

# HOW WE TRANSFORM

2 Corinthians 3.16-18 // February 23, 2020

## SPIRITUAL FORMATION

Romans 12.1, 2 // 2 Corinthians 3.16-18, 4.6

Two words mentioned here share the word "form."

- Being transformed is the process
- Being conformed is the end result

To be transformed and conformed means to be "patterned after" or made into a "mold" of something or someone. The Greek word for "transformed" is metamorphoomai, which of course you can tell is where we get "metamorphosis." It is important to note that "being transformed" is passive, meaning it is something done *to us*, rather than something we do to ourselves.

## BEING TRANSFORMED

Ezekiel 36.26, 27 // 2 Corinthians 5.17, 18 // Philippians 1.6

One of the most fantastic truths about our transformation is that we have become a new creation. And this means that not only have we been forgiven of our sin, but we also now have a new ability to put our sin to death.

There is a difference between reigning sin and surviving sin.  
It is one thing for sin to live in us, it is another thing to live in sin.  
-John Murray

1 Thessalonians 5.23, 24 // Romans 8.29

## BEING CONFORMED

Our goal and hope is not to be conformed to the image of morality, but to the image of Christ. It is one thing to do what is right because you *know* it is right, but it is a whole other thing to do what is right because you *love* what is right.

Jesus did not just *act* righteous, but He *loved* righteousness.

But to have this happen to us, we must be changed from the inside out. And the only power that is able to do this is the power of the Gospel. It is only by beholding and being amazed at what Christ has done for us on the cross that our hearts melt and are remade and remolded.

1 Corinthians 1.18 // 2 Peter 1.3-15



## NOTES:

### This Week's Scripture to Memorize:

2 Corinthians 3:5

Not that we are sufficient in ourselves to claim anything as coming from us, but our sufficiency is from God.

Elder Candidates

Tyler Willis and Casey Barnes

## ARE YOU NEW HERE?

### WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION!

We'd love for you to **fill out a Connection Card** so we can welcome you and answer any questions you may have. You can drop it in the offering basket during the service or take it to one of our teammates at the **Connection Booth** outside. Feel free to grab some coffee and snacks in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you'll **join us next Sunday** and consider making us your church family.

### WHAT ABOUT THE KIDS?

Our childrens' ministry, which we call **Kids on Mission**, has classes for **newborns - 5th grade**. We have a great team of volunteers who have all been screened with background checks for extra security. Each week your child will get to **worship** with their class, followed by an **age-appropriate lesson** that points them towards Jesus and helps root them in the Word of God.

Visit our website to read more about the vision of Kids on Mission and a walkthrough of our curriculum. If you have any questions, email **Amber Willis at [amber@lifemission.tv](mailto:amber@lifemission.tv)**

### JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

Our **6th - 8th graders** begin each Sunday by **worshipping with the adults** and then head to their classroom with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service. Visit our website to read more about our junior high ministry and a walkthrough of our curriculum.

Our **9th-12th graders stay in the service** with the adults because we believe that it is crucial for them to not "graduate the faith" when they graduate high school.

For more information about our Junior High & High School ministries, email **Tyler Willis at [tyler@lifemission.tv](mailto:tyler@lifemission.tv)**.

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## COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Before group starts, who can share the Memory Verse?

Read 2 Corinthians 3.16-18, 4.6. What stands out in this passage, and what stuck out to you most from the sermon on Sunday?

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Preaching the Gospel to Yourself

Read 1 Thessalonians 5.23, 24 and Romans 8.29. What amazing part of the Gospel shines through in these verses? What does knowing that the work of transformation and the completion of the work lies completely on God's power give to you?

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Repent and Ask for Provision

It is easy to get stuck in a rut of simply seeing our sin, but then not having any passion, faith, or pursuit to put that sin to death. It can be a defeating feeling to see sin but not believe we have the ability to master it. What sinful habits do you see that you need to ask God for help with, as well as ask Him to help you trust in the power of the Spirit and the work of the Gospel working in you to destroy it?

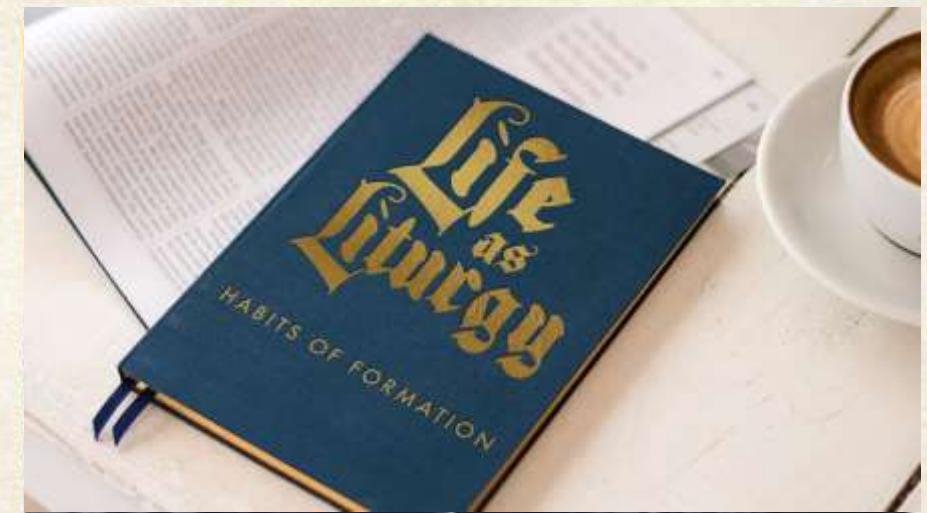
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Your Life Mission

We are all called to be conformed into the image of Christ. And when this happens, others notice things about us that are unique as compared to most who are in the world.

What conversations or interactions are coming up in your life that you need prayer for? Who are you praying for opportunities that you could have love, compassion, and boldness to share the Gospel with?

End the evening in a time of prayer, praying through the theme of the night using the P.R.A.Y. model with your group. Pray for those in your life that God has brought for you to be an ambassador of His Kingdom. Make sure to end your time of prayer Yielding with Thanksgiving for God's sovereignty and plan for your life.



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