

FOCUSING ON JESUS.  
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1. WE NEED TO LOOK TO JESUS AND BE CHRIST-FOCUSED INSTEAD OF BEING WORLD-FOCUSED.

2Corinthians 3:18-NKJV

But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.

**Passion** -18 We can all draw close to him with the veil removed from our faces. And with no veil we all become like mirrors who brightly reflect the glory of the Lord Jesus. We are being transfigured into his very image as we move from one brighter level of glory to another. And this glorious transfiguration comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

Romans 12:2-Passion

Stop imitating the ideals and opinions of the culture around you but be inwardly transformed by the Holy Spirit through a total reformation of how you think. This will empower you to discern God's will as you live a beautiful life, satisfying and perfect in his eyes.

2. THE GOSPEL REFLECTS THE GLORY OF GOD AND CHRIST JESUS.

John 1:14-AMP

And the Word (Christ) became flesh (human, incarnate) and tabernacled (fixed His tent of flesh, lived awhile) among us; and we [actually] saw His glory (His honor, His majesty), such glory as an only begotten son receives from his father, full of grace (favor, loving-kindness) and truth.

**Remedy** - We have seen the glory of his character—the character of the One and Only true God. He came from God, and perfectly revealed the Father who is the source of all grace and truth.

2Corinthians 4:4-AMP.

4 For the god of this world has blinded the unbelievers' minds [*that they should not discern the truth*], preventing them from seeing the illuminating light of the Gospel of the glory of Christ (the Messiah), Who is the Image and Likeness of God.

3. AS JESUS IS, SO ARE YOU IN THIS WORLD.

James 1:25-AMP.

25 But he who looks carefully into the faultless law, the [law] of liberty, and is faithful to it and perseveres in looking into it, being not a heedless listener who forgets but an active doer [*who obeys*], he shall be blessed in his doing (his life of obedience).

**Remedy** - But those who examine themselves honestly in the light of God's law of love—the law that heals and frees from fear and selfishness—and continue to do this daily, not ignoring what is learned but applying it diligently, experience happiness as they are healed and transformed.

2Corinthians 3:17-AMP

17 Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty (emancipation from bondage, freedom). [*Isa. 61:1, 2.*]

**Remedy** - We experience Jesus through the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom from confusion, fear, and selfishness.