The 7 Stages of Christian Growth & Transformation

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Jesus is Savior

1 CONVERSION

This stage is critical. In this stage you recognize your sin and need for a Savior. In repentance you turn to Jesus, believe in Him, and accept His free gift of grace through faith. You are saved!

Many Christians think this is all there is in the Christian life. While their eternity is secure, daily life is quite unaffected. Yet, they miss so much by stopping here.

Jesus is both Savior & Lord

CONNECTION

2

Relationship is everything in the Christian life, especially our relationship with God. In this stage the Believer begins to spend dedicated, consistent, quality time with God in prayer and reading His word.

3 **COMMITMENT**

As you fall more in love with God, you develop a natural commitment to spiritual disciplines (Scripture, prayer, etc.) and to loving what He loves (people, righteousness) and hating what He hates (sin, evil).

4 CHARACTER

Something changes in your character as you spend consistent time with God and His word. The desires of your heart change and you realize you are different. You are becoming more like Jesus every day.

5 CONTENTMENT

As you grow in deeper understanding of the nature of God, your trust in His strength and faithfulness increases. Each day brings a growing unexplainable peace and joy, regardless of your circumstances.

6 **COLLABORATION**

You realize you were created on purpose for a purpose. You desire more than anything to be faithful to His design for your life, rather than your own. You join Him in His work and give Him all the glory.

7 **COMMENDATION**

Enter into the rest of your Heavenly Father and hear His words of affirmation, "Well done, my good and faithful servant." The spiritual seeds sown here on earth will leave a legacy for generations. This process is highly relational and deeply rich and satisfying.
Through this process one comes to understand what
Jesus meant by living an abundant life here on earth, regardless of financial means.

While the journey through the 7 stages is progressive, it is not necessarily linear, and may be iterative at times, reverting to prior stages from time to time as God reveals new things to you or develops new character traits in you through your time together.

