

Transformation: Escorts into Glory
(II Corinthians 4:15-17)

Transformation is not so much about the improvement of my character as it is about the expression of Christ's nature

- There is no transformation in theory, but in actual life - Ro 5:1-5

Jesus Christ Is Lord of Every Event - Ro 11:36; Lam 3:37-38; Is 45:6-7; Ps 119:91; II Cor 4:15

- He is working all things after the counsel of His will - Eph 1:11

- Since He is Love, He always has our best interest in mind - I Jo 4:8; Ro 8:28-29

- Nothing is wasted - Rev 21:5

Jesus Christ Is Our Glorious Intruder - Mark 1:14-15

- God sets the terms

- God knows what we need and when we need it - Ps 31:14-15

- God's intervention requires a response

EVENT

REPENT

CONSENT

Uninvited Angel - Lk 1:26-38
...life changing interruption

fantasies/illusions
...ego enthronement

surrender
...to reality

Thorn - II Cor 12:7-10
...gift of God to keep
us humble

arrogance
...dependencies
upon natural

dependence
...not I,
but Christ

Tomb - John 11
...something dies

self effort
...futility of trying hard

death/resurrection
...John 12:24

Cross - Lk 9:24,24
...you pay the price
so others go free

demand for fair
...cost-free sonship

"Your will, not mine"
...prayer of union

*NEVER SEE THESE AS COMING FROM ANY HAND BUT YOUR FATHER'S