



Core

Week 2 We Value Life Transformation

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Core Value 6 - We value life transformation, which takes place as we engage in worship, small groups and personal time with God.

There was a man named Nicodemus, a Jewish religious leader who was a Pharisee. After dark one evening, he came to speak with Jesus. "Rabbi," he said, "we all know that God has sent you to teach us. Your miraculous signs are evidence that God is with you." Jesus replied, "I tell you the truth, unless you are born again, you cannot see the Kingdom of God." "What do you mean?" exclaimed Nicodemus. "How can an old man go back into his mother's womb and be born again?" Jesus replied, "I assure you, no one can enter the Kingdom of God without being born of water and the Spirit. Humans can reproduce only human life, but the Holy Spirit gives birth to spiritual life. So don't be surprised when I say, 'You must be born again.'" John 3:1-7 (NLT)

A God Makeover

God's _____ - Man's _____

And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of

glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit. 2 Corinthians 3:18 (NRSV)

Before you know it, the Spirit of GOD will come on you and you'll be prophesying right along with them. And you'll be transformed. You'll be a new person! 1 Samuel 10:6 (MSG)

So here's what I want you to do, God helping you: Take your everyday, ordinary life – your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life – and place it before God as an offering. Embracing what God does for you is the best thing you can do for him. Romans 12:1 (MSG)

A New Creation

You see the controlling force in our lives is the love of the Anointed One. And our confession is this: One died for all; therefore, all have died. He died for us so that we will all live, not for ourselves, but for him who died and rose from the dead. Because of all that God has done, we now have a new perspective. We used to show regard for people based on worldly standards and interests. No longer. We used to think of the Anointed the same way. No longer. Therefore, if anyone is united with the Anointed One, that person is a new creation. The old life is gone – and see – a new life has begun! All of this is a gift from our Creator God, who has pursued us and brought us into a restored and healthy relationship with Him through the Anointed. 2 Corinthians 5:14-18 (TVT)

1. _____

And I will give you a new heart, and I will put a new spirit in you. I will take out your stony, stubborn heart and give you a tender, responsive heart. And I will put my Spirit in you so that you will follow my decrees and be careful to obey my regulations.

Ezekiel 36:26-27 (NLT)

2. _____

Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God – what is good and acceptable and perfect.

Romans 12:2 (NRSV)

3. _____

Nor is it fitting for you to use language which is obscene, profane, or vulgar. Rather you should give thanks to God.

Ephesians 5:4 (TEV)

I promise you that on the day of judgment, everyone will have to account for every careless word they have spoken.

Matthew 12:36 (CEV)

4. _____

Some of you used to live in these ways, but you are different now; you have been washed clean, set apart, restored, and set on the right path in the name of the Lord Jesus, the Anointed, by the Spirit of our living God.

1 Corinthians 6:11 (TVT)

A Personal Commitment To...

- Corporate _____

Let us not give up the habit of meeting together, as some are doing. Instead, let us encourage one another all the more, since you see that the Day of the Lord is coming nearer. Hebrews 10:25 (TEV)

- Small _____

- Personal time with _____

Do not waste time arguing over godless ideas and old wives' tales. Instead, train yourself to be godly.

“Physical training is good, but training for godliness is much better, promising benefits in this life and in the life to come.”

1 Timothy 4:7-8 (NLT)

What counts is whether we have been transformed into a new creation.

Galatians 6:15b (NLT)

My Next Step Today Is To...

- Give my life to God so that I can know Him and His direction for me.
- Co-operate with God's Holy Spirit to be conformed to His image.
- Praise God for His work in me which is transforming me into his likeness.
- Meditate on and/or memorize 2 Corinthians 5:17