



November 14, 2019  
Colossians 1:15-18  
“Christ the King”

# Colossians

## THE SUPREMACY OF CHRIST

The Son/Christ  
is the image of the invisible God,  
the one who is first over all creation...  
He/Christ existed before all things,  
and all things are held together in him.

We are the true and real presence of Christ in our Church and Community.  
Therefore, we must...

**Live Humble Repentant Lives** (own the sins of the past & present)

**Live Changed Lives** (make amends daily for our attitudes and choices)

**Live Accepting Lives** (Draw others in because we will be judged as we judge)

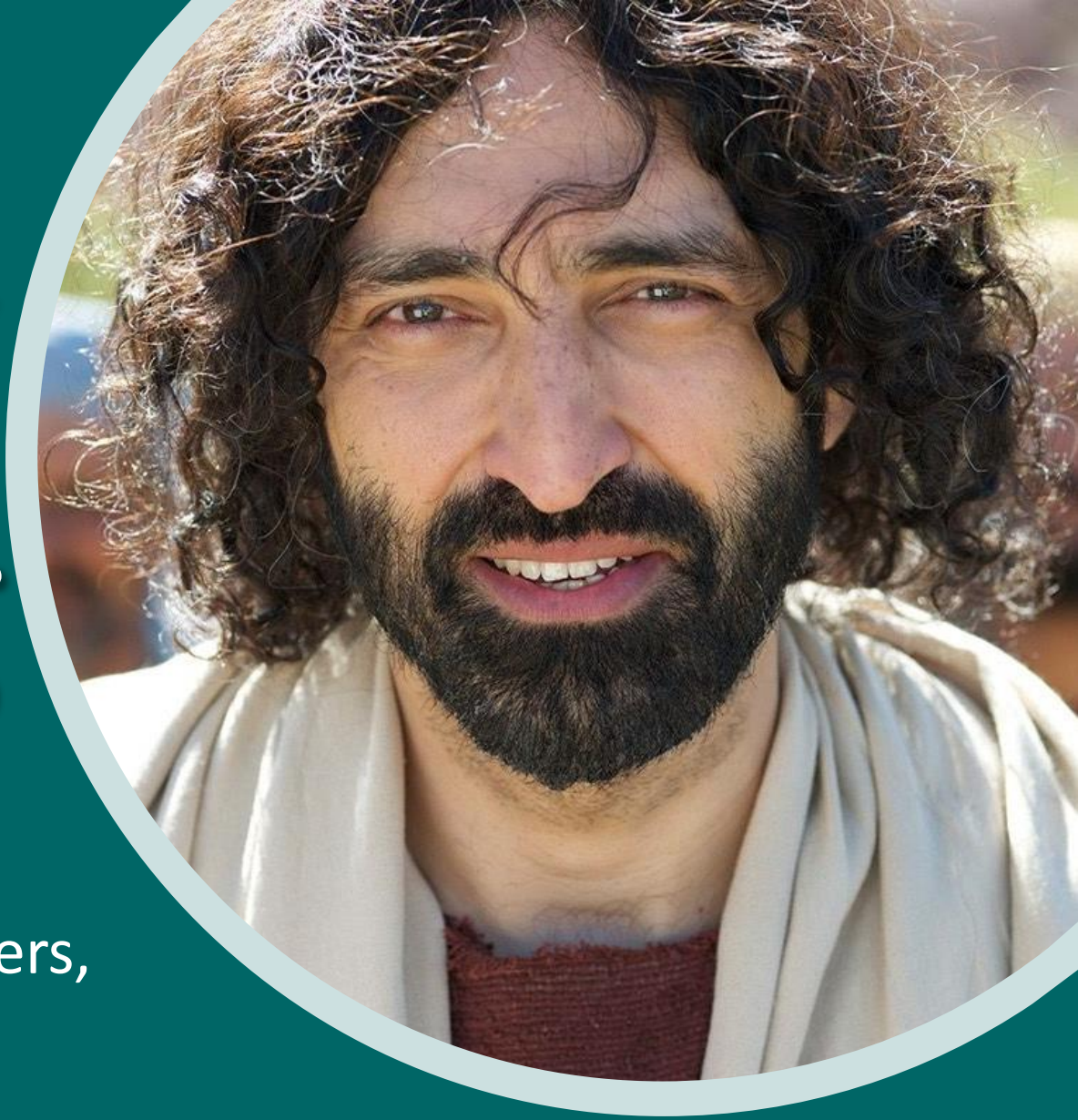
He/the Personality of God is the head  
of the body, the church, who is the beginning,  
the one who is firstborn  
from among the Dead so that he might  
occupy the first place in everything.

