

Grace and peace from God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ

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**TRUTH ON THE
WEB MINISTRIES**

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EPH 6:17 AND TAKE...THE SWORD OF THE
SPIRIT WHICH IS THE WORD OF GOD
A CHURCH OF GOD IN WOODSTOCK, ILLINOIS





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MORE THAN MEETS THE EYE

HABITUALLY EVIL

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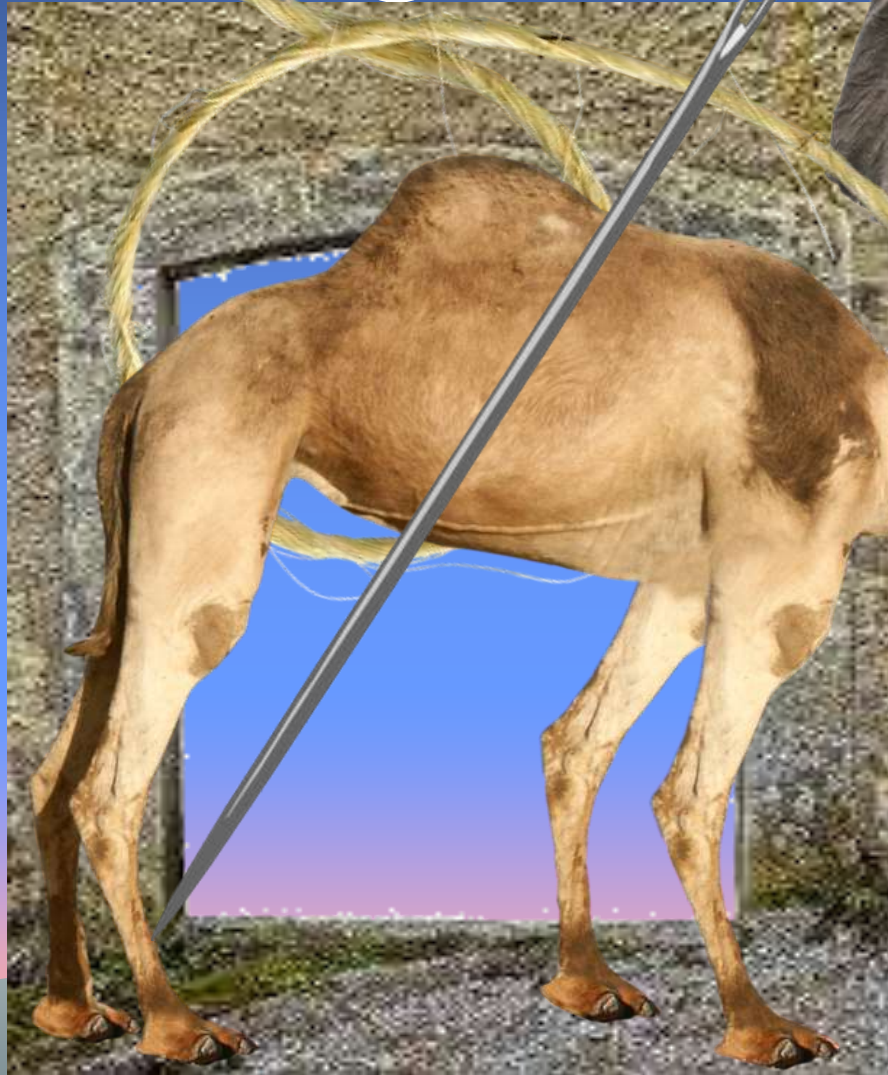


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Camels, Elephants, Ropes, Gates & Needles



HEY KEN,
HEY KEN,
WHAT WORD
IS IT?



PRISONERS SET FREE



John 8:34-36 Jesus answered them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, **Whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin.** And the servant abideth not in the house for ever: but the Son abideth ever. **If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.**

HARVEST PRINCIPLE


- Sow a thought --reap an action.
- Sow an action -- reap a habit.
- Sow a habit -- reap a character...?



key formula:

**HOW WE THINK
LEADS TO HOW WE
FEEL AND BEHAVE!**

**Proverbs 23:7a For as he
thinketh in his heart, so *is* he: ...**



- Thoughts manifest ...
- Feelings which manifest ...
- Actions ...

= Sinfulness
or Purity



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CHANGE
HOW WE
THINK



Romans 12:1-2

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. 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.

