## Choose This Day...

A Bible study designed to bring understanding and decision.

## **Radical Transformation**

What is this radical transformation that God longs for us to receive? Is this a part of the salvation message? Jesus died for our sins; took our just reward. What then of his victorious life; was it also for our sake? Can we partake of it?

*Opening prayer:* Merciful Father, we long for the truth about the radical transformation that comes from conversion. Please speak to us through Your sure word. Give us spiritual minds to hear what You are saying to Your people. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our King, amen.

Using the King James Bible, read each verse, filling in the missing words. What is God telling us about transformation?

1. 1 Corinthians 2:12-14 "Now we have received, not the spirit of the, but the spirit which is of; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God. Which things also we speak, not in the words which wisdom teacheth, but which the teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual."
2. <i>James 1:23-25</i> "For if any be a hearer of the word, and a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass: For he beholdeth, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was. But whoso into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being a forgetful hearer, but a of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed."
3. <i>Genesis 3:15</i> "And I will put between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel."
4. Romans 8:1-7 "There is therefore now no to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the, but after the For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me from the law of sin and death. For what the law could do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh: That the of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit. For to be minded is death; but to be minded is life and peace."
5. 1 John 3:4-7 "Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for is the of the And ye know that he was manifested to take away our sins; and in him is not sin. Whosoever in him sinneth not: whosoever sinneth hath not seen him, neither known him. Little Children, let no man you: he that doeth righteousness is righteous, even as he is righteous."
6. <i>Matthew</i> 19:27-30 "Then answered Peter and said unto him, Behold, we have forsaken, and thee; what shall we have therefore? And Jesus said unto them, Verily I say unto you, that ye which have followed me, in the regeneration when the Son of Man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And every one that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my name's sake, shall receive an
and shall inherit life. But many that are first shall be last; and the last shall be first."

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7. Romans 12:1-2 "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the of God, that ye present your bodies a sacrifice,, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be conformed to this world: but be ye by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God."  8. Leviticus 10:9-12 "Do not drink wine nor strong drink, thou, nor thy sons with thee when ye go into the tabernacle of the congregation, lest ye die: it shall be a statute for ever your generations: And that ye may put between and, and between unclean and
clean; And that ye may teach the children of Israel all the statutes which the Lord hath spoken unto them by the hand of Moses."
9. Leviticus 22:31-32 "Therefore shall ye keep my commandments, and them: I am the Lord. Neither shall ye my holy name; but I will be hallowed among the children of Israel: I am the Lord which you, That brought you out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: I am the Lord."
10. Ezekiel 22:8 "Thou hast despised mine things, and hast profaned my"
11. <i>Ezekiel 44:23</i> "And they shall teach my people the between the holy and profane, and cause them to between unclean and the clean."
12. <i>Acts 2:38</i> "Then Peter said unto them,, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost."
13. <i>Titus 3:3-7</i> "For we ourselves also were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, and hating one another. But after that the and love of God our Saviour toward man appeared, Not by works of righteousness which have done, but according to mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration and of the Holy Ghost; Which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour; That being by his grace, we should be made according to the hope of eternal life."
14. <i>Galatians 6:7-8</i> Be not deceived; God is not: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also For he that soweth to his shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting."
From God's word studied above, can you find the correct missing words in the list below to complete this fundamental principle?
That as the or carnal heart is at with God and his law, this enmity can be subdued only by a transformation of the affections, the exchange of unholy for principles; that this transformation follows and, is the special work of the Holy Spirit, and constitutes regeneration, or
conversion   faith   radical   enmity   repentance   holy   natural
<i>Closing prayer:</i> Merciful Father, You are the author of holiness. You have said that we, too, can partake of a holy character through the work of Your Holy Spirit. Make us able, Lord, to discern between the profane and the holy. We repent of our past unholiness and, through faith and obedience, would partake of Your promises of transformation. Help us to die to the natural man and live a life of regeneration in You, amen.
Further study: Romans 8:8-14; 1 John 3:8-10; Galatians 6:7-8
Answers: 1. word, God, man's, Holy Ghost 2. not, himself, looketh, not, doer 3. enmity, bruise 4. condemnation, flesh, Spirit, free, not, Son, righteousness, carnally, spiritually 5. sin, transgression, law, abideth, deceive 6. all, followed, hundredfold, everlasting 7. mercies, living, holy, not, transformed 8. throughout, difference, holy, unholy 9. keep, do, profane, hallow 10. holy, sabbaths 11. difference, discern 12. Repent, remission 13. kindness, we, his, renewing, justified, heirs 14. mocked, reap, flesh, Spirit