

TRANSFORMATION OF THE BELIEVER

10 reasons why you see a change in a Christian

1. Faith in Jesus is in your heart.
2. You love Jesus.

You do more good works and less bad works, simply because you love Jesus and you want to please Him.

Faith is the relationship you have with Jesus Christ, the most important dimension of faith is the love you have for Jesus.

Progression of Faith		
1 st	B	Believe in Christ
2 nd	L	Love Christ
3 rd	A	Accept Christ
4 th	C	Commit to Christ with a confession of faith

that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. *Romans 10:9*

As your faith and love for Jesus gets stronger you start to sin less and less.

3. Christ is in you. The Second Person of God is physically inside you.

"I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me. I do not set aside the grace of God; for if righteousness comes through the law, then Christ died in vain." *Galatians 2:20-21*

And if Christ is in you, the body is dead because of sin, but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. *Romans 8:10*

You must be able to see "Jesus in the Man." Jesus on the inside making changes on the outside.

4. Holy Spirit indwells (lives inside) the believer. The Third Person of God is physically inside you.

"And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever—the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.

John 14:16-17

5. Born of God = born of the Holy Spirit = born again.

This occurs immediately upon confession of faith in Jesus—the moment you commit to Christ you have a new life as a Christian. You are a new person.

Born Again:

Born of woman (first birth) → Born of God (second birth)
Child of woman → Child of God

But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: **who were born,** not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, **but of God.** *John 1:12*

Second death (lake of fire) → Second life (heaven)
Born on earth → Born into heaven
Physical life on earth → Eternal spiritual life in heaven
Old heart → New heart
No Holy Spirit → Holy Spirit in you (born of the Holy Spirit)

Jesus answered and said to him, "Most assuredly, I say to you, **unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.**" *John 3:3*

"Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is **born of the Spirit** is spirit. Do not marvel that I said to you, **'You must be born again.'**"

John

3:5-7

Old man → New man, new creation

But you have not so learned Christ, if indeed you have heard Him and have been taught by Him, as the truth is in Jesus: that you **put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man** which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts, and **be renewed in the spirit of your mind, and that you put on the new man** which was created according to God, in true righteousness and **holiness.** *Ephesians 4:20-24*

6. Jesus is your Lord and Master.

In your relationship with Jesus as Lord, you:

L Love Jesus	Led by Jesus
O Obey Jesus	Offering of Praise and Worship
R Respect Jesus	Repentance
D Depend on Jesus (Trust 100%)	Do what Jesus commands

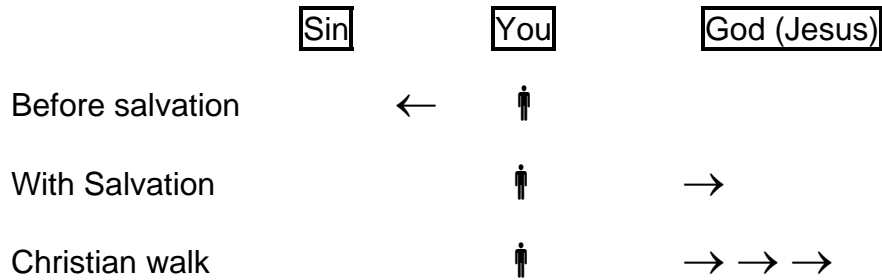
Love is always first.

7. You are a Christian—a follower of The Christ Jesus. Jesus is your Shepherd.

8. You are led by the Holy Spirit.

For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body you will live. **For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God.** *Romans 8:13-14*

9. Repentance. Turn to Jesus. Turn away from sin.



With salvation, the person turns to Jesus and turns away from sin.

With the Christian walk, the believer keeps walking toward Jesus (gets closer to Jesus) and keeps walking away from sin (keeps separating himself farther away from sin).

10. Sanctification—You become more holy over time through the regeneration power of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit in you does supernatural work on you; constantly changing you for the better throughout your life.

