



FOLLOWING THE WAY or FALLING AWAY?

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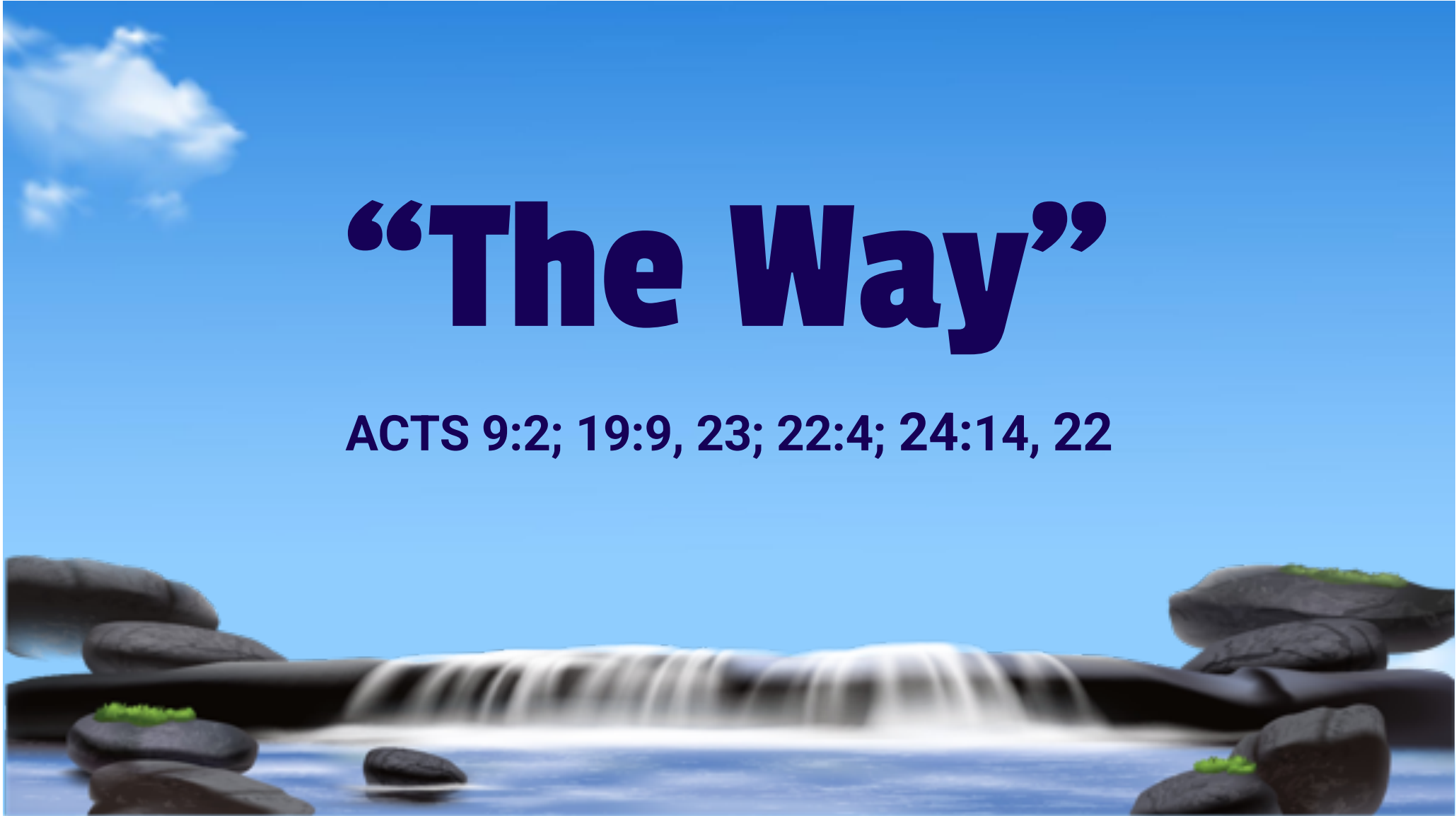


Following THE WAY or Falling AWAY? ABIDE IN CHRIST

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“The Way”

ACTS 9:2; 19:9, 23; 22:4; 24:14, 22



FOLLOWING THE WAY:

ABIDING John

15:1-5

SEXUALITY

MAT 11:28-30
ROM 12:1

ADDICTION

MARK 11:23
PHIL 4:6-7

MATERIALISM

MAT 6:24
LUKE 14: 27-33

YOUR BODY

1 COR 9:24-27
GAL 5:16-25

HAPPINESS

ROM 1:18-32
MAT 22:37-39

JUDGMENT & JUSTICE

MAT 25: 14-30
ACT 5:1-11



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or Falling AWAY?
ABIDE IN CHRIST**



Where We're Going Today 'ABIDING' ...

