

# True Transformation

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1. Read Romans 12:1-2 and consider what the “transformation” described in verse two might include.
  
2. How does Paul’s letter to the Ephesians (Eph. 1:15-19; 3:16-19) differ from his message to the Romans? How is it similar?
  
3. Similarly, look at Philippians 1:3-6, 9-11 and see how this passage relates to the previous two and the concept of transformation.
  
4. Finally, read Colossians 1:9-14 and determine whether this passage is yet more of the same or has a different emphasis.
  
5. Pastor Steve described two themes that were common to these letters to the early churches. List them and provide a description of each.
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  - 2)
  
6. To do all this requires that we sense the current condition of our soul as well as the presence of the invisible realm. Pastor Steve makes the case that we can’t do that on our own. What was his point?
  
7. Pastor Steve then ended this message with the observation that we are not spiritual people because of our taking any specific actions, such as praying, reading the Bible, or

teaching a class. Rather, we sense a spiritual transformation in our lives when we see one or more of six outcomes. Describe each of the transformations and provide illustrations of what they might include.

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8. Why is it that we find ourselves doing the same thing over and over again while expecting a different result?

9. How will you know if you have been truly transformed?