Becoming A New 2.0 Version Of You

- I. God sent Jesus for us to have a new chance at life. God is a God of second chances. Though we may have struggled, and had disappointments at this stage of life or even feel as if we have failed at this point of life, if we would simply repent and turn to submit to the word of God, God will give us new opportunities to make a new life for ourselves.
 - A. Remember;
 - 1. the woman caught in the act of adultery?
 - a. The world would have stoned her. She had a death sentence but Christ gave her a new lease on life.
 - 2. Or the woman at the well?
 - a. She had made a wreck of her life yet he came to her to give her a second chance.
 - 3. Peter, after he had denied Jesus three times?
 - a. Jesus completely restored him.
 - 4. Thomas refused to believe and spent seven days in disappointment and despondency until he returned back to the fellowship of the saints and discovered that Christ gives life after death.
 - a. All he had to do was remember the word and do what Christ last told him to do
 - B. No matter the challenges you or I face. Our God is a God of second chances!
 - 1. All we have to do is remember who he is and turn to him to fix our mess.
 - a. He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek him!
 - 2. God has promised us a life full of success and abundance if we would only submit to him and put him first.
 - 3. He is the life giver and he can create or destroy life but for his children he has chosen to restore life.
 - 4. Christ is the one who resurrects a dead life and re-creates it into
 - 5. new life.
 - a. He can lift you from the dust, muck and miry clay and set your feet on solid ground.
 - b. He is the great restore of things lost.
 - c. You can find real life in him!
 - C. This lesson will help you realize you have it within your power to create a new life for yourself.
 - 1. That is the reason Jesus came.
 - 2. So that whosever would believe, and by their actions show it, he would give them life and life abundantly now and in the hereafter life eternally!
 - D. I will tell you how to create the new you. A successful you!

- 1. I will be teaching on this subject for the next few weeks so that you may understand God's will for your life and you will have the opportunity to walk in his blessed sunshine the remaining days of your life.
- 2. No matter what your current or previous condition, today, is the day you begin to learn how to create a new 2.0 version of you.
- 3. I will first tell you the way and then provide you with the proof later.
- E. Here we go....
- II. God told Joshua what he was going to need to do to be successful in leading the people to the promised land. He was going to make Joshua the new leader with the same potential of that he gave Moses.
 - A. The method to the new 2.0 version of you is know that 1) God desires to remake you and then

2) Meditate for mind renewal and 3)Walk in the ways of the spirit of God for the transformation to occur.

(NKJV) Jos 1:2 "Moses My servant is dead. Now therefore, arise, go over this Jordan, you and all this people, to the land which I am giving to them—the children of Israel. 3 Every place that the sole of your foot will tread upon I have given you, as I said to Moses.

(NKJV) Jos 1:5 No man shall be able to stand before you all the days of your life; as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. I will not leave you nor forsake you.

(NKJV) Jos 1:8 This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate in it day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.

- B. From this we learn that we are to **walk** in the things that God desires for us to have. We are not to worry about the challenges we have to face. He will take care of them for us.
 - 1. We develop the confidence to overcome our adversaries in the process of meditating on the word of our God.

GOD WANTS US TO FOCUS ON ADVANCING! NOT REMAINING STILL!

- C. God has a blessing for us. He has promises that he will fulfill for us.
 - 1. He will overcome the enemies that seek to keep us from being successful in achieving his promises.
- D. Our focus is to be on him and not the distractions of the enemy around us.
- E. God's plan is to bless us! No matter what your current situation is, God has a plan for you to experience life and to experience it abundantly.
 - 1. He sent Jesus so that we might experience what he intended in the beginning!

(NKJV) Je 29:11 For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the LORD, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give

you a future and a hope. 12 Then you will call upon Me and go and pray to Me, and I will listen to you. 13 And you will seek Me and find Me, when you search for Me with all your heart. 14 I will be found by you, says the LORD, and I will bring you back from your captivity; I will gather you from all the nations and from all the places where I have driven you, says the LORD, and I will bring you to the place from which I cause you to be carried away captive.

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(KJV 1900) Pr 29:18 Where there is no vision, the people perish: But he that keepeth the law, happy is he.

(NKJV) Ho 4:6 My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge. Because you have rejected knowledge, I also will reject you from being priest for Me; Because you have forgotten the law of your God, I also will forget your children.

III. The Lord created the man unique from all the other animals. All of the other animals were spoken into existence. Man was formed by the very hand of God and created in the image of God with the breath of God and his nostrils. (NKJV) Ge 1:26 Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth." 27 So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.

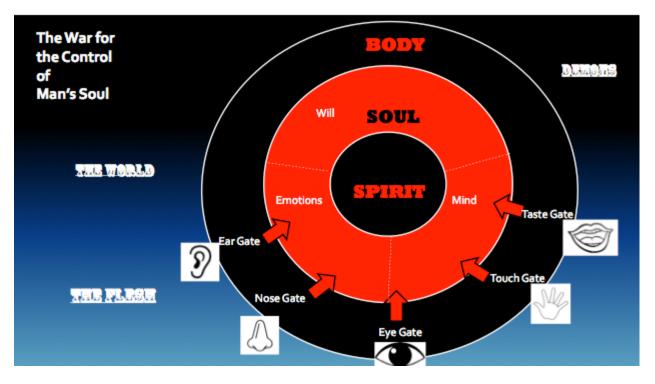
28 Then God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth."