What would have to change  
within me to live in  
the Personality of Christ?



# Christ The King

The Warm Personality,  
The Accepting Behavior,  
The Proximate Lifestyle,  
The Connection with Sinners,  
The Persona of Forgiveness,  
The Love for all People,



**This the Picture of the Church created in Jesus Name?**

All things were created by God:  
both in the heavens and on the earth,...

God existed before all things,  
and all things are held together by God.

--Colossians 1

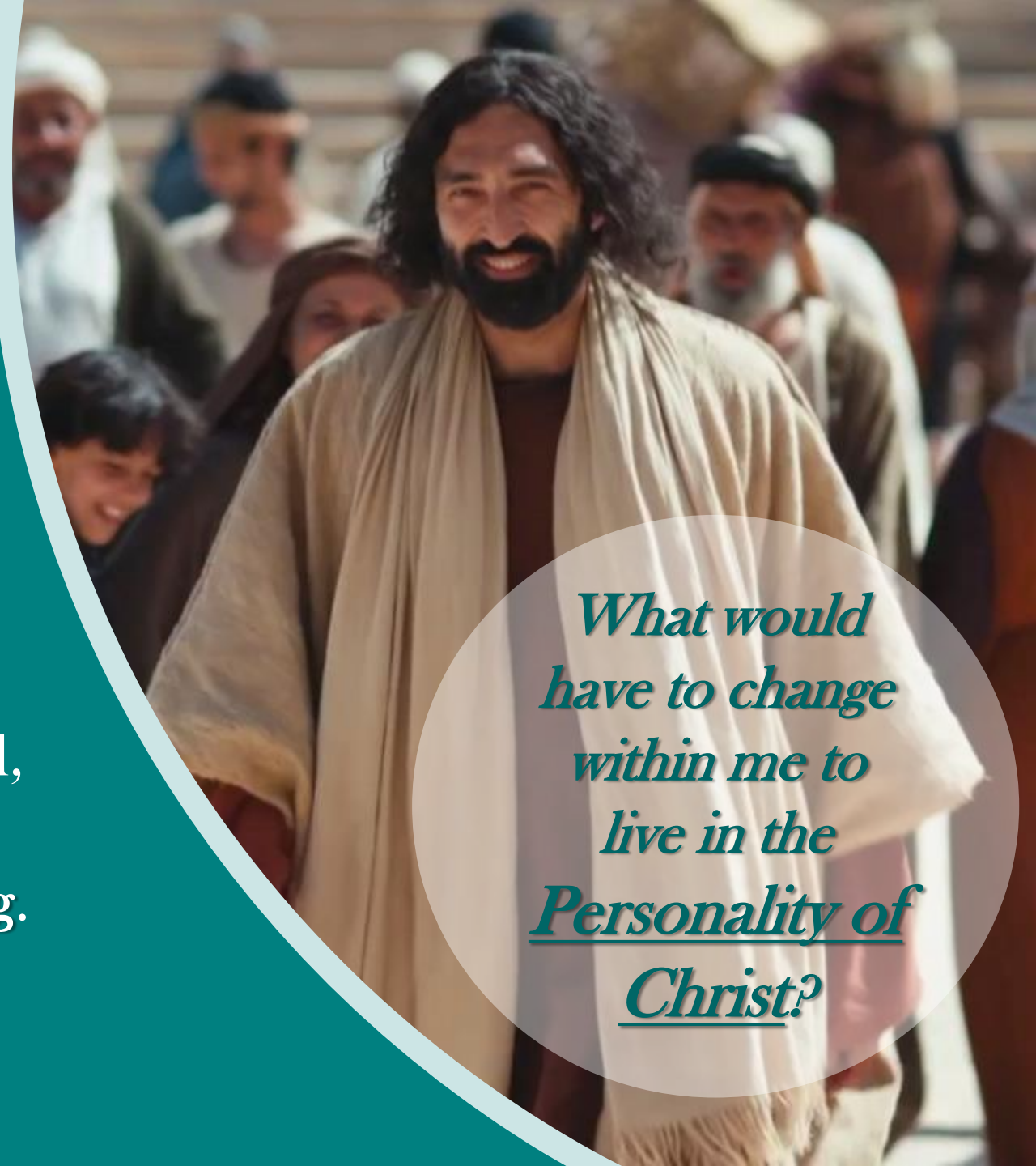
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A Sovereign God, Creator of all Things  
& People, Lover of our Soul  
and Redeemer of our Lives

