

## The Christ-Centered Life (The Wheel)

The key to living a victorious, Spirit-filled Christian life is Jesus Christ as the Center and Lord of all we do. With Christ in control, life is balanced and effective. **The Wheel** illustrates this Christ-centered life.



- Just as the driving force in a wheel comes from the hub; so the power to live the Christian life comes from Jesus **Christ the Center**. He lives in us in the Person of the Holy Spirit, whose expressed purpose is to glorify Christ.
- The rim represents the Christian responding to Christ's Lordship through wholehearted, day-by-day **Obedience** to Him.
- The spokes show the means by which Christ's power becomes operative in our lives. We maintain personal contact with God through the vertical spokes - the Word and Prayer. **The Word** is our spiritual food as well as our sword for spiritual battle. It is the foundational spoke for effective Christian living.
- Opposite this is the spoke representing Prayer. Through **Prayer** we have direct communication with our heavenly Father and receive provision for our needs. As we pray we show our dependence upon and trust in Him.
- The horizontal spokes concern our relationship to people - believers, through Christian fellowship; and unbelievers, through witnessing. **Fellowship** centered around the Lord Jesus Christ provides the mutual encouragement, admonition and stimulation we all need.
- The first three spokes prepare us for passing on to others all that we have received from the Lord. This is accomplished through **Witnessing**, sharing our own experience of Christ and declaring and explaining the Gospel, God's power to save.