

THE PAUSE



“THE INVITATION”



The Lord answered her, Martha, by beloved Martha. Why are you upset and troubled, *PULLED AWAY* by all these *MANY DISTRACTIONS?* Mary has *DISCOVERED THE ONE THING MOST IMPORTANT* by choosing to *SIT AT MY FEET*. She is undistracted, and I won't take this privilege from her.

- LUKE 10:41-42 TPT



**Transformation happens when there is
a commitment to being with Jesus.**



Spiritual transformation is the process by which Christ is formed in us ...for the glory of God, for the abundance of our own lives, and for the sake of others.



**My children, with whom I am again in labor
until Christ is *FORMED* in you
- Galatians 4:19**



For 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 and sisters;
- Romans 8:29



Spiritual formation . . . is the ongoing process of the triune God transforming the believer's life and character toward the life and character of Jesus Christ—accomplished by the ministry of the Spirit in the context of biblical community.



One day as Jesus was walking along the shore of the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew throwing a net into the water, for they fished for a living. ***JESUS CALLED OUT TO THEM, "COME, FOLLOW ME,*** and I will show you how to fish for people!" And they left their nets at once and followed him.

- Mark 1:16-18



Then Jesus went out to the lakeshore again and taught the crowds that were coming to him. As he walked along, he saw Levi son of Alphaeus sitting at his tax collector's booth. ***"FOLLOW ME AND BE MY DISCIPLE,"*** Jesus said to him. So Levi got up and followed him.

- Mark 2:13-14



He climbed a mountain and ***INVITED THOSE HE WANTED WITH HIM.*** They climbed together. He settled on twelve, and designated them apostles. ***THE PLAN WAS THAT THEY WOULD BE WITH HIM,*** and he would send them out to proclaim the Word and give them authority to banish demons.

- Mark 3:13-19



These are the Twelve: Simon (Jesus later named him Peter, meaning “Rock”), James, son of Zebedee, John, brother of James (Jesus nicknamed the Zebedee brothers Boanerges, meaning “Sons of Thunder”), Andrew, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Thomas, James, son of Alphaeus, Thaddaeus, Simon the Canaanite, Judas Iscariot (who betrayed him).

- Mark 3:13-19



How is Christ formed in us?



**It begins with accepting the
invitation to be with HIM.**