

SESSION SEVEN: Life and Spiritual Life: The Spiritual and the Non-spiritual Person.
Spiritual Life from Christ Makes Moral Goodness Easy.

1. What is life? Self-initiating, self-sustaining, self-directing activity.
2. Only God and his Son and Spirit have life in the full sense. (John 5:26) *"In him was life, and that life was the light of men."* (John 1:4) He gives life to all things. (I Timothy 6:13, 19)
3. "Flesh" is the kind of activity that does not immediately depend upon God's action. "Spiritual" life is life that is intermingled with and dependent upon God's action "with us."
4. The spiritual person is a person who is leading a life that is largely intermingled with and dependent upon the action of God and his kingdom. The non-spiritual person is one who is leading a life independent of God's action with them.
5. A look at Philippians 3:3-7—"good" flesh—I Corinthians 3:1-4, and Galatians 5:16-21; and why the "mind of the flesh" is death. (Romans 8:6)
6. Who you are and why you are here: You are an unceasing spiritual being with an eternal destiny in God's great universe.
7. No death. (John 8:51-53 and II Timothy 1:10)
8. All things work together for good. For who? (Romans 8:28)
9. God's intent for each of us is that we should become the kind of person whom he can empower to do whatever we want.
10. That is what I Corinthians 13 and II Peter 1:1-11 etc. are about.
11. A survey of the "Sermon on the Mount." (Matt. 5-7) The easy way to life—"My yoke is easy, my burden is light." (Matt. 11:28-30)
12. This elevates morality to its proper level—not just "I didn't do anything wrong," but the positive reality of the kingdom person, inside and out.
13. The secret to "renovation of the heart." Not will power but pervasive God power.