Jeanna's Notes BE TRANSFORMED 6/2/10 Henry Balderas

Rom 12:1-3

12 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

Conform = 4964 - To fashion alike. Don't live like the pattern of the world.

Be transformed = 3339 to transform, transfigure, change one's form, To be transfigured. This grammar is command continuous. This transforming is going on all the time if we allow it by the renewing of your mind.

Renew = renovate, to completely change something for the better (Thayers). The mind = the physical organ of the mind, a way of thinking (Danker).

Don't be patterned after the world but be completely changed, be as different as the caterpillar is from the butterfly. How? By a complete renovation in the way you think and make judgments. Reason to a different conclusion by your beliefs.

2 Cor 3:17-4:1

17 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.

Transformation is brought about by the way you think and make judgments but the Holy Spirit helps us as well. There is a supernatural component by the Spirit of the Lord. We have a part, God has a part and blessed is the person who knows the difference!

You are responsible for renewing your mind but it's not a grievous thing because it is not all on you.

Mathew 17: 1-3 the transfiguration of Jesus is the same word 3339. You can see the supernatural element in Jesus being transfigured.

When you are transformed you aren't a caterpillar that thinks differently, you are a butterfly. You think, talk and act like a butterfly.

- Transformation must take place in liberty. There is no real transformation if you have a law emphasis and just make outward changes. The butterfly makes a different response because it has a new nature.
- If you believe something it will affect your actions. Expect to see your beliefs in action.

A caterpillar is a baby butterfly. When the butterfly hatches it has a voracious appetite and growth and development takes place as it eats. You have control over your development. We are new creatures in Christ but we can still be a baby by not having our senses sharpened by reason of use. You can be a dull Christian. We are told by scripture to eat, be transformed by renewing your mind. It is up to you how quickly you are transformed by how much you fill yourself with the word, study and application. This is us empowered by the Holy Ghost to see this happen in our lives. This depends on how you feed yourself. This is a developmental process, the more effort and energy you put into this the more results you will get. People who only come to church every 3rd Service and never read or study the word grow much slower than a new person who comes every service and reads and studies the word and plays CD's of the messages.

If you aren't experiencing transformation it is because you are laboring under a false belief, I heard it therefore I know it. Do you really understand and know it? You need to ask God "am I letting all of this that I think I know come out in my life"?

You have liberty to let bad mindsets go or the keep bad mind sets.

2 Cor 4:18-5:1

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The things seen are circumstances and they are all around us and they are temporary.

Temporal= for a time or season, transient or temporary, enduring for a while, subject to change, unstable, unreliable

Things unseen are our convictions, the promises of God, they are eternal.

- Your beliefs will change the reality around you. Don't judge if something is working by your circumstances.
- God regards things I see, touch and feel as reality but as temporary, fleeting and unstable reality. What I don't see is eternal, permanent and unchanging. Make a judgment on redemption and your circumstances will line up.

This is how to apply this:

- 1. Take your verse from the bible and study it until you understand what it means. Believe for the Holy Spirit to speak to you about your verse.
- 2. Study this everyday until you become convinced and believe the verse is true for you personally.
- 3. When you are convinced, speak the verse you believe. That verse becomes a part of you.
- 4. Use your habitual response as a gauge. When this becomes a habit and you have a new response when circumstances show up you know you have your mind renewed in that area.

Be like the voracious butterfly; don't be satisfied with not seeing it. Invest in yourself and take the time to renew your mind and the effort to diligently get this in your heart.