

## Making Gravy

### Description

2 Corinthians 5:1-7

I tried for years to make gravy. Drippings with flour and milk. Drippings with flour and water. Drippings with flour and butter and milk. Something had to work. However, for me, gravy seemed impossible.

Years later, I learned that I was doing it wrong. I wasn't working from a roux. A roux is a paste made from the drippings and flour. It doesn't look a thing like gravy. It looks like you're doing it all wrong. Then you add liquid to the paste. You have to continue adding the liquid little by little. Stirring and heating and mixing. It looks like you're making a failure even worse than when you started.

But then, just when you expect to scrape it all into the trash, what you find in the pan is really, truly, honest-to-goodness gravy. Just add salt and pepper to taste.

Much like making gravy, living the Christian life doesn't always look like instant, immediate success. Christlikeness is like gravy. It is impossible. Until, by faith and perseverance, it isn't.

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