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## Transformation is the Only Way to Fly

There is not one struggle or battle that God expects you to overcome by yourself. He has never expected you to be strong on your own. God sent you a personal Helper to guide you step by step along the way. The Holy Spirit will not only tell you what you need to do, but He will also supply every bit of strength and wisdom necessary for you. The importance of praying in tongues has been lost on many Christians, and they will find themselves navigating through this life on their own. We all learn along the way that we can never finish our race using natural means and can't accomplish the impossible through the possible.

As you continue to pray in the Spirit and spend time with God, everything changes on the inside of you. The scripture calls this process transformation, and it is the pathway to the fullness of Christ developing in your life. The Holy Spirit begins to build His standards into your inner man; from there, you start to think from that place. It really is incredible to realize that we can think the very thoughts of God. It tells us in 1 Corinthians 14:2, "For he who speaks in a tongue does not speak to men but to God, for no one understands him; however, in the spirit he speaks mysteries." What a fantastic truth to see! When you pray in your prayer language, the Holy Spirit shares mysteries with you that originated from the very mind of God.

Speaking in tongues is one of God's primary ways to teach and instruct us in His ways. The same way a teacher stands in front of a class and shares information with the children is how praying in tongues works in your life. As you spend the time in your prayer closet, the Helper will pour revelation knowledge into your spiritual mind speaking directly to you Spirit to spirit, and you will never be the same. Scripture also says, "For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays, but my understanding is unfruitful." 1 Corinthians 14:14. This verse explains how the Holy Spirit teaches your spirit man's mind but leaves your outward man's mind alone.

After hours of prayer, the natural mind asks what just happened because I didn't learn one thing, but my spiritual mind is growing and developing with truth that came directly from God Himself. Sometimes people will report that they have prayed a lot but don't notice anything yet, and I encourage them to keep praying. I share how I would ask my children what they had learned for many years every day after school. Most of the time, their answers would be "nothing, I learned nothing," and I would have to press to squeeze out any information from them. However, they did learn something because they kept passing their tests and graduating to the next grade. They can't locate how they are learning, which is similar to when we spend time with our Teacher. We may not be able to identify the truths that He taught our new man, but they are there, and you'll discover that wisdom as it comes forth in your life. Transformation is the same word we use to describe how a caterpillar becomes a butterfly, and it is the process of what God asks us

to go through. Spending time with the Lord is the same as a caterpillar going into its cocoon and being changed from the inside out.

If I was a pastor over a bunch of caterpillars, and one of them came to me for help, this would be our conversation. Pastor, I want to fly. Can you help me? Yes, little caterpillar, all you need to do is build a cocoon and stay inside until metamorphosis completes its work, and I guarantee you will fly. How long will it take? As long as it takes. But, Pastor, isn't there another way? Isn't there a faster way? Can't you lay your hands on me? Can't you prophesy it into existence? Can't you activate me to that next level? I am sorry little caterpillar, but the transformation process is the only way for you to fly.

To the Christian, I would say the only way for you to see the fullness of Christ in your life is to go into the cocoon of the Holy Spirit and watch the impossible work that He will do with your life. A caterpillar cannot choose to fly; it can only choose to stay in the cocoon long enough to emerge with beautiful wings, and then it will fly. As believers, we cannot choose to walk in the impossible, but we can choose to spend time praying a supernatural prayer that will bring transformation into our life. I encourage you to be strong in your time with the Holy Spirit trusting in the fruit of the impossible to come forward because it will.

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