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**MY FOCUS**  
**(II Corinthians 5:17)**

**I. 3 MISTAKES THAT STOP TRANSFORMATION**

1. I focus on the container (my body), not the gift inside (my soul).
2. I focus on the temporary, not the permanent.
3. I focus on past imperfections, not future promises.

**II. 3 PRINCIPLES THAT GUARANTEE TRANSFORMATION**

**1<sup>st</sup> Principle: I focus on the new life God has placed within me.**

*If anyone belongs to Christ, there is a new creation. The old things have gone; everything is made new! (2 Corinthians 5:17) NCV*

- **Improve your body, but only with the goal of becoming better able to serve God.**

*For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago. (Ephesians 2:10) NLT*

**2<sup>nd</sup> Principle: I focus on allowing God to begin transforming me right now by actively living His future for me.**

*Even before he made the world, God loved us and chose us in Christ to be holy and without fault in his eyes. (Ephesians 1:4) NLT*

- **Forgetting the past, living the present, and focusing on the future God has for me impacts everything I do.**

*I don't mean to say that I have already achieved these things or that I have already reached perfection. But I press on to possess that perfection for which Christ Jesus first possessed me. No, dear brothers and sisters, I have not achieved it, but I focus on this one thing: Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead, I press on to reach the end of the race and receive the*

*heavenly prize for which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us. (Philippians 3:12-14) NLT*

**3<sup>rd</sup> Principle: I focus on giving my container (body) completely to God.**

*And so, dear brothers and sisters, I plead with you to give your bodies to God because of all he has done for you. (Romans 12:1a) NLT*

- **My transformation begins at this moment as I yield control of everything to Jesus Christ.**

*Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think. (Ephesians 3:20) NLT*