course, it got Him lied about, attacked, beaten, and worse, for not “going along to get along,” no matter how loving and compassionate and wise He was and is.

But I am convinced that Gen Z will not tolerate the wax museum steeple-house (or auditorium or living room) attendance-based and mixture of light and dark “service” version of “church.”

They see the artificiality instantly—just like watching an AI-generated animation that almost looks real.

Gen Z will not be Gen Zzzzz, sleeping through ceremonies or curated talking points without authenticity, while the world burns and their souls starve. They will, instead, be Gen Zoe. Generation “on earth as it is in Heaven” Life.

We can join them, or we can be left behind—and then try to find ways to criticize and call names.

Let’s join them.

### **system** [sis-tuhm]

*noun.* A system is a human-built machine where parts follow fixed rules to perform a specific task. It is rigid, predictable, and ordered, repeating its assigned function until an outside agent upgrades or changes it. It does not grow on its own and is always vulnerable to wear, aging, breakdown, and the need for ongoing maintenance.

### **ecosystem** [ee-koh-sis-tuhm, ek-oh-]

*noun.* (Organic) An ecosystem is a living, interconnected web where diverse parts exchange value and together create more than they could alone. It naturally adapts to threats and environmental change, with each element learning to work synergistically with the others. It is messy, flexible, and self-healing, a rainforest not a human plan or human-constructed machine.

# 1. Jesus Is Coming Back

## 1.1. But We're Not Ready...YET!

***“God will soon crush satan under YOUR feet.”***

–Paul to the Roman believers

***“I will build My community that will blow up Hell’s fortress.”***

–Jesus

***“God’s Intent NOW, through the church, His daily Body, His community of the Spirit-born, is to make known His power and love and wisdom even to the principalities and powers in the unseen world.”***

–Paul to the Ephesian connected squad of Jesus-followers

***“The Bride has made herself ready, for the Return of the Groom!”***

–Rev. 19:7-8, 21:2, Eph. 5:25-27, Matt. 25:1-13

Earthquakes and wars, before the Lion of Judah, Jesus, returns? Yes, of course (Matt. 24). But, the BRIDE making herself ready for the wedding feast is the prophecy of what must first take place, also. There are lots of earthquakes and wars.

BUT, the church, the Bride, His Body is not ready yet!

“Without VISION the People perish, push back!”

Don’t be afraid to KNOW this Gen Z, Millennials, Boomers, and everyone else: “Religion” is NOT what Jesus brought to this spinning ball of mud someone nicknamed “Earth.”

Sunday morning attendance and clergy isn’t in the Bible or Biblical in any way. It can’t be found. Weird.



**Ecosystem  
Power**

So, if an attendance-based club with hierarchy and ritual isn't what Jesus died to bring us, then what is?

What is the Jesus-Life, in the Bible, and in the experience of the First followers of Jesus? What in the world are we supposed to do instead of attendance?

Must we close our eyes and blend in with what doesn't look like the Life Jesus brought to Earth? Or, should we just quit? Or, should we mess around trying to "start something"?

That's what we need to talk about. We have so-often replaced Jesus and His Life with a man-made system when what He left us was an Ecosystem full of Power and Promise. He didn't just come to save us when we die, He came to fill us with Himself—NOW.

I truly believe, along with so many, that Jesus is coming back soon. But the Scriptures are clear that He will not return until His Bride has been made ready, and we are not ready. But we will be. JESUS said so, and He's not ever wrong, no matter what we have seen or heard up until now!

Jesus did not leave us steeples, rituals, robes, clergy, hierarchies, programs, systems, performances, and a different brand name of Himself on every street corner.

And He did not authorize lukewarmness, hypocrisy, dividedness, worldliness, and mixture amongst those who wear His name—Christians.

This mess we have accepted and excused is not OK with Him. It does not honor Him among the nations. There is no "shock and awe" in this version of religion, that LOOKS so very little like the God of Creation, born to a virgin, and conquering sin and death itself! Today's version cannot storm the gates of Hell like Jesus promised His church, His ekklesia, would.



**Preacher Kid**

So again, what do we do about it?

There is only ONE way that this disaster of a mess we inherited can be solved: HIS DESIGN! ECOSYSTEM ZOE LIFE!

The person of Jesus and His Ecosystem of Supernatural “on earth as it is in Heaven” Life is “the Way!” Nothing man-made. His outrageous, courageous Ecosystem, not a religious System to woefully compete with other world “religions.”

There must be both...

- ♦ **Revival in our hearts**
- AND**
- ♦ **Restoration of the WAY He taught us to live, according to the Scriptures.**

## 1.2. Religion vs. Reality

We know that Gen Z will not be inspired to stick around anything calling itself “church” that is different than the Life Jesus actually lived with the apprentices, and then the 120, the 3,000, and 20,000 (before persecution tipped the bowl over into the rest of the world).

Jesus began with the Genesis of New Life 2,000 years ago, the actual Ecosystem of His Seed Life. THIS is the “Second Adam,” Jesus and the Garden of Eden with Father—done Right this time.

Starting to restore visible Ecosystem Eden-Life will win more atheists, PhD scientists, Gen Z, bored old people, and billionaires, than all the sermons and programs and services in a millennium of Sunday-attendances could ever dream of winning.

Let’s GO!



**Eden  
Done Right**

## 2. *Risking Life, Risking Failure*

### 2.1. Don't Know What You're Doing?

If you don't know what you're doing, join the squad. That's what everyone who has ever gone His Way has had to work out, too.

We have known that feeling through many seasons over the last 40 years. But at least we were Free to try to be fully His, HIS way.

God knows we tried to “go along to get along,” even in the highest levels of seminaries, “church” leadership, and recognition and fame in the System, since we didn't know any better anyway. We were told, “That's just how it is.”

If you move out into Life, you'll have no engraved invitation or clear road map. A true son or daughter of Abraham “with the faith of Abraham” will find this out: there won't be streetlights lighting your way ahead for miles.

The path and day-by-day results won't be sanitized, and that's okay. Don't let a System rob you of the potential growth and failures you will have in a dangerous daily Jesus Life with others. Unleash it fearlessly, but patiently and humbly, with careful wisdom.

You'll make mistakes as you learn, so you'll look back with a lot of “regrets” about coulda woulda shoulda as you embrace His Actual Life, and slowly grow in His Garden, in His Orchard.

Of course, those I know who have shared Jesus' Life have experienced just about everything over the last 40 years of Living IN Him, “daily” walking together. We've “been there, done that” in the middle of careers, families, university, sports, barbecues, parks, hobbies and the whole bit of life. It's risky, but those of us



**Move  
Into Life**

who have Experienced His Ecosystem for real for decades have loved it. Helping others who want to grow, nudging out those who have no intention of growing, and letting others into our space so we can grow... all of that is radical. For sure. Way more than words, songs, and attendance. Challenging, but no regret.

