


The Other Half OF CHURCH
 Moving Beyond Half-Brained Christianity

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Deeper Walk INTERNATIONAL

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Session 1
 Discovering the Other Half of Church

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All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.

Matthew 28:18-20

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So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.


Ephesians 4:9-11

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The Brain Jesus Designed

Left (Slow Track)

- Conscious thought
- Explanations/words
- Strategies
- Logic
- Stories



Right (Fast Track)

- Identity, Return to Joy
- Mutual Mind (Attunement)
- Assessment (Good, bad, scary)
- Attachment (What is personal to me)

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Ingredients of Relational Soil

Joy → Hesed → Group Identity → Healthy Correction

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Q & A

Break

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Session 2

Ingredient #1
RELATIONAL JOY

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“For God, who said, “Let light shine out of darkness, made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of God’s glory displayed in the face of Christ.”

2 Corinthians 4:6

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“The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.”

Numbers 6:24-26

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“In Your presence is fullness of joy”
Psalm 16:11

Hebrew: “*abundance of joy with your face.*”

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How to Raise Joy

- Gratitude (on-ramp)
- Give people your faces
- Quickly repair joy leaks
- *The Other Half of Church* has practices at the end of the joy chapter.

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Session 3 Ingredient #2 HESED

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"The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases;
his mercies never come to an end;"


Lamentation 3:22
(underline mine)

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"I am the vine; you are the branches. If
you remain in me and I in you, you will
bear much fruit; apart from me you can
do nothing."

John 15:5

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“I know your deeds, your hard work and your perseverance. I know that you cannot tolerate wicked people, that you have tested those who claim to be apostles but are not, and have found them false. You have persevered and have endured hardships for my name, and have not grown weary.”

Revelation 2:2-3

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“Yet I hold this against you: You have forsaken the love you had at first. Consider how far you have fallen! Repent and do the things you did at first. If you do not repent, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place.”

Revelation 2:4-5

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How to raise Hessed

- Building joy
- Food
- Share our weaknesses
- Treat others' weaknesses tenderly
- Seeing others through the eyes of Jesus and telling them what you see
- Separating and the joy of reconnecting.
- Try out the exercises.

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Ingredient #3
GROUP IDENTITY

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What kind of people are we?

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We are a people who . . .

- *take God's commands seriously.*
- *reconcile as quickly as possible.*
- *are careful to obey God in our sexuality, even with glances and thoughts.*
- *remain faithful to our spouses.*
- *keep our word and have no need to make oaths.*
- *love our enemies and pray for them.*
- *seek to be rewarded by God instead of by people.*
- *forgive others because we have been forgiven so much by our Father.*

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“Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.”

Colossians 3:12

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Ways to build Group Identity

- Speak Group ID to each other
 - *“We are a people who see what God is building in others.”*
- Sing to one another (Ephesians 5)
- Insert Group Identity into sermons, group curriculum etc.
- Training

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Session 5

Ingredient #4

HEALTHY CORRECTION

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Shame

- **Shame:** Your face, eyes and voice tone are telling my brain that you are not happy to be with me right now.
- **Toxic shame message:** *"You are bad!"*
- **Healthy shame message:** *"I love you but believe that you stopped acting like yourself. Let me remind how we act in this situation."*
- Toxic shame corrupts your identity.
Healthy shame builds up your identity

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The need for training correction

1. Affirm our attachment
2. Point out where I stopped acting like myself
3. Remind me who we are.

"We don't _____. Instead we are a people who_____."

For my example above:

"Michel, I realize how hard it is to lead a large meeting. But it looked like you trampled the person who made that comment. That's not like you. We do not cut people off and humiliate them in meetings. Instead, we always place people above problems. We are patient and gentle with others, even when they might be trying to insult us."

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"Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!"
Luke 10:40

Martha, Martha," the Lord answered, "you are worried and upset about many things, but few things are needed—or indeed only one. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her."

Luke 10:41-42

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FULL-BRAINED CHRISTIANITY

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A Full-Brained Church

- Relationships are the center of everything
- We are intentional about building joy, hesed, Group ID and correction
- Leaders are good trainers (not famous stars)
- We mix people of different maturity
- We tell stories
- We sing to each other (not just to God).

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A Full-Brained Church and Narcissism

- Naturally immune to narcissistic leaders
- Pastors stay small
- Pastors readily, eagerly accept healthy correction
- A narcissist has a chance to heal in a full-brained community

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Results of a full-brained discipleship

- I can better regulate big emotions
- I can see more of life through Jesus' eyes
- I more eagerly accept and look for correction
- When I get stuck, I know it

"What might God want me to learn from this?"

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Resources

- **Deeper Walk** has classes, groups and resources
 - Visit deeperwalkinternational.org
- **Life Model Works**
 - Online trainings: Intro to Full-brained Christianity
 - Online church and ministry consulting
 - Meet 2x/month for a year with your leadership team
 - Bring a full-brained discipleship to your people
 - Visit lifemodelworks.org
 - Email: michelhendricks@lifemodelworks.org

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Books:



Q & A

Wrap Up