

I Need to Change
Changing Lanes
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Fear keeps me from experiencing God's life-change in my life: ***God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, but of power, love, and self-discipline.*** 2 Timothy chapter 1 verse 7 (914)

- Fear is a part of every life
- Fear is NEVER conquered by psyching myself up not to be scared anymore
- So how do I overcome fear in my life?

Jesus said that the reason he came to earth was, "not to be served but to serve others...."
Mark chapter 10 verse 45 (771)

Jesus got up from the table, took off His robe, wrapped a towel around His waist, and poured water into a basin. Then He began to wash the disciples' feet, drying them with the towel He had around Him. John chapter 13 verses 4 & 5 (822)

- Jesus did one of the lowest & dirtiest job a servant could do
- He also did the job none of the disciples were willing to do

Jesus prayed, "Father, if You are willing, please take this cup of suffering away from Me. Yet I want Your will to be done, not Mine." ...He prayed more fervently, and He was in such agony of spirit that His sweat fell to the ground like great drops of blood.

Luke chapter 22 verses 42 & 44 (805)

- Jesus understood & lived out the truth that His life on earth was not about Himself or what He wanted, rather it was about serving others & serving His Father
- Jesus lived this out even when it cost Him everything

Don't be selfish; don't try to impress others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves. Don't look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too.

Philippians chapter 2 verses 3 & 4 (900)

- Servants don't spend time defending themselves or promoting themselves
- Servants put the needs of others above their own
- Servants take a real interest in others, building them up & celebrating their accomplishments

Jesus is your example, and you must follow in His steps. 1 Peter chapter 2 verse 21 (935)

- I only experience lasting life change when I follow Jesus completely (*full devotion to Christ*)
- Nothing else will work or last

All of you, serve each other in humility, for God opposes the proud but favors the humble.

1 Peter chapter 5 verse 5 (937)