But the biggest regret of all would have been to let false “peace and safety,” religious laziness, fear, or critics rob us of the Opportunity to walk with the Risen Jesus. We’ve had enough of the dusty library of mere words.

*“The true kingdom of God consists not of mere words—but of Power.”*

## 2.2. From Setbacks to Comebacks

If you risk LIVING you will most definitely risk failing, in situations and circumstances, and even for whole seasons. But as Jesus said to Simon, aka “Peter,”

“Simon, Simon, satan has asked to shake and sift all of you as wheat. But I have prayed for you, Simon, that your faith, focus, absolute trust and commitment to Me would not falter. And when you have turned back from your immature ‘you’ life to Me, learn—and strengthen your brothers.”

Jesus says to us, “Guys, Ladies, on your BEST days you will blow it. But I Myself am praying for you that you keep your eyes on Me, and you WILL walk on water and change the world. My strength is perfected, believe it or not, in weakness. So LEARN from your failures when Satan rattles you, and USE IT AGAINST HIM to know how to strengthen your brothers and sisters! His gig is up!

“The enemy wants you to fumble, but I’ve got your back in prayer. Every setback is a setup for your comeback—and your glow-up from failure will make you strong to help you and your squad be stronger and deeper in Me for the future!”



**No  
Rock Bottom**

## 3. *The Challenge to Gen Z (And Others)*

### 3.1. Activist Warning

I'll say this really early on. We are in a war for millions of souls, and Satan and his clones won't care for you to be meddling in their business. That said, you and I having Christlike attitudes and character is essential. Hotshot "know-it-alls" blabbering every time something pops into our head, is a bad idea. Don't do it. Truth too early, or too late... is no longer Truth. The table tennis brain-game of "yeah but" will kill you, and eventually it will ooze out of your mouth in a reaction. Take every thought captive BEFORE you blab it. Love one another deeply, from the heart.

"Activist" individuals or groups, acting or thinking you are "better than everyone," is WAY not appropriate. That goes nowhere. Be an "unprofitable servant." That is a good place to start, and to finish life.

You'll be called enough names and lied about if you do it Jesus' way. It's a promise from Jesus that "If they hated Me, they will hate you. Two against three and three against two even amongst biological relatives." It's not my favorite Promise, but there it is. SO, there's no sense in being ugly and actually deserving the verbal beating and ostracizing you will inevitably get anyway. If you stop blending into the world, and the cultural religious system, watch out brother, sister!

Again, this has to be repeated: Be kind, generous, patient, loving. Though a great path, it won't save you from being hated and lied about—any more than it saved Jesus from that attack. Darkened, conniving hearts just are.



Truth Is  
JESUS

Still, never ever EVER allow anyone to blackmail, bully, or intimidate you into being just like them. “Press on to the High Calling,” anyway.

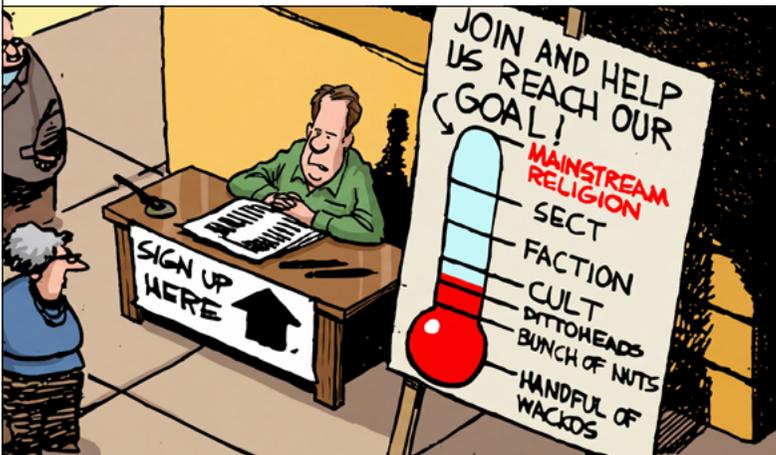
This is right. Love, forgive, be patient. We need His redemption, too. That’s not a small thing. Don’t undervalue in others the Blood of Jesus. The OUTCOME of the Blood and Spirit of Christ, will just happen when we are set “free indeed.”

### 3.2. The System Problem

There is NO possibility of circumventing clear Scripture that shows us His Way. And His Way is not not not what churchianity has been doing for centuries now.

Sure, we can splat on a new coat of paint now and then, to update our tech and marketing. But starting 150 years after Jesus went back to the Father’s side, we have obliterated the very Ecosystem from Heaven Jesus left in our care.

We have replaced His daily Life with a religious System of culture and convenience, mostly copied from other world religions, without any basis at all in Scripture. We now see that System literally everywhere. Does commonness make it right? Absolutely not.



**NON-SEQUITUR**  
Wiley Miller

### 3.3. The System Fade

The System is fading. It never worked well, or represented Jesus well, anyway.

Common religion is “for” Him, no doubt. But, it’s not what He showed us. And, therefore, it doesn’t and can’t possibly look like Him to the world or to our children, or the new generation.

Today’s culture of “inclusion” of compromise has not pleased Jesus, the Head. It has become a clever organization, a System driven by multiple components and fuels. His community (the Greek word for church, not a building) is not any longer community, and not any longer a living Organism, His Design, His Ecosystem. It isn’t Life. Today’s “thing” can’t/won’t/hasn’t turned God’s People away from sin, unrighteousness, vice, foul language, issues of “conforming to patterns of the world,” pride, greed, selfishness, laziness, idolatry, hedonism, lust, unforgiveness, judgments, bigotry, or racism. These, and a thousand other things that aren’t Jesus block our ability to WALK with Jesus.

Being Saved is for us. But, He Designed His LIFE to advance His Purposes and Heal the world. He could have just dropped a Book down from Heaven. But, He brought His LIFE that we would Walk with Him and draw from His Spirit Life together—to blow up Satan. “I will build My Family, against which the fortress of Hell cannot stand.” “And He will soon crush Satan under YOUR feet.”

Life isn’t all just about being Saved by Jesus. We all, and the entire world is robbed by the lack of Jesus’ presence and Spirit when the Ecosystem is not multiplying His Life within us, and then around us. The System is a killer of millions, though unintentional.

Cigarettes were once recommended by doctors, asbestos insulation was great, mercury was in medicine and thermometers and even rubbed into the skin, Thalidomide was



**A Silent Killer**

a safe sleep aid until thousands of children were born with limb deformities, radium was added to toothpaste and chocolate (for energy), arsenic was in clothing dyes, and on and on. The System of attendance and clergy/laity is not generally healthy, not Biblical, and doesn't bear His fruit—because it's not what He founded from Heaven. But, lacking His fruit, the System uses His Name, like “Christmas,” often in vain.

