

# Transform Your Life



If you could change anything about your life, what would it be? Would you change something small like your name or something big like your neighborhood? Would you change a poor choice you made, or change something done to you?

When it comes to change, critters in the woods are no different than kids in the hoods; they are often misunderstood. Like a raccoon I met behind the camper cabins, he wishes he could change how other people judge him based on his looks. How do you think that feels? He has bandit eyes, so even squirrels grab their nuts when they see him coming. The smelly skunk on the other hand, wishes he could change his stinky reputation. He got himself some fancy aftershave but that just covers up his problem. Lastly, the deer that wished he could change one bad decision he made. He ran across the road playing chicken with his friends and ended up road kill. SPLAT!

So learn from this clever fox and get wise to the truth. There's only one way to change and it starts with digging into the Bible. It's full of stuff that'll change your life. Not just the outside, but will change YOU from the inside out. You'll be just like a caterpillar transformed into a beautiful butterfly with wings to go anywhere.

## BE WISE. MEMORIZE.

*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. Romans 12:2*

Now transform that verse into your own words

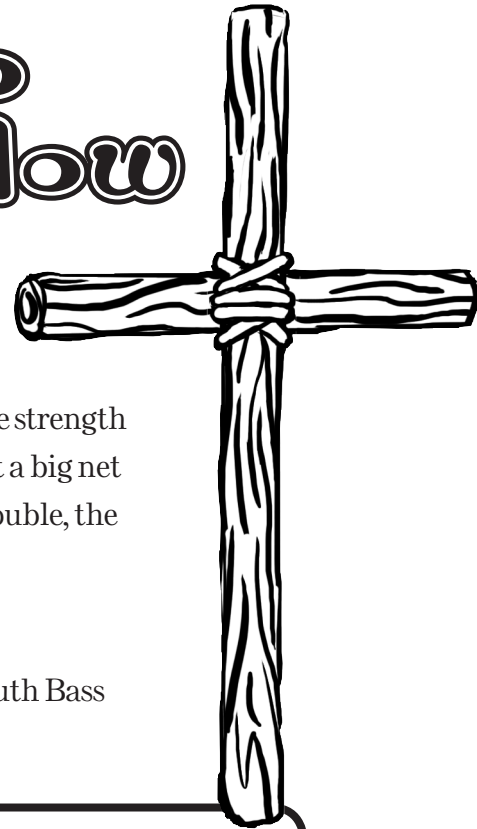
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# Transform and go against the flow

Down in the lake, there's this fish, a big largemouth bass. He'd always swim in the opposite direction than the other fish. When they swim downstream, he'd swim upstream. As much as they teased him, this bass wouldn't conform to the other fish and follow their ways. One day, having the strength to go against the flow paid off for the bass. An old fisherman arrived and cast a big net downstream for an easy catch. While most of the fish swam right into big trouble, the big largemouth bass avoided it all.



Which of the animals can you relate to? Why?

Raccoon      Skunk      Deer      Caterpillar      Largemouth Bass

**U know** what these words mean?

Transform

Conform

Approve

God's will



## Get Wise to the truth

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Is change hard? Why?

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How can Jesus help you change little things that make a big difference?

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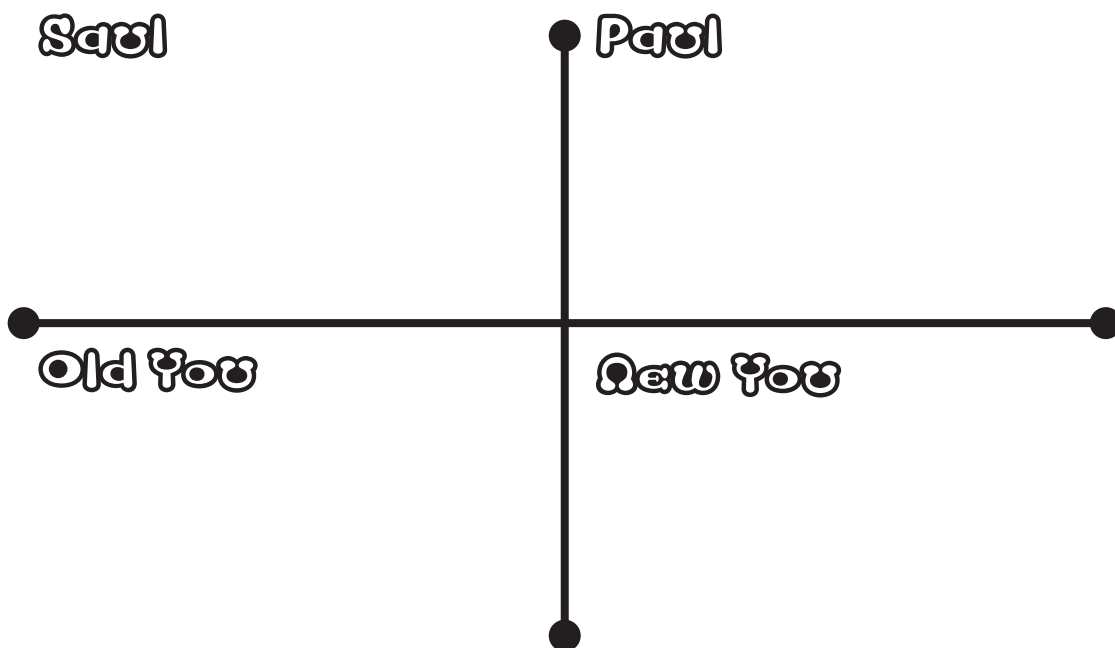


