

# Pressing On and Leaning In Toward Christ

December 31, 2017

## BOUNDED SET

**Becoming** a Christian is a radical, one-time change, lasts forever

from **natural** birth to **spiritual** birth  
(John 1:12-13 and 3:3)

from **death** to **life**  
(John 5:24)

from **darkness** to **light**  
(Acts 26:18)

from the power of **satan** to **God**  
(Acts 26:18)

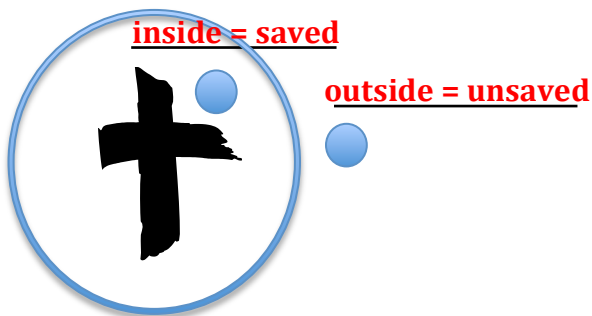
from everything **old** to being a **new** creation  
(2 Corinthians 5:17)

from being **dead** in transgressions to **alive** in Christ  
(Ephesians 2:4-5)

from not having **life** to having **life**  
(1 John 5:11-12)

## Four characteristics of a BOUNDED SET

1. **location**
2. **in / out**
3. **moment** (snapshot; single photo)
4. Helps answer the question: "Who is saved?"



## CENTERED SET

**Being** a Christian is a radical, ongoing, continual change forever

whoever **lives** by the truth comes into the **light**  
(John 3:21)

be **transformed** by the renewing of your minds  
(Romans 12:2)

we are **being** transformed into His likeness  
(2 Corinthians 3:17-18)

**walk [live]** in a manner worthy of the calling you received  
(Ephesians 4:1)

I **press** on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus . . .  
(Philippians 3:12-14)

as you have received Christ Jesus as Lord, so **walk [live]**  
(Colossians 2:6)

whoever claims to live in Him must **walk [live]** as Jesus did  
(1 John 2:6)

## Four characteristics of a CENTERED SET

1. **direction**
2. **toward / away from**
3. **movement** (video; live feeds)
4. Helps answer the question: "Who is a disciple?"

**away = non-disciple**



Which areas of my life do I need to center on Christ in 2018?  
employment? family? marriage? finances? leisure? \_\_\_\_\_  
(other)

How can I help others to live life centered on Christ in 2018?