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Soul Shaping: DISCIPLINES THAT CONFORM YOU TO THE IMAGE OF CHRIST



Synopsis

“What would Jesus do?” is a good question, but it is not the right question, at least not by itself. Asking what Jesus would do in a given situation without a fundamental understanding of His lifestyle will not give adequate guidance for daily living or for defining moments. Jesus’ lifestyle • His ongoing walk with His Father • shaped His choices. It is impossible to understand some of Jesus’ words or choices without considering the way He lived His life and the purpose for which He lived. Spiritual disciplines are small things Christians intentionally do to open themselves to God’s work of conforming them to the image of Christ. In *Soul Shaping*, Jim L. Wilson shows how small acts of devotion, woven into the fabric of everyday life can help Christians live like Jesus lived, and participate in being transformed into Christ’s image. “We all, with unveiled faces, are looking as in a mirror at the glory of the Lord and are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory; this is from the Lord who is the Spirit.” (2 Corinthians 3:18 HCSB)

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Customer Reviews

I consider this five-star book by Jim Wilson to be essential in every Christian's library. The disciplines this author, former pastor, and leadership director relays will result in a fruitful life and a heart and soul conformed to God's image. He opens the veil in his teaching, making the reader understand that it is not mere knowledge or workbooks that conform us but the rhythms, structures and routines of life that help one experience God's presence and grow more like Jesus. Go deeper in God through prayer while Wilson explains it should not be a means of getting stuff but instead a path to knowing God. Examine your prayer list, he suggests, to nurture an intimate relationship with your Father. Taking time to meditate on God's Word and not letting the busyness of life rob you of a relationship with God are areas we all need to work on he states. "Discover disciplines you can use to help quiet your soul, slow your pace and refocus your life. "I discovered a new facet in God in this book as he spoke on loss and lamenting. Here he shares it best: "The loss that prompts your sorrow opens your heart in a new and fresh way to usher in the presence of God. It is not to fix the pain or solve the problem but just to be there. Authentic lament leads to a sense of dependence on God, fosters a spirit of confession of sin, and ushers in celebration and praise. "The quietness and solitude are needful at times, learn how unhealthy it is to be a Lone Ranger Christian. Relationships create accountability and Jim Wilson believes it is through authentic community that we open ourselves up to God's work, conforming us to the image of Christ. This work will help the reader become a better servant, while understanding Ministry work is not just reserved for the clergy. "When you join God's work of ministry by serving others, you're able to meet their needs, fulfill your calling and bring glory to God. "This award-winning writer has to his credit over 60 publications. His depth of knowledge as a pastor, beginning at age 18, is filled with practical application and life-changing disciplines. There are Biblical examples he uses as well as true life stories that help paint the picture in each discipline over the canvas of our hearts.

Good book

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