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Romans 8:29 (NKJV)

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.

2 Corinthians 3:18 (NKJV)

¹⁸ 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.

Message: Christlikeness is a deep transforming work of the Spirit, but we have an active part.

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I. A CONTINUAL *GIVING OF OURSELVES TO THE LORD* (Luke 9:23,24; Romans 12:1)

Luke 9:23-24 (NKJV)

- ²³ Then He said to *them* all, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me.
- ²⁴ For whoever desires to save (hold on) his life will lose it, but whoever loses (gives) his life for My sake will save it.

Romans 12:1 (NKJV)

¹ I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present (present or surrender) your bodies (your whole self) a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service.

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II. A CONTINUAL *LOOKING TO JESUS* (Hebrews 12:2; 2 Corinthians 3:18)

Hebrews 12:2 (NKJV)

² looking (focusing on) unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, ...

2 Corinthians 3:18 (NKJV)

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III. A CONTINUAL **RECEIVING OF GOD'S WORD**

(Ephesians 5:26; Hebrews 4:12; 2 Corinthians 3:18)

Ephesians 5:26 (NKJV)

²⁶ that *He (Christ)* might sanctify and cleanse *her (church, all believers)* with the washing of water by the word,

Hebrews 4:12 (NKJV)

¹² For the word of God *is* living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

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IV. A CONTINUAL **REPENTANCE BEFORE GOD** (Psalm 51:17; 1 John 1:9)

Psalm 51:17 (NKJV)

¹⁷ The sacrifices of God *are* a broken spirit,
A broken and a contrite heart—
These, O God, You will not despise.

1 John 1:9 (NKJV)

⁹ If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.