Key Words of the Christian Life

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Inscription on the Capitol Dome in Washington DC ... "One God, one law, one element and one supreme event toward which the whole creation moves."

Romans 8:29 says, "For those God foreknew He also predestined to be conformed to the likeness of His Son."

Formed in God's Image

Genesis 2:7 "...from the dust of the ground..."

Genesis 1:27 "So God created man in his own image..."

This does not mean that we look like God in physical appearance because God is Spirit and does not have a body like man. We also have a soul and spirit.

Formed in God's Image

- Personality—we are more than just animals. In our spiritual make-up, we are related to God.
- Responsibility—He put us in charge of the rest of His creation.
- Destiny—We are here to glorify Him, fellowship with Him, worship Him, and let others see Him in us.

Deformed from God's Image

When man fell to sin, everything changed
-- Ephesians 4:18-19

 The Spirit died and now the mind is conflicted

 Only God can make a difference and restore man to Himself

Transformed into God's Image

Romans 12:1-2...

"Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship. ² Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will."

Conformed to God's Image...

 Romans 8:29... "For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the likeness of his Son"

 Philippians 3:20-21 tells us our bodies will one day be transformed to be like His glorious body because we will see Him as He is.