# Paul: Transformed on a Road Trip

## Check it Out: Acts 9

You think God only uses people with perfect pasts? Think again. Some of God's biggest winners were losers before they were transformed. One was named Saul. He changed so much, God even changed his name to Paul. Saul didn't sell on the corner or get drunk with his boys, he killed Christians. Then one day, while walking down the road to Damascus (Duh-mask-us), Saul was stopped by a bright light. Not a flashing light from a squad car, not a stop light, this light was a search light from Jesus, stopping Paul in his tracks. Jesus asked Paul straight up, "Why are you killing my followers?" Paul was so stunned, he couldn't see for three days. Once he got his sight back, Paul saw everything differently. He was transformed.

**Overhaulin'** Write down the characteristics of Saul and the new characteristics of Paul. How are you alike? How are you different?





# Transform everyday!

Okay, now it's your turn to be transformed. Finish these statements and share your answers.



**T**ry your best at \_\_\_\_\_ every day.

**R**espect \_\_\_\_\_

**A**void \_\_\_\_\_

**N**ext time you want to \_\_\_\_\_, you'll pray instead.

**S**tand up for \_\_\_\_\_

**F**orget about \_\_\_\_\_

**O**wn up to \_\_\_\_\_

**R**un when you see \_\_\_\_\_

**M**emorize \_\_\_\_\_

**E**rase your mind of \_\_\_\_\_

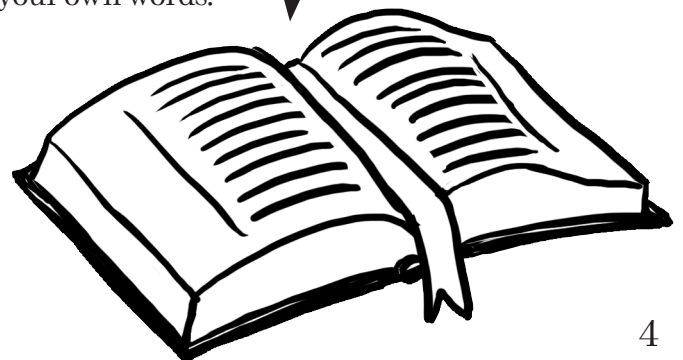
**D**ream that someday, you'll \_\_\_\_\_

## More text messages from God.

Want help transforming?

Check out these verses below then transform them into your own words:

- ⦿ Transform your attitude Philippians 4:13
- ⦿ Transform your thoughts Philippians 4:8
- ⦿ Transform your actions 1 Corinthians 6:9-11



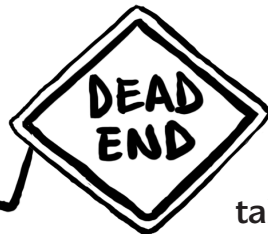


# Transform your future

Think of your life and create your one-of-a-kind time line.

Start with when and where you were born.

Plot out the important things that happened along the way, (birthday, times you moved, started school, got stitches, met your dad, etc.). Most important of all, include where you want to end up.



**ALONG THE WAY:** What's one bad mistake you wish you didn't make?



What trouble do you want to detour in the future?



Dreams for your future

*Commit your works to the LORD and your plans will be established.  
Proverbs 16:3*