

Christ Our Pattern

Jesus Christ is not simply the corrective
for humanity gone wrong.
He is humanity's original blueprint,
our model,
our pattern,
the original purpose and prototype that drove our creation.

We were designed and created to be like Him:
holy – completely separated to God the Father;
a ruler – overseeing God's wondrous creation;
a servant – humbly, eagerly doing the Father's will
God's child – gloriously, lovingly like Him.

We were fashioned to focus on Him.
We were given
a mind, that we might know Him;
eyes, that we might see His glory;
hands, that we might serve Him;
feet, that we might run to do His will;
a mouth, that we might praise Him;
deep desires, that we might desire Him.

The Father's purpose has never changed.
His determination has never wavered,
despite our sin.
The sure destiny of all who trust in Christ is
to be like Him,
to be one with Him –
members of His own body,
His living temple,
His dearly-loved bride.

Jesus Christ is our Source, and
He is our eternal destination.

Hymn: [Christ, Our Source and Goal](#)