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Teleios is the journal of the *Teleios Society*. The *Teleios Society* exists to promote holistic Christian spirituality in the lives of disciples of Jesus. The editors believe the Christian community needs an academic journal that explores both the *theory* and *praxis* of *teleios*.

Teleios is a Greek word that means "mature, complete, whole." The Apostle Paul used this word, teleios, to state his purpose for writing to the churches in Colossae, Laodicea, and Heirapolis, "It is he (Christ) whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature (teleios) in Christ" (Col. 1:28). This verse serves as the mission statement of the Teleios Society and the Teleios Journal. The Editorial Board and the Advisory Board of Teleios pray that this journal "may present everyone teleios in Christ."

THE GOALS OF TELEIOS ARE:

- 1. To encourage holistic spiritual growth and to provide material for maturation for followers of Jesus.
- 2. To promote the study of Christian spirituality.
- 3. To provide peer-reviewed articles for the advancement of scholarship in schools and churches.
- 4. To build bridges between the various branches of the Stone-Campbell Movement. All of these goals center around the definition of *Teleios*.

Teleios believes that art and artists have much to contribute to theological well-being. Therefore, *Teleios* will publish poems, essays, short fiction, photography, and other forms of visual art. *Teleios* will review recent publications in the fields of biblical studies, theology, spirituality, church history, social justice, literature, leadership, and ministry. *Teleios* will be published biannually (winter and summer). The Teleios Society will sell subscriptions to the journal. Members of the society will receive the journal, regular electronic bulletins, and admission to the annual society meeting.

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