



Transformed to Make the World a Better Place

Personal spiritual growth is an ongoing and life changing experience that not only brings us wonderful blessings, but through us its transforming power makes a huge difference in the world. *Transformation* is a key quality of spirituality. God's Holy Spirit changes the way we see the world as well as everything and everyone in it. It makes us into kinder, gentler people who no longer live for ourselves, but who live to make the world a better place, thus fulfilling God's desire—Thy Will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

In this transforming process our focus on life shifts, making it much more clear why we are here and what life is about. We are moved from being egocentric to being able to see God's larger picture, which reflects through us the light of His love into the lives of other people.

Recently I had the occasion to tell a person what a good person she is because she is so kind and giving. Her

response was: “I *try*”. My response to her was that being the deeply spiritual person I know she is, she did not have to *try*. God’s Spirit has made her into the kind, gentle and caring person she is. It is God’s gift to her and to the world. She truly reflects into the world God’s profound love. She has been hand crafted by God’s Spirit into a useful instrument of love and peace. It is who she has become. She has been the clay that the Potter has made into a beautiful vessel whom He now uses to pour His love into the world.

God’s original plan for His people to love and care for each other has been horribly distorted and largely dismissed in favor of self interest and self preservation. Conflict and distrust have resulted and abounded. Wars were never meant to be. Poverty should not exist in the presence of abundance. Power is designed to make life better for everyone, not just the powerful. Tell that to the politicians.

Spiritual *transformation* changes our perception of life, ourselves and others. It alters our agenda for living. It is God’s way of making life more peaceful and livable for everyone, including those who differ from us in countless ways.

It changes us into servants who are gifted to serve whoever needs help. Our joy in turn is a *peace that passes all understanding*.



Pray for and be open to an ongoing spiritual *transformation*.