

How do Christians think that the transformation of self and society happens?

The transformation of oneself occurs when he is indwelt with the Holy Spirit (Ro 5:5)--he is born again (Jn 3:7). The apostle Paul wrote: Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind (Ro 12:2). Until one is born again, he is spiritually dead (Eph 2:1,3, 5:14). He must be made alive by Christ (Eph 2:5, Ro 8:10).

Jesus had disreputable individuals in his lineage (Mt 1:1-17). The scriptures reveals that no matter how defiled one has become, he can be welcomed into Christ's fold (Ro 5:15b, 16b, 17b, 18b, 19b, 20b, 21b). He is declared righteous when he trusts in the Lord (Jn 1:29, Heb 9:28). Paul wrote: If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new. Michael Youssef said: "Jesus saves from the guttermost to the uppermost."

A believer is an ambassador for Christ (2 Cor. 5:20). He can make an impact in his community by sharing the gospel (Mk 16:15) and voting (Lk 19:13). In a small way he has been given a voice in the community.

When the wicked rule, the people groan (Pr 29:2). A defiled leader defiles the land (Lev. 18:25, 28, 19:29, Nu 5:3, Jer 3:2, 9, Hos 4:3). It is hard to build up; but, it is easy to tear down (Eccl 10:2, Jn 10:10) and a nation can destroy its blessing and birthright quickly.

The fathers of a nation are in control of its birthright and the blessing (Heb 11:20-21). Men have a spiritual father (God or Satan [Jn 8:44]) and a biological father. God passes blessing or cursing on to individuals and nations. Individuals and nations can be destroyed by corruption (Lev 18:26–28) and exalted by righteousness (Pr 14:34).

God said to Abram, "I will bless those who bless you and I will curse him who curses¹ you; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed (Ge 12:3)." Nations who know and love God and his people are blessed. In Israel when a king arose who was wicked—who did not know God or honor him—Israel was: taken captive by their enemies; strangers were raised up who became stronger than they were; and all curses came upon the land.

Just as it matters who runs a home (Jer 16:2), it matters who runs a nation (1 Ti 4:1-3)². God intended for his people to bless the world (Ge 1:27, 28, Eph 5:23–32). Denial of God and his ways is a prophetic sign of the last days (Jer. 16:2, 1 Tim. 4:1–3).

¹ To make smaller, to diminish, or to not make as large as you were (Stone, Perry. America Destroying Our Blessing and Our Birthright- Part 1 | Episode 840. 14 Nov 16: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DuiZxOQjp84&t=1364s>).

² Good (2 Kin. 22:1, 2) and evil (2 Kin. 21:1–9) kings.