



**What do you seek?**

**JD Gettmann**

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we are unable to stream it outside of  
the room.**

**LIVE STREAMING WILL RETURN  
SHORTLY.**



## JOHN 1:35-39

The next day John was standing with two of his disciples, and he looked at Jesus as He walked by and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God!". The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. Jesus turned and saw them following and said to them, **"What are you seeking?"**. And they said to Him, "Rabbi (meaning teacher), where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and you will see". So they came and saw where He was staying, and they stayed with Him that day, for it was about the tenth hour.



**Isaiah 55:6 —**

“**Seek** the LORD while He may be found; call upon him while He is near”

**Psalms 27:8 —**

You have said, “**Seek** my face.” My heart says to you, “Your face, LORD, do I seek.”

**Deuteronomy 4:29 —**

But from there you will **seek** the LORD your God and you will find him, if you search after him with all your heart and with all your soul.



### **Matthew 7:8 —**

Ask, and it will be given to you; **seek**, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and the one who **seeks** finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened.

### **Matthew 6:33 —**

But **seek** first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

### **1 Chronicles 16:11 —**

**Seek** the LORD and his strength; seek his presence continually!







*“When you’re truly in love you will go to great lengths to be with the one you love. You’ll drive for hours to be together, even if it's only for a short while. You don't mind staying up late to talk. Walking in the rain is romantic, not annoying. You’re willing to spend a small fortune on the one you’re crazy about. When you’re apart, it's painful. They are all you think about, you jump at any chance to be together.”*

**FRANCIS CHAN, CRAZY LOVE**



*“The critical question for our generation - and for every generation - is this: If you could have heaven, with no sickness, and with all the friends you ever had on earth, and all the food you ever liked, and all the leisure activities you ever enjoyed, and all the natural beauties you ever saw, all the physical pleasures you ever tasted, and no human conflict or any natural disasters, could you be satisfied with heaven, **if Christ was not there?**”*

**JOHN PIPER, GOD IS THE GOSPEL**



## **MERRIAM-WEBSTER DEFINITION OF RELIGION**

"A personalized set or institutionalized system of religious beliefs, attitudes and practices."

