

RENOVATION PROJECT

HOW THE GOSPEL CHANGES US



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Renovation Project: How the Gospel Changes Us

2 Corinthians 3:18

And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

Differences between Justification and Sanctification

Legal Standing

Once for all time

Entirely God's work

Perfect in this life

Same in all Christians

Internal Condition

Continuous through life

God and Us

Not perfect in this life

Greater in some than others

Barriers to Renovation

- #1 - Good truth misapplied
- #2 - Temptation is everywhere
- #3 - Keep up appearances
- #4 - Fear of the unknown
- #5 - Choosing gospel substitutes
- #6 - Gospel Amnesia
- #7 - Is it worth it?
- #8 - Life happens
- #9 - Does it work?
- #10 - How do I renovate?



The Story

Creation

Fall

Redemption

Restoration

My story

THE PROBLEM

Jeremiah 17:9

The heart is deceitful above all things and beyond cure. Who can understand it?

Psalm 64:5-6

They encourage each other in evil plans, they talk
about hiding their snares; they say, “Who will see
it?”

They plot injustice and say, “We have devised a
perfect plan!” Surely the human mind and heart are
cunning.

We live from our heart...Our life and how we find the world now and in the future is, almost totally, a simple result of what we have become in the depths of our being – in our spirit, will, or heart....We live from our depths – most of which we do not understand.



Dallas Willard, Renovation of the Heart

Accordingly, the greatest need you and I have – the greatest need of collective humanity – is renovation of our heart. That spiritual place within us from which outlook, choices, and actions come has been formed by a world away from God. Now it must be transformed.



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THE SOLUTION



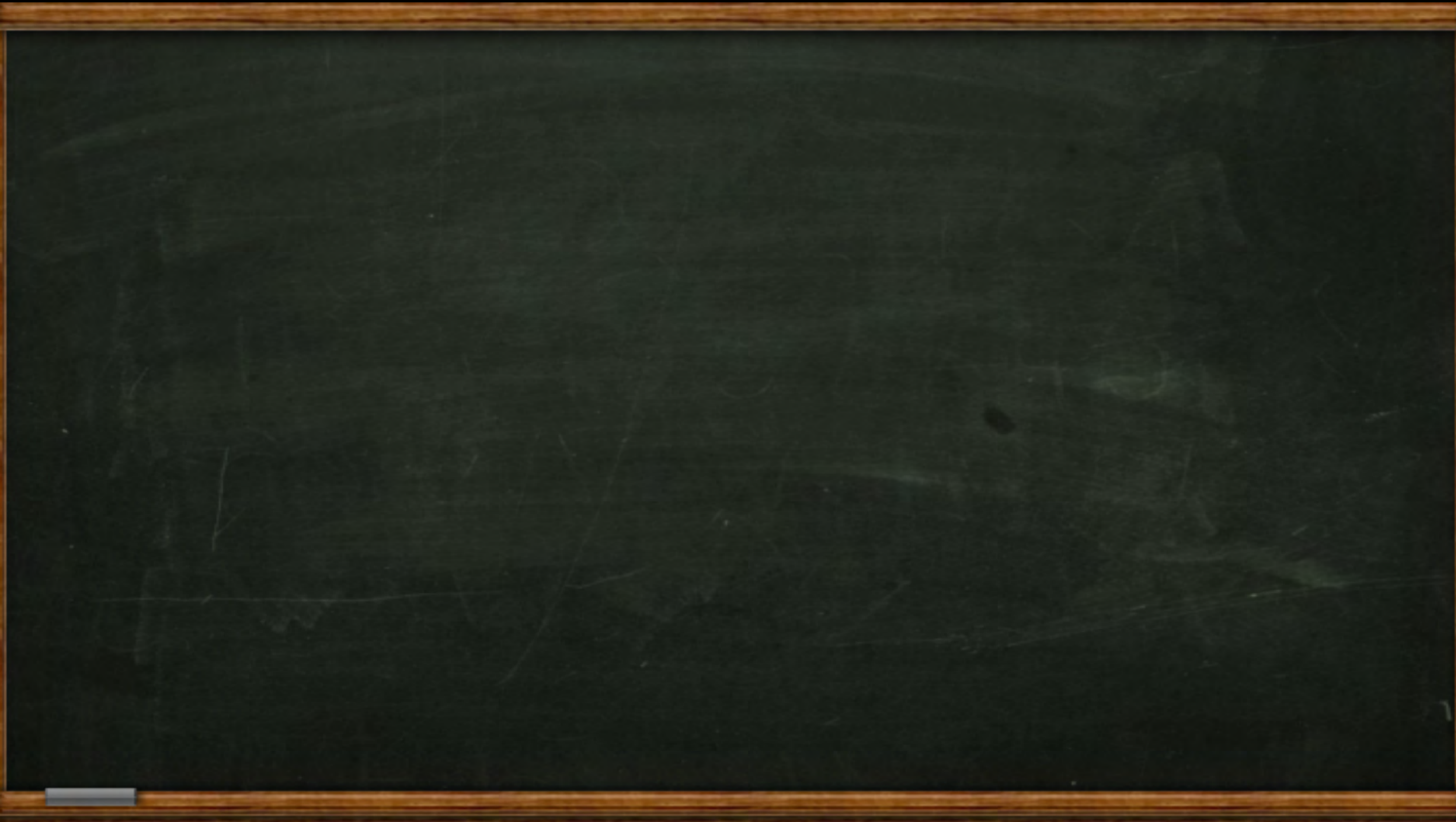
We become Christians by faith in Jesus,
we stay Christians by faith in Jesus, and
we grow as Christians by faith in Jesus.



Tim Chester, *You Can Change*

Galatians 4:19

...until Christ is formed in you...



TRUTH



FALSEHOOD

Psalm 33:4

For the word of the Lord is right and true.

Isaiah 55:8-9

8 “For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways,” declares the Lord.

9 “As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.”

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There is no god, sin is not
real, life is pointless

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Romans 12:2

Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.

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Back



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I possess a device, in my pocket, that is capable of accessing the entirety of information known to man.

I use it to look at pictures of cats and get in arguments with strangers.

Philippians 4:8

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable – if anything is excellent or praiseworthy – think about such things.



HATE

LOVE

THE Great Lie

Proverbs 4:23

Watch over your heart with all diligence,
for from it flow the springs of life.

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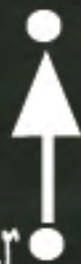
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How do I change the
amplification?

Christian spiritual formation (i.e. renovation) arises out of an inner transformation accomplished through intentional interaction with the grace of God in Christ.

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“Actions are not impositions on who we are, but are expressions of who we are. They come out of a heart and the inner realities it supervises and interacts with.”



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Ephesians 4:17-18

17 So I tell you this, and insist on it in the Lord, that you must no longer live as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their thinking. 18 They are darkened in their understanding and separated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them due to the hardening of their hearts.

Ephesians 4:20-24

20 That, however, is not the way of life you learned
21 when you heard about Christ and were taught in him in
accordance with the truth that is in Jesus. **22** You were
taught, with regard to your former way of life, to put off
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24 and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true
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