



# CREATE A CULTURE OF DISCIPLE-MAKING, LIKE JESUS DID.

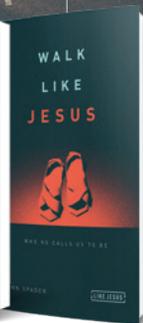
A disciple-making resource based on Jesus' **Mission, Model and Methods.**

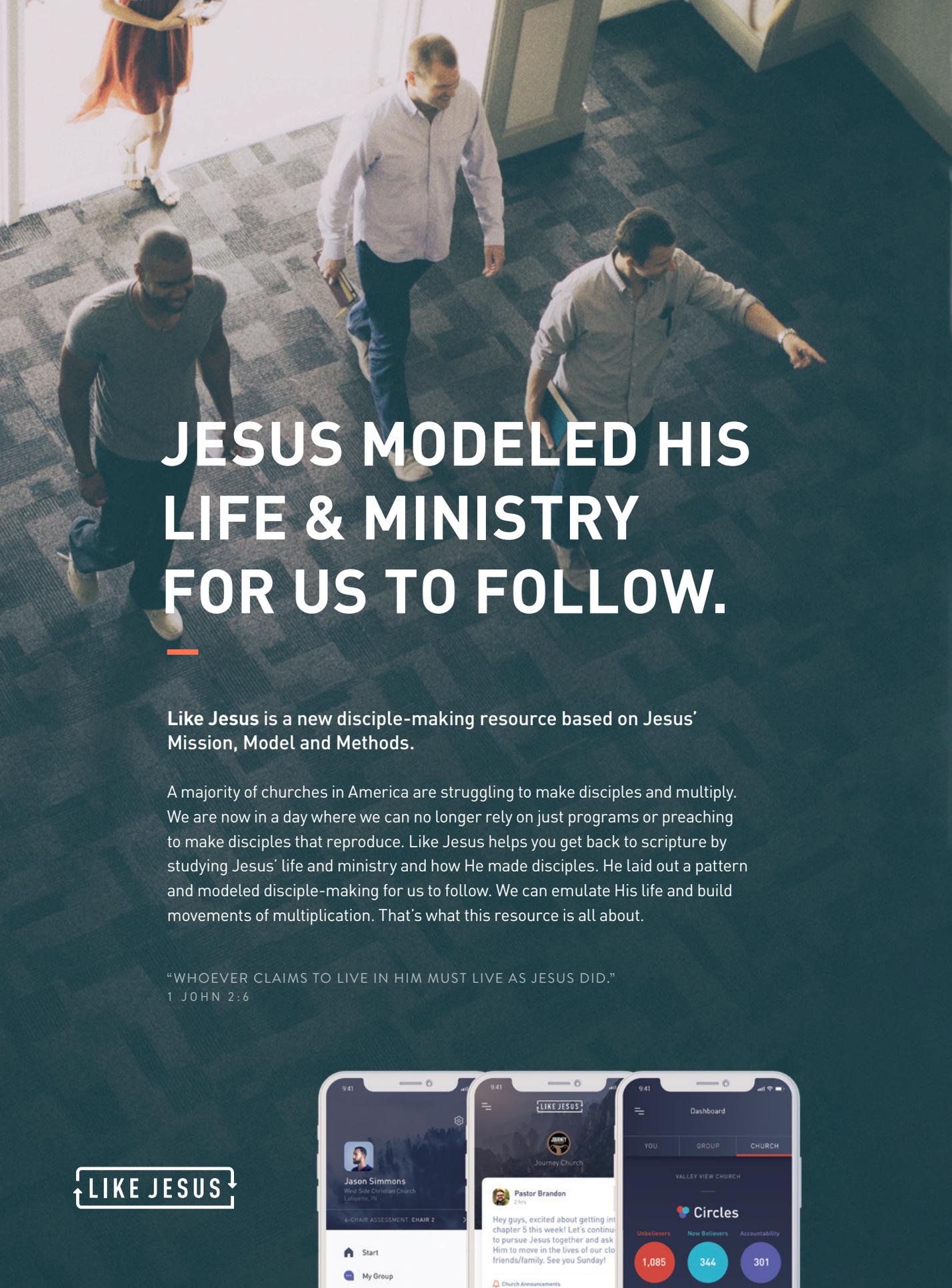
LEADERS

MISSION

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METHODS





# JESUS MODELED HIS LIFE & MINISTRY FOR US TO FOLLOW.

**Like Jesus** is a new disciple-making resource based on Jesus' Mission, Model and Methods.

A majority of churches in America are struggling to make disciples and multiply. We are now in a day where we can no longer rely on just programs or preaching to make disciples that reproduce. Like Jesus helps you get back to scripture by studying Jesus' life and ministry and how He made disciples. He laid out a pattern and modeled disciple-making for us to follow. We can emulate His life and build movements of multiplication. That's what this resource is all about.

