

● WARM UP

"...be transformed by the renewing of your mind..." Rom 12:2

Several years ago a new type of toy appeared on the market. They were, seemingly, an everyday item – a car, a ship, a plane, a spacecraft, but within that form another more powerful structure existed. With a few adroit twists and turns to the moveable parts, a Transformer was born. These captured the imaginations of boys everywhere – that something so normal could become something so empowering. It enabled these boys to become masters of their times, to become more than what they were.



● READ Romans 12:1-3

● BACKGROUND

If we recognise Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour, Paul says it is only reasonable that we present our bodies as a living sacrifice to His service. But more than that, our minds, our way of thinking, and consequently our way of life, also need to be changed to accommodate that goal. That is our calling – to be different, and be seen to be different; to become transformers and be more than we ever expected.

● QUESTIONS

- 1 If transformation begins in the mind, and we become what we think, how are you being transformed today? What helps or hinders the process?
- 2 Transformation requires effort. If we are in God's army we need both training and discipline to become the man He can use. That said, can you describe some circumstance where God has put you through the hoops and you came out a changed (better) man?

- 3 Scripture would seem to indicate that this process has an end, much like the renovation of a dwelling. While no completion date is set, finishing the job is dependent upon the tools and materials you use and how they are used. What tools do you use? Do you seek training on how to use them?

- 4 How is your renovation going?

What is God saying to me?

● LET'S PRAY

● REAL LIFE STORIES OF GOD'S POWER



I attended a meeting of Bill's in about 1988. During the meeting Bill had everybody up and praying for people. I had a bung knee that I couldn't squat on and it went all warm and tingly. Eric

[At the end of the meeting Eric demonstrated that he could do squats and his knee was healed.]

● CONSIDER THIS

Seeking God's will for your life without a renewed mind is like trying to fly a plane using water as the fuel - you will never get off the ground. It's easy to make the decision to be transformed. It's something else to step into the unknown after that. That requires faith – yours!

God's will for our life, and our fulfillment of that, is dependent upon our willingness to undergo change. Let us not forget who the Master Builder is in this process.