

TRANSFORMED: Transformational Living

(John 7:37-39)

Introduction

A) Whether your cooking, building, or completing a task at work, one of the more significant frustrations of a project is to not have what is necessary (ingredients, materials, components) to complete the project.

Christmas is approaching and many adults will assemble toys in the wee hours of the morning just before Christmas. The height of frustration is to be hurrying alone only find there is a missing part or missing batteries. You are under resourced.

At work, your boss sends you out on a job or gives you a project and in the middle of the task you realize you don't have the right tool or material. You are under resourced.

B) We learned last week that Jesus came to transform you. He came to transform your heart which will result in a transformed life.

Change is the goal! But know this, you have NOT been under resourced for this change. God has provided the a change agent in your life that is all you need to experience life-change. His name is the Holy Spirit.

C) Contextualize the Transformed series

D) Contextualize John 7.

(During the annual Festival of Booths, Jesus made a controversial announcement that shocked some and touched the lives of others.)

I. The Celebration of Booths (v. 37a)

A) The Meaning of the Celebration (7:1-3, 10, 14-15, 37)

(The festival was a celebration of the care and provision of God's people as they journeyed from Egypt to the Promised Land. That journey is an analogy of a believer's journey from sin's bondage to abundant living, from sin's bondage to living by faith, from sin's bondage to spiritual captivity to spiritual victory.)

B) The Meaninglessness of Ritual

(When the celebration was over, the people would return to their same fears, same frustrations, same futility. There was no lasting change that resulted from this event.)

II. The Call To Transformational Living (v. 37b-38a)

Principle: Jesus intersected your life to transform it!!

A) Parched Souls

B) Spiritual Satisfaction

C) Personal Salvation

III. The Key to Transformational Living (v. 38b-39)

Principle: You were transformed to live transformational toward others.

A) Internal Transformation (v 38b, 39)

B) External Transformation (v. 38b)

C) Catalyst for Transformation (v. 38b-39)

Conclusion