(NKJV) Ge 2:7 And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.

(KJV 1900) Ge 2:7 And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.

- A. ¿¿¿What made man so vastly different than all of the other animals???
 - 1. He was formed by the hand of God.
 - 2. Created in his image and likeness!
 - a. The image and likeness had to be transferred by the breath of God.
 - b. Man was made by the word and breath of God.

- (1) The animals are made by the spoken word of God alone.
- 3. Then, God gave man something more unique to be able to contain his image and likeness.
 - *a.* God gave man a superior mind!
 - b. A man's mind is the only thing that makes him different from all of the other animals. Everything else about him can be found in a dog or a cat.
- B. It is with the mind God gave man that gives him the ability to subdue the earth and have dominion over it.
 - 1. Every human being should therefore, learn to be skilled in the use of his mind because it is the principal thing that gives him the ability to determine his own destiny!
 - 2. Sadly, too many people never fail to realize one of the greatest talents given to them is their ability to think creatively.
 - a. Remember, God created us in his image and likeness.
 - b. God is a creator. We therefore, have the ability to be creative and alter our environment to our satisfaction because we are in his image and likeness.
 - (1) God created the universe according to his desires
 - (2) We can create our world according to our desires
- C. We must learn to release the divine potential that God has given us by using our minds.
 - 1. We can achieve anything we can conceive. If we have the faith to believe nothing is impossible to us.
 - 2. We must learn how to uncap the limitations that have been placed upon us by an environment that is hostile to our complete development.
- D. We learn how this restriction came about by learning what happened with Adam and Eve.
 - 1. Adam and Eve released a destructive force on the earth that hinders every human being from achieving the divine potential that God had intended for us as his beloved creation.
 - 2. Satan used the mind of man to enslave him. Satan deceived the woman and broke the will of the man to follow God.
- E. Satan entered through the gates of the soul, affected the woman's emotion and mind causing her to will and eat the fruit God said not to eat.



(NKJV) Ro 5:12 Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned—

- F. Death and sin have always warred against man depriving us of the great blessings that God originally intended for us.
- G. But through Jesus Christ, God restored the ability of man to live a life of abundance just as at the beginning.
 (NKJV) Ro 5:18 Therefore, as through one man's offense judgment came to all men, resulting in condemnation, even so through one Man's righteous act the free gift came to all men, resulting in justification of life. 19 For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so also by one Man's obedience many will be made righteous. 20 Moreover the law entered that the offense might abound. But where sin abounded, grace abounded much more, 21 so that as sin reigned in death, even so grace might reign through righteousness to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- IV. Through Christ Jesus, we have now been reconciled unto God. We have a restoration of God's plan in the original creation.
 - A. Through Christ we have become new creations!
 (NKJV) 2 Co 5:17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.
 - 1. We now have the ability to do far greater things than what we were capable before Christ!

2. We have the power of Christ working within us to bring to pass the will of God in our life.

WE MUST DEVELOP SPIRITUAL MATURITY BEFORE WE CAN EXPERIENCE THE BENEFITS OF THE NEW MAN

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- B. However, we have been condition for so long, we no longer believe in the absolute authority and power of God to work things out for good.
- C. The world has conditioned us for so long to believe we are hopelessly lost in our condition and we can never overcome our mistakes.

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- D. God has already created a new you. You must learn to walk in a new reality having been set free from the basic principles of the world that have enslaved you for so long.
 - 1. We must learn to submit ourselves by our actions to God's will for us.

(NKJV) Ga 4:3 Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world. 4 But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, 5 to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons. 6 And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying out, "Abba, Father!" 7 Therefore you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.

2. We must overcome our slave mentality!

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- V. We must learn to free our minds! (Egyptian slavery/slavery to sin).
 - A. To bring about this ultimate change, the mind of man must be renewed to have the willing submission unto God as it was in the beginning.
 (NKJV) Ro 12:1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. 2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

WE MUST DEVELOP THE MENTAL DISCIPLINE TO LEARN TO MEDITATE FOR THE RENEWING OF OUR MINDS AND OUR TRANSFORMATION

B. We must learn to discipline ourselves to meditate upon the word of God for this great transformation to occur. We must learn to meditate upon those Scriptures that break the chains of bondage and open the gates of

the prison we had been enslaved within to experience the freedom Christ has paid for us.

WHATEVER YOU CONSISTENTLY MEDITATE ON WILL ULTIMATELY BECOME WORDS IN YOUR MOUTH AND VISIONS IN YOUR HEAD AND THEN REALITIES IN YOUR LIFE

(NKJV) Pr 23:7 For as he thinks in his heart, so is he.

