

First Baptist Church of Progress Village
I Really Want To Change...So, Help Me God

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Course Outline

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For life change to happen, we must cooperate fully with God's desire to transform us.

I. _____ God's Track Record for Change

Resume References: Moses had no fewer than 3 major changes in his story.

Change 1: Raised as an Egyptian Prince

Exodus 2:11-15 *12 He looked all around, and when he didn't see anyone, he beat the Egyptian to death and hid the body in the sand.*

Change 2: Finding Family Fleeing in fear

Exodus 1:16-22 *So Reuel gave his daughter Zipporah to Moses as his wife. 22 She gave birth to a son. Moses named him Gershom [Foreigner], because he said, "I was a foreigner living in another country."*

Change 3: Lacking confidence and fulfilling purpose

Exodus 3:9-14 *.. And Moses said unto God, Who am I, that I should go unto Pharaoh, and that I should bring forth the children of Israel out of Egypt?*

Other changes: anger management, people management, issue management, ...

Nicodemus, Woman at the Well, Saul/Paul, Deion Sanders, and _____.

God's greatest passion is the total _____ of people!

II. _____ God's Plan For Change

1. Crisis (Conversion)

John 3:3 *Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.*

Conversion is not the end, its the _____. **What on Earth am I here for?**

2. Sanctification

Corinthians 5:15-17 *15 Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. 18 And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation;*

1 Thessalonians 4:1-5 *3 For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication: 4 That every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour; 5 Not in the lust of concupiscence, even as the Gentiles which know not God:*

Sanctification means to make _____.

God's plan for our life is not to make us HAPPY, but to make us HOLY.

A. It's not about ____! Its All For _____ Glory.

Isaiah 43:7-13 7 *Even every one that is called by my name: for I have created him for my glory, I have formed him; yea, I have made him. 8 Bring forth the blind people that have eyes, and the deaf that have ears. 9 Let all the nations be gathered together, and let the people be assembled: who among them can declare this, and shew us former things? let them bring forth their witnesses, that they may be justified: or let them hear, and say, It is truth. 10 Ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, and my servant whom I have chosen: that ye may know and believe me, and understand that I am he: before me there was no God formed, neither shall there be after me. 11 I, even I, am the LORD; and beside me there is no saviour. 12 I have declared, and have saved, and I have shewed, when there was no strange god among you: therefore ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, that I am God. 13 Yea, before the day was I am he; and there is none that can deliver out of my hand: I will work, and who shall let it?*

Ephesians 1:4-6 4 *According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love: 5 Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will, 6 To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved.*

1 Corinthians 10:31 31 *Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God.*

1 Corinthians 6:19-20 19 *What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? 20 For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.*

B. What will I look like after my change?

1 Thessalonians 4:3-7 *For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication: 4 That every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour; 5 Not in the lust of concupiscence, even as the Gentiles which know not God: 6 That no man go beyond and defraud his brother in any matter: because that the Lord is the avenger of all such, as we also have forewarned you and testified. 7 For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto holiness.*

C. What does Holiness look like on me?

2 Corinthians 3:17-18 *Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty. 18 But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.*

When we are holy/sanctified, we mirror _____!

D. Why is Holiness essential?

Hebrews 12:11 *Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby. 12 Wherefore lift up the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees; 13 And make straight paths for your feet, lest that which is lame be turned out of the way; but let it rather be healed. 14 Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord:*

Sin separates us from God, only the righteous can see God. HOLINESS is the standard _____ of admission! Jesus paid it _____.