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Experiencing the Presence of the Holy Spirit  
The Transformation of Our Minds

### Romans 12:1-2

*I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. <sup>2</sup> **Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed** by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.*

### Titus 3:3-7

*For we ourselves (that is all Christians) were once foolish, disobedient, led astray, slaves to various passions and pleasures, passing our days in malice and envy, hated by others and hating one another. <sup>4</sup> But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, <sup>5</sup> he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness but according to his own mercy, **by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit**, <sup>6</sup> whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, <sup>7</sup> so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.*

**Regeneration:** "palig-genesía" - a re-birth! To Re-generate something!  
AND It's only used twice in the NT: Matthew 19:28-29 and Titus 3:5-6

**So**, the Holy Spirit is Re-generating us...BUT, he is also **"Renewing" us**  
The Greek word here is "Ana-Kainosis" - the progressive completion of something that has never been previously seen...or known

### The Steps of Personal Transformation through Regeneration and renewal:

1. We must remember the mercies of God
2. We must present our bodies as a living sacrifice
3. We must resist conformity to the world

### The Outcome?

We are able to test or prove that God's will is good, pleasing, and perfect

Good: Delightful and desirable

Pleasing: Satisfying

Perfect: Nothing else needs to be added

*Spiritual maturity is the outworking of the Holy Spirit's activity within our hearts and minds to re-generate our dead souls to pursue and love Jesus and to renew our minds to think his thoughts and act in obedience to his will.*