

Life Under Construction

Spiritually Engaged

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1 Corinthians 1:9 "God will do this, for he is faithful to do what he says, and he has invited you into partnership with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord." (NLT=New Living Translation)

1. We follow rather than simply believe

Luke 9:23 "Then he said to the crowd, "If any of you wants to be my follower, you must give up your own way, take up your cross daily, and follow me." (NLT)

- Following requires a _____
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2. We transform rather than tolerate

Matthew 28:18-19 "Jesus came and told his disciples, "I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. ¹⁹Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations..." (NLT)

- We allow Jesus to _____

Romans 12:2 "Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect." (NLT)

- We allow Jesus to bring transformation _____

Ephesians 3:20 "Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think." (NLT)

Philippians 2:13 "For God is working in you, giving you the desire and the power to do what pleases him." (NLT)

Proverbs 11:11 "By the blessing of the upright a city is exalted but by the mouth of the wicked it is torn down." (NASB=New American Standard Bible)

3. We serve others rather than serve ourselves

Philippians 2:3-5 "Don't be selfish; don't try to impress others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves. ⁴Don't look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too. ⁵You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had." (NLT)

- _____ ourselves like Jesus
- Selflessly _____ others like Jesus

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Discussion Questions:

1. What do you think about when we read I Corinthians 1:9 that we are invited into a partnership with Jesus?
2. What does it mean we follow Jesus rather than simply believe?
3. Discuss what it means in our everyday lives we transform and not tolerate.
4. To be spiritually engaged we need to prioritize serving. Read Philippians 2:2-5. How was Jesus our example? How do we model our lives after His?