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Spiritual Living Group

PERFECTED LINES OF THE JESUS PERSONALITY

A Personal Assessment Guide

Although the average mortal of Urantia cannot hope to gain the high perfection of character which Jesus of Nazareth acquired while sojourning in the flesh, it is altogether possible for every mortal believer to develop a strong and unified personality along the perfected lines of the Jesus personality. The unique feature of the Master's personality was not so much its perfection as its symmetry, its exquisite and balanced unification.
(1101.5) 100:7.1

It is useful for the cosmic-conscious citizens of Urantia to recognize that they possess, at least to some degree, many or even most of the qualities our beloved Master exhibited during his earth life. This guide is designed to assist you in taking stock of your assets and use this awareness as the basis for a program of accentuating the positive. Jesus taught that focusing on the positive was the easiest way to eliminate the negative. But what about our negative traits?

On the one hand, *refusing* to recognize/acknowledge our shortcomings could simply indicate an egoistic resistance to enter wholeheartedly into the Paradise adventure. On the other hand, *dwelling* on our shortcomings is counterproductive, self-defeating. Neither is there any value in either recognizing or acknowledging our weaknesses, unless we intend to use that information as a stepping stone toward self-mastery. "The morbid recognition of human limitations is changed to the natural consciousness of mortal shortcomings, associated with moral determination and spiritual aspiration to attain the highest universe and superuniverse goals."
(1100.6) 100:6.4

The following information about Jesus of Nazareth was extracted from Paper 100, Section 7, "The Acme of Religious Living." The columns numbered 1 through 5 are to help you focus upon the degree to which you may have exhibited any of these traits, whether it be "just once" or "often."

WHAT HE WAS/DID/EXHIBITED	1	2	3	4	5	WHAT HE WAS NOT/DID NOT DO	1	2	3	4	5
Unfailing kindness	—	—	—	—	—						
Stalwart strength of character	—	—	—	—	—						
Truly sincere	—	—	—	—	—	Nothing of the hypocrite in him	—	—	—	—	—
Free from affectation	—	—	—	—	—	Never stooped to pretense	—	—	—	—	—
Always so refreshingly genuine	—	—	—	—	—	Never resorted to shamming	—	—	—	—	—
Lived the truth, even as he taught it	—	—	—	—	—						
Unquestioningly loyal to all truth	—	—	—	—	—						
Reasonable	—	—	—	—	—						
Approachable	—	—	—	—	—						
Practical in all his ministry	—	—	—	—	—						
Plans characterized by common sense	—	—	—	—	—	No freakish, erratic, eccentric tendencies	—	—	—	—	—
Exquisite discrimination in all he said and did	—	—	—	—	—	Never capricious, whimsical, or hysterical	—	—	—	—	—
Had extraordinary sense of propriety	—	—	—	—	—						
Well-poised personality	—	—	—	—	—						
Enemies respected him	—	—	—	—	—						
Unafraid	—	—	—	—	—						
Surcharged with divine enthusiasm	—	—	—	—	—	Never became fanatical	—	—	—	—	—
Emotionally active	—	—	—	—	—	Never flighty	—	—	—	—	—
Imaginative	—	—	—	—	—						
Always practical	—	—	—	—	—						
Frankly faced the realities of life	—	—	—	—	—	Never dull or prosaic	—	—	—	—	—
Courageous	—	—	—	—	—	Never reckless	—	—	—	—	—
Prudent	—	—	—	—	—	Never cowardly	—	—	—	—	—
Sympathetic	—	—	—	—	—	Not sentimental	—	—	—	—	—
Unique	—	—	—	—	—	Not eccentric	—	—	—	—	—
Pious	—	—	—	—	—	Not sanctimonious	—	—	—	—	—
So well-poised because he was so perfectly unified	—	—	—	—	—						
Originality was unstifled	—	—	—	—	—	Not bound by tradition	—	—	—	—	—
Spoke with undoubted confidence	—	—	—	—	—	Not handicapped by enslavement to narrow conventionality	—	—	—	—	—
Taught with absolute authority	—	—	—	—	—						
Superb originality	—	—	—	—	—	Did not overlook gems of truth in teachings of others	—	—	—	—	—
Emphasized love and mercy in place of fear and sacrifice	—	—	—	—	—						
Very broad in <i>his</i> outlook	—	—	—	—	—	Free from all narrow-mindedness	—	—	—	—	—
Heart embraced all mankind	—	—	—	—	—						
Sublimely trusted the Father in heaven	—	—	—	—	—						