



DEAD TO THE WORLD

PLEASING PEOPLE



A Picture of a People Pleaser

SOPHISTS AND CYNICS

1 THESSALONIANS

Following Jesus produces a COUNTER-CULTURAL way of life that responds to hostility with LOVE and generosity and is motivated by HOPE in the coming Kingdom of Jesus.



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I HAVE BEEN CRUCIFIED WITH CHRIST.

*It is no longer I who live, but
Christ who lives in me.*

GALATIANS 2:20

WHEN CHRIST
CALLS A MAN,
HE BIDS HIM
COME AND DIE.

DIETRICH BONHOEFFER

PLEASING GOD, NOT PEOPLE

YES, EVERYTHING ELSE IS WORTHLESS WHEN COMPARED WITH THE INFINITE VALUE OF KNOWING CHRIST JESUS MY LORD. FOR HIS SAKE I HAVE DISCARDED EVERYTHING ELSE, COUNTING IT ALL AS GARBAGE, SO THAT I COULD GAIN CHRIST.

PHILIPPIANS 3:8 NLT

**YOUR NEW
LIFE IS GOING
TO COST
YOU YOUR
OLD ONE**

TAKE IT HOME:

1. Jesus invites you to come and die – die to PLEASING OTHERS, die to the trappings and desires of the world – things never designed to truly satisfy. This gradual death leads to TRUE LIFE.

2. If you are in the process of dying to self and haven't been BAPTIZED, it is so important to take this step of obedience.



3. Practicing COMMUNITY with others who are committed to dying to self is key to living for Christ. Join a Life Group.

4. COMMUNION is a monthly reminder that TRUE LIFE is found on the other side of death. Come to the table to commit yourself to God's loving invitation to DIE.