

THE ART OF TRANSFORMATION

WHO ARE YOU BECOMING?

Part 2: Thing Two

Introduction

When we first move into a new house, the basics (walls, floors, cabinets) are all provided. How we make that home ours is determined by what we fill it with.

God does the same for us. He gives us the “house,” the structure, our identities, and the tools to fill it. It’s up to us to choose to work to fill ourselves with the virtues that bring us closer to the person others need us to be, who we want to be, and what God desires for us.

Discussion Questions

1. What have you pursued in your life that required practice?
2. Does the idea of having personal responsibility for your faith make you feel empowered or defeated? Why?
3. Samer talked about the idea that goodness builds trust. Do you extend trust to others easily? Why or why not?
4. Knowledge is usually found and acquired outside oneself, and the best kind of wisdom is sought out. Where do you go when you need wisdom?
5. In what area of your life do you easily show restraint and have discipline? In what area of your life do you struggle with self-control?
6. Peter’s list of virtues are goodness, knowledge, self-control, perseverance, godliness, mutual affection, and love. Which of these will you be intentional to pursue this week?

Moving Forward

For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, mutual affection; and to mutual affection, love. –2 Peter 2:5–7