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Session 2 The Human Condition

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Lived Islam among Sufis in Bosnia and Herzegovina* (Berlin De Gruyter 2020) He is happily married and has a young son.

Goals

In this session, Dr. Aždajić walks us through the human condition and shows us how our human condition is restored in Christ, but we still have a sinful condition. Through a dependency on God, and a surrendering of our many sins, we are slowly healing and being transformed into the image of Christ.

Sessions Overview

- 1. Christian Disciplines
- 2. The Human Condition
- 3. Prayer
- 4. Community and Priesthood of all Believers
- 5. Decision Making and the Will of God
- 6. Maturing Your Spiritual Life
- 7. Joy and Rest for the Soul



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Fill in the Worksheet

1.	What do Hitler and Jesus have in common? How can this perspective help us to see that all people bear the image of God?
2.	What is an area of sin that you have conquered? What are areas you are still working?
3.	Dr. Aždajić mentions the sin of speed, the sin of too much to do. Do you find this relatable? If so, how can we be more intentional with our time?
4.	Does your Christian walk feel like a "refugee spirituality"?



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How can a meditation on death help orient our mindset to an eternal mindset?
Do you find the term "Jesus saves" embarrassing? why, or, why not?
What does baptism symbolize?
Dr. Aždajić says that "the good news is that the human condition which was originally completely fallen and separated from God has now been restored to God continues to live in weakness. But we get to walk through this life with God living inside of us because God loves to be loved. Who can you share this good news withis week?