

-Romans 12:2

-Not Conformed But Transformed

**-λογικός = “pertaining to being
carefully thought through.”**

-Genesis 4:6-7 (LSB) 6 Then Yahweh said to Cain, “Why are you angry? And why has your countenance fallen? 7 “If you do well, will not your countenance be lifted up? And if you do not do well, sin is lying at the door; and its desire is for you, but you must rule over it.”

-1 Corinthians 9:27 (LSB) but I discipline my body and make it my slave, so that, after I have preached to others, I myself will not be disqualified.

-“...the foundation of all transformation of character and conduct is laid deep in a renewed mind.”—Alexander McLaren

**-συσχηματίζω = compound word
combining the preposition**

συν = with

and the noun

σχῆμα = outward

appearance/form/shape.

-2 Corinthians 4:3-4 (LSB) 3 And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, 4 in whose case the god of this age has blinded the minds of the unbelieving so that they might not see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.

**-1 John 5:19 (LSB) We know that we
are of God, and that the whole
world lies in the power of the evil
one.**

-“this term for world/age corresponds to the German zeitgeist described as ‘that floating mass of thoughts, opinions, maxims, speculations, hopes, impulses, aims, aspirations, at any time current in the world, which it may be impossible to seize and accurately define, but which constitute a most real and effective power, being the moral, or immoral atmosphere which at every moment of our lives we inhale, again inevitably to exhale.’”

-Romans 8:29 (LSB) Because those whom He foreknew, He also predestined to become conformed to the image of His Son, so that He would be the firstborn among many brothers;

-Colossians 3:1-2 (LSB) 1

Therefore, if you have been raised up with Christ, keep seeking the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. 2 Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth.

-Colossians 3:5-9 (LSB) 5 Therefore, consider the members of your earthly body as dead to/put to death/mortify sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed, which is idolatry. 6 On account of these things, the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience, 7 and in them you also once walked, when you were living in them. 8 But now you also, lay them all aside: wrath, anger, malice, slander, and abusive speech from your mouth. 9 Do not lie to one another, since you put off the old man with its evil practices,

-Matthew 5:27-30 (LSB) 27 “You have heard that it was said, ‘YOU SHALL NOT COMMIT ADULTERY’; 28 but I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman to lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart. 29 “But if your right eye makes you stumble, tear it out and throw it from you; for it is better for you to lose one of the parts of your body, than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. 30 “And if your right hand makes you stumble, cut it off and throw it from you; for it is better for you to lose one of the parts of your body, than for your whole body to go into hell.

-Colossians 3:10-15 (LSB) 10 and have put on the new man who is being renewed to a full knowledge according to the image of the One who created him-- 11 a renewal in which there is no distinction between Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, and freeman, but Christ is all and in all. 12 So, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience; 13 bearing with one another, and graciously forgiving each other, whoever has a complaint against anyone, just as the Lord graciously forgave you, so also should you. 14 Above all these things put on love, which is the perfect bond of unity. 15 And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body, and be thankful.

-Colossians 3:16 (LSB) Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with gratefulness in your hearts to God.

-Charles Haddon Spurgeon:

**“Visit many good books, but dwell
in the Bible.”**

**-2 Corinthians 10:5 (LSB) as we tear
down speculations and every lofty
thing raised up against the
knowledge of God, and take every
thought captive to the obedience of
Christ,**

**-1 Corinthians 15:33 (LSB) Do not
be deceived: “Bad company
corrupts good morals.”**

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**-DO NOT NEGLECT THE LIFE-
TRANSFORMING POWER OF THE
WORD OF GOD!**

-Ephesians 5:25-27 (LSB) 25 Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her, 26 so that He might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, 27 that He might present to Himself the church in all her glory, having no spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she would be holy and blameless.

-“so that you may approve” from
“εἰς τὸ δοκιμάζειν”
which denotes both purpose and
result.

-δοκιμάζω =

**to make a critical examination of
something to determine
genuineness and to draw a
conclusion about worth on the
basis of testing.**

-1 Corinthians 11:28 (LSB) But a man must test himself, and in so doing he is to eat of the bread and drink of the cup.

-1 John 4:1 (LSB) Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world.

**-Colossians 3:23 (LSB) Whatever
you do, do your work heartily, as
for the Lord rather than for men,**

-“Just when you take away disturbing masses of metal from near a compass, it trembles to its true point, so when, by the discipline of which I have been speaking, there are swept away from either side of us the things that would perturb our judgment, there comes, as blessing and reward, a clear insight into that which it is our duty to do.”—Alexander MacLaren