

UBU – You be You

- Conformed – Destined to be conformed to the image of Jesus
- Romans 8:29 ...He also predestined to become conformed to the image of His Son

The New You

- Ephesians 2:10 ... He has created us anew in Christ Jesus...

The need for others – Team/Body

- 1 Corinthians 12:12-18
 - Romans 12:2 (NLT) — 2 Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by...
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Romans 12:1–11

Living and holy sacrifice - Give your bodies to God

- Because of all he has done for you
- 1 Corinthians 6:19–20 ...You do not belong to yourself, 20 for God bought you with a high price....
- 2 Corinthians 5:15 ... no longer live for themselves. Instead, they will live for Christ...
- UBU – in honor to God

Transformed into a new person

- Transformed - The Greek word metamorphoō, which means "to change form".
- By changing the way you think (NASB – renewing of your mind)
- Default – ways of the world – living for self
- 1 Peter 1:14 (NLT) — 14 So you must live as God's obedient children. Don't slip back into your old ways of living to satisfy your own desires. You didn't know any better then.
- Learn to know God's will for you
- Thinking God's Thoughts
 - Hebrews 4:12 (NLT) — 12 For the word of God is alive and powerful... It exposes our innermost thoughts and desires.
 - Isaiah 55:9 ... my ways are higher than your ways and my thoughts higher than your thoughts.
 - Don't think you are better than you really are – Honest evaluation

Interpretations of God's Word

- 2 Timothy 2:15 ...accurately handling the word of truth.
- Hermeneutics – Science of Biblical Interpretation
 - Holy Spirit Teacher – John 16:13, 1 John 2:27
 - The Bible interprets itself
 - Context – Who, What, Where, Why
 - Old Covenant and New Covenant
- Modern vs. Postmodern Worldview
 - Isaiah 28:9–10 ... He tells us everything over and over— one line at a time, one line at a time, a little here, and a little there!" (KJV – line upon line, precept upon precept)
- Postmodernism is a reaction against modernism's belief in the certainty and objectivity of knowledge. Postmodernism suggests that truth is not absolute, and that it is impossible to differentiate between subjectivity and objectivity.
- Postmodernism's influence on the church includes a questioning of the Bible's authority and the rejection of the idea that the Bible is unique or distinct from other books.
- The Emergent Church Movement

Motivational Gifts - Many Parts of One Body - UBU

- God has given us different gifts for doing certain things well
- Prophecy – speak out with as much faith as God has given you
- Serving others – serve them well
- Teacher – teach well
- Encourage others – be encouraging
- Giving – give generously
- Leadership – take the responsibility seriously
- Showing kindness – do it gladly
- Love each other with genuine affection

Serve the Lord enthusiastically

- Romans 12:11 – NIV 11 Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord.
 - For serving the Lord?
 - By serving the Lord?
- Commentary from You Version
 - Serve the Lord with a zealous spirit
 - Let the Spirit excite you as you serve the Lord
- What initiates zeal? _____
- How does having a renewed mind – or changing the way you think – affect your spiritual fervor?