01

**A
PRECARIOUS
JOURNEY**

02

**TAKING THE
JOURNEY WITH
JESUS**

03

**HOW TO
ABIDE IN
THE VINE**





01

**A PRECARIOUS
JOURNEY**

BUT WE'RE NOT ALONE

A PRECARIOUS JOURNEY

Going over the Edge?

COVID

Lockdown,
sickness,
isolation

GROWING

YOUNG

Keeping our
vitality?

YMCA

Into a 'known'
unknown

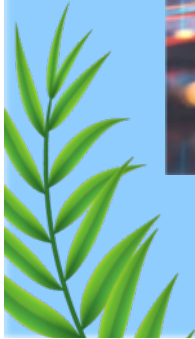


Where we are:

We're at a cliff Edge!



But we are ... NOT ALONE



02

**ABIDING
in CHRIST**

God hasn't given up on you



JOHN 15: 1, 4, 5

I am the vine, and my Father is the vine dresser... Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in them .. will bear much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.



WHAT IS THE JOURNEY OF ABIDING LIKE?

**RECEIVING
JESUS**

**An Everlasting
SPRING OF
WATER**

**RE-BIRTH INTO
JESUS**

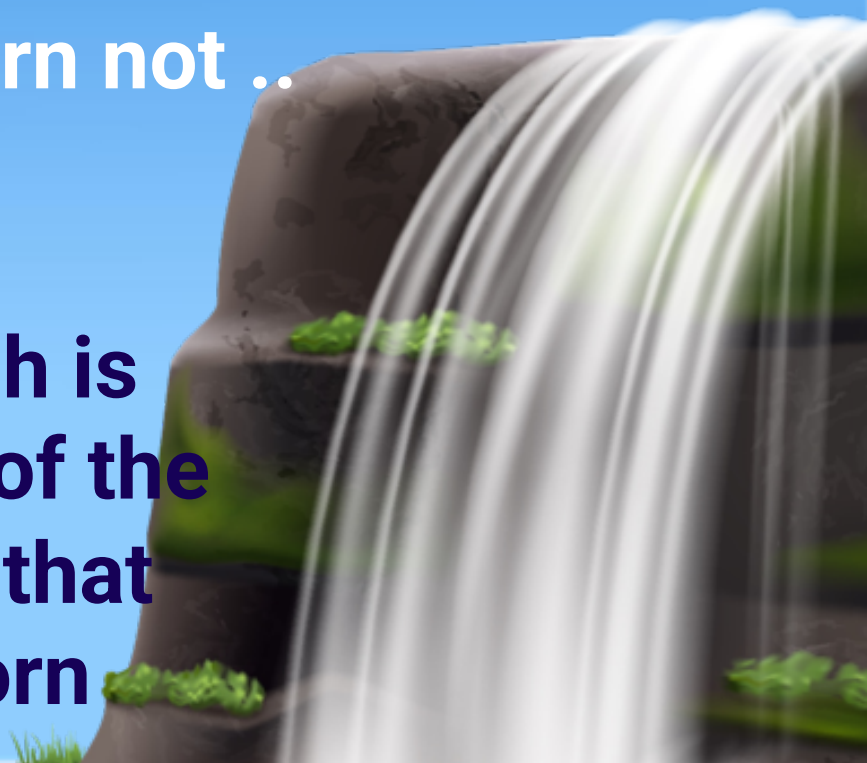
**ABIDING IN
JESUS**



John 1:12-13; 3:6-7

To all who did receive him .. he gave the right to become the children of God, who were born not .. of the will of man, but of God.

