

TRANSFORMED | WEEK 2

Title: Receive. Remove. Replace. Repeat.

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Verses: 1 Peter 2:1-3



SERIES INSIGHT

In this series *Transformed*, we learn from Peter who is tenacious in calling followers of Jesus to love others and to live holy lives. From the man who learned from Jesus, lived with Jesus, and was on his mission to love like Jesus did, he still struggled to walk this out. 1st Peter is written from the heart of a man now with humility and maturity, of how we can learn from Jesus, live like Jesus, and love like Jesus does in our lives today.

ICEBREAKER

- Share with the group about your summer! Did you have a favorite experience/memory? An opportunity you stepped into? A new friendship you started?
- What was one new experience you tried that was completely unknown or uncomfortable to you at the time you tried it?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. **Review the Message.** Looking back at your notes and upon reflecting on this weekend's message, what was your one takeaway from Sunday?
2. What does *transformation* mean to you? In what ways have you seen/experienced transformation?
3. Living holy is not just about removing and stopping stuff, it's also about replacing and chasing something better (Jesus)! What are some ways or areas (such as our thoughts, desires, attitudes) where followers of Jesus have a response-ability to live holy, transformation?
4. Des shares a quote from Dallas Willard in reference to the Prodigal Son story. He says: "Remember that the bath/shower always comes after the hug."
 - a. Take a moment to sit with this quote. Reflect on the reality of what this quote means and what it is that you have received from the Father. If you're unsure, what does this quote mean to you?
 - b. Then, share a story of how God has impacted your life. Was there a moment in your life where you truly realized who God is because of his goodness?
5. In 1 Peter 2:1-3, he says to "put away" or "rid yourselves". Another version says to "clean house" and to rid ourselves of things like malice, deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander of every kind. Of these words, share about one that has been a struggle for you.
6. Consider sharing now how you might be able to "remove"/"clean house"/"repent" of that and replace it with something better and Kingdom-driven?
7. Re-read 1 Peter 2:1-3 (emphasis on verse 2). What substance(s) do you long for and crave? Where do you find life? What kind of hunger or diet do you have? Do you crave "pure spiritual milk"? What does that look like for you? If not, why is that or what does that mean to you?

PRAYER

- Allow people to share requests and celebrate any praise reports as well. Consider having someone write down the requests to share with the group. Take time to pray however long your group needs.



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