Can we dare to move on now?

## *4. The Jesus Way*

### **4.1. His Dance: The Ecosystem**

Jesus was clear in both example and teaching, as were His chosen apprentices: “I will Build My Ecosystem, THE Dance,” not an atten-‘dance’ System.

There is no way to be honest and ignore the current and historic cringe fruit of centuries of attendance-clergy-leaven—the devolution of that which Jesus brought us from Heaven.

### **4.2. Plain Humans, Until We’re Not**

I know, I know. We are all “just plain humans.” What else does He have but just lil ole us? But, that’s the gas! His Plan that “astounds even the angels!” And, yes, angels are real too. Valid.

We have our depression, fears, pride from insecurity, our unfortunate dog water language, immodesty, bad (unChristlike) habits, our defensiveness and our vanity.

We are bundled still with pride from delusion, yet-difficult vices, hyper-religious brains, hyper-legalistic brains, hyper-imaginative brains.

We have all our learned nonsense and inherited DNA damage. But He wants to be our friend, help us to laugh at ourselves, and make us into His Image—into “the family likeness of His Son, Jesus.”

He washes us clean so that by His Spirit and His Zoe Life we can live as He lived and become more and more like Him in heart, mind and character. He didn’t come just to save us. He came to change us, SO THAT we can complete His Purpose of “setting captives free” by His Body, His People, His Priesthood of all believers, by His Spirit.

He came to show us how to live by His Supernatural Heavenly source, instead of just be a mere mortal, natural man. But that CANNOT happen in a holy day attendance system. He Designed us for daily Ecosystem. We CANNOT change fast enough or with Truth on our own or at a meeting or bible study. He Designed us for Ecosystem. “One hundred mothers, brothers, sisters, lands, possessions and Zoe Life.”

Fire, yeah? Yeah. You know it.

### **4.3. His Holy Spirit Rainforest**

He’s taking all of us and teaching us how to open our hands and trust quietly, and together.

So please, get out of the movement mentality. Get out of the “hide in the ritual” emotional and intellectual laziness. Don’t settle for the cool word studies in the Greek. Stop grabbing lingo and inserting it into a System that Biblically shouldn’t exist. You, and your children and all who are far off... deserve Better, deserve all of Him. His Design is His Ecosystem of Life.

The System can be a bit helpful, sometimes, like a great accidental golf shot with a terrible swing. It’s not true feedback, though. Don’t be satisfied. Wait till you see how ugly your “swing” video is from an outside perspective. “Real versus Feel” is an actual slogan.

Accidental successes are God's Grace, not God's Plan for His Church and the World. "All creation groans for bible studies and worship bands for three services on Sunday and 90% world-living people who are nothing like the Son in their real life"? That is NOT His Plan, though He is kind and generous.

Giving us what we want, as He gave Saul to Israel, because they wanted to be like the other world religions, doesn't mean God is a fan of our ideas—or that there won't be consequences. GOD wants an Ecosystem to grow up His People to their full potential. His Intent, His Design is to get us into the "Stature of Christ," His Son, to bear HIS fruit naturally without programs and speeches and holy days! Those are not His Design.

So, are ritual and systems and hype-services and attendance all bad? "Certainly not!" Sincere individuals in the System are often "preserved in formaldehyde" or "pickled" and protected by cultivating their own relationship with God. They certainly get some Treasure in a "service/mass" or "Bible Study." Maybe they deeply need or appreciate the timely Truth they hear, and cry during "worship" because of recent failure or tragedy. Perhaps they apply the moments they met God in real life, on their own.

But, that is not God's Plan. There should be and can be TWENTY of those Opportunities every week of their life, undiluted by a thousand worldly killers.

How many minutes in a rainforest ecosystem is "nothing happening"? None. Night and day. Large and small. Unlike the System with an "on/off" switch, worldly toxins in the "congregation" and often in the "sermons," the Ecosystem slowly Heals the invisible virus in every man or woman's soul. The natural pruning and cycle of life makes way for new stronger life. It is scary, but essential.

As with life in the rainforest ecosystem, if we are in a Jesus Ecosystem, we are always "conscious of God" and in the middle of His growing Life, "called alongside one another daily



**Cycle of LIFE**

for admonishing and encouraging,” “iron sharpening iron,” “faithful are the wounds of a friend.” “From one degree of Glory to another.”

## 4.4 If Jesus Gags, We Must Gag

What makes Jesus sick to His stomach? Even in the good moments of the Attendance/Clergy System, there is “leaven in the batch,” as the Bible calls it. The “lukewarm” is a mixture of a little hot and a little cold. Jesus said He will vomit lukewarm mixture out. Now, why is that? “Isn’t that extra big yikes overreaction, Jesus?”

It’s obviously not an overreaction by Jesus, because He isn’t like that. If it shocks us, we should find out why, because He’s right and we’re wayyyy less right.

Let’s say it: we are wrong if we think He is.

His gag response to a “congregation” with “a little hot and a little cold” is because HE KNOWS what will happen... “A little leaven,” “a little poison,” spreads and damages everyone, whether they want to be affected, or not. It kills young people, whether we realize it, or can put our finger on “how”! Jesus taught this and He Sees it so clearly, even if we don’t see it or agree.

We think, arrogantly, we can “eat the meat and spit out the bones.” NO, YOU CAN’T. God said, “Get the leaven out of the batch.” God said, stone the rebel “Achan” (from the town of Ai, the other Ai), who hid sin in his tent, in Joshua 7, or he will damage EVERYONE. “One hidden act can lead to God’s judgment and eventually system-wide failure.” God said, “Get him out, or you will all pay for it!”

God says the same today, about hidden, compromised, uncommitted lives amongst us, with whom we have continued relationship.

For those who are truly washed in Jesus' Blood (because they truly surrendered their lives to Him), weakness and failure are not leaven any longer. Weakness and immaturity are not leaven. Hating Light, exposure, and change is leaven. The "verdict" as Jesus called it, is "loving the light." That's the test. Not performance or perfection. Hidden sin, darkness-loving, compromising, partially committed... Was Jesus "unfair" to the rich young ruler and others? No way. Simply put, our standard of "well-meaning" and "nice person" are NOT God's standard. And, we would be playing god to misrepresent Him, whether we "get it" or not.

Lukewarmness in the "Church" diminishes all the good people by orders of magnitude in the potential outcome of their lives. Who they "might have turned out to be" is destroyed, Jesus said, by even one lone Achan who changed the Standard from what God said. False pity, Saul-sacrifice excuses. "God will understand my situation"—don't go there.

God didn't strike Achan dead. Or Ananias and Sapphira, per se. God had His People deal with it. And the same is true today. In the Ecosystem of "daily in public places and different homes" we "admonish, encourage, talk and apply Jesus' truths to one another daily in the midst of fun great productive creative living and families and careers—so that none are hardened by sin and deceived. Lives are Changed by His daring Design—that can never be changed otherwise.