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Romans 6:11-14 Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, **but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord**. Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof. Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God. For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace.

A LIVING SACRIFICE

ACCEPTABLE = Strong's Greek Dictionary 2101. ευαρεστος euarestos *yoo-ar'-es-tos* from 2095 and 701; fully agreeable:—acceptable(-ted), wellpleasing.

REASONABLE = Strong's # 3050. logikos *[This word is where we get the term LOGIC from.]* from 3056; rational ("logical"):--reasonable, of the word.

SERVICE = Strong's Greek Dictionary 2999. λατρεία latreia *lat-ri'-ah* from 3000; ministration of God, i.e. worship:—(divine) service.

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CONFORMED = G4964

suschematizo



- from 4862 and a derivative of 4976; to fashion alike, i.e. conform to the same pattern (figuratively):--conform to, fashion self according to.

1 Peter 1:14-15 As obedient children, not **fashioning yourselves according to** the former lusts in your ignorance: But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation;

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“We can be conformed to the world this way through our **entertainment**, by not being cautious about what we see, hear, and read and about how much of it we consume. We can be conformed through our **education**, by being influenced too much by people who are opposed to God and too little by those who love him. We can be conformed through our **friendships**, maintaining our best and most formative relationships with unbelievers or outright antagonists. We can be conformed to the world through our **apathy**, neglecting God’s ordinary means of grace dispensed through the local church, failing to engage in private and family worship.”

“And what happens? We are conformed slowly through carelessness, through lack of attention, through plain neglect. Where are you tempted to lower your guard? **Where are you allowing the world just a crack into your heart and your mind?** This may be the means through which you are being conformed to the world.”

“Worldliness is like gravity, always there, always pushing down on you, always exerting its influence on you. As a Christian you are charged with resisting it day by day. You must and you can. You must because your spiritual life and health depend on it. **You can because you are indwelled by the Holy Spirit whose joy is to transform you by the Word of God into the image of the Son of God. Do not be conformed to this world!”**

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TRANSFORMED = G3339

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- from 3326 and 3445; **to transform** (literally or figuratively, "metamorphose"):--change, transfigure, transform.



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Matthew 17:1-2

And after six days Jesus taketh Peter, James, and John his brother, and bringeth them up into an high mountain apart, And was **transfigured** before them: and his face did shine as the sun, and his raiment was white as the light.



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2 Corinthians 3:7-8 But if the ministration of death, written *and* engraven in stones, **was glorious**, so that the children of Israel could not stedfastly behold the face of Moses for the glory of his countenance; which *glory* was to be done away: How shall not the ministration of the spirit be rather glorious?

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2 Corinthians 3:9-12 For if the ministration of condemnation *be* glory, much more doth **the ministration of righteousness exceed in glory.** For even that which was made glorious had no glory in this respect, **by reason of the glory that excelleth.** For if that which is **done away** *was* glorious, much more that which remaineth *is* glorious. Seeing then that we have such hope, we use great plainness of speech:

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2 Corinthians 3:13-14 And not as Moses, *which* put a vail over his face, that the children of Israel could not stedfastly look to the end of that which is abolished: But their minds were blinded: for until this day remaineth the same vail untaken away in the reading of the old testament; which *vail* is done away in Christ.

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2 Corinthians 3:15-18 But even unto this day, when Moses is read, the veil is upon their heart. Nevertheless when it shall turn to the Lord, the veil shall be taken away. Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord *is*, there *is* liberty. 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.**

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Romans 8:5-6 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 carnally minded **[CONFORMED]** is death; but to be spiritually minded **[TRANSFORMED]** is life and peace.



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Romans 8:7-8 Because **the carnal mind** is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. **So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God.**

[BE NOT CONFORMED]



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Romans 8: 9-11 But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his. And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you. **[BE TRANSFORMED]**

CONFORMED **VS** TRANSFORMED

Ephesians 4:17-19 This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth **walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind, [BE NOT CONFORMED]** Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through **the ignorance** that is in them, because of the **blindness of their heart:** Who being **past feeling** have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness.

