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- If you were to summarize the Christian (Christ-filled) life in one sentence, what would it be?
- A sincere _____ driven by a real and genuine _____ - this is the end (conclusion; goal) of the Christian life. It's the target!
- There is only way to see those marvelous fruits evidenced in your life. vs. 1
- Your heart and mind must be fully occupied with Christ. How?

First, by detecting _____ teachers

- Does what we believe affect how we act?
- Doctrine is what we believe, and it affects everything about us, to the very _____ of our being.
- In Paul's day, false teaching was already very prevalent. 1:4, 7
 - ⇒ " _____ " (vs. 4) are mystic stories designed to appeal to people's raw emotions.
 - ⇒ _____-based religion or legalism. vs. 7

Second, by _____ trouble-makers

- *"Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them. For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple."*
Romans 16:17-18
- *"Forasmuch as we have heard, that certain which went out from us have troubled you with words, subverting your souls, saying, Ye must be circumcised, and keep the law: to whom we gave no such commandment."* **Acts 15:24**
- When you allow yourself to be influenced by the wrong kind of people, it will always cause you to _____ focus on Christ.

Third, by constantly examining the _____ of your life

- What kind of fruit does a Christian that is occupied with Jesus Christ bear?
- Jesus Christ sets us free to love fervently, to have an inner _____, and to have a vibrant, growing faith.

- Has something come into your life that has distracted you from developing a close relationship with Christ? Make a decision today to become fully occupied with Christ!
- This is the only way you will _____ the target in your Christian life!