And if there IS leaven, hidden disobedience in the tent, God will show us, if we care to obey Him. "Without holiness, no one will SEE the Lord." Everyone will be given a chance day by day, organically and in secret as possible (Matthew 18) to throw that sin out the door. Those who won't budge are leaven. Those who are broken-hearted and care deeply, without pretense to save rep or goodies, but because of a love for our Master, are forgiven with open arms.



**Revolution  
Dancing**

Even language and attitude can be leaven. Paul said, “Warn a divisive, combative, treacherous person once, a second time, and then have nothing to do with them.” There are many such examples. 1 Cor. 5, 2 Cor. 2, and 2 Cor. 7 are all about the same person in Corinth, who, after being dealt with as leaven as God commanded, turned it around and his soul was saved! So, why not try? God commanded it, in HIS Ecosystem. Pruning is for the Good, not some ugly command by an uncaring God. Live it. Dare. And all the rest of us learn from the clarity.

If leaven is in “the world,” Jesus said, “leave it be—the Angels will eventually deal with it.” Jesus said, “The field is the world.” Not the church. In the church, we are Commanded to find a way, “Iron sharpening Iron,” to resolve sin lovingly, not ignore it.

We are not innocent if we build unbiblically in a System. There is NO way to know if there is leaven or weakness or posing in an attendance-based clergy-based system. Often there is even lack of conversion on the part of some cultural “attenders.” This poor quality of life in the things we call “churches” is robbing everyone, from the children to the oldest so-called “members.”

And, in that case, we are immensely diminished before we start. NO one will reach even half of their potential to be like Jesus, in the System that defies Hebrews 3:12-14. “Not knowing” about internal worldliness or neglect because it was hidden by those who had a reason to hide it is not an excuse to protect lukewarmness. The System hides sin and unconversion, stunts growth, and kills young people and marriages.

The Ecosystem is like Jesus walking up and putting His arm around someone day-to-day. Maybe they change, maybe they don’t. But in the Ecosystem of Jesus’ daily together Life, at least they had a chance to find out if they were leaven, or just babies in need. What a difference!



**The Field Is  
the World**



**Iron  
Sharpening**

Because we have adopted and adapted to the culture and the world religious system in “attendance-based” religion instead of “DAILY in public places and from house to house, with no program or attendance or assigned leader except Jesus,” we will continue to lose the 70-90% of young people and 50% of marriages. (Barna, Lifeway, Graham, Promise Keepers, etc.)

## 4.5. Moving Forward

Never be, though, the angry young woman or angry young man. Just be God’s man or God’s woman, or God’s young maturing warrior. Peacefully, humbly.

You want to “turn over tables” really? Like the Carpenter Jesus, we all know that buying and selling books and music, and indulgences, is cringe, and rage bait in the Heavens. We already KNOW Jesus, John, Paul, Peter would never have SOLD their book, music or teaching, taken “love offerings,” or signed autographs. Got it.

But be patient. Let “zeal for the Father’s house” consume you. Not your ego or fear or impatience or rep or brand.

Don’t compromise, but do be kind. While we need to move on and do the Right things for Jesus, and for the future of everyone, that doesn’t mean bringing anyone else down on the way.

We need to quit taking ourselves so seriously, and the try-hard princess stuff.

## 4.6. Growing in Jesus’ Character

Yes, *we are human*. If we’re Delivered and Washed by abandonment to Jesus the King, and therefore have His Spirit in us now, we are no longer just mammal DNA. But that doesn’t mean we don’t have a lot of changing to do, still.

Becoming a little more like Jesus' character every day (+1, +1, +1) is what happens in an Ecosystem of Life Together, that can happen nowhere else, apart from being zapped with Miracles. His PLAN is an Ecosystem. But growth is not how we get Saved. We already got our 100%, all A's on the Father's willingness to let us be with Him forever, if we are sold out to Jesus, forsaking our very life. We aren't "earning" Father's perfect love, because if we give our lives and decisions and desires to Him and truly take up our cross too, we have put on Jesus-Clothes, by Faith in His Blood, and His Loving Path for us. It is finished.



+1, +1, +1

And now, when your insides are screaming or crying, when you're coming apart in whatever kind of pain you experience... you can call on the Name of the Lord, and still put Jesus and others first. You don't have to be a brat or fall apart anymore. Grow.

In an Ecosystem we all help each other BE, not just think we "know" some stuff. "Knowing stuff" in the head but not pursuing Life... is the wrong Tree in the Garden. Knowing is very different from Becoming.

Jesus showed us how to respond under pressure while "among us." He showed us how to look into the eyes of those around us and feel their obstacles. Submitting to His love and life and Spirit minute-by-minute, we will be that kind of People, a Royal Priesthood, also.

## 4.7. The Only Acceptable Outcome

Being a "man OF God" or "woman OF God" is the only possible acceptable outcome for your life and our generation.

This book is about, in both a symbolic and an experiential way, a return to the Garden of Eden, doing it right this time, in Jesus.

We now have another opportunity to choose the Tree of Life—to walk in our intended home, the "Garden of Eden," in deep relationship and fellowship with Him and each other.

We need to be done with the Tree of Knowledge, the Tree of self-justification, pride, ambition, brainy religion, emotional religion, lust, greed, and lack of accountability.

How do we Get to where Jesus came to bring us?

We are about to talk about that!

## 4.8. There Is More

There is MORE! (For those still wondering...)

No? You don't think so?

Are you saying there is NOT more?

“All is well, as is.” Are you really going on record with that testimony? You say, “All is exactly how Jesus Intends the church to Be, fundamentally and practically,” and you insist this, with perhaps some level of indignation and protection mechanism?

Are you upset that anyone would suggest that fundamentally GOD WANTS MORE THAN THIS, and Jesus has a Way that has barely even been explored?

“Let's just work on a spicier Sunday show, and a program adjustment for the holiday, and we'll have it. There isn't a whole new level. Unless it's a fancy schmancy 'Revival' God pours out. That would be dope someday over the rainbow.”

“But otherwise, we've got it all right, so y'all shut up and sit down and blend in, or you'll get the boot at a secret meeting with the clergy boss man, or his assistant titled guy so Boss man doesn't get his hands dirty.” Of course, this is labeled as for the greater good, and insidious rumors are hinted at, so “You don't need to know why they aren't 'attending' anymore.”

They questioned whether Jesus has MORE for us, and you were insulted and felt threatened, so they secretly got “the left foot of fellowship.”



**Sunday  
Show?**

“All is fine, as is.” Good grief. Surely, you’re not going to pick THAT hill to die on.

