

# ...in Christ

week one  
September 14, 2011

**background:** What does it mean to be “in Christ?” How do we live our lives “in Christ?” Each one of us have different “worlds” where we live our lives... we have the school world, the work world, the sports world, the home world, the friends world and the church world. So, which worlds are “in Christ” and which ones aren’t? How do we fully live our lives “in Christ” and not just in one or two of the worlds that we live in? Well, that’s what this series is about... living our whole lives “in Christ!”

Each week we will look at some of our “worlds” and talk about how to live in Christ in each of these worlds. Each week’s lesson will also have a question that accompanies it. We want to challenge students to take these questions out of the building and into their week and allow the question to shape how they live during the rest of the week.

**week one: Your whole life ...in Christ.**  
**“When was the last time you danced with God”**

**scripture:**

•**Luke 18:10, 20-24**

•**Eph. 1:3-10**

•**Eph. 4:17-27, 31-32**

•**Phil 1**

**21 For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.**

•**Philippians 3:14**

**I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.**

•**Philippians 4:7**

**And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.**

**discussion:**

1. Spend some time again this week, checking in with students, having them introduce themselves to each other, etc. The “get to know you questions” will be in your binders on a separate page.

2. What are the different “areas” of your life? (school, home, friends, church, etc.) How much time do you spend in each of these areas? Which of these areas has the most impact on all the areas of your life? Which has the least? What are the things that are common to all areas of your life?
3. What does it mean to be “in Christ?”
4. Can you really be “in Christ” if only certain parts of your life are affected by Christ?
5. Dan talked about “compartment Christianity.” What is this?
6. Dan said living our lives in Christ is more about being that doing... what does this mean?
7. The question for tonight was “**When was the last time you danced with God.**” What does this mean? What does “dancing with God” look like for you this week?