

# CHRIST IN YOU, PT 1

## *“The Power of Why”*

Colossians 1:27 <sup>27</sup> To them God willed to make known what are the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles: which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. <sup>28</sup> Him we preach, warning every man and teaching every man in all wisdom, that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus. <sup>29</sup> To this end I also labor, striving according to His working which works in me mightily. <sup>(NKJV)</sup>

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Jeremiah 17:5-8 <sup>5</sup> Thus says the Lord, “Cursed is the man who trusts in mankind and makes flesh his strength, and whose heart turns away from the Lord. <sup>6</sup> “For he will be like a bush in the desert and will not see when prosperity comes, but will live in stony wastes in the wilderness, a land of salt without inhabitant. <sup>7</sup> “Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord and whose trust is the Lord. <sup>8</sup> “For he will be like a tree planted by the water, that extends its roots by a stream and will not fear when the heat comes; but its leaves will be green, and it will not be anxious in a year of drought nor cease to yield fruit. <sup>(NASB)</sup>

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The first part of the verse we read in Jeremiah says Jeremiah 17:5-8 <sup>5</sup> Thus says the Lord, “Cursed is the man who trusts in mankind and makes flesh his strength,

1 - When we make flesh our strength we end up finding our identity in a title, or a job description. We find our value in “what we do” \_\_\_\_\_

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The second part of that verse says: <sup>7</sup> “Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord and whose trust is the Lord. <sup>8</sup> “For he will be like a tree planted by the water, that extends its roots by a stream and will not fear when the heat comes; but its leaves will be green, and it will not be anxious in a year of drought nor cease to yield fruit.”<sup>(NASB)</sup>

2 - When we do this, our position, our title, are of no consequence because they are not where we find our value and worth. \_\_\_\_\_

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3 - When we do this we find our value in “WHY” we serve, not what we are doing. \_\_\_\_\_

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4 - Write down, in 10 words or less, what you do for a living. \_\_\_\_\_

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Did you just describe yourself, or a task? If you just described yourself, elaborate on “why” that is. \_\_\_\_\_

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If in #4 you described a task, take a moment and describe yourself, how you identify who you are, in 10 words or less, then elaborate on “why” that is. \_\_\_\_\_

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