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²⁹ For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren.

Galatians 4:19 (NKJV)

¹⁹ My little children, for whom I labor in birth again until Christ is formed in you,

Message: Since Christlikeness is most important, we should spiritually understand and pursue it.

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- I. CHRISTLIKENESS IS THE **SAVING ETERNAL PURPOSE OF GOD FOR US** (Romans 8:29; Ephesians 1:4)
- II. CHRISTLIKENESS IS **RESTORING US INTO GOD'S IMAGE** (Ephesians 4:24; Colossians 3:10)
- III. CHRISTLIKENESS IS OUR NATURE BEING TRANSFORMED TO BE LIKE CHRIST'S NATURE (Romans 12:2; 2 Corinthians 3:18)
- IV. CHRISTLIKENESS IS **THE SUPERNATURAL WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT** (2 Corinthians 3:18; Galatians 5:22 -23)
- V. CHRISTLIKENESS **TRANSFORMS AND CHANGES THE WHOLE PERSON** (2 Corinthians 4:16; Ephesians 4:23-24; 1 Thessalonians 5:23)
- IV. CHRISTLIKENESS **MEANS EXPERIENCING CHRIST'S PRESENCE** (2 Corinthians 3:18; Ephesians 3:17-19)

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VII. CHRISTLIKENESS WILL HAVE A **POWERFUL IMPACT UPON OTHERS** (Ephesians 5:8; Philippians 2:15; Philippians 1:20)

Ephesians 5:8 (NKJV)

⁸ For you were once darkness, but now *you are <mark>light in the Lord</mark>.* Walk as **children of light**

Philippians 2:15 (NKJV)

¹⁵ that you may become blameless and harmless, children of God without fault in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world,

Philippians 1:20 (NKJV)

²⁰ ... so now also Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death.

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VIII. CHRISTLIKENESS SHOULD BE **PURSUED BY ALL BELIEVERS** (Philippians 3:14)

Philippians 3:14 (NKJV)

¹⁴ I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call (high, heavenly call) of God in Christ Jesus.