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## **“Transformation, One Way or Another” (2)**

*“For this is the will of God, your sanctification...” (1 Thessalonians 4:3)*

**Or... God is passionate about my \_\_\_\_\_**

### **Knuckle-Head Nebuchadnezzar**

**Daniel 2:46-47** – (46) “Then King Nebuchadnezzar fell upon his face and paid homage to Daniel, and commanded that an offering and incense be offered up to him. (47) The king answered and said to Daniel, *‘Truly, your God is God of gods and Lord of kings, and a revealer of mysteries, for you have been able to reveal this mystery.’*”

**Daniel 3:28** – (28) “Nebuchadnezzar answered and said, *‘Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, who has sent his angel and delivered his servants, who trusted in him, and set aside the king’s command, and yielded up their bodies rather than serve and worship any god except their own God.’*”

**Daniel 4:30** – (30) “and the king answered and said, *‘Is not this great Babylon, which I have built by my mighty power as a royal residence and for the glory of my majesty?’*”

### **The Invitation for Transformation**

**Romans 12:1-3** – (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.

#### **Presentation for Transformation**

(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.

#### **Presentation builds up Pride Resistance**

(3) For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned.”

<b>Key Point: Presentation Precedes Transformation</b>
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**Questions:**

**What impacted me the most in this message?**

**What are some basic ways in which I can present myself to God?**

**(Hebrews 10:22-25; Ps. 119:64; Matt. 25:34-40)**

**Am I actively engaging and embracing Godly transformation?**

**(Matt. 9:20-22; Rom. 12:1-2; Phil. 3:12-19; Ps. 139:23-24)**

**Have I become lazy or apathetic in regards to growth in Godliness?**

**(2 Peter 1:8-10; Rev. 3:16-18)**