

TRANSFORMED

Vocational

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1 Transformed (metamorphosis) describes a change from within. The world wants to change our mind, so it exerts pressure from the outside. But God wants to transform our life from within by the renewing of our mind.

2. Renewal of mind is a two part process. It is taking _____ the old and putting on the new.

3. God's goal for each of us would be that we would be transformed to _____ the very image of Jesus.

Romans 12:1-2 - Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God – this is your spiritual act of worship. ² Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is – his good, pleasing and perfect will.

4. The world's view of work:

- **Great pay and benefits (we often look at our job as the provider)**
- **Great opportunity**
- **It is easy**
- **They always need...**

5. God's view of work:

A. God _____ me with talents, gifts and interests that he wants used for His glory.

Ephesians 2:10 For we are **God's workmanship**, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

B. God _____ for my work to be meaningful, beneficial and fulfilling.

C. Christ needs to be Lord of my _____ and Lord of my _____.

6. God wants me to _____ Him through my work by:

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- **Worship is anytime I'm expressing my love to God.**

A. Choosing a job that _____ the gifts and abilities God has given me.

Romans 12:6 - We have different gifts, according to the grace given us.

Romans 12:2-3 - Do not **conform** any longer to the **pattern of this world**, but be transformed by the **renewing of your mind**. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is – his good, pleasing and perfect will. ³ For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the measure of faith God has given you.

B. Working as though I'm working for _____.

Colossians 3:23-24 - **Whatever you do**, work at it with **all** your heart, as **working for the Lord, not for men**, ²⁴ since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.

7. God wants me to grow _____ through work by:

Romans 8:29 - For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the likeness of his Son, . . .

A. Using _____ at work to teach me responsibility.

1. By keeping my promise.

Psalms 15:4 - who despises a vile man but honors those who fear the Lord, who keeps his oath even when it hurts, . . .

2. By meeting deadlines.
3. By working without supervision.
4. By controlling cost.

Luke 16:11-12- So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches? ¹² And if you have not been trustworthy with someone else's property, who will give you property of your own?

B. Using _____ at work to teach me relationships.

Romans 12:16-18- Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited. ¹⁷ Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everybody. ¹⁸ If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.

C. Using _____ at work to teach me character.

Romans 5:3-5- Not only so, but we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; ⁴ perseverance, character; and character, hope. ⁵ And hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out his love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom he has given us.

- God's goal for each of us would be that we would be transformed to _____ the very of Jesus