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Rom 12:2 *"And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind."*

2Co 3:18 *"But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image".*

While Romans 12: 2 is rich in information, I want to focus on the face value and tie it with our secondary verse.

In the scriptures at hand, the word transformed is the same as is used in **Mat 17:2** (*and He was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became as white as the light*) and this must have been in the mind of the Apostle when he said, "Be transformed," and "are

being transformed into the same image." How can this transformation be? To begin, it starts from within, by the renewing of the mind; and second, by beholding the glory of the Lord.

The renewing of the mind. This is no matter for emotion or ecstasy, but of bringing our minds into close and constant contact with the truth as contained in the Holy Scripture. You do not have to study yourself in the mirror, to see whether you are becoming transfigured; but as day by day you steep your mind in God's Word, without your realizing it, you will become transfigured. Moses knew not that his face shone. It was for the crowd that waited for him at the mountain-foot to see it, not for him.

Our Lord said: "Abide in Me and I in you." This is somewhat mystical and profound; but He said again: "If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you" — that is surely within our reach. It is explained quite simple in **John 14:23** which says: "*If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and **We** will come to him and make Our home with him.*"

Beholding and reflecting the Glory of the Lord, through His Holy Scripture. We find there the reflection of our Lord's highest glory. As we gaze on Him who, for our salvation hid not His Face from shame and spitting, but became a willing Sacrifice on our behalf, we shall for sure be changed!

At His service,
Pr. Teddy Santos