- C. Your thoughts have the ability to transform your physical body
 - 1. The reason most people never succeed is because today starts out mostly as a repeat of yesterday.
 - 2. They never progress in there thinking, so they never progress in their living
- D. Jesus told us if we think about a thing, it ultimately will be done. If you have lust in your heart it is as if you have done it.
 - 1. Therefore, we must show our willingness to submit to the will of God so that his divine plan can be granted in our lives by doing the simple things he has told us to do.
 - 2. His plan is to give us whatever things we ask for in prayer and we must live in our life in submission to his Spirit by doing the things he tells us to.

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E. Again to repeat to you:

(NKJV) Jos 1:2 "Moses My servant is dead. Now therefore, arise, go over this Jordan, you and all this people, to the land which I am giving to them—the children of Israel.

God does not intend for his servants to be passive. We are not to sit and wait on God to act. We act with the confidence that God is with us. It is the assurance of God's presence that should compel us to advance.

Though there will be problems we will encounter in advancing we must remember we have not been given a spirit of fear. We have the Holy Spirit with us who is able to give us victory in every encounter.

Remember Jesus said, in the world we will have trouble but he has overcome the world.

We will always encounter difficulties! But we should never let difficulties cause us to be paralyzed. We must have faith in God and not look to our capabilities but to his!

3 Every place that the sole of your foot will <u>tread</u> (walk- he must walk in it to possess it) upon I have given you, as I said to Moses.

In order to do this God instructs Joshua he needs a mind change.

4 From the wilderness and this Lebanon as far as the great river, the River Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites, and to the Great Sea toward the going down of the sun, shall be your territory.

5 No man shall be able to stand before you all the days of your life; as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. I will not leave you nor forsake you. 6 Be strong and of good courage, for to this people you shall divide as an inheritance the land which I swore to their fathers to give them. 7 Only be strong and very courageous, that you may observe to do according to all the law which Moses My servant commanded you; do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may prosper wherever you go.

God instructs him on what he is to do. He is to be strong and courageous and he must do what the word of God tells him to do. He must not do what he thinks he should do or how he feels he should do and must do what God tells them to do. To do what God says requires a confidence in God.

Now God tells Joshua how to develop this confidence!

8 This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate in it day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success. 9 Have I not commanded you? Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go."

This is the key to success! Meditation upon the word of God alters one's mindset and creates a radical transformation in the identity of the one meditating.

He is told to meditate as well as walk in the ways the Lord

(NKJV) Ps 1:1 Blessed is the man Who <u>walks</u> not in the counsel of the ungodly, Nor stands in the path of sinners, Nor sits in the seat of the scornful; 2 But his delight is in the law of the LORD, And in His law he meditates day and night. 3 He shall be like a tree Planted by the rivers of water, That brings forth its fruit in its season, Whose leaf also shall not wither; And whatever he does shall prosper.

WE MUST CULTIVATE A NEW STATE OF MIND AND DELIBERATELY MODIFY OUR BEHAVIOR TO LINE IT UP WITH THE WORD OF GOD

- F. The battle for the transformation of your life into your new man has already been done for you. You do not have to struggle to accomplish this purpose.
 - 1. All you have to do is the simple things within your power to do. Walk in the ways God says to walk. God will do the rest! The battle is not yours, it is the Lord's and it has already been won!
- VI. ¿¿ How are you going to become the new version of you?? The you 2.0? This we learn from Ephesians.

(NKJV) Eph 4:17 This I say, therefore, and testify in the Lord, that you should no longer *walk* as the rest of the Gentiles walk, in the futility of their mind,

18 having their understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God, because of the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart; 19 who, being past feeling, have given themselves over to lewdness, to work all uncleanness with greediness.

20 But you have not so learned Christ, 21 if indeed you have heard Him and have been taught by Him, as the truth is in Jesus:

22 that you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts,

23 and be renewed in the spirit of your mind,

24 and that you put on the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness.

(NKJV) Eph 5:2 And walk in love, as Christ also has loved us and given Himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling aroma. ------

-----(NKJV) Eph 5:7 Therefore do not be partakers with them. 8 For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. <u>Walk</u> as children of light 9 (for the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness, righteousness, and truth), 10 finding out what is acceptable to the Lord. 11 And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather expose them.

(NKJV) Eph 5:15 See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, 16 redeeming the time, because the days are evil.

- A. You and I are to do what we are able to do. Our focus is to be on the word of God. God will perform the transformation into the new you.
 - 1. God told Joshua that he would defeat the enemy for him. All he has to do was walk in the land that was to be his.
 - 2. The enemy would be there to fight him but God would give him the victory!
 - 3. This is the same thing we must do. We must go forward trusting God and do the things that are within our power to do. God will do the rest.
- B. That transformation will introduce into your life a new norm. A new norm where you will began to experience the bountiful blessings of the Lord as you walk in his spirit.

(NKJV) Ga 5:22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, selfcontrol. Against such there is no law. 24 And those who are Christ's have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. 25 If we live in the Spirit, let us also <u>walk</u> (We must walk in the ways of Christ to possess the manifestation of the new creation that we are) in the Spirit.

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Wednesday Bible study The Pursuit and Acquisition of Success & True Happiness

I will be continuing in the line of teaching to help you become successful in life reaching your divine potential. You don't want to miss out. Stay faithful!

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(NKJV) Php 4:8 Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy—meditate on these things.