There IS more! And it’s always all been in the Bible, and in the “obviously different than religion” Life that Jesus Lived and then deposited here with us.

But together we ain’t living it much at all, generally speaking of the centuries and nations of the earth. Why not? We should talk.

Attending on a Sunday, while mixing leaven, light and darkness and gray, hot and cold and lukewarm, into the pews or folding chairs, is forbidden by Jesus Himself. Just because we don’t know what to do about it, or can’t see it because we have an “attendance/clergy” blindfold on, doesn’t mean we get to ignore His Commands.

We love our “Science” in the West, so here is some o’ dat for you.

***“If a single reproducible observation contradicts a theory, then the theory is falsified.”***

– Karl Popper, PhD

***“It doesn’t matter how beautiful your theory is. It doesn’t matter how smart you are. If it doesn’t agree with experiment, it’s wrong.”***

– Richard Feynman (Physicist)

If Jesus said, “Get the Leaven out of the batch” and is sickened by a “church” with hot and cold lives mixed together (lukewarm), and you can’t get leaven or cold or lukewarm out on a Sunday morning, then the paradigm, the System is NOT what Jesus brought to earth in the first place. If you can’t obey a command to “remove the leaven” without the Gestapo “guessing,” and non-redemptive legalism and rules and bias taking over, then we built it wrong in the first place! Coups and chaos, powerplays and pesos. Really? We KNOW we can’t go there.



**There IS  
More!**

We also know we can't disobey Jesus about solving the "Achan" hidden problems either. We cannot ignore it without huge consequences from God, and with our children and our Testimony to the atheists and our young, and the "religions" of the world that aren't Jesus.

So! Reevaluate System versus Ecosystem and quit defending the "little bit of Good" that the System does. OF COURSE it does. But the good hearts will be forever stunted, like a baby wrapped in a blanket and fed cotton candy until it's twenty years old, never allowed out of the crib. And the posers and fakers and the ignorantly unsaved will never have a chance to be convicted by practical examples over time in their lives—in their homes and workplaces, with their tempers or their eyes or their mouths or their greed or pride. NO ONE SEES THAT on Sundays. And no one is a Priest except the paid guy running the show. So, it won't change, probably, or much.

And the atheist and teen and Hindu will go on feeling justified and bored by the System that breeds hypocrisy and attempts to blow it away by turning up the worship music on Sunday.

Wrong paradigm. The System is not what Jesus brought from Heaven. No way. Don't die on that hill. Have some courage. And intellectual and spiritual honesty. The Ecosystem that solves the paradigm problem and allows the puzzle to fit together is a Priesthood of Believers, and many fluid, organic Gifts, inside of daily Heb.3:12-14 Ecosystem Life.

Don't suggest this is what we see around us today. It's not. You know it, and any honest observer time-traveler from Acts 2 and the first century would believe today to be a mere shell of the JESUS-LIFE they witnessed when the apprentices Jesus trained in person were doing what He did, and teaching what He lived and taught. He left His Spirit in His Body, to be HIM until He returns. Read Acts 2:36-47 again and see what Jesus living inside of His Body really looks like.

## 4.9. The World Must See Jesus In Us! Not “For” Him. HIM!

Even in our culture it can be incredible, rich Together-Life, “in the world, but not of the world.” There are those of us who have been living Ecosystem, the “time-traveler” would agree, since 1985-ish, 40 years plus. No clergy or appointed or expected automatic “leader,” but a kingdom of priests. No ceremony or religious building or scheduled anything, but daily Life in a fluid, unpredictable, no-rules-or-controls way.

A no-program Life, with “ever-increasing Glory.” Children and grandchildren, too, now, and virtually no “sowing wild oats” (though humans are tempted of course, both young or old). THAT “young people HAVE to defile themselves and rebel against God who made them” is an excuse, made by those in the System who CAN’T show the young people a daily Jesus.

People will not see Jesus if we are not demonstrating Jesus’ Life in a way that children and outsiders meet HIM, rather than a lukewarm leaven-filled ceremony with “great music and great ‘preaching.’” “THIS is HOW all men will know this is an unreproducible Life from Heaven itself, by the impromptu witness in daily Life of how you Love One Another.”



**Come and See**

1 Cor. 14, “When Revelation comes to the second, let the first one sit down.” When God wants to throw in a “Yeah but” or a “True, but what about” and a “That made me think of this Scripture and a thing that happened to me yesterday,” LET THE FIRST ONE SIT DOWN! That Priesthood of all Saved is where Jesus’ Spirit is free to raise up or sit down and present us with creative Opportunities to See and Grow, a hundred times a day between all the Priesthood of Followers of Jesus. And if the “next one to speak” is a fraud as seen in his daily life in the daily Ecosystem where he is not absent or invisible, someone will likely pull him aside and say, “Are you SURE, with your life as it currently is, that you should be grabbing the microphone and pontificating, bro?”

We are still learning and growing more every year. And we always will be. The “Full measure of the stature of Christ” is an infinitely powerful and rich journey with no end. ZOE. But the Plan is the ECOSYSTEM, or it is a self-defeating feel-good System, meant to placate or promote someone or something.

Jesus is AMAZING. Humans historically are not amazing. And yet, His Body was Designed to look like Him, “the family likeness” in both Salvation status and in Life Together.

None of us are all that yet, but we are meant, as we Grow in awe of Him and “walk in the Light” in our daily Life Together, to “shine like stars in the universe.”

Just sayin’.

So now, does Sunday morning attendance, with a boss man calling the shots, REALLY sound like Jesus, the water-walking, dead-raising, life-healing, mesmerizing, world changer? Nah.

Pounding and carving the puzzle pieces of verse-plucking Scripture to a desired “shape” to fit into the “picture” we want to create isn’t honest. That’s an L. Ignoring the Real picture of the Life of Jesus and that Life poured out over sixty years of Writing in the New Testament, to create the picture we want to end up with... is not honest.

What if I had puzzle pieces to make a photo of the only racehorse that had won all the big races in the world (the Kentucky Derby, the Triple Crown, the Mongol Derby, and the UAE Derby), but I wanted the puzzle to end up being a picture of a Ford Pickup Truck? Is it really honest to cut up and pound the pieces to make the picture I want? It can’t work anyway!

Remember “The Emperor Has No Clothes” parable?

Unless we are trying really hard to be dishonest, because we have the agenda of a desired outcome, the Picture needs to be ONLY what the Designer intended. And we get to look at “the picture on the puzzle box”: Acts 2:36-47. And there are fifty-nine



**The Real  
Picture**

“One-another” verses, and much more. We get to see what Jesus’ Life in His current Body is supposed to Be, unless we have on the wrong glasses prescription and the “coke bottle lenses” have confused us and thrown us off balance.

We CAN Experience Together, with “ever increasing Glory” wayyyyyy more than the System—the cage, church-ianity—is currently showing us.