has told us to love gently, talk kindly,  
judge as we wish to be judged, speak no ill,  
and reflect the

Personality found in Jesus, Christ the King.

So, what's the problem?



*What would  
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within me to  
live in the  
Personality of  
Christ?*



Jesus came  
to show us how to be human

much more than how to be spiritual,  
and the process still seems to be  
in its early stages.”

— Richard Rohr, The Universal Christ

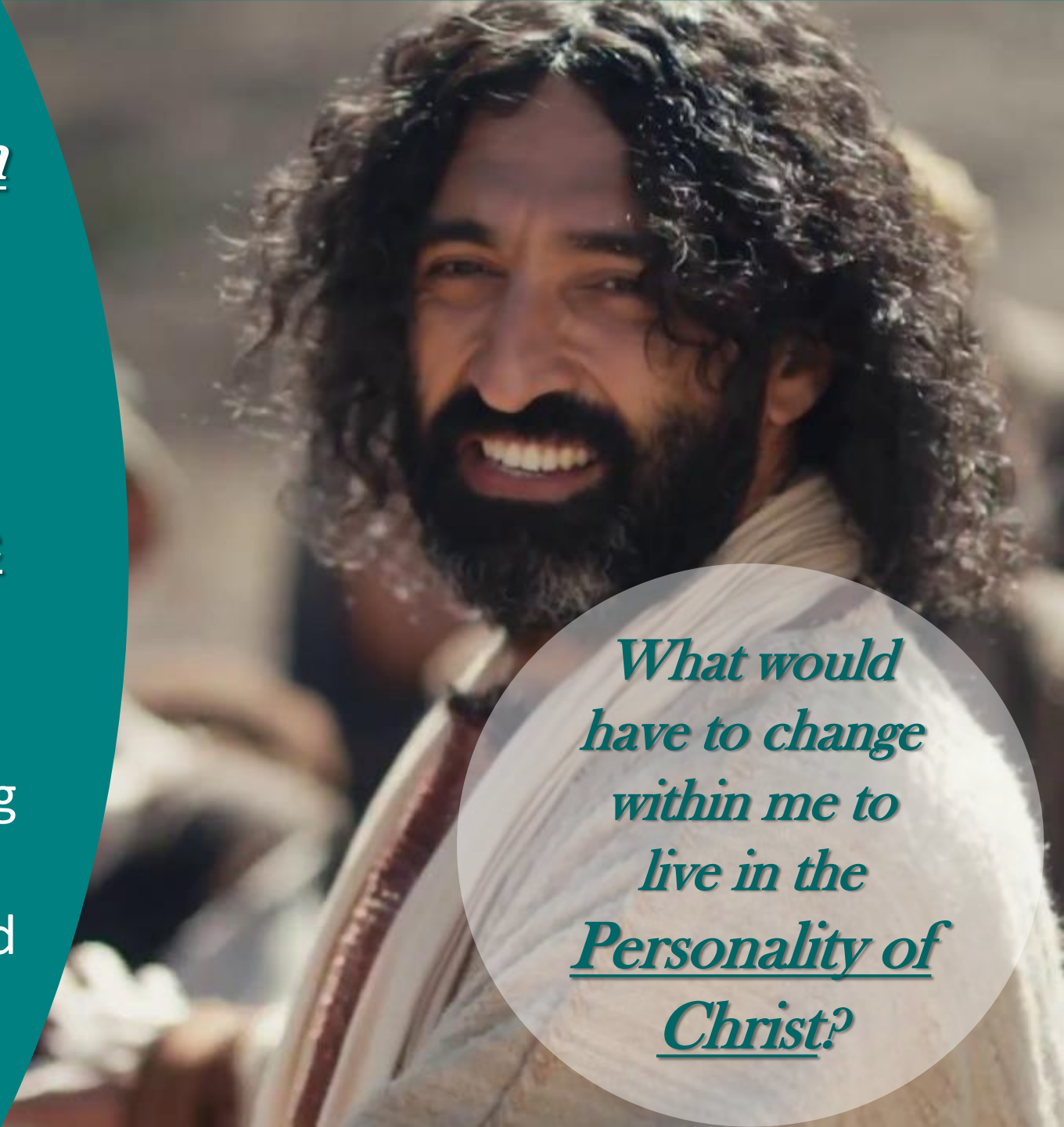
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You must have the same attitude  
that Jesus had.

