

Get Involved with Us as We Pursue Excellence, Value ALL People, Fuel and Display Passion, Choose a Good Attitude at ALL Times

Deep Dive – Created/Formed pt. 3 Stewart Farley – 2/18/26

Scriptures

- **Ephesians 2:8-10 /Psalm 4:19/Isaiah 43:1/Genesis 1:1-2/James 1:23-25 & 2:8/2 Corinthians 3:17-18/Genesis 6:1,6,7/Genesis 7:4 & 17
Luke 17:26/Genesis 32:24**

Created vs. Formed

Explore the distinction between being a new creation in Christ and undergoing the process of formation. Isaiah 43:1 and Genesis 1:1-2 illustrate how identity and form are shaped by divine intention.

Discussion Questions:

- What does it mean to be created versus formed in the image of God?
- How does identity play a role in spiritual formation?

The Mirror and Identity

James 1:23-25 and 2 Corinthians 3:17-18 emphasize the importance of seeing ourselves as God sees us. The 'mirror' reflects our true identity in Christ and leads to transformation.

Discussion Questions:

- What do you see when you look into the 'mirror' of God's Word?
- How does seeing yourself as God sees you change your behavior and mindset?

The Law of Liberty and Love

James 2:8 refers to the 'Royal Law'—the law of love. As believers, we are called to reflect God's love and live in the freedom that the Holy Spirit provides (2 Corinthians 3:17).

Discussion Questions:

- How does love fulfill the law?
- In what ways can we live out the law of liberty in our daily lives?

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Transformation and Glory

Transformation is a process of becoming more like Christ, moving from 'glory to glory' (2 Corinthians 3:18). This metamorphosis is rooted in renewing our minds and embracing our divine identity.

Discussion Questions:

- What does spiritual transformation look like in your life?
- How can we cooperate with the Holy Spirit in this process?

The Ark and the Waters

Genesis 6-7 and Luke 17:26 draw parallels between Noah's ark and our spiritual journey. God uses trials (waters) not to destroy us, but to lift us above the chaos of the world.

Discussion Questions:

- How can trials serve as a means of spiritual elevation?
- What does the ark represent in your personal walk with God?

Wrestling with Identity

Genesis 32:24 challenges us to consider the internal struggle of identity. Jacob wrestled not with an angel, but perhaps with himself, seeking transformation and a new name—Israel.

Discussion Questions:

- What areas of your identity are you wrestling with?
- How can these struggles lead to transformation?

Call to Action/Personal Application

This week, spend 10 minutes each day reflecting on your identity in Christ. Use a mirror as a physical reminder to speak truth over yourself. Meditate on 2 Corinthians 3:18 and journal how you see God transforming you from glory to glory. Share one insight with a friend or small group member.