

Morning Lesson

THE TRANSFORMING POWER OF THE GOSPEL

Rom. 6:17, 18

INTRO:

1. Many transformations are possible today.
2. Most fantastic transformation is discussed in **Romans 6**.
3. Occurs when one becomes a Christian. **1 Cor. 6:9-11; 1:2**

I. WHAT IS THIS TRANSFORMATION?

- A. We were in sin, but now are dead to sin. **Rom. 6:1, 2, 11**
- B. We were our old selves, but now we live a new life. **Rom. 6:3-6**
- C. We were slaves to sin, but now we are free from sin.
Rom. 6:6, 7, 17, 18, 16, 20-23

II. HOW DOES THIS TRANSFORMATION HAPPEN?

- A. We are saved by grace. **Rom. 6:23**
- B. We are saved by grace through Jesus Christ. **Rom. 6:23; 5:8, 9, 11**
- C. Our salvation is accepted by faith. **Rom. 5:1; Eph. 2:8; Rom. 6:17, 18, 3-5**

III. PAUL AS AN EXAMPLE.

- A. We are introduced to him as Saul the persecutor. **Acts 7:57-8:3**
- B. He then had an encounter with the resurrected Lord. **Acts 9:1-9, 17-22**
- C. Ultimately, he was stoned himself, but survived. **Acts 14:19, 20**

IV. WHAT ARE THE RESULTS OF THIS TRANSFORMATION?

- A. A new life. **Rom. 6:4, 11**
- B. This is a changed life.
 1. Should not sin because been freed from sin. **vv. 2, 9-11**
 2. Should not sin because lives a new life. **v. 4**
 3. Should not sin because he is now God's slave. **v. 18**
 4. Should not sin because he will perish if he sins. **vv. 21-23**
- C. Paul put it like this. **2 Tim. 4:6-8**

CONC:

1. Then, how should the transformed person live?
 - a. Negatively. **Rom. 6:12**
 - b. Positively. **Rom. 6:13** "Take My Life and Let It Be"
2. The great transformation ultimately results in eternal life. **Rom. 6:23**
3. Tired of the old you? Be transformed!