"WHOEVER CLAIMS TO LIVE IN HIM MUST LIVE AS JESUS DID."  
1 JOHN 2:6

LIKE JESUS



Oh, my dear children! I feel as if I'm going through labor pains for you again, and they will continue **until Christ is fully developed in your lives.**

Galatians 4:19 NLT

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As a ministry leader, I'm sure you resonate with Paul's emotional words to the Galatians. How many times have you felt the very same emotions... seeking to see "Christ fully formed" in your people?

While working for many years helping a large church develop a culture of disciple-making, I led a team of people who developed three resources designed to help the average lay person understand what it means to walk (I John 2:6), live (John 17) and disciple like Jesus (Matthew 4:12-16)... These three modules focus on Christ's Mission, Model and Methods.

*Like Jesus* is a collection of those resources, designed for your church or ministry that involved several years of research and development. It was created to help you "form Christ" in your people's lives. The fruits of these transferable principles are being experienced around the globe in over 100 countries using these same principles that Jesus laid out for us in Scripture... proving them to be truly "transferable" for the average person. We can all live like Jesus.

For years, the passion of my life has been to help people see the "real Jesus" of the Scriptures. This Jesus worked with "unschooled ordinary men" (Acts 4:13) and in four years developed them into reproducing disciples who within 18 years "turned the world upside down" (Acts 17:6). That same Jesus then told us in over forty different ways to "walk as He walked" (I John 2:6) and "do what I have done" (John 14:12).

Can you imagine the impact of your people as you spend time lifting up Jesus and teaching them to "walk as Jesus walked" and "do what Jesus did"? Acts 20:20-21 could become a new reality in your church with "repentance toward God" (we have failed to live and make disciples like Jesus) and a newly formed "faith in our Lord Jesus Christ."  
Please Lord, help us to walk as you walked.

**We are excited to share this resource with you and trust the Lord will use it to form Christ fully in your life and your people's lives.**



**Dr. Dann Spader**  
Author

# HOW DOES IT WORK?

The Like Jesus resource is designed for churches and ministries to walk through first as a leadership team (**Leader Manual**) and then as a whole church/ministry through **the 3 modules**: The Mission of Jesus, Model of Jesus and the Methods of Jesus. Each module can be completed in 8-10 weeks and has specific goals for your ministry.



The **Leader Manual** is designed to give your team an overview before you teach the other 3 modules to your congregation. We also want to give you an opportunity to come into alignment as a leadership team on what disciple-making looks like in your unique church or ministry.

The first congregational module will look at the four challenges Jesus used with His disciples as He masterfully developed them into reproducing disciple-makers. This module will use the **“4 Chair Discipling”** book as both a study text and resource guide.



### IN THE APP:

- E-BOOKS/VIDEOS
- DISCUSSION GUIDES
- ASSESSMENT TOOLS

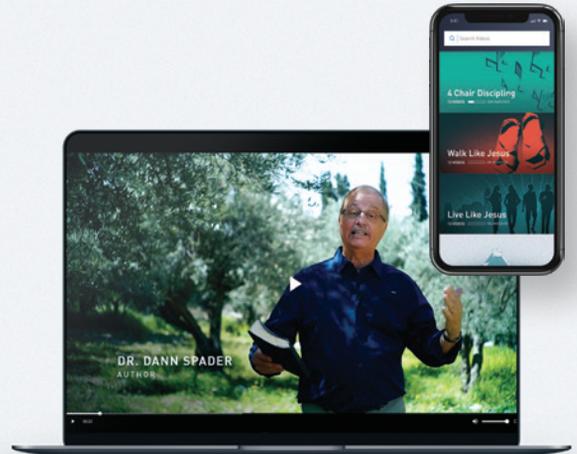


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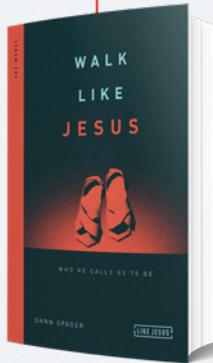
- E-BOOKS/VIDEOS
- 4-CHAIR ASSESSMENT
- DISCUSSION GUIDES
- CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

## DIGITAL ACCESS

Digital access provides you with over 30 videos, many filmed in Israel, real-time assessment and metrics for your congregation and leadership, full e-books or discounted printed books, sermon resources, graphics and more.



