

OUR PATTERN

1. In whose steps should we follow?

“For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, *leaving us an example, that ye should follow His steps.*” **1Peter 2:21.**

2. How should the Christian walk?

“He that saith he abideth in Him ought himself also so to walk, even as *He walked.*” **1John 2:6. See Colossians 2:6.**

3. What mind should be in us?

“Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus.” **Philippians 2:5.**

NOTE — The mind of Christ was characterized by humility (**verses 6–8**); dependence upon God (**John 5:19, 30**); a determination to do only the Father’s will (**John 5:30; 6:38**); thoughtfulness of others (**Acts 10:38**); and a willingness to sacrifice and suffer, and even to die, for the good of others (**2Corinthians 8:9; Romans 5:6–8; 1Peter 2:24**).

4. As a child, what example did Christ set in the matter of obeying His parents?

“And He went down with them, and came to Nazareth, and *was subject unto them.*” **Luke 2:51.**

5. How are His childhood and youth described?

“And Jesus *increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man.*” **Verse 52.**

6. What example did He set concerning baptism?

“Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John, *to be baptized of him.* But John forbade Him, saying, I have need to be baptized of Thee, and comest Thou to me? And Jesus answering said unto him, Suffer it to be so now: for *thus it becometh us to fulfill all righteousness.* Then he suffered Him.” **Matthew 3:13–15.**

7. How did Christ teach the prayerful life?

“He went out into a mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God.” **Luke 6:12**. “He took Peter and John and James, and went up into a mountain to pray.” **Luke 9:28**.

8. To what kind of work did Jesus devote His life?

“Who went about *doing good*.” **Acts 10:38**.

9. For whom and why did Christ leave the riches of heaven?

“For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though He was rich, *yet for your sakes He became poor, that ‘Ye through His poverty might be rich.*” **2Corinthians 8:9**.

10. When reviled and mistreated, what did He do?

“Who when He was reviled, *reviled not again*; when He suffered, *He threatened not*; but committed Himself to Him that judgeth righteously.” **1Peter 2:23**.

11. How did He pray for those who crucified Him?

“Then said Jesus, *Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do.*” **Luke 23:34**. See **Acts 3:17**.

12. What is the inspired testimony concerning Him?

“Thou *hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity*; therefore God, even Thy God, hath anointed Thee with the oil of gladness above Thy fellows.” **Hebrews 1:9**.

MAJESTIC sweetness sits enthroned
Upon the Saviour’s brow;
His head with radiant light is crowned,
His lips with grace o’erflow.
No mortal can with Him compare,
Among the sons of men;
Fairer is He than all the fair
That fill the heavenly train.

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