

Transformed People Become Transformers!

Luke 8:1-3 (ESV)

1 Soon afterward he went on through cities and villages, proclaiming and bringing the good news of the kingdom of God. And the twelve were with him, 2 and also some women who had been healed of evil spirits and infirmities: Mary, called Magdalene, from whom seven demons had gone out, 3 and Joanna, the wife of Chuza, Herod's household manager, and Susanna, and many others, who provided for them out of their means.

Rom. 12:1-2 (ESV)

1 I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.
2 Do not be conformed to this world, but **BE TRANSFORMED** by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

Transformed = (metamorphóō from 3326 /metá, "change after being with" and 3445 /morphóō, "changing form in keeping with inner reality")

John 1:16-17 (ESV)

16 For from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace (chrisma- the divine influence upon the heart, and its reflection in the life).
17 For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

Rom. 5:8 (ESV) - but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

I. Transformed people bring transformation to other people because they appreciate what Jesus did for them!

Luke 8:2 (ESV) – and also some women who had been HEALED of evil spirits and infirmities: Mary, called Magdalene, from whom seven demons had gone out,

Healed = (ther-ap-yoo'-o) – made whole, cured, enabled to worship

John 8:36 (ESV) - So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

II. Transformed people bring transformation to other people because they aren't ruled by pride!

1. Pride in some way is always the cause of conflict!

Mark 9:35 (ESV) – And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, “If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all.”

James 4:1 (ESV) - What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you?

2. Pride also leads to a wrong motive for worship and service!

III. Transformed people bring transformation to other people because they know that all that they are and all that they have belongs to God!

1 Cor. 6:19-20 (ESV)

19 Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own,
20 for you were bought with a price. So, glorify God in your body.

Luke 8:3b – ...out of their means.

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Galatians 2:20 (ESV) - I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Luke 9:23 (YLT) - And he said unto all, ` If any one doth will to come after me, let him DISOWN himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me;

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