

Alive Again

How Can I Bring God's Transforming Love Into My Relationships?

1. Understand our _____

2 Timothy 3:2-5 *People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of the good, treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God— having a form of godliness but denying its power.*

2. _____

John 15:5 *I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.*

Key: I surrender every part _____

Key: I _____

Colossians 2:6 *So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord continue to live your lives in him...*

1 Corinthians 4:20 *For the Kingdom of God is not just a lot of talk; it is living by God's power.*

John 14:6 *Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life."*

3. _____

Colossians 3:3 *For you died to this life, and your real life is hidden with Christ in God.*

- Ask Jesus to help you _____
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- Make the decision to _____

Key: _____

1 Corinthians 4:12 *When we are cursed, we bless*

1 John 3:14 *We know that we have passed from death to life, because we love each other. Anyone who does not love remains in death.*

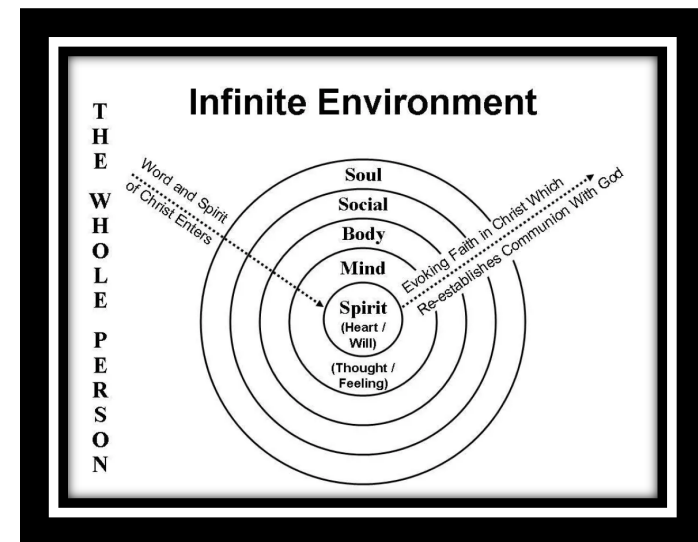
"Welcome friend! This is the perfect opportunity for you to flood my life with your love for this person. If there is any way you want me to bless them now, please show me."

John 13:35 *By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.*

We like being our own little king or queen. We want the freedom and the control. Ironically, what we get is not true freedom.

My rule: Addiction. Bondage. Conflict. Anxiety. Exhaustion.

His rule: Freedom. Peace. Love. Joy. Power.



Spiritual formation, good or bad, is always profoundly social. You cannot keep it to yourself. Anyone who thinks of it as a merely private matter has misunderstood it. Anyone who says, "It's just between me and God," or "What I do is my own business," has misunderstood God as well as "me." Strictly speaking there is nothing "just between me and God." For all that is between me and God affects who I am; and that, in turn, modifies my relationship to everyone around me. My relationship to others also modifies me and deeply affects my relationship to God. Hence those relationships must be transformed if I am to be transformed. Dallas Willard