

Change You Don't Have to Fear

(Ephesians 2:1-10)

- Introduction:
1. The older I get, the less I like change.
 - a. I used to dislike a computer mouse.
 - b. I used to dislike Windows.
 - c. Batman.
 2. It seems we like our "ruts."
 3. But when we invite Jesus into our lives, we're going to experience change.
 4. However, the change he brings is not to be feared or regretted.
 5. Let's examine the change he brings.

I. Jesus Changes Our Status

- A. (Ephesians 2:1, 5).
- B. We were dead in sin, but he made us alive!
- C. Have you given thought to what that means?
- D. We're talking about eternity.
- E. (Luke 23:30) Temporal punishment, but think of the last day!

II. Jesus Changes Our Conduct

- A. (Ephesians 2:2-3,10)
- B. Jesus causes us to change our behavior.
- C. By nature – long standing practice.
- D. We are not subject to our flesh.
- E. (1 Peter 4:4).

III. Jesus Changes Our Destiny

- A. (Ephesians 2:5-8).
- B. We have been saved.
- C. Show us the riches of his grace – Imagine!
- D. Ills. man rescued in boat at bottom of the sea.
- E. Consider what we're saved from and that for which we are saved – Heaven.

- Conclusion:
1. If Jesus hasn't changed your life, you need to be changed!
 2. Why don't you allow him to change your life and your destiny by obeying his good news?