

Part 1: Thing One

Introduction

We grow up answering the question, "What do you want to be... when you grow up?" Astronaut, doctor, teacher, firefighter? But maybe the most important question we can address is "Who do you want to be... when you grow up?" because who you become determines the experience of your life and how people experience you for the rest of your life.

Discussion Questions

- What's the difference in asking, "What do you want to be?" in contrast to "Who do you want to be?"
- 2. Let's be honest. What are some of the areas in your life where there's a big gap between who you are and who you want to be?
- 3. How would you define **spiritual formation**? How does it differ from spiritual salvation?
- 4. Read Galatians 4:19. How is Christ formed in us? How does this realistically happen?
- 5. Read 2 Peter 1:3–4. We have access to everything we need for life and godliness because of our relationship and connection to Jesus. What's the difference between **knowing God** and having a **knowledge of God**?
- 6. In what area of your life do you want to experience spiritual transformation today?

Moving Forward

Jesus made spiritual transformation possible. He made it possible because he loves you. He made it possible because he desires the best for you. He made it possible because he, too, wants you to live on this side of heaven as the best possible human—and he showed us the way.

Changing Your Mind

His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness. —2 Peter 1:3