Quality Life

***“I hope you never fear those mountains in the distance  
Never settle for the path of least resistance  
Livin’ might mean takin’ chances, but they’re worth takin’  
Lovin’ might be a mistake, but it’s worth makin’  
Don’t let some hell-bent heart leave you bitter  
When you come close to sellin’ out, reconsider  
Give the heavens above more than just a passing glance  
And when you get the choice to sit it out or dance  
I hope you dance.”***

– “I Hope You Dance” by Tia Sillers & Mark Sanders

## 5. Jesus Isn’t Religion

### 5.1. The Definitions Don’t Fit

Sociologist Émile Durkheim described religion as a “unified system of beliefs and practices relative to sacred things”—“things set apart as forbidden that unite adherents into a moral community.”

Anthropologist Edward Tylor defined religion as “the belief in spiritual beings,” noting that narrowing this definition would exclude many cultures and traditions.

Clifford Geertz says religion is “a system of symbols which establishes powerful, long-lasting moods and motivations by formulating conceptions of existence, with an aura of factuality.”

Jesus definitely did NOT come to bring a new religion to our Milky Way Galaxy speck of rock and liquid. He did not.

## 5.2. The Master Teacher's Demonstration

*The Master Teacher created Earth ultimately to be a demonstration of His Life, "on earth as it is in Heaven."*

"Even the Angels long to look into these things."

## 5.3. The Release of His DNA

He brought an Ecosystem to us. Not a System. Not a religion.

He brought Himself. The *Life* became the *Light* of men.

And then He deposited all of that into His blood-bought Family.

TRUE Christians, alone amongst the posse of Darwin's mammals, have been joined to Him by His spiritual DNA. By abandoning our lives to Him—also known as having "Saving Faith in Jesus," the Journey begins! His gifts and Spirit are infused into us, and now we begin to release and cultivate that new DNA by our humility and obedience and choices for Him.

He has now brought us into a living Organism, not a weekly appointment with a club or an organization.

He bathed and permeated His Life and Gifts into a kingdom of priests, the New Covenant. Jesus didn't bring from Heaven a clergy-led audience, or a theology and social club or book club with a bunch of "know the Lord, know the Lord" rules. HE didn't bring to earth the sacraments and posing and posturing, spoken or unspoken, of comfort and unchallenged love of the world and the things of this world.



**Saving Faith**

## 5.4. Reality, Not Attendance

Jesus LIVES. He Lives, not as an idea. Not as a moral influence.

Not at a “Sunday mass” (Protestant or Catholic version) where everyone seems spiritual for 60 or 120 minutes. Many of us have tried that, sincerely thinking it was “biblical” because we “study” the Bible and use bible words. And everyone has been doing exactly that for the last 1800 out of the 2000 years since Jesus and His apprentices were here.

THEN we found, in moments of courageous honesty, after ignoring or explaining away a hundred tragedies that didn’t have to happen, 1) it doesn’t work as it should, and 2) it doesn’t exist in the Teachings and Life of Jesus or His hand-picked followers.

It was made up, however sincerely, copying the other world religions, and living for the “safe place” of convenience, predictability, and the conscience salve of a few minutes of “spiritual” per week.

Jesus absolutely did not have anything in common with other world religions.

God has no competitors, Doppelgangers, or twins.

Jesus teaches “as One with authority”—and anyone honest knows you don’t “attend” a forest fire.

So I say again: Gen Z will not tolerate the wax museum steeplehouse or auditorium “service” version.

Gen Z will not be Gen Zzzzz, sleeping through ceremonies while the world burns and their souls starve. They will be Gen Zoe.

They see the artificiality instantly—just like watching an AI-generated animation that almost looks real.



**Courageous  
Honesty**

## 5.5. Community, Not Ceremony

Most of us, if our parents were “religious” at all, grew up in a world of ceremonies and programs, not Presence.

Choreography, not community. Sermons and sacraments, not saturation.

The “attendance world” our parents inherited, and then we inherited, is nothing like Jesus or the Life from Heaven He lived in while here, and left in us.

And so?

There is some evidence that recently there has been a movement “back to church.” I’m sure that’s likely after all we’ve been through on this planet and in this country in the last few years. But simultaneously, a November 2025 Gallop Poll suggests attendance-based religion since 2017 is down another 35%, to a mere 48% who care about “religion” and the System at present.

People overall have been leaving by the millions. Eight million teens of “churchgoers,” 70-90% of all of them (depending on the study and poll), are slaughtered by the voids in the System every three years. Why?

Atheists and young people, churchgoers, youth groupers, and partiers are not seeing the person and life and gifts and daily wisdom of Jesus. The System isn’t being Jesus’ Life and Body. Jesus didn’t bring us the System. Jesus brought us an Ecosystem.



A System Fix?  
No

## 5.6. Jesus Is Attractive, Mixture Isn’t

I’ve had this conversation with atheists and agnostics, at Harvard and around the world.

I’ve had this same conversation with many Muslims and some Hindus. A high percentage of any human can be locked into,

enthusiastic about the conversations about JESUS, but never about today's version of religion. One person, last night, said "You had me at Jesus!"

Acknowledging the Good News that our personal lives need a Savior and Rescuer and Physician resonates. They want Jesus, but the System isn't attractive to most after they've experienced it. The System doesn't look like Him much, even if they "talk" about Him.

People want HIM! Who wouldn't, unless they want to be "gods, and be in charge of what's good and evil," as was the temptation in the Garden of Eden.

A couple of us riding in a taxicab in Cairo asked the driver what "Friday (Jumu'ah) Mosque" is like where he "attends." He said, "We have a predictable agenda, and then people fall asleep while the Imam gives his predictable speech."

Many "unlikely" people admit they would be attracted to and fascinated by JESUS— but they aren't actually given the chance by the System to see Him, in His Body. It was always HIS PLAN, His Design to show HIMSELF daily, at scale.

"Christ has generously given each of us grace, unique gifts that matches his Intent for us and all of us. As Scripture says, When He ascended to the heights, He took prisoners of the enemy and put them on display in a parade of losers, and gave booty and gifts to His own. He ascended means that He first came down to our world, living amongst us in the poorest and lowest parts of the earth. And the One who descended to us, the Light and Life of men, is the very same who ascended again far above all the heavens, filling the universe with His presence. And He gave parts of Himself, gifts, to all of those with His DNA, that He might make His Life manifest to the principalities and powers, and all of creation."

The Ecosystem.



**Jesus Is  
Attractive**

The Ecosystem of Jesus is now buried under the rubble of man-made Systems, for the most part.

Most teens never had a chance.

“THIS is HOW all men will know you are Mine, from Heaven, by the unfathomable love and death to self-life they witness in the midst of My Ecosystem.”