### 2 THE MODEL OF JESUS



- 11 SERMONS
- SMALL GROUP GUIDES
- INDIVIDUAL STUDIES
- RE-ASSESS 4-CHAIR

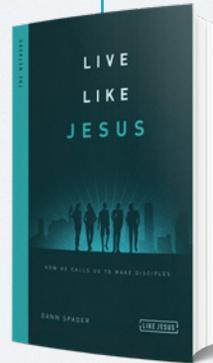
The second congregational module will look at what it means to “walk as Jesus walked” (1 John 2:6). This module will use the HSPower acronym as explained in the “Walk Like Jesus” study and discussion guides. These are the “Six Foundational Priorities” of Jesus.



#### IN THE APP:

- E-BOOKS/VIDEOS
- DISCUSSION GUIDES
- CIRCLES
- GROUP ENGAGEMENT

### 3 THE METHODS OF JESUS



- 11 SERMONS
- SMALL GROUP GUIDES
- INDIVIDUAL STUDIES
- RE-ASSESS 4-CHAIR

The third congregational module will focus on the Seven “I” Statements in John 17 stating in Jesus’ own words how He made disciples. We will use the “Live Like Jesus” study book with the discussion guides. We will also refer to these seven “I” statements as the ‘seven disciplines of a disciple-maker’.



#### IN THE APP:

- E-BOOKS/VIDEOS
- DISCUSSION GUIDES
- RE-ASSESS 4-CHAIR
- CIRCLES

# LAUNCHING LIKE JESUS IN YOUR CHURCH, MINISTRY OR SMALL GROUPS

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We recommend that you go through the material as a leadership team, preach it, discuss it in small groups and have people study on their own. We provide these four layers for you. Leader Manual, sermon guides, discussion guides and the books themselves for personal study.

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## ALIGN YOUR LEADERSHIP TEAM

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*Work together, leveraging each individual's unique skills, to move towards a common goal of disciple-making.*

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## PREACH OR TEACH TO YOUR CONGREGATION/PEOPLE

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*Historically, we've found that churches are more likely to be on board if their lead pastor is preaching the series. Your leader sets the example and the standard for disciple-making.*





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### DISCUSS IN SMALL GROUPS

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*This provides an opportunity to dig deeper and encourage each other within the intimacy of relationships.*

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### STUDY MATERIAL INDIVIDUALLY

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*Personal study allows individuals to uncover Jesus' mission, model and methods for themselves.*



# DIGITAL ACCESS & LIKE JESUS APP



The Like Jesus app and Digital Access platform was designed to both enhance the Like Jesus resource as well as help you as a church or ministry go deeper with your people, provide content at no cost to them, and add real-time metrics and dashboards.

Digital Access provides full e-book and video content, group messaging, church assessment & metrics as well as providing leader videos, sermon notes/resources, and printed resources 50% off.

