

“Perfecting Believers Series - 2”

(A Bible Teaching Series Challenging Believers to Be Complete in Every Way)

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PBS-2 Topic: The Courage to Change – Part One

(How to Change in Any Area of Your Life To Make Your Life Better)

❖ **When** do we need to change? **Why** do people resist change?

THE Personal Change Question: What changes must I make in my life in order to have a better life, a more fulfilling life and a more productive life?

Even though it may be necessary, it is still sometimes difficult to get the Courage to Change.
(This means the Ability, the Desire, and the Focus to cause change to come about in your life.)

If you sit around and do Nothing your life will still Change, but not for the better but for the Worse.
So, one way or another change _____ [WILL] come into your life. The question is: Will you see it and direct it or will you be Run Over by it?

Part One: **When** do we need to change?

There are at least FIVE OCCASIONS when we MUST *change*.

1. When _____ [God] says change.
Numbers 13:1, 17-20 (Verse 17 - “Get up! Go up!”)
2. When Circumstances and Situations say change.
Deuteronomy 1:6-7 “You have stayed long enough at this mountain.” “Break camp and advance.” (NIV)
3. When you want to Improve your situation or your life.
1 Timothy 4:15 NIV “So that everyone may see your progress.”
4. When there are other signs like _____ .
Luke 12:56 “Discern the signs of the times.” **NRSV** “Interpret the present time.” **Hebrews 5:14**
5. When you see that you are Dying or going Backward or Stagnant.
2 Kings 7:3-4 “Why stay here until we die?” “Why sit down here and die?”

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**The CTC is the Courage To
Grow, Move On, and Move To
the Next Level in Your Life.**

You know you need to change when that certain area or certain areas of your life are just not clicking as you know they should be. They have become old, outmoded and ineffective. It is then time to change.

Part Two: **Why** do people resist change?

❖ **F**ear of the unfamiliar.

- ❖ It's easier (so they think) _____ [NOT] to change.
- ❖ Laziness – because change means _____ [Work] . **Proverbs 24:30-34**
“Slothful”
- ❖ Afraid to admit they have been doing it Wrong for all these years!
- ❖ No trust in the one Suggesting the change.



Do you know what this cute little furry creature is?

What is Your Opinion?

- ❖ On the **appearance** side of change, most people need to change their _____, and their _____, and their _____.
- ❖ On the **appearance** side of change, I need to change my _____, my _____ (etc.).

Let's Get Personal!

I want to be a better [better at or better in] _____ [BE SPECIFIC], so that the Lord can better use me and so that I can be of better use to myself, my family and friends, and my church.
[For This Week's Assignment Choose Only ONE Thing.]

Examples: Better – *Husband, Father, Wife, Mother, Believer, West Angeles Member, Writer, Boss, Manager, Money Manager, Emotionally Balanced, Speaker, Preacher, Witness for Jesus Christ, Professional _____ etc. etc. etc.*

Coaching Assignment:

- ❖ **Write down now** THREE THINGS you will do to be a better _____.
- ❖ Start on at least ONE of them in the next SIX days.

A NEW THING!! An EMAIL COACHING FOLLOW-UP:

Also, as a part of your assignment **EMAIL ME** (short message) at PerfectingBelievers-Coaching@WestA.org when you have **STARTED** at least one of your strategies for bettering yourself. Tell me your area, your three things (goals) and the one you are now working on. **REMEMBER** – This is **NOT** something you are merely planning to do *someday*. It is to be what you are **DOING NOW** as your assignment for this week.

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DON'T MISS NEXT WEEK'S PBS-2 !!!

Topic: Three Steps toward bringing change into your life.



Next session's spiritual and life coaching Panel Discussion emphasis:

“Why people can't change – even when they want to.”