

**Transformed!** *How God Changes Us!*

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**Don't Get Used to It!**

*Fixing Patterns in Our Thinking*

Mark 5:1-20

**Something is \_\_\_\_\_**

**We are used to a way of thinking and living  
that we were never meant to be used to.**

**Truths that re-frame our way of thinking:**

**1. Our brokenness, our battle and our  
enemy is \_\_\_\_\_**

**2. There is power in \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_**

**3. We are \_\_\_\_\_**

**4. Freedom in Christ is  
\_\_\_\_\_**

**5. Jesus sends us on \_\_\_\_\_**

**Notes:**

## **Homework Week 8**

1. Pray and meditate on how God's word describes the life we are to have in relationship with God. Suggested passages: Genesis 1-2, Romans 8, Philippians 2, I Thessalonians 4, Revelation 21-22, or do a search thru the Psalms or Paul's other letters.

2. Write down what you discover from any of these passages. Note especially the ways of thinking and living that speak to you and that you long for your life to reflect. What have you "gotten used to" in your life that does not align with what you read and wrote down from God's word? Spend time asking God to renew your mind and bring every thought obedient to Christ in these areas.

3. Reflect on your journey with Christ so far, and "count the cost." Journal about the ways you have presented yourself as a "living sacrifice" to God. Reflect on your habits, your schedule, your spending and your thought life. In what areas are you resistant to costly living for Jesus Christ. Praise God for the ways he has strengthened your faith and focus by sacrificing so far, and ask him to give you a willing spirit to continue to living sacrificially in ways that draw you closer to Christ and bring greater glory to him.

4. Fill in the blank with an area where God has given you victory and freedom in your life:

I am the (man or woman) who had been

\_\_\_\_\_.

Spend time trying to find as many answers as you can for who you had been before Christ changed you. Do others in your life know about the "new you" and have you thanked God for this change? In what ways might you go home and tell your people all that God has done for you?

5. Fill in the blanks with an area where you still struggle to follow Christ and honor him: Right now, I am the (man or woman) who IS \_\_\_\_\_ but someday, by God's grace and Christ's power, I will be the one who HAD-BEEN \_\_\_\_\_!

Thank God for his continual work and renewal in your life. Spend time praying for yourself and those around you, that God would continue his work of transformation in all of us over the coming months of this series.