*Monday, January 31, 2011*

**Total Transformation**

Genesis 2:7-8 And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul. (8) And the LORD God planted a garden eastward in Eden; and there he put the man whom he had formed. (KJV)

Strong’s definition for ‘formed’:

3335 yatsar (yaw-tsar'); probably identical with 3334 (through the squeezing into shape); ([compare 3331]); to mould into a form; especially as a potter; figuratively, to determine (i.e. form a resolution): KJV-- X earthen, fashion, form, frame, make (-r), potter, purpose.

As we can see from the very beginning of man’s existence our Lord the great potter, we being the clay, had a very good plan and place for His new creation, knowing what was best for them. As one reads on though, we see how mankind fell, basically letting someone other than the Lord try to form or should I say conform them to a different way of thinking.

Romans 12:1-2 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. (2) And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God. (KJV)

How many other things or people do we, as Christians, allow to get past our Spiritual radars, and start a process of being conformed or molded into something other than what our Lord intended for us? How many things do we as Christians do and partake of, many times without ever questioning why we do them or even if it lines up with the word of God? In the beginning man fell out of good standing with the Potter because they allowed some other influence to infiltrate; and basically the end result was that they were bent out of shape. Do you know for sure that everything you do is from God, or do you blindly follow the lead of others, many times not realizing that the person you are following is blind and headed for a ditch themselves?

Matthew 25:20-23 And so he that had received five talents came and brought other five talents, saying, Lord, thou deliveredst unto me five talents: behold, I have gained beside them five talents more. (21) His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord. (22) He also that had received two talents came and said, Lord, thou deliveredst unto me two talents: behold, I have gained two other talents beside them. (23) His lord said unto him, Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord. (KJV)

Someday there will be a total transformation for those that stepped up on the Potter’s wheel and allowed Christ to have more of an influence on them than anything or anyone in this fallen realm. Someday you will want to step over that threshold of death into the glorious eternal realm that our Lord promised for those that would endure to the end. So today, is there a change and transformation taking place, or are you still settling for same O, same O?