EVERYBODY LOVES A HERO

NEW LIFE WITH CHRIST | AN INSPIRING LOOK AT COLOSSIANS

Four Places We Find Life

"You should remember the words of the Lord Jesus: 'It is more blessed to give then to receive '"

Acts $20:35b$
1. <u>Eternal</u> life
2. Relationship with <u>God</u>
3. Relationship with <u>others</u>
4. A <u>new way</u> of life / Living in the <u>kingdom</u>
Two Lives, Two Loves
It is <u>life-giving</u> to experience God's <u>Love</u> .
We have <u>competing</u> experiences that affect our <u>impression</u> of how God views us

We have to look at the experiences that matter the most.

Colossians 2:11-15 When you came to Christ, you were "circumcised," but not by a physical procedure. Christ performed a spiritual circumcision—the cutting away of your sinful nature. ¹² For you were buried with Christ when you were baptized. And with him you were raised to new life because you trusted the mighty power of God, who raised Christ from the dead.

¹³ When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, ¹⁴ having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵ And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross. ^{NLT}

Matthew 7:21-23 "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. ²² Many will say to me on that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name and in your name drive out demons and in your name perform many miracles?' ²³ Then I will tell them plainly, 'I never knew you. Away from me, you evildoers!' NIV

Everybody loves a <u>hero</u>. If we view God that way, we will <u>love him</u> too.

Romans 5:8 But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. NIV

2 Life examples

2 Bible examples

2 Movie examples