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KEY QUESTION: What happens when we receive this Gospel?

KEY POINT: We enter into the process of having Christ's life which is eternal, being formed and built in us.

The Scriptures clearly testify to the fact that, we are to be in way more life than just being made right by His blood. As awesome as being made righteous is by the blood of Jesus Christ, that same blood and body that made us righteous, is to form Christ's life in us, so we are all conformed into the image of His Son.

Romans 8:29 For those whom He foreknew, He also predestined to become conformed to the image of His Son, so that He would be the firstborn among many brethren.

Galatians 4:19 My children, with whom I am again in labor until Christ is formed in you

Colossians 1:28 We proclaim Him, admonishing every man and teaching every man with all wisdom, so that we may present every man complete in Christ.

How many of us have a reference for this formational eternal life of Christ within us? How many of us can give living testimony of this brand new life of Christ, His image being formed within us?

This is what the Gospel, the Word of God produces and forms in us. Christ's literal life in us the hope of glory. It's not just a wishful thinking reality or an abstract concept that we mentally and verbally agree to, while having no actual living reality of.

This is why Jesus said unless you eat and drink of Me you will have no life in you.

John 6:53 So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you have no life in yourselves.

John 6:55-56 For My flesh is true food, and My blood is true drink. He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood abides in Me, and I in him.

This can not be any clearer or put more simply than what it is right here by Jesus Himself.

It is fully possible to have received the righteousness of Jesus Christ, but still within your soul (mind, will and emotions), be conformed to the image of the world and not the Son, so although being justified, we have no formation of Christ's life taking place through the Gospel of transformation. We are only in 1 part of the Gospel and not both.

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Unfortunately, today this is too common an occurrence in the body of Christ.

When we marinate ourselves in Scriptures like John 15:1-11, we get to discover what our inner life is to be like through abiding in the one true Vine. We get to see the promise of the abiding life and the much fruit that is produced in us, just by purely abiding in Christ Himself. The more we abide in the Vine the more the Father prunes and the more pruning the more of Christ's life which is eternal, is formed in us, conforming us into the image of His Son.

We now have, being formed within us the nature of God, so we have in us an ample and abundant measure and supply of all the fruits of the Spirit and each fruits individual attributes. We also have within us the beatitudes of the kingdom of God being formed and established, receiving 30, 60, 100 fold fruit.

All this is outworking in us through the Gospel of transformation, building Christ's life in us.

QUESTIONS

1. What has our understanding been in the past when it comes to the whole purpose of the Gospel?
2. Why is it essential we experience the reality of this formational life in us?
3. What happens if we don't experience this formational life in us?
4. How many of us can give living testimony of this formational life in Christ?