That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born



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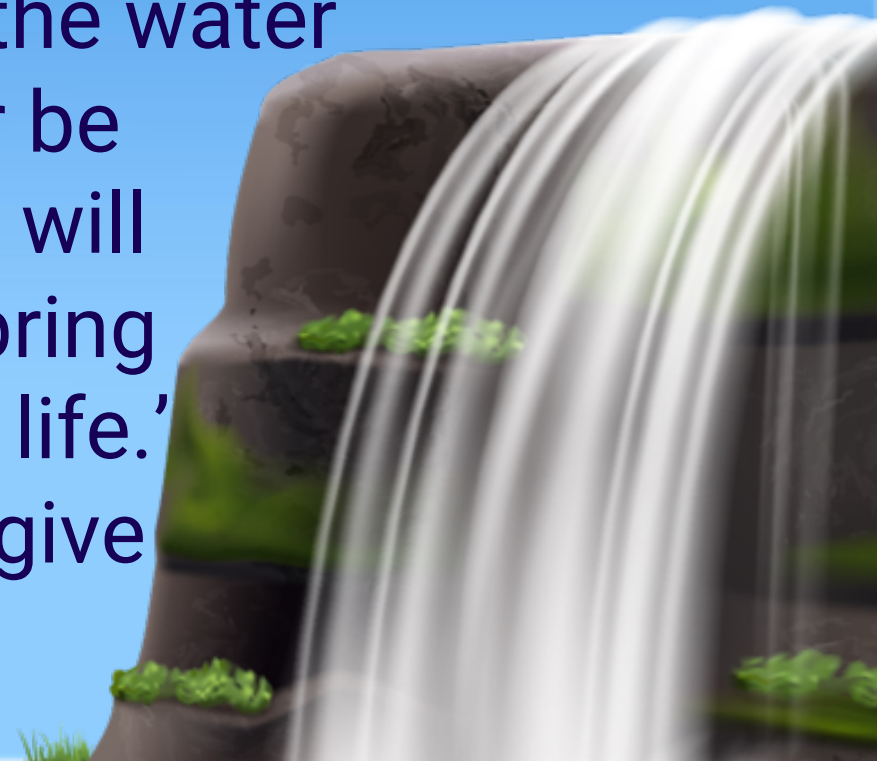
**RE-BIRTH INTO
JESUS**

**Continually
ABIDING IN
JESUS**



The Everlasting Spring - John 4:13-15

Jesus said to her, 'Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life.' The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water .."



Continual Abiding - JOHN 15: 1, 4, 5

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THE SECRET TO THE JOURNEY OF ABIDING


**RECEIVING
JESUS**

**RE-BIRTH INTO
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**EVERLASTING
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WATER**


**CONTINUAL
ABIDING
IN JESUS**





**“IT IS THE
SPIRIT
WHO GIVES
LIFE”**

John 6:63



“If anyone loves me, they will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them.”

JOHN 14:23



03

HOW TO ABIDE IN CHRIST

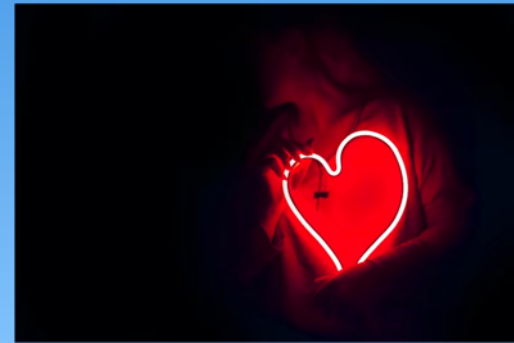
The Art of Meditation

The Art of meditation



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**YOU MUST
KEEP ON
BELIEVING**



CONSCIOUS PRAYER

**CONSTANT
PRAYER**

praying AT ALL TIMES in the Spirit Ephesians 6:19



Rejoice Always pray without ceasing 1 Thess 5:16-17

Do not quench the Spirit v19

**In everything by prayer and petition, with
thanks -giving present your request to God**

Phil 4:6-7

Jesus often withdrew to lonely

places and prayed

Luke 5:16



Abiding in Christ -- The Doorway to Life



The Key to Abiding -- is constant Prayer



AT THE CLIFF EDGE

COVID

EMERGING
from Covid

GROWING

YOUNG
DESIRE to
Grow Young

YMCA

Into a 'known'
UNKNOWN



Going Forwards together IN Christ

01

**THE
JOURNEY OF
LIFE**

02

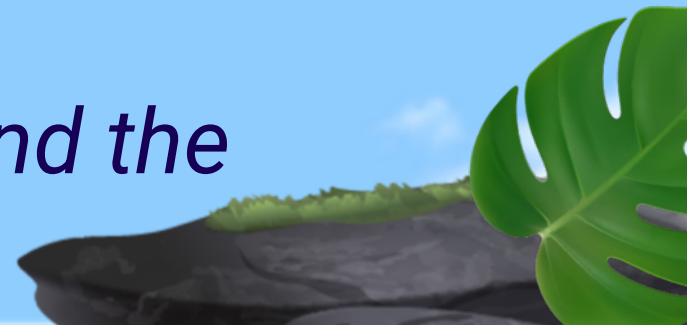
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**THROUGH
CONSTANT
PRAYER**



Our Father in heaven,
 may your name be revered as holy.
May your kingdom come. May your will be done
 on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
 as we also have forgiven our debtors.
And do not bring us to the time of trial, but rescue
us from the evil one.
*For the kingdom and the power and the
glory are yours forever. Amen*





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