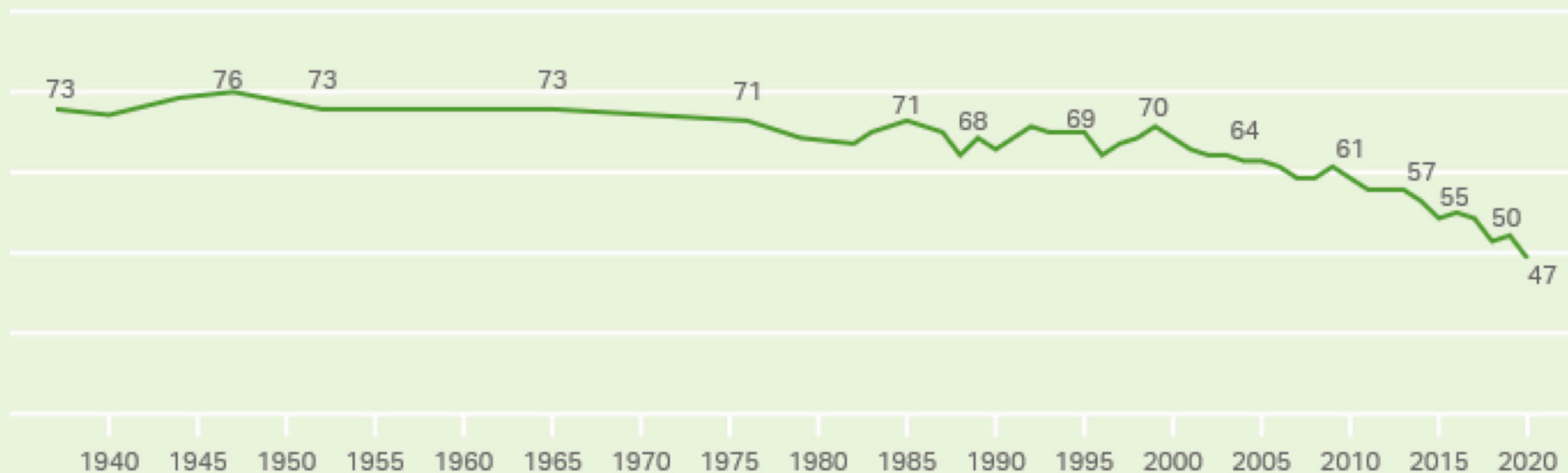




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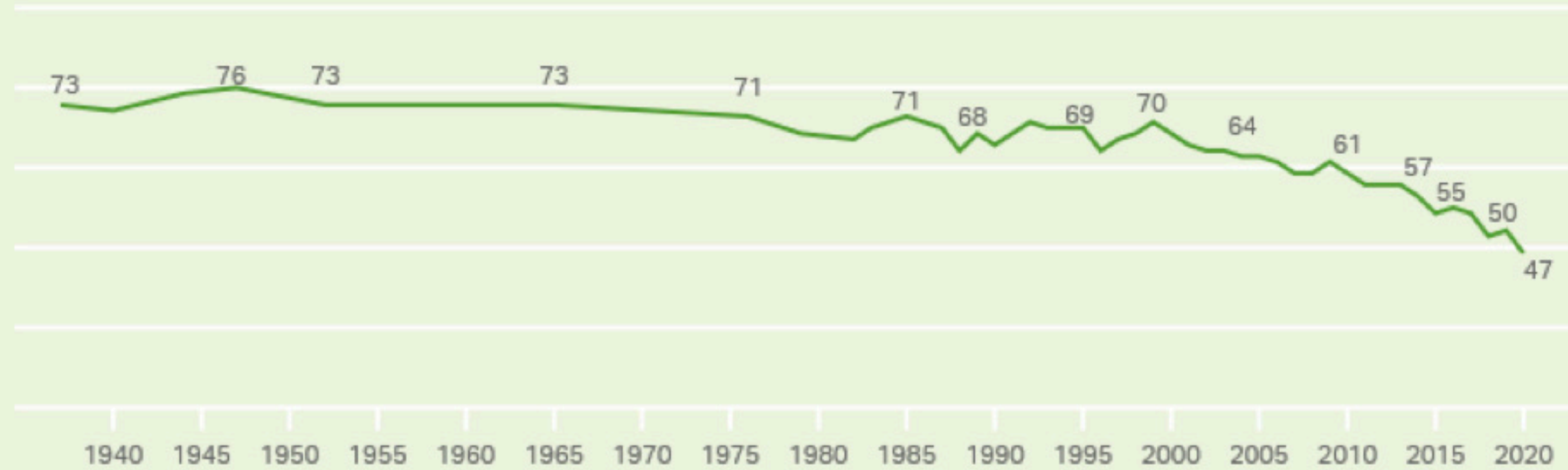
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Decline in church attendance is highly correlated with age: 66% of traditionalist (those born before 1946), 58% of baby boomers, 50% of Gen X and 36% of millennials.

**HOW DO WE GET TO KNOW OUR HEAVENLY FATHER?**

**HOW DO WE CULTIVATE A RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS?**



## LUKE 10:38-42

As Jesus and his disciples were on their way, he came to a village where a woman named Martha opened her home to him. She had a sister called Mary, **who sat at the Lord's feet listening to what he said.** But Martha was **distracted by all the preparations that had to be made.**



## LUKE 10:38-42

She came to him and asked, "Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!" "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."



You were not a mistake, for all your days are written in my book. [Psalm 139:15-16](#)

I determined the exact time of your birth and where you would live. [Acts 17:26](#)

You are fearfully and wonderfully made. [Psalm 139:14](#)

I knit you together in your mother's womb. [Psalm 139:13](#)

And brought you forth on the day you were born. [Psalm 71:6](#)

I have been misrepresented by those who don't know me. [John 8:41-44](#)





You may not know me, but I know everything about you [Psalm 139:1](#)

I know when you sit down and when you rise up [Psalm 139:2](#)

I am familiar with all your ways [Psalm 139:3](#)

Even the very hairs on your head are numbered [Matthew 10:29-31](#)

For you were made in my image [Genesis 1:27](#)

In me you live and move and have your being [Acts 17:28](#)

For you are my offspring [Acts 17:28](#)

I knew you even before you were conceived [Jeremiah 1:4-5](#)

I chose you when I planned creation [Ephesians 1:11-12](#)





## MARY MAGDALENE: THE CHOSEN SEASON 1

"Here is what I can tell you, I was one way, and now I'm **completely different**, and the thing that happened in between was **Him**."





I am not distant and angry, but am the complete expression of love **1 John 4:16**

And it is my desire to lavish my love on you **1 John 3:1**

Simply because you are my child and I am your Father **1 John 3:1**



I offer you more than your earthly father ever could [Matthew 7:11](#)

For I am the perfect father [Matthew 5:48](#)

Every good gift that you receive comes from my hand [James 1:17](#)

For I am your provider and I meet all your needs [Matthew 6:31-33](#)

My plan for your future has always been filled with hope [Jeremiah 29:11](#)

Because I love you with an everlasting love [Jeremiah 31:3](#)

My thoughts toward you are countless as the sand on the seashore [Psalm 139:17-18](#)

And I rejoice over you with singing [Zephaniah 3:17](#)

I will never stop doing good to you [Jeremiah 32:40](#)



For you are my treasured possession [Exodus 19:5](#)

I desire to establish you with all my heart and all my soul [Jeremiah 32:41](#)

And I want to show you great and marvelous things [Jeremiah 33:3](#)

If you seek me with all your heart, you will find me [Deuteronomy 4:29](#)

Delight in me and I will give you the desires of your heart [Psalm 37:4](#)

For it is I who gave you those desires [Philippians 2:13](#)

I am able to do more for you than you could possibly imagine [Ephesians 3:20](#)

For I am your greatest encourager [2 Thessalonians 2:16-17](#)

I am also the Father who comforts you in all your troubles [2 Corinthians 1:3-4](#))



When you are brokenhearted, I am close to you [Psalm 34:18](#)

As a shepherd carries a lamb, I have carried you close to my heart [Isaiah 40:11](#)

One day I will wipe away every tear from your eyes [Revelation 21:3-4](#)

And I'll take away all the pain you have suffered on this earth [Revelation 21:3-4](#)

I am your Father, and I love you even as I love my son, Jesus [John 17:23](#)

For in Jesus, my love for you is revealed [John 17:26](#)

He is the exact representation of my being [Hebrews 1:3](#)

He came to demonstrate that I am for you, not against you [Romans 8:31](#)

And to tell you that I am not counting your sins [2 Corinthians 5:18-19](#)

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Jesus died so that you and I could be reconciled [2 Corinthians 5:18-19](#)

His death was the ultimate expression of my love for you [1 John 4:10](#)

I gave up everything I loved that I might gain your love [Romans 8:31-32](#)

If you receive the gift of my son Jesus, you receive me [1 John 2:23](#)

And nothing will ever separate you from my love again [Romans 8:38-39](#)

Come home and I'll throw the biggest party heaven has ever seen [Luke 15:7](#)

I have always been Father, and will always be Father [Ephesians 3:14-15](#)

My question is...Will you be my child? [John 1:12-13](#)

I am waiting for you [Luke 15:11-32](#)