And only 9% of self-identified Christians hold anything resembling a biblical worldview, or understand the Good News. Wow. Ouch. (*Barna and Lifeway polls*)

## 5.7. Don't Settle for Hopelessness

Adults wave around this slogan, to feel better about their failures:

“Teens NEED to sow their wild oats. It's normal.”

Wrong. That's only true in the System, the “way to have church” based on attendance at a place, on a schedule, with an automatic clergy-boss to run things.

This disaster is predictable in the Organization but isn't normal in the Organism of HeavenLife Jesus brought us. The System, for those who really know what is going on in the youth groups and such, is, according to that Barna Research, a pig-sty mess. Jesus meant it to be the warm-up Dance for His Wedding Feast. But it doesn't turn out that way when young and old don't get a chance to meet Jesus—because we are not embodying Him in what we mistakenly call “church.”

The Answer has always been “in the Bible” but was excused away or ignored.

Reducing 70-90% fatalities down to 10% is totally possible and provable in the Ecosystem of daily Jesus-centered Living! Millions of saved young people are just watching and waiting,



Ugh!  
Wild Oats

if we'd just give them a chance to MEET the real Jesus. In His Body, in His Ecosystem.

Most have given up, though it is plain as day in our Bibles what the Church, the Ecosystem looks like. The daily real Thing exposes and builds and cleanses and grows, goes through seasons and pruning, blossoms, and ultimately “bears fruit,” in season, “that will last.”

You can forget forever now “Learned Hopelessness.”

Seligman’s Dog, Pavlov’s Dog: we no longer need them either! Get a different pet.



Learned  
Hopelessness

## 6. The Hope and the Challenge

### 6.1. Learned Hopelessness

In the 1960s, Martin Seligman shocked dogs via their cage floors. Of course, they hated it.

But when they realized they had no option, because the door was locked, they gave up trying to escape. And even when he opened the door later, the dogs still lay down and stayed inside.

They had learned to be hopeless. They had the chance to be free, but they had stopped hoping, stopped trying. They changed their worldview to accommodate nothingness and “getting by.”

### 6.2. Don’t Be Tricked: The Why’s of Daily Life Matter

Modern Christianity has mostly caught the same contagious disease. The same people who taught you to dress up on a

holy day that doesn't exist in the Bible, and didn't exist during the days of Jesus or His apprentices, or for 300 more years... the same people who brought you Mardi Gras and Halloween and Santa and the Easter Bunny... have told you that the System is all that exists.

They believe nothing better is possible. If they can't trick you into believing what they're doing is actually in the Bible, they will try the sus "first century only" line, or catfish you with "today's culture is different." Well, duh. Every culture and time, country and decade have a different culture, to some extent. Big deal. What is the FORCING FUNCTION, the priorities that drive day-to-day decisions? What is Jesus' CHARACTER in the culture? The look and feel may differ, but NEVER will apathy, leaven, worldliness, vanity, and attendance-clergy-based religion ever be an "acceptable" culture, in any generation or nation.



**Different  
Cultures**

Some want us to believe, "It's not rrrreally loving the world to primarily think about, talk about, spend massive money on, plan, befriend, and spend energy mostly on the world, while eating up entertainment, social media, gaming, and dark friendships."

But "what if" instead, our priority is daily Life woven daily together with Jesus' People and Purposes in the CONTEXT of "in the world but not of the world." What if an outsider really would describe what he witnesses as everyone, "from the least to the greatest" not needing anyone chasing them down with the old Spiritless Covenant of, "Know the Lord, know the Lord." What if "ALL the believers were one in heart" daily and lived Jesus' priority for the planet, "As you rise up, sit down, and walk along the way." This has ALWAYS been God's Way, exemplified in His Life and teaching, and the life and teaching of His apprentices. The Ecosystem. That Changes everything.

### 6.3. System Defenders and Name-Calling

Those “church”-going yet still “Unsaved Christians” (book by Dean Inserra, 2019) are prone to believe “the old is better,” as Jesus said about “Old Wineskins,” that shape that contains the Wine, the crushed fruit of God’s Vine.

“No one tears a piece out of a new garment to patch an old one. Otherwise, they will have torn the new garment, and the patch from the new will not match the old. And no one pours new wine into old wineskins. Otherwise, the new wine will burst the skins; the wine will run out and the wineskins will be ruined. No, new wine must be poured into new wineskins. And no one after drinking old wine wants the new, for they say, ‘The old is better.’”

Attendance and clergy are safer, familiar, convenient, and accommodating to their preferred lifestyle of clothing, travel, wealth, friends, time, biological family preferences, and entertainment choices.

There’s not much time for Jesus Life in that. “That’s for Sunday, even if that concept is not in the Bible. It’s okay. All that commitment, take up your cross, die to the world and the world to you—that alien, stranger, sojourner stuff—was for the first century.”

It will likely be those “Unsaved Christian” attendance folks, or the clergy-class, who will call you names if you go beyond worldliness and “walk as Jesus walked” or expect them to do so.

“The stone the BUILDERS rejected, Jesus personifying His Truth, the Word, has become the chief Cornerstone.”

An older new brother, baptized in a river in Michigan two hours ago today, is living for Jesus and His daily Ecosystem now. He said he’s likely now, after years of high-level religion that ruined his life, to be accused of belonging to a cult—because religious



**Insults  
and Peace**

folks who default to calling names, C.U.L.T. —  
 “**C**an’t **U**nderstand **L**ife **T**ogether.” Insightful guy.

That name-calling is the “Saul Alinsky tactic” (look up Saul’s “Rules for Radicals” of how to destroy opposition when you can’t prove your own point convincingly). It remains the strategy of those who want power, prestige, and pesos—in politics, in the media, or in “religion.”



**The Blame  
Game**

## 6.4. Don’t Stay in the Cage

And so many, like Seligman’s Dog, keep sitting in the cage, the religion that Jesus never started nor endorsed, even when the Door to something far more amazing, just lit, is wide open.

## 6.5. Real Christianity: POWER!

Jesus did not come to improve the System, Judaism, or any other religion before or after. Jesus ain’t “one of many roads up the mountain” alongside the other roads.

He Created the Mountain. And “casts mountains into the Sea.” Mohammed never claimed it, Buddha can’t even stand up, and... you get the idea.

And as I said to a Harvard Graduate School Director, “Just because humans here and there—the Dalai Lama, Plato, Shakespeare, Buddha, and others—can plagiarize from what Jesus wrote into the Operating System of the planet and its inhabitants, doesn’t mean they are equals to their Maker. Quoting Him is great. Claiming ownership of His Wisdom is cheating.”

He wrote the Book of Life. And He promised His Spirit—not to create a System of placating rituals, but to make us an extension of Himself:

- ♦ **“Rivers of living water.”**
- ♦ **“Tasting the powers of the coming age.”**
- ♦ **“Joy inexpressible and full of Glory.”**
- ♦ **“Peace that transcends understanding.”**
- ♦ **“Christ IN you, the hope of Glory.”**

Where is that?