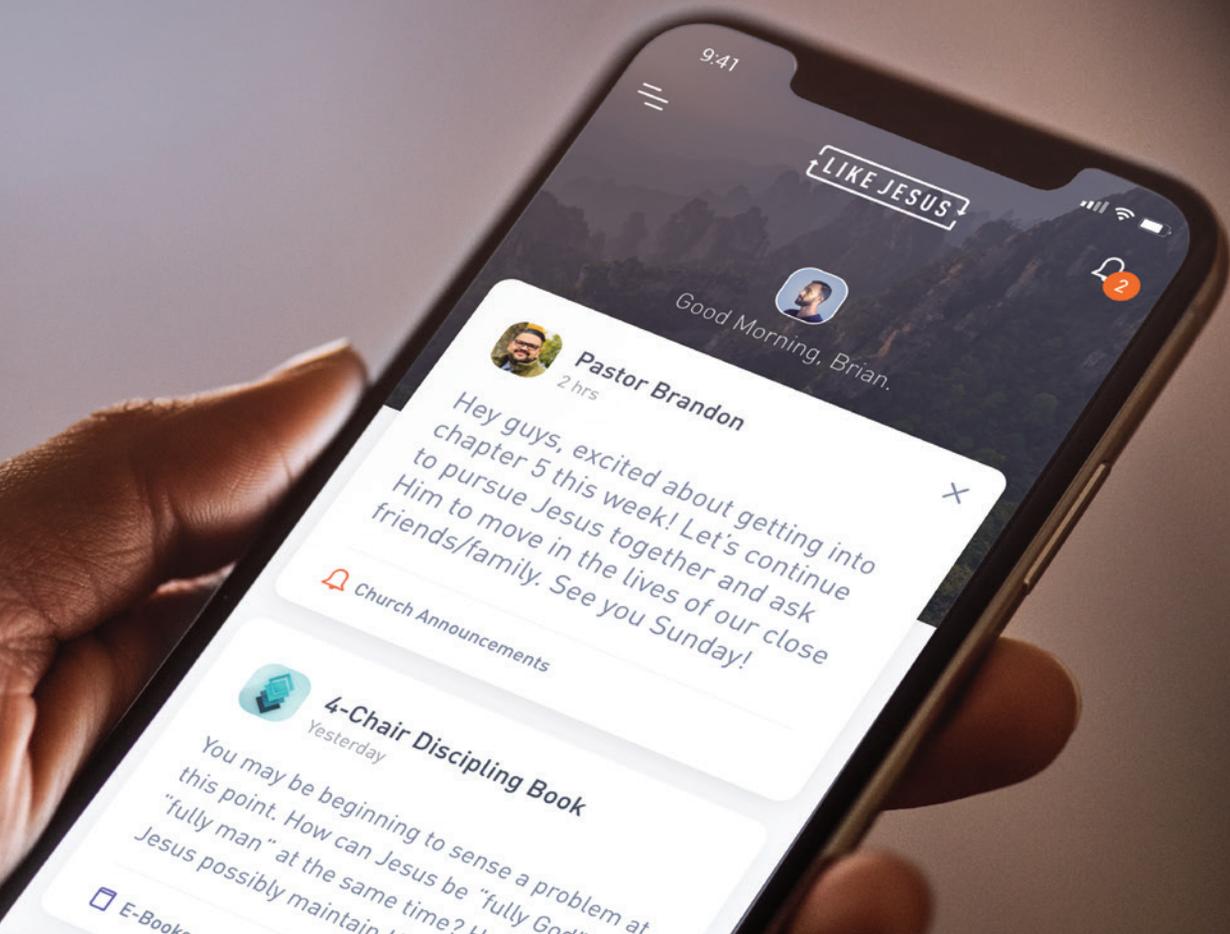
The Like Jesus app is versatile as it can be used in a web browser, implemented into your current church app platform or used as a stand-alone app for iOS and Android.

GET THE FREE APP:

 [LikeJesusApp.com](https://LikeJesusApp.com)

MANAGE DIGITAL ACCESS:

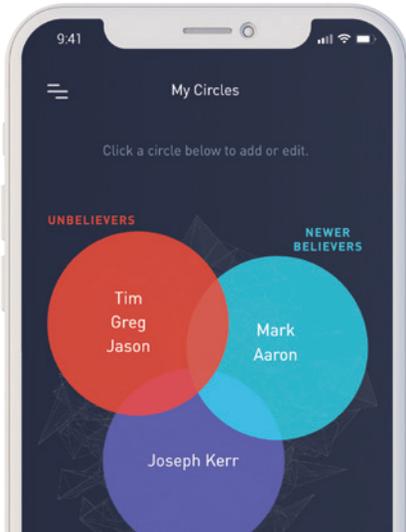
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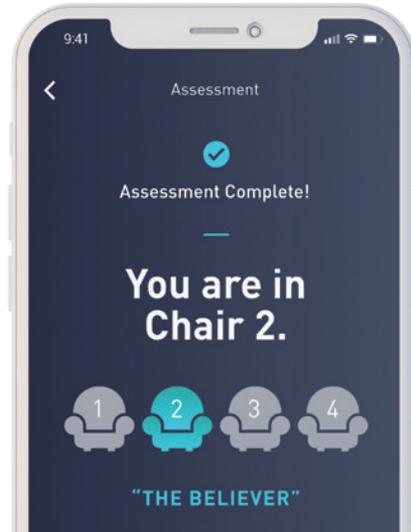
## Circles

Enter in unbelievers to pray for, believers you are pouring into, and be reminded to pray and have spiritual conversations.



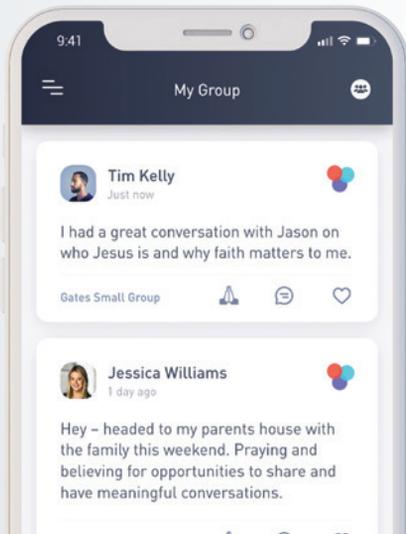
## 4-Chair Assessment

Assess which chair you are currently in and see the church-wide assessment data for leaders to review.



