**The Way of Life Summarized  
By Gary Whipple of** [**Beyond the Rapture**](http://www.bibleone.net/BeyondtheRapture.pdf)

The “way of life” is to enter the first gate of salvation (positional grace) through faith (**in Christ**).

Then, through surrender of self and by a continuous faith, enter the strait gate of “standing grace” (**Christ in you**).

This reciprocal indwelling produces spiritual fruit in the believer’s life and qualifies him to run the race of the narrow path that leads to life (millennial life). This race can only be finished by the one who has a Christ-controlled life and whose eye is on the “mark of the prize of the high calling” ([Philippians 3:13-14](https://www.blueletterbible.org/search/preSearch.cfm?Criteria=Philippians+3.13-14&t=NKJV)).

This high calling prize demands a striving on the part of the runner to “get out of the way of himself” and let Christ win the race through him. This is made possible by continuously feeding on the meat of the Word, which automatically changes the runner inwardly.

(See in this site [The Metamorphosis](https://www.koffeekupkandor.com/gods-word-three.php#The%20Metamorphosis) about changing within.)

The obstacles of this race are tribulation, and temptation. They are allowed by God in order to strengthen the faith of the runner, which in turn gives patience, experience, and hope. Through this striving, it is Christ that crosses this finish line through us, and enters into the strait gate of the “bridal chamber and wedding feast.”

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