

MESSAGE

Occasion : Sunday Morning Service
Theme : Being Enriched Bountifully in All Things to All Bountifulness
Venue : Lighthouse BBC Tatalon
Date : November 10, 2019

TITLE : THE RENEWING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT - OUR TRANSFORMATION
Text/s :

Titus 3:5

5 Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost;
KJV

Rom 12:1-2

1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.
2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.
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Bible Reading :

Gal 5:16-25

16 This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.
17 For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.
18 But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law.
19 Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,
20 Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,
21 Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.
22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,
23 Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.
24 And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.
25 If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.
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Song/s : In Christ Alone,

Other references :

INTRODUCTION

Transformed through the Renewing of the Holy Ghost.

This means, everyone must go through the renewing of the Holy Ghost to be transformed. There are no short cuts.

Titus 3:5

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Titus 3:5

5 He saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we had done, but because of His own pity and mercy, by [the] cleansing [bath] of the new birth (regeneration) and renewing of the Holy Spirit, AMP

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BODY

The Holy Spirit's eternal impacts on our lives (regeneration and renewal) are brought together in this text in a rather unique way. To begin with, the Greek words are unusual—"regeneration" being used only twice in the New Testament and "renewal" only five times in various forms. They come together only in this passage.

"Regeneration" (paliggenesia) means to "birth again." The connection to our salvation is well established and does not need much explanation here. "Renewal" (anakainosis) in its variations is a bit more difficult to describe—especially since there is the possible linguistic connection to the "washing" (bath) of regeneration. That is, the section could be translated "the Holy Spirit's bath of regeneration and renewing"—thus equating the two terms. Most translations, however, treat the terms as separate actions or conditions for which the Holy Spirit is responsible. This fits best with the rest of the biblical data.

A) The Renewing of the Holy Ghost

Renewing applies only to those who have been regenerated or those who have been birthed again (born again) simply because they are the ones who have the Spirit in them.

Perhaps the most well-known passage focusing on renewal is Romans 12:1-2. In this precious reference, we are commanded to present (yield) our bodies as holy and acceptable living sacrifices, and to refuse to be conformed to the world, but to be transformed (metamorphoo = "permanent change") by the renewing of our mind

Rom 8:9-14

9 But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his.

10 And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.

11 But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.

12 Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh.

13 For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live.

14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

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John 6:63

63 It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.

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1 Peter 1:23

23 Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever.

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James 1:18

18 Of his own will begat he us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

KJV

1 Thess 2:13

13 For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe.

KJV

Rom 10:8-10

8 But what saith it? The word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, the word of faith, which we preach;

9 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

10 For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

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1) Renewing (or renewal) is done by the Holy Spirit, when those who have the Spirit ...

a) Live and walk in the Spirit

Rom 8:1

8 There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

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Gal 5:25

25 If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

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b) Grieve not the Spirit

Eph 4:30

30 And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.

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Eph 4:30

30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God [do not offend or vex or sadden Him], by Whom you were sealed (marked, branded as God's own, secured) for the day of redemption (of final deliverance through Christ from evil and the consequences of sin).

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c) Quench not the Spirit

1 Thess 5:19

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19 Do not quench (suppress or subdue) the [Holy] Spirit;

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d) Harden not the hearts when the Spirit speaks through the Word

Heb 3:15

15 While it is said, To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts, as in the provocation.

KJV

Heb 3:8

8 Harden not your hearts, as in the provocation, in the day of temptation in the wilderness:

KJV

e) Yield to the Spirit

Rom 6:13-18

13 Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God.

14 For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace.

15 What then? shall we sin, because we are not under the law, but under grace? God forbid.

16 Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?

17 But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you.

18 Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness.

KJV

2) The renewing of the Holy Ghost involve the following faculties in us.

a) The mind. Renewal is facilitated by the Spirit in the mind.

Eph 4:23

23 And be renewed in the spirit of your mind;

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Eph 4:22-24

22 That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts;

23 And be renewed in the spirit of your mind;

24 And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.

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Col 1:21-23

21 And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now hath he reconciled

22 In the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unproveable in his sight:

23 If ye continue in the faith grounded and settled, and be not moved away from the hope of the gospel, which ye have heard, and which was preached to every creature which is under heaven; whereof I Paul am made a minister;

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Rom 12:2

2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

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Eph 1:18-19

18 The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints,

19 And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to usward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power,
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b) The inward man. The new man.

