



# I. THE WORLD IN CONFUSION

**Romans 12:1-2 (NKJV)**

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

## Romans 12:1 (MSG)

**<sup>1</sup> So here's what I want you to do, God helping you: Take your everyday, ordinary life—your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life—and place it before God as an offering. Embracing what God does for you is the best thing you can do for him.**

## Romans 12:2 (MSG)

**<sup>2</sup> Don't become so well-adjusted to your culture that you fit into it without even thinking. Instead, fix your attention on God. You'll be changed from the inside out. Readily recognize what he wants from you, and quickly respond to it. Unlike the culture around you, always dragging you down to its level of immaturity, God brings the best out of you, develops well-formed maturity in you**

**World is the “*cosmos*”**

**And it refers to the  
“system” of life**

**Usually contrary to the will  
and Word of God**



## **II. CALLED OUT TO** **PLEASE JESUS**

***Ekklesia***  
***Called Out Ones***



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**...do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind**



**...changed, transfigured, transformed”  
DIFFERENTLY than the world. How?  
*By RENEWING your mind.***





## Stages of change

**INFORMATION**

**INSPIRATION**

**IMPARTATION**

***TRANSFORMATION***

# **1 John 2:15-17 (NKJV)**

**<sup>15</sup> Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. <sup>16</sup> For all that is in the world--the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life--is not of the Father but is of the world. <sup>17</sup> And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever**

# **1 John 2:15-17 (MSG)**

**<sup>15</sup> Don't love the world's ways. Don't love the world's goods. Love of the world squeezes out love for the Father. <sup>16</sup> Practically everything that goes on in the world—wanting your own way, wanting everything for yourself, wanting to appear important—has nothing to do with the Father. It just isolates you from him.**

# **1 John 2:15-17 (MSG)**

**<sup>17</sup> The world and all its wanting, wanting, wanting is on the way out—but whoever does what God wants is set for eternity.**

# **III. TO SET THE** **FOUNDATIONS STRONG**

# **Matthew 7:24-25 (NKJV)**

**24 "Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock: 25 and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it did not fall, for it was founded on the rock.**

# **Matthew 7:26-27 (NKJV)**

**<sup>26</sup> But everyone who hears these sayings of Mine, and does not do them, will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand:**

**<sup>27</sup> and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it fell.**

**And great was its fall."**

# Matthew 7:24-25 (MSG)

**24 "These words I speak to you are not incidental additions to your life, homeowner improvements to your standard of living. They are foundational words, words to build a life on. If you work these words into your life, you are like a smart carpenter who built his house on solid rock. <sup>25</sup> Rain poured down, the river flooded, a tornado hit—but nothing moved that house. It was fixed to the rock.**



# Matthew 7:26-27 (MSG)

**<sup>26</sup> "But if you just use my words in Bible studies and don't work them into your life, you are like a stupid carpenter who built his house on the sandy beach. <sup>27</sup> When a storm rolled in and the waves came up, it collapsed like a house of cards."**

## **Luke 6:46-48 (NKJV)**

**<sup>46</sup> "But why do you call Me 'Lord, Lord,' and do not do the things which I say?<sup>47</sup> Whoever comes to Me, and hears My sayings and does them, I will show you whom he is like: <sup>48</sup> He is like a man building a house, who dug deep and laid the foundation on the rock. And when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently against that house, and could not shake it, for it was founded on the rock**

## **Luke 6:46-49 (NKJV)**

**49 But he who heard and did nothing is like a man who built a house on the earth without a foundation, against which the stream beat vehemently; and immediately it fell. And the ruin of that house was great."**

## **James 1:23-25 (NKJV)**

**23 For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man observing his natural face in a mirror; 24 for he observes himself, goes away, and immediately forgets what kind of man he was. 25 But he who looks into the perfect law of liberty and continues in it, and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer of the work, this one will be blessed in what he does**



***Launching Your Faith  
is just about to begin!  
BE SURE TO GET  
ABOARD!***