



# Life Transformation

*Sunday, September 6, 2020*



TALK  
ABOUT IT

- Share a time/season that God used to transform your life.



PRAYER

Throughout Scripture we are called to live transformed lives by God's grace. Peter is a great example of God transforming a life. Read his words from 2 Peter 1:5-8 and then pray in your own words:

## **2 Peter 1:5-8**

“For this very reason, make every effort to supplement your faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge, and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with steadfastness, and steadfastness with godliness, and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love. For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

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## SERMON + WORSHIP

Watch this week's Home Church Live or a replay of the Home Church Live.



## TALK ABOUT IT

- **Pastor Kevin talked through two ways life transformation happens: salvation and ongoing sanctification. The first is our death to life moment, and the second is how we learn to live as new creatures.**
  - How did God bring us from death to life? (Ephesians 2:1-10)
  - How can we grow in our transformation as Christians? (Colossians 3:1-17)
- **Peter had quite the journey- from proclaiming Jesus as Christ (Matt.16:16) to denying him three times (Matt. 26:69-75). That is a huge difference, but we often do the same.**
  - Why do we struggle and fall short as believers, why do we allow sin to keep a grasp on us? What hope do we have? Look at Romans 7:1-8:11 for help.
- **At Pentecost, Peter spoke with authority on the gift of the Holy Spirit that Jesus had promised. What role does the Holy Spirit play in our life transformation?**
  - Look at John 14:15-31, John 16:4-15, Romans 8:1-11, Galatians 5:16-25. What are the different transformative roles the Spirit plays in these passages?



## PRACTICE POINTS

- **Have you put your faith in Jesus and experienced true life transformation? If you have, what areas of your life are you still 'waiting' for God to transform?**
  - Pick a few practical steps you can take this week to tackle areas you need to grow in (Prayer, scripture study, confession, sermons, etc.)

- **One image Pastor Kevin used was our spiritual life being like a yo-yo going up the stairs. We have our ups and downs, but always God is transforming us to look like Jesus.**
  - Where have you experienced the ups and downs of life transformation? Take time this week to try to see the bigger picture. Make a list of all the ways God has transformed you since the day you put your faith in Him.



## **Want additional content to dive into during the week? Try this:**

*These prompts can be used one-per-day or for an extended time on your own, with your spouse or family members, or with your small group:*

- **Peter's life gives us a great look at how God transforms us. Let's take a look at his life to see what lessons we can learn from.**
  - How did Peter become a disciple of Jesus? Read Matthew 4:18-22. What is unique about Peter's actions in this story?
  - Read Mark 10:28. What does Peter mean when he tells Jesus he has left everything to follow Him?
  - Read Matthew 18:13-23. Within the span of ten verses, Peter calls Jesus "the Christ", is made the rock of the church, and is then rebuked by Jesus. What does this story illuminate about our spiritual growth?
  - Famously Peter denies Jesus three times and famously Jesus restores Peter. Read John 21:1-21. What does this story tell us about God's grace and repentance as a part of our transformation?
  - As soon as the Holy Spirit comes, Peter is ready to bear witness to his testimony and the work of Jesus. Read Acts 2, 3:11-26, 4:1-22, 5:17-42. What does Peter's story show us about our role in sharing the good news?
  - In Galatians 2:11-14, Paul rebukes Peter despite his spiritual maturity. What does this story tell us about the value of community/accountability in our spiritual growth?

- In 1 and 2 Peter, Peter has the chance to write down important thoughts for Christ-followers. Read through the letters and highlight the things Peter has learned since Jesus's death and resurrection.
- **What other stories from Peter's life would you add that highlight his life transformation? Looking back, in what ways do you identify with or differ from Peter?**