Home Group Notes Week of May 25, 2025

"Powerful" week #5: The Transformation by the Holy Spirit



A THREE-HOUR TOUR?

So, your 3-hour tour ended up with you and friends being stranded on an island. In your conversations with your friends about knowing and following Jesus, what would you share about how your life has changed since you started following Him?

HEARING FROM GOD IN HIS WORD

As we continue learning about the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives, we discover that He convicts those who are without Jesus, "you also, after listening to the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation-- having also believed, you were sealed in Him with the Holy Spirit of promise." This promise is of our inheritance, but it is much more. The Holy Spirit begins and continues a work of transformation to be like Christ. Read the following verses about the His work of transforming work of the Holy Spirit.

2 Corinthians 5:17

Philippians 1:6

2 Corinthians 3:18

What is the God's part and what is our part in the Spirit's work of transformation? What is transformed? Romans 12:1-2

Read Titus 3:3-5

According to Titus 3:1-5, what gets transformed?

What began the process of transformation? What did the Holy Spirit do to save us? (4-5)

DISCUSS TOGETHER

The Bible repeatedly indicates that God will change our lives and that the Holy Spirit is heavily involved. How do you understand this process? Is it all God? Are we involved?

Titus 3:3-5 looks back at the "we also once were" and looks forward to the "But when" in our lives. What does this look like in your own life? How have you seen the Spirit transform you?

What work of transformation is the Spirit working to bring about in your life now?

APPLY IT THIS WEEK

What does it look like for you to "present your body as a living and holy sacrifice to God," cf. Romans 12:1-2. It certainly doesn't mean to try harder or punish yourself. Look again. It is based on the "mercies of God" (found in previous chapters), it is your own choice born out of love for God, and it is a "living sacrifice" because you are thankful to God for His grace. As we live in this submissive relationship with God, He performs a miraculous transformation of our minds to like Christ. Is this what you want? If so, it begins with entrusting yourself to God.

PLEASE PRAY

- Please pray for our middle school students begin a week of mission work June 7. Please pray for the students, the leaders, and the ministries they serve.
- Please pray for the Men's Ministries leaders as they gather for training on May 31
- Please pray for your adopted Global Partners