

I Timothy 1:12-16—“And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord who has enabled me, because He counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry,¹³ although I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and an insolent man; but I obtained mercy because I did it ignorantly in unbelief.¹⁴ And the grace of our Lord was exceedingly abundant, with faith and love which are in Christ Jesus.¹⁵ This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief.¹⁶ However, for this reason I obtained mercy, that in me first Jesus Christ might show all longsuffering, as a pattern to those who are going to believe on Him for everlasting life.”

I Corinthians 6:9-11—“Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, [a] nor sodomites, 10 nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God. 11 And such were some of you. But you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God.”

Our greatest example of this is ⁽¹⁰⁾_____.

Transformation #3: A Transformation of ⁽¹¹⁾_____.

Matthew 10:42—“And if anyone gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is my disciple, I tell you the truth, he will certainly not lose his reward.”

QUESTION: When is the last time you have done something for somebody else in “Jesus name.”

A Christian is not saved by good works and a Christian must give more than good works – but a Christian is commanded to do ⁽¹²⁾_____!

Titus 2:14—“Jesus) gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works.”

Titus 3:8—“This is a faithful saying, and these things I want you to affirm constantly, that those who have believed in God should be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable to men.”

II Timothy 1:9 (ESV)—“who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began”

The Apostle Paul’s conclusion for spiritual maturity: ⁽¹³⁾_____.

II Timothy 2:15—“ Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth.”



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Answers: 1-Disciple 2-basic 3-ignored 4-identity 5-better 6-better 7-name 8-future 9-Appearance 10-Moses 11-Activity 12-good works 13-Do Your Best

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Sunday Evening, October 11th, 2009

Message #1: “Life Transformation”

II Corinthians 5:17

Pastor Christian Newsome

The cure for shallow Christianity is to become a fully-committed Christian: A ⁽¹⁾_____.

OUR NEW SERIES: “*Destination Disciple: New Testament Mile-Markers for Genuine Spiritual Maturity*”

II Corinthians 5:17—“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.”

II Corinthians 5:17 is the most ⁽²⁾_____ and most ⁽³⁾_____ verse about Christianity in the Bible.

“A Disciple Has Three Noticeable Life Transformations”

Transformation #1: A Transformation of ⁽⁴⁾_____.

Acts 4:13-14—“Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated and untrained men, they marveled. And they realized that they had been with Jesus. 14 And seeing the man who had been healed standing with them, they could say nothing against it.”

- The presence of Jesus in the life of the disciples had made them ⁽⁵⁾_____.
- The presence of Jesus in the life of the disciples had made the people around them ⁽⁶⁾_____.

Have you changed your ⁽⁷⁾_____ and your ⁽⁸⁾_____ for Jesus?

Transformation #2: A Transformation of ⁽⁹⁾_____.