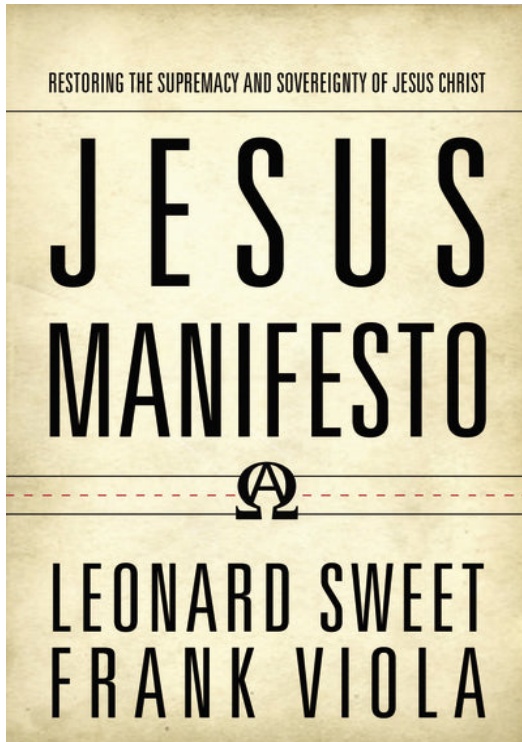


Jesus Manifesto by Leonard Sweet and Frank Viola

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- **Title, Author(s), and publication data**
 - Jesus Manifesto: Restoring the Supremacy and Sovereignty of Jesus Christ
 - Authors: Leonard Sweet and Frank Viola
 - Publisher: Thomas Nelson
 - Publication Date: 2010, 2016
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- **Book description (from Amazon)**
 - *Jesus Manifesto* presents a fresh unveiling of Jesus, seeking to restore the supremacy and sovereignty of Christ in a world—and a church—that has lost sight of Him. Christians have made the gospel about so many things—things other than Christ. Religious concepts, ideas, doctrines, strategies, and methods that begin to eclipse the beauty, the glory, and the reality of the Lord Jesus Himself. We know a lot about our Lord, but we don't know Him very well. We know a lot about trying to be like Jesus, but very little about living by His indwelling life. *Jesus Manifesto* provides clarity on the most important points of our faith. It is a prophetic call to restore the supremacy and

sovereignty of Christ in a world and church that has lost sight of Him. This manifesto emphasizes ten crucial areas of restoring the supremacy of Jesus Christ, noting:

- Christians don't follow Christianity; they follow Christ
- Christians don't proclaim themselves; they proclaim Christ
- Christians don't point people to core values; they point people to the Cross
- Christians don't preach about Christ; they preach Christ

- **Author bio, credentials and ministry description**

- Leonard Sweet is a theo-semiotician, historical theologian, and preacher (Methodist background) who grew up with two brothers under a preacher-mom (see *Mother Tongue*). Author of almost eighty books, hundreds of articles, and almost 2000 published sermons. His semiotic "LenTalks" are posted on YouTube, and his "Napkin Scribbles" podcasts can be accessed on leonardsweet.com or Spotify. After a lifetime in academic administration as Dean, Provost, President, and Chancellor, Sweet now works with graduate students at four institutions: Drew University, where he has occupied the E. Stanley Jones Chair, George Fox University, Northwind Seminary, and Southeastern University. Bio from LeonardSweet.com. Also, he has been voted "one of the 50 Most Influential Christians in America" and selected as one of the "Top 10 Influential World Christians"
- FRANK VIOLA is a bestselling author, speaker, blogger, and podcaster. Viola helps serious followers of Jesus know their Lord more deeply so they can experience real transformation and make a lasting impact. His blog - frankviola.org - is regularly ranked in the top 5 of all Christian blogs on the Web and his podcast - Christ is All - has ranked #1 in Canada and #2 in the USA on Apple podcasts. His work focuses on Jesus studies and biblical narrative, with a strong emphasis on helping the poor and the oppressed. He is most noted for his emphasis on the gospel of the kingdom, the centrality and supremacy of Jesus Christ, and the idea that Jesus indwells all Christians and they can learn to live by his life.

- **Pertinent reviews**

- 4.7 (575 reviews) on Amazon and 4.1 (789 ratings) on Goodreads as of May, 2025

- **Link to audiobook and eBook if available**

- Available on www.audiobooks.com and on www.audible.com

- **Discussion Guide**

- Generic questions that can be used for any book that aligns with the Vision and Mission

- Which scripture verse spoke to you from the book and why?
- What life experience comes up for you from reading this book?
- At least 5 key questions about the book that align with the mission of this club, allow for biblical scripture discussion, personal stories and testimonies and applying lessons to daily life.
 - Is there anything in this book that makes you uncomfortable or challenges your faith? Why?
 - How has reading this book impacted your own understanding of Jesus?
 - How did this book help you deepen your understanding of faith and strengthen your personal relationship with God?
 - How might this book change the way you see or engage with your local church and in your community?