

Transformation - Not Conformity

(Bob Kennel, 2019)

*DO NOT BE
CONFORMED TO THIS WORLD,
BUT BE
TRANSFORMED
BY THE RENEWING
OF YOUR MIND*



Notes:



ANXIETY & DEPRESSION

General Anxiety- 6.8 Million Americans
Panic- 6 Million
Social Anxiety- 15 Million
OCD- Obsessive Compulsive Disorder-2.2 Million
Major Depression- 16.1 Million
Children- 25.1% (ages 13 – 18)

<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <div style="margin-right: 20px;"> <p>SADNESS & ANGER</p> </div> <div style="background-color: #1a3d54; color: white; padding: 10px; border-radius: 10px; width: 300px;"> <p style="background-color: #4a86e8; color: white; padding: 5px; border-radius: 10px; margin-bottom: 5px;">United States – 55%</p> <p style="background-color: #00a0c9; color: white; padding: 5px; border-radius: 10px; margin-bottom: 5px;">Happiness Satiation - \$90,000 a year</p> <p style="background-color: #808080; color: white; padding: 5px; border-radius: 10px;">Happiest People - \$65,000 or less</p> </div> </div>	<p>Notes:</p>
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This is from Bob Kennell’s video “Transformation- Not Conformity” at: <http://www.Helpmewithbiblestudy.org/25StudyGod'sWord/zBobKennell.aspx>

Chamath Palihapitiya
One of the Founders of Facebook
Once in charge of user growth

“We kind of knew something bad could happen.
... tremendous guilt about the social network I
helped create. We have created tools that are ripping
apart the social fabric of how society works. And it’s
influencing the next generation.”

Notes:

SEAN PARKER
CO FOUNDER OF FACEBOOK

“The initial goal was to get people hooked.
You’re exploiting a vulnerability in human
psychology. The inventors, creators understood this
consciously and we did it anyway.”

CHAMATH PALIHAPITIYA CONTINUES

**“You don’t realize it but you are being
programmed.** If you feed the beast, that beast
will destroy you.
It is **corroding the core foundations** of how
people behave by and between each other.”

Notes:



We curate our lives around this **perceived sense** of perfection because we get **rewarded in these short term signals**- hearts, likes, thumbs up.



We conflate that with **value and truth**.



It is **fake brittle popularity**.



It is **short term** and leaves you even more **vacant and empty** than before you did it.



The study of God's Word will show that we are perfect in Christ. We are Loved and Accepted. We are rewarded with eternal love



The study of God's Word gives us value ... identity in Christ.



The study of God's Word shows us our position in Christ – only thumbs down by the world.



The study of God's Word will give long term – abundant joy.

**THERE IS A
SPIRITUAL BATTLE
TAKING PLACE FOR
YOUR MIND
and
YOUR HEART**

WARNING!!!!!! PLEA

1. DO YOU KNOW WHAT YOUR KIDS CAN AND ARE WATCHING ON THEIR DEVICES? YOU SHOULD!
2. PROTECT YOUR CHILDREN. MONITOR WHAT THEY ARE WATCHING. THAT IS YOUR PRIVILEGE AND YOUR RESPONSIBILITY BEFORE GOD.
3. TEACH YOUR CHILDREN TO STUDY THE WORD OF GOD WHEN THEY ARE LITTLE
4. IF YOU HAVEN'T DONE IT (AND THEY ARE STILL AT HOME) DO IT NOW.

Notes:

I Peter 5:8 Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.

*Devour ...
verb meaning to **destroy**. Cause the complete and sudden destruction of someone or something.*

GOD'S COMMENDATION FOR THE BEREANS

Acts 17: 10-12 ¹⁰ *The brothers immediately sent Paul and Silas away by night to Berea, and when they arrived they went into the Jewish synagogue. ¹¹ Now these Jews were more noble than those in Thessalonica; they received the word with all eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see if these things were so. ¹² Many of them therefore believed.*

“EXAMINING THE SCRIPTURES DAILY”

a-na-kri-no.

- To interrogate, or determine.
- To try to learn the nature or truth of something by the process of careful study, evaluation, and judgment.
- To examine carefully

Notes:

*II Tim 2:15 ¹⁵ **Do your best*** to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth.*

***To do something with intense effort and motivation**

GOD’S MANDATE TO JOSHUA

Joshua 1:7-9

*⁷ Only be strong and very courageous, being careful to do according to all the law that Moses my servant commanded you. Do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may have good success wherever you go. ⁸ This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall **meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it.** For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.*

Notes:

MEDITATE ... CAREFUL TO DO ...

Meditate on it day and night. So the Word of God will fill your mind. Why?

So that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. So you will understand and know what God is saying.

So you will be careful to do what it says. To make it a part of your life. To allow it to bring change in your life.

HOW
TO
STUDY
THE
BIBLE

OBSERVATION

INTERPRETATION

APPLICATION

“Study to show yourself approved unto God... a workman that needs not to be ashamed ...rightly dividing the Word of truth.”

PREPARATION

BIBLE

bibleproject.com

TOOLS

NOTEBOOK & PEN

PRAYER

PRAYER IS THE KEY

- WE ARE IN A SPIRITUAL BATTLE WITH THE ENEMY.
- THIS BATTLE IS ONLY WON IN DEPENDENCE UPON THE FATHER.
- THE HOLY SPIRIT IS GOD'S PROVISION TO REVEAL TRUTH TO US.
- PRAY THAT GOD WILL GIVE UNDERSTANDING TO APPLY HIS TRUTH TO OUR LIVES.

Notes:

OBSERVATION



Read the chapter ... a whole chunk ... in it's entirety. Bibles are divided by paragraphs.



Read in **two different versions** (ESV, NLT, NIV, NASB etc)

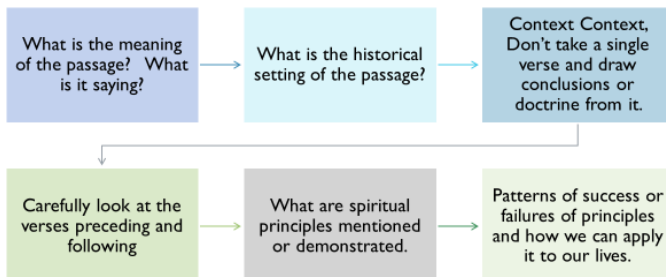


Write down any **questions** you might have



What is the theme? Story? Instruction?
New words?

INTERPRETATION



APPLICATION

WHAT IN MY LIFE DOES NOT ADD UP WITH THE SCRIPTURE I AM STUDYING?



Are there areas where my thinking does not line up with what God says in His Word?



Is my lifestyle consistent with what I am seeing in scripture?



Are there actions in my life that are not pleasing to the Lord?



Are there attitudes in my life that hinder my relationship with God or others?



Are there changes in my life that must take place?

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James 1:22
*"Be doers of the Word
And not hearers only,
deceiving yourselves..."*

Psalms 119:11
*"Thy Word have I hidden
in my heart that I might
not sin against God."*