

TRANSFORMED FOR ACTION

1 Peter 1.13-21

PREPARING OUR MINDS: 1 PETER 1.13

Girding up the loins: When it was time to run or take action, the long drape of a man's robe would have to be tucked into his belt.

**An equipped soldier doesn't avoid danger,
but prepares himself *for* danger.**

2 Timothy 2.1-4 // Luke 12.32-37

Set your hope fully on the grace of God: Focusing on the Gospel is what changes us, because the Gospel is the power of God.

Colossians 2.20-3.2 // John 8.32, 17.17

**Rules Don't Change Us; the Gospel Changes Us.
Rules Don't Strengthen Us; the Gospel Strengthens Us.
Rules Don't Protect Us; the Gospel Protects Us.**

Until sin be bitter, Christ will never be sweet.
-Thomas Watson

BE CHANGED BY GOD: 1 PETER 1.14-17

To be conformed: "Pattern your actions or life after; imitate."

Romans 12:1-2

**Obedience doesn't make us His children,
but it proves we are His children.**
-John Calvin

James 2.18, 19 // John 14.15 // 1 Samuel 16:7

RANSOMED BY THE LAMB: 1 PETER 1.19-21

**You were once a slave to sin,
and Christ paid the payment to free you.**

1 Corinthians 6.19, 20 // John 8.34-36



NOTES:

WANT TO GET CONNECTED?

- **JOIN A COMMUNITY GROUP!**
If you want to get connected to a group of people near your neighborhood, let us know by filling out the **Connection Card** or visiting the **Connection Booth** in the Atrium.
- **JOIN THE TEAM!**
We would love to have you come serve our church family with us. Let us know on our **Connection Card** that you want to help.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

SERMON CDs AVAILABLE

If you would like a copy of the sermon from today's service, go to the sound booth in the back right after service. They will make one just for you!

Also, make sure to not just watch, but also subscribe to our **YouTube Channel**, which is at [youtube.com/LifeMissionTV](https://www.youtube.com/LifeMissionTV). You will get notified AS SOON as our sermons and short videos go up online!

KIDS ON MISSION

Please log on to check out www.lifemissionchurch.com and click "Kids" at the top to read more about the vision and plan we have for our kids, including Pastor Jobey's heart and his walk through of our curriculum.

Also, the daily devotional book, **Long Story Short**, is available in the Atrium to purchase.



SAVE.

Jesus was sent to save. We have been saved to be sent. We are sent into our community to share the Good News that Christ came to save us, and we hope to see many who find new life.

EQUIP.

We want to equip those very people in the Word so that they can continue to grow as disciples of Christ. From our preschool to our adults, our passion is to see everyone equipped in the Gospel to live a life of freedom and joy.

SEND.

Lastly, we then want to see those equipped people sent into their community and world. From schools and playgrounds, to families and work places, we want to see people who are spiritual leaders in their life, showing people the truth of Christ's Good News.

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COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

What stuck out to you the most or was the most impactful from the message on Sunday? _____

Read **1 Peter 1.13-21**. What stuck out to you the most or was the most impactful from the message on Sunday? _____

What is significant about the word "therefore" in **verse 14**? How would the text change without it? _____

Our motive and our source of strength is critical when it comes to "how" we live out our faith. What does Peter want us to focus on as our motivation and source of strength? _____

How does setting "your hope fully on the grace" of God and focusing on the Gospel (election, your inheritance, your security, etc. in **verses 1-5**) bring about the necessary change in our life to be "obedient," "holy in our conduct," and "not conformed to the world"? _____

Read **Colossians 2.20-3.2**. What does Paul say in the last part of **chapter 2** that *doesn't* help in changing your heart or being sanctified? _____

Why are these things not helpful? Does it mean that we shouldn't have boundaries in our lives? _____

Read **Mark 9.42-48** and **1 Corinthians 15.33**. Here, the Word says that we *should* be wise with making sure we are doing what it takes to remain pure in every way. So how do these two verses connect with the **Colossians** verses? _____

The Word tells us that though it's *good* to be wise with our surroundings and what we put time into, ultimately, those things alone have no ability to change the heart. Reading **Colossians 3.1, 2** and **1 Peter 1.13-19** again, focusing on **verse 13, 18, and 19**, how does the Word tell us that we CAN be changed by? _____

Now read Jesus' words in **John 17.17 and 8.31, 32**. How does Jesus say we can be changed? _____

With all these verses in light, read **Romans 12.1, 2**. How do we "renew our minds?"

Take time to pray as a group. It's important for us, if we want to kindle a deeper love for the Word, to first repent of our disinterest in the Word. If we want to be people of the Word, we must first have to be honest if we are currently not. This is when the Holy Spirit *really* begins to give you a deeper desire!