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Ephesians 4:20-24 But ye have not so learned Christ; If so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, **as the truth is in Jesus:** That ye **put off** concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts; And be renewed in the spirit of your mind; **[BE TRANSFORMED]** And that ye **put on** the new man, which **after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.**

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1 John 2:15-17 Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. **[BE NOT CONFORMED]** And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever. **[BE TRANSFORMED]**

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2Corinthians 5:15 And that he died
for all, that they which live
should not henceforth live unto
themselves **[BE NOT
CONFORMED]** , but unto him
which died for them, and rose
again. **[BE TRANSFORMED]**



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Corinthians 5:17 Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. **[BE TRANSFORMED]** 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;



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Isaiah 55:7-9 Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. **For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.**

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2 Corinthians 10: 3-6 For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh: (For the weapons of our warfare are **not carnal, but mighty through God** to the pulling down of strong holds;) **Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;** And having in a readiness to revenge all disobedience, **when your obedience is fulfilled.**

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THE RESULT: "PROVING" WHAT
IS THAT GOOD AND
ACCEPTABLE AND PERFECT
WILL OF GOD

- "Prove" = *dokimazo* = to scrutinize or test to see if something is genuine > to approve as genuine upon trial, to judge worthy.




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Ephesians 5: 8-10 For ye were sometimes darkness, **[BE NOT CONFORMED]** but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light: **[BE TRANSFORMED]** (For the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth;) Proving what is acceptable unto the Lord.

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Ephesians 5: 14-17 Wherefore he saith,
Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from
the dead, **[BE NOT CONFORMED]** and
Christ shall give thee light. See then that ye
walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as
wise, Redeeming the time, because the
days are evil. Wherefore be ye not
unwise, but understanding what the will
of the Lord **[BE TRANSFORMED]** is.



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1 Corinthians 3:1-3 And I, brethren, could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, but as unto carnal, even as unto babes in Christ. I have fed you with milk, and not with meat: for hitherto ye were not able to bear it, neither yet now are ye able. **For ye are yet carnal: for whereas there is among you envying, and strife, and divisions, are ye not carnal, and walk as men? [BE NOT CONFORMED]**

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2 Peter 3:14-15

Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, **be diligent** that ye may be found of him **in peace, without spot, and blameless**. And account that the longsuffering of our Lord is salvation; even as our beloved brother Paul also according to the wisdom given unto him hath written unto you;

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2 Peter 3:16

As also in all his epistles,
speaking in them of these things;
in which are some things hard to
be understood, which they that
are unlearned and unstable wrest,
as they do also the other
scriptures, unto their own
destruction.



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2 Peter 3:17-18

Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know these things before, **beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own steadfastness. [BE NOT CONFORMED]**

But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

[BE TRANSFORMED] To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen.

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Philippians 1:9-11

And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and in all judgment; **That ye may approve things that are excellent;** that ye may be sincere and without offence till the day of Christ; Being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ, unto the glory and praise of God. **[BE TRANSFORMED]**

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1 Peter 2:1-5

Wherefore laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings, As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby: **If so be ye have tasted that the Lord is gracious.** To whom coming, as unto a living stone, disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of God, and precious, Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, **to offer up spiritual sacrifices,** acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.

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Job. 42:5

I have heard of thee by
the hearing of the ear:
but now mine eye
seeth thee.



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What is it all about?

- The renewal of the Christian's mind is a *continual, daily process*.
 - Transformations are *difficult*, and sometimes *painful*.
 - The more the world is ingrained in us, the more difficult the change will be.
 - **But to stay in our "comfort zone" is to be lost.** Overcoming deeply ingrained habits may take hard work on your part. You may experience periods of defeat -- but persevere! You will reap the character of godliness in due time if you do not grow weary!
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What we are after, essentially, is the "mind of Christ."

Philippians 2:2-5 Fulfil ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind. Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves. Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others. Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:

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May our *treasures* be in heaven,
that our *hearts* may be there also

Matthew 6:19-21 Lay not up for yourselves
treasures upon earth, where moth and rust
doth corrupt, and where thieves break
through and steal: **But lay up for
yourselves treasures in heaven,** where
neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and
where thieves do not break through nor
steal: **For where your treasure is, there
will your heart be also.**

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May we set our affections on things above - Col. 3:1-10

Colossians 3:1-4 If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. **Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.** For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. **When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory.**



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Colossians 3:5-8 **Mortify** therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and

covetousness, **which is idolatry**: For which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience: In the which ye also walked some time, when ye lived in them. But now ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth.

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Colossians 3:9-10 Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds;
[BE NOT CONFORMED] And have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him:

[BE TRANSFORMED]

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MORE THAN MEETS THE EYE

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