Where is THAT Christianity? It was always meant to be THE Christianity. Let’s go there! It’s Built in the Ecosystem of daily Life together, in the midst of big-time careers, stellar university performance, amazing parenting, superstar athletes, ALL of that, WITHIN the Ecosystem, not instead of the Ecosystem.

If your life does not contain those things listed above—if they’re poetry but not reality, and no one around sees anything like that in you—then something is seriously lost for Jesus’ Intent for His actual church, and the world. The attendance thingy is everywhere, but it isn’t Right, or Effective. It’s not even Effective for most of our own children. How very sad. But the naïve or guilty excuse it with a slogan from Satan himself. “They have to sow their wild oats. They HAVE to damage or destroy their lives forever. They have to.”

Humans’ experience is NOT the measure, or limit, of what is True and Possible in Jesus.



**Let’s Go  
There!**

## **6.6. The Issue**

The issue is:

Not with Jesus.

Not with the Scriptures.

But with the System.

## 7. What Now?

### 7.1. The Call

So here is the call:

Do not settle for the wax museum, even if it comes with a rap and a light show and a sports celebrity.

Seek the Ecosystem. We will talk more in the expanded version of this book, Volume 2, if you are one who Cares. You need to know how to get there, and what NOT to do on the way there. As in, don't you dare tread all over sincere folks who just have never had the Opportunity to Live IN Jesus and His Life, rather than attend and leave.



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Volume 2**

### 7.2. His Plan for Us

Here's His Plan, in the Bible:

Daily. Deeply. Together.

*As priests.* That's YOU, IF you are fully His. "Saying a little prayer" (also not in the Bible or the first 1,700 years of Jesus' church), is not the same.

There must be a Covenant of Faith...

- ♦ **like Abraham**
- ♦ **like the fishermen who walked away from their nets full of fish on the shore**
- ♦ **UNLIKE the Rich Young Ruler**

Jesus wants it all, so He can take you, day-by-day, deeper to explore His Father's House, "which has many rooms" of Treasure to be found.



**Jesus  
Wants It All**

As brothers and sisters. As those who walk in the Light.  
Because Jesus deserves what He died to give us.

And Gen Z—Generation Zoe—may just be the first generation in centuries bold enough to rip the wires out of the puppet-master’s hands and say:

“This IS Jesus. We found this ‘Pearl of Great Worth’ and sell everything for Him.”

That is the basis for an Ecosystem, rather than a System: Actual “Saving Faith.” We will live for Him who died for us.



**Daily Living  
and Dying**

***“Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Messiah.”***

***When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?”***

***Peter replied, “Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call.”***

***With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.***

***They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. Every day they continued to meet together in the***

***temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.***

– Acts 2:36-47

When making this change towards ecosystem, whether it's a "Bible study" or "congregation" or "parish"—a good philosophy is... Be additive not subtractive! Get involved in each others' lives way off-schedule in addition to whatever your organized thingy might be.

Go places, do things, engage in life and make Jesus central in every little thing with each other. Notice life or lack of life. Talk about it together. No policing but also no spiritually brain dead world-seeking, fun-seeking nonsense. Not little cliques, but everybody, or some unassigned ever-changing subsets of everybody. Talk about your spiritual life and what you are learning. Let Jesus cease to be a topic on a schedule, but rather "live and move and have your being" in Him. Be vulnerable, not teachy or weird.

Let the previous so-called clergy become just a brother or sister in the middle of a family. Maybe with extra gifts, maybe not, but that's not even relevant. As Jesus said, nobody is special, "you are all just brothers," Matthew 23.

Just let Jesus be center of all of the "extra" times you are also together, and much of the other system stuff will melt into an ecosystem. And "when revelation comes to the second one, let the first sit down!" will become a way of life every day. And, in fact, "Bible studies" and "services" will no longer exist in your mind. You'll never think of anything again as "going to church" or "something to attend." You will have outgrown that concept.

Live life. Jesus centered. None of us have it altogether, but all together we have it all. You will discover some amazing things about each other and about Jesus. People will come

to crossroads in their lives that they didn't know they needed to come to. Not everything will turn out great, but amazing things will happen for those who really do want Jesus with all their heart, soul, mind, and strength. We all will be set free to discover gifts and horizons we were previously unaware of in ourselves and others.

As Jesus said, "100 mothers, brothers, sisters, lands, possessions, and Zoe life." Ecosystem Life, Together. For "whosoever will." "This is My church that the gates of hell can no longer prevail against." Who has Oil? You'll find out.

You won't be able to turn a system into an ecosystem, because you will lose the majority of your friends when you start living for Jesus this way. Many will hate it because they hate the light. Still, you are doing what you need to do and finding out who is real or wants to be. That is powerful! Take your time. And... God *could* do a Jonah thing, and then *everyone*—from the King down—will grab a hold of Jesus' cloak.



**Holy Spirit  
Oil**

## 8. *Who the Next Book Is For*

### **Anyone who knows...**

Volume 2 is for anyone who knows, deep down, that we were made for more than a Sunday show. We were made to live for Him who died for us, and to show forth His Glory in a dark world. We were made for Life from Heaven, the Z-Axis instead of a religious X-Y Flatlands Axis. We were made for Ecosystem, not the self-serving Attendance-System.



**Z-Axis  
Zoe-Axis**

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I've generally left my name off books and all that jazz, since self-promotion and selling things about Jesus and His Plan are wrong. "Life" makes a lot of people mad, and as with Jesus, it brings the "liars and looters" out of the woodwork. So people might as well know who to be mad at. For those who catch God's Intent and Vision... just RUN with it. I don't matter. Humans and human opinion are nothing. Only the kindness and forgiveness of God matter. "Only God is good." This book is about that.

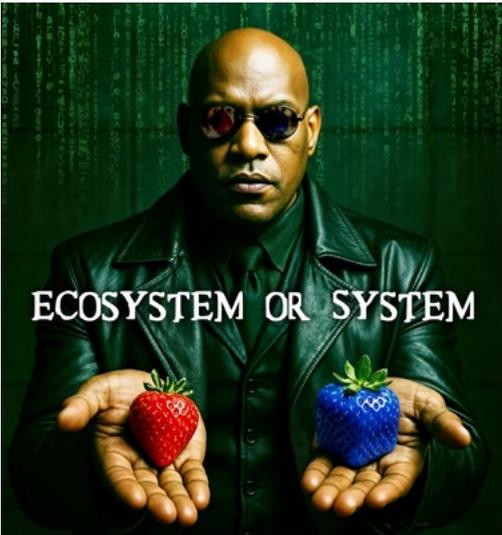




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