

TRANSFORMED

1. FROM “BLESS ME” TO “BLESSING”

Sermon Notes

Text: Genesis 12:1-5

Intro:

We need more than just change; we need to be transformed.

True transformation begins with an encounter with God.

Genesis 12:1-5

1. To experience a transformed life, you need to be willing to leave your old life behind

Phil 3:13

“There are far, far better things ahead than any we leave behind.” ~ C.S. Lewis

2. To experience a transformed life, you need to realize that it’s not all about you

You weren’t made for your own glory; you were made to reflect the glory of the one who created you.

2 Corinthians 3:18

3. The purpose of transformation is to join the mission of God.

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Galatians 3:29

My blessing does not come from seeking my own blessing. My blessing comes as a side effect of me seeking the blessing of others.

Ephesians 1:3

Conclusion:

Romans 12:2

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Life Group Discussion

Warm up:

1. Are you the kind of person who likes change, or do you have a hard time with it? Why?
2. What stood out to you about Sunday's sermon? What was interesting? Confusing? Weird? Thought provoking?

Study & Discussion:

1. Read Genesis 12:1-5. What stands out to you about this passage? In what ways have God's promises to Abram (Abraham) been fulfilled? Does this promise apply to us as well (see Galatians 3:29)? Do you see your life as a blessing?
2. Read Romans 12:1-2. How can your body be a living sacrifice? What does worship have to do with transformation? What does it mean to renew your mind?
3. Read Ephesians 1:3. The next 11 verses describe what Paul means by "spiritual blessings" (i.e. redemption, forgiveness, inclusion, the Holy Spirit, etc). When we think of being blessed, we often think primarily of material blessings. Why? Do you make it a practice to regularly thank God for your spiritual blessings as much as your material blessings? Can you share spiritual blessings with others the same way you share material blessings with them? How?

Application:

1. Go to www.betheltab.ca and click the "share my story" button. We want to hear how Jesus has transformed your life.

Prayer:

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