



*We can have an unbalanced relationship with God if we only want our own **PERSONAL JESUS** who only takes care of what we want and what we need*

1. **Culture** has sat Jesus aside as not important or relevant
2. **Christians** have reduced Jesus to a manageable good friend

Types of Jesus:

1. Bumper Sticker Jesus: WWJD (Just a slogan)
2. Holiday Figurine Jesus
3. Hippie Jesus:
4. Angry Jesus:
5. Buzz Kill Jesus:
6. Punisher Jesus:

(Jesus often counters our passion and opinions with Truth from the Kingdom)

My point: We can live life with this shallow idea of who Jesus is or we can embrace what He has taught and begin to live it.

1 Corinthians 13:1-7 TPT, “If I were to speak with eloquence in earth’s many languages, and in the heavenly tongues of angels, yet I didn’t express myself with love, my words would be reduced to the hollow sound of nothing more than a clanging cymbal.

2 And if I were to have *the gift of* prophecy with a profound understanding of God’s hidden secrets, and if I possessed unending supernatural knowledge, and if I had the greatest gift of faith that could move mountains, but have never learned to love, then I am nothing.

3 And if I were to be so generous as to give away everything I owned to feed the poor, and to offer my body to be burned as a *martyr*, without the pure motive of love, I would gain nothing of value.

4 Love is *large and* incredibly patient. Love is gentle and consistently kind to all. It refuses to be jealous *when blessing comes to someone else*. Love does not brag about one’s achievements nor inflate its own importance. **5** Love does not traffic in shame and disrespect, nor selfishly seek its own honor. Love is not easily irritated or quick to take offense. **6** Love joyfully celebrates honesty and finds no delight in what is wrong.

7 Love is a safe place of shelter, for it never stops believing the best for others. Love never takes failure as defeat, for it never gives up.

Christ Prayer by St Patrick

“Christ with me,
Christ before me,
Christ behind me,
Christ in me,
Christ beneath me,
Christ above me,
Christ on my right,
Christ on my left,
Christ when I lie down,
Christ when I sit down,
Christ when I arise,
Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me,
Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me,
Christ in every eye that sees me,
Christ in every ear that hears me.”