## My Group

Connect with those in your small group – ask for prayer, share stories of spiritual conversations and encourage each other.

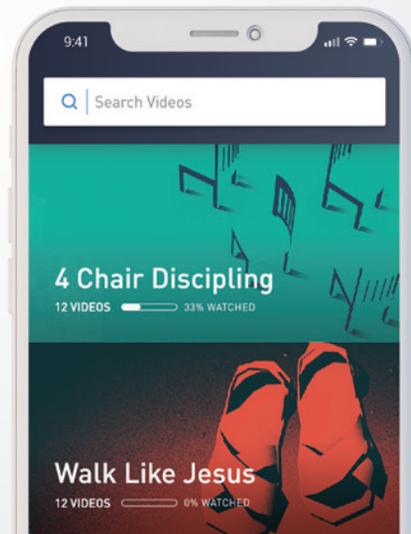


## Video



## E-Books

Full E-Book content of every book and video for each chapter/session within the app.



# WHY JESUS IS OUR MODEL

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It almost seems strange to have to address the issue of Jesus being our model. But unfortunately, it has been my experience that so many people think of Jesus as Super Human. He may look human on the outside, but like Clark Kent, when He goes into a phone booth He comes out as Super Man. This view of Jesus is heresy and was shot down at the Council of Chalcedon in 451 A.D. as a faulty view of Jesus.

Jesus was not Super Human... he was fully human. And that difference has major implications for us as Christ followers, especially as we think about what it means to "walk as He walked" (I John 2:6) and "do what He did" (John 14:12).

The Scriptures are clear; Jesus was fully God (Col 2:9). He claimed to be God (John 8:58, Phil 2:6) and received worship as God (Matt 28:17). Equally clear was His humanity. He possessed all the qualities of humanness except sin (I Peter 2:22, I John 3:5). He suffered, wept, got tired, hungered, was born and learned. He shared in our humanity and had to be made like us in every way (Hebrews 2:14,17).

In speaking of Jesus' humanity, Bruce Ware who teaches theology at Southern Seminary, likes to say it this way: "Never less than God, Jesus chose to live His life never more than man. His deity was unexpressed, so that His humanity could be fully expressed." Or, as Ian Thomas of Torchbearers International often said, "Jesus was man as God intended man to be". The implications of this are profound, especially as we seek to walk, live and disciple Like Jesus.

Let me give you a few of those implications:

- **JESUS DID NOT DIP INTO HIS DEITY TO LIVE OUT HIS HUMANITY**  
Hebrews 2 tells us that He had to be fully human to make atonement for our sins.
- **THE RESOURCES THAT WERE AVAILABLE TO JESUS ARE THE SAME RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO US**  
Jesus fully and perfectly tapped into all these resources given to man... the Word, prayer, and the Holy Spirit.
- **JESUS IS OUR MODEL FOR LIFE AND MINISTRY**  
He was "man as God intended man to be".
- **WE OFTEN UNDERESTIMATE WHAT GOD WANTS TO DO THROUGH US**  
Over six times in the upper room discourse, Jesus told us to just "ask". (John 16:24)

Read the full white paper: [likejesus.church/humanity](https://likejesus.church/humanity)

# OUR MISSION AND MOTIVE

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**MISSION**  
MAKE DISCIPLES



**MOTIVE**  
LOVE GOD / LOVE PEOPLE

## THE MOTIVE MUST NEVER BE SEPARATED FROM THE MISSION

Christ's Great Commandment passion resulted in Great Commission priorities. His heart of love shaped how His hands ministered to people and how He ordered His everyday lifestyle. In the same way, our Great Commandment heart is what helps us maintain our Great Commission passion. It is the heart behind the hands, the motive behind the mission, the passion behind the priorities.

## OUR MISSION AND MOTIVE CAN BE SUMMARIZED IN SIX SIMPLE WORDS: "LOVE GOD. LOVE PEOPLE. MAKE DISCIPLES."

We cannot say our mission is to just love God. Nor can we say our mission is to just love God and love people. It must include all aspects of the Great Commission and Great Commandment... loving God, loving people and making disciples.

# GET STARTED.

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## MANAGE DIGITAL ACCESS

The Digital Access Management Portal provides real-time metrics, settings, resources, downloads and much more. Manage the Like Jesus App for your entire ministry.

[manage.likejesus.church](https://manage.likejesus.church)



## LEADER BOX

The Leader Box includes all four books and videos in the Digital Access. Train your leadership in the life of Christ and align together to create a culture of disciple-making like Jesus did.

[likejesus.church/leader](https://likejesus.church/leader)