This renewal takes place in the “inward man” (2 Corinthians 4:16), which “is renewed in knowledge” (Colossians 3:10) according to the image of the Creator. Thus, the renewal comes about intellectually, through the ministrations of the Holy Spirit, as we seek, study, store, and obey the magnificent Word of God.- HMMIII

2 Cor 4:16

16 For which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day.

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Col 3:10

10 And have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him:

KJV

Col 3:8-10

8 But now ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth.

9 Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds;

10 And have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him:

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Rom 7:22-25

22 For I delight in the law of God after the inward man:

23 But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members.

24 O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death?

25 I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. So then with the mind I myself serve the law of God; but with the flesh the law of sin.

KJV

Col 3:10-14

10 And have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him:

11 Where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond nor free: but Christ is all, and in all.

12 Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering;

13 Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye.

14 And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness.

KJV

It is in the renewed inner man, when we are able to put on all the virtues necessary for life and peace.

The instrument by which the transformation comes about is the new mind (intellect)—a grace-gift imputed at salvation by the Holy Spirit (1 Corinthians 2:16; Hebrews 10:16). This renewal takes place in the “inward man” (2 Corinthians 4:16), which “is renewed in knowledge” (Colossians 3:10) according to the image of the Creator. Thus, the renewal comes about intellectually, through the ministrations of the Holy Spirit, as we seek, study, store, and obey the magnificent Word of God. HMM III

3) Renewing of the Holy Ghost is necessary for our transformation

Rom 12:2

2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

KJV

Rom 12:2

2 Do not be conformed to this world (this age), [fashioned after and adapted to its external, superficial customs], but be transformed (changed) by the [entire] renewal of your mind [by its new ideals and its new attitude], so that you may prove [for yourselves] what is the good and acceptable and perfect will of God, even the thing which is good and acceptable and perfect [in His sight for you].

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Without renewal and transformation, we will always conform to this world. We will never be non-confirmists.

4) When transformation comes, we prove (realize and experience) the good, acceptable, perfect will of God

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5) Along with proving the good, acceptable, perfect will of God, fruitfulness comes to the transformed.

Because it is the Spirit Who is the primary agent in the renewal of our mind and inner man, the evident result in our lives is fruitfulness.

Eph 5:9

9 (For the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth;)

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Gal 5:22-23

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,
23 Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

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Gal 2:20

20 I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

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CONCLUSION

The application in the Ekklesia (the New Testament Church)					
The Ekklesia in in Christ, walking in the Spirit	The produce of living and walking in the Spirit	Where we are supposed to be rich	What is necessary for those who have the riches	What the Macedonia n churches had	Where the Ekklesia's riches are used
<p>Rom 8:1-2 1 There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. 2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death. KJV</p>	<p>Gal 5:22-26 22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, 23 Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. 24 And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts. 25 If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. 26 Let us not be desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another. KJV</p> <p>As the nation of Israel did</p>	<p>Love</p> <p>Joy</p> <p>Peace</p> <p>Long Suffering</p> <p>Gentlenes s</p> <p>Goodness</p> <p>Faith</p> <p>Meekness</p>	<p>As the children of Israel were taught by God to be thankful through Firstfruits, we are taught to apply the fruit (grace in the Spirit) with thanksgiving .</p> <p>2 Cor 4:15 15 For all things are for your sakes, that the abundant grace might through the thanksgiving of many redound to the glory of God. KJV</p>	<p>As illustrated by the Macedonian churches</p> <p>2 Cor 8:1-5 8 Moreover, brethren, we do you to wit of the grace of God bestowed on the churches of Macedonia; 2 How that in a great trial of affliction the abundance of their joy and their deep poverty abounded unto the riches of</p>	<p>Rom 12:6-8 6 Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith; 7 Or ministry, let us wait on our ministering: or he that teacheth, on teaching; 8 Or he that exhorteth, on exhortation: he that giveth, let him do it with simplicity; he that ruleth, with diligence; he that sheweth</p>

	<p>the commandments of God in the land, everyone in the Ekklesia live and walk in the Spirit</p>			<p>their liberality. 3 For to their power, I bear record, yea, and beyond their power they were willing of themselves; 4 Praying us with much intreaty that we would receive the gift, and take upon us the fellowship of the ministering to the saints. 5 And this they did, not as we hoped, but first gave their own selves to the Lord, and unto us by the will of God. KJV</p>	<p>mercy, with cheerfulness. KJV</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) The ministry of the Word (2) The ministry of Serving (3) The ministry of Equipping (4) The ministry of Lifting up (5) The ministry of Supplying (6) The ministry of Leading and Organizing (7) The ministry of Helping.
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