Philippians 2:5

Ours is a benevolent King, one willing  
to walk among the least of us, be  
humiliated by us, betrayed by us, and  
yet love us all the same.

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<sup>34</sup> Jesus said, “Father, forgive them,  
for they don’t know  
what they’re doing.”

...“I assure you that today you  
will be with me in paradise.”

the  
gospel  
of  
LUK

People of Faith

People of Awareness

**Jesus, Christ the King**

turns the Church upside down.

The Passionately Faithful had developed a life of  
separation, exclusion, & right beliefs.

Those lacking Faith/belonging discovered a “Wow”  
at Christ coming to them.

Jesus, takes the drastically opposite approach of the  
Church.

**I believe;**  
*That Jesus died  
for my sins*  
Particular values  
*The Bible*  
In family values  
Church is good

*that my actions  
and attitudes are OK  
because **I believe**  
the Right Things.*

**What**

**if...**

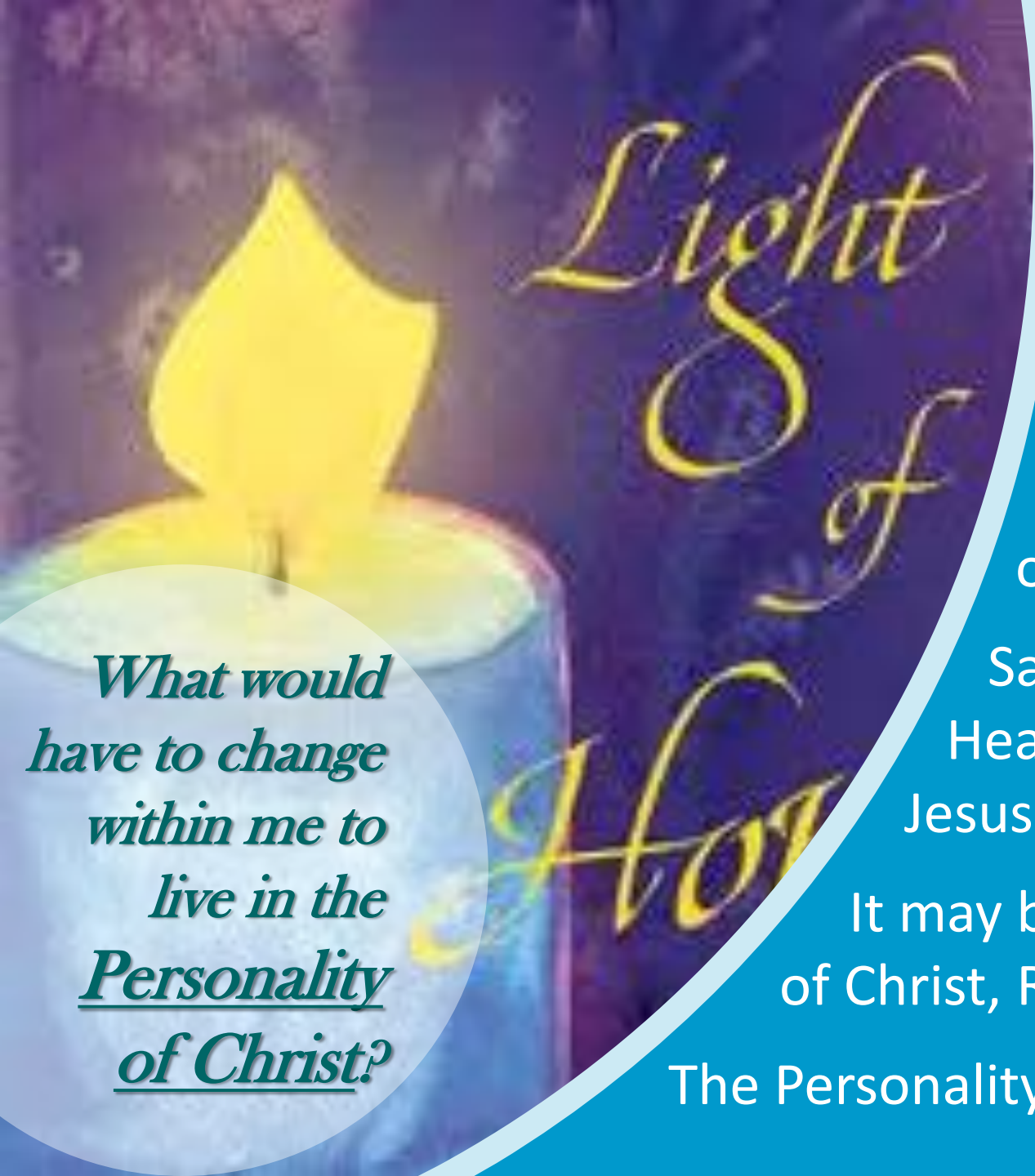
What we believe is of no value

Unless we are living the Personality of Jesus?

I like your Christ;  
I do not like  
your Christians.  
Your Christians  
are so unlike  
your Christ.  
-- Mahatma Gandhi

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Loving others and offering hope always means letting go of some of the space in our hearts and minds.

Many of us hope that we can get to heaven on what we believe.

The thought that gaining heaven depends on our behaving like Jesus scares us.

Saving Faith has always been a matter of Heart, we like to talk of giving our heart to Jesus.

It may be better said that we take on the Heart of Christ, Rather than giving ours to Christ.

The Personality of Jesus is the Model of a Born-Again Life.





# Hope in Christ

Follow Me  
Means  
Be Like Me

is both found and given...

In seeing everyone as we hope to be seen by Christ.

In behaving in public hoping Christ is noticing.

In treating others as if Christ were going to treat us.

In tending to other's needs as we hope Christ tends to us.

In speaking of others as we hope to be spoken of by Christ.

# Hope

is found and given in the small things of how we think of others & Christ being one in the same.