

The way of Jesus

⁴⁸Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect. **Matthew 5:48**
- NIV

Perfect – “Teleios” – Complete,
continuous, grow up, strive.

The way of Jesus

The way of Jesus is more than a belief system, it is more than having the correct theology; it is a way that requires hard choices in everyday life, a way of life that compels us to look at our world through a different set of eyes... the eyes of Jesus.

Valuing People

- Greater than things...
 - Fighting to retain what is ours
 - Giving what we have to those in need
- Greater than ourselves
 - Love those who are out to harm you
 - Love your enemies
- Greater than our rights
 - Forced to do something, do more!

Prioritizing what God thinks
of you.

Jesus value system is based not on
self-preservation and what others think
of you, but rather on what God thinks
of you.

You are his child

God's rewards are greater than
anything on this earth.

The Impossible way of Jesus

- It's not about earning God's acceptance, it's about living for Jesus who died for you.
 - The “Enabling Grace of Christ”, power to do things we didn't think we were able to do.
- It shows us what God is like
 - Jesus was teaching how God responds to us
- Because of God's love, we are to be like him
 - God's High Ideal – we will never reach but we never stop striving for it... “Perfect”