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VIDEO OF THE DAY

2 Corinthians 5:14-17

14For Christ's love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. 15And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again. 16So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view. Though we once regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer. 17Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!

There's not a scientist alive who can explain the miracle of metamorphosis. They can name it, they can report what happens during the process, but none have ever begun to explain the "why" and the "how" of the transformation. If an evolutionist is honest, the

scientific method has never proven nor does the fossil record show one species mutating into a higher species. Radiation and mutation expert, Dr. [images/Blog Images/show/ujft](#) H. J. Muller, in the "Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists", said *"...extensive tests have agreed in showing the vast majority of them (mutations) detrimental to the organism . . . good ones are so rare that we can consider them all bad."* Dr. Pierre-Paul Grosse, former President of the French Academie des Science said, *"No matter how numerous they may be, mutations do not produce any kind of Evolution There is no law against day dreaming, but science must not indulge in it."*

How much more difficult based on naturalistic processes is it to somehow transfer one's entire biological makeup from a lowly creepy caterpillar into a majestic butterfly that can fly from deep in the heart of Mexico to the northernmost parts of the United States to the exact tree where this butterfly's ancestors lived without a map or anyone telling him where to go! God is supernatural. He is unexplainable. He is un-provable.

[images/Blog Images/show/ujfs](#) If that's not amazing enough, who but God could take a senseless murderer and turn him into a soft, gentle, tender-hearted minister to other murderers behind prison walls? Or, who could turn a "hopeless" alcoholic into a trustworthy husband and caring father.

Last week a seventeen-year-old boy with the kindest eyes came up to me after I spoke to a youth rally and said, *"last year when you spoke here I was a heroin addict, but I became a Christian a month later, my drug habit has ended, and now I've been called to be a pastor some day."*

I, too, have failed in this life, way too many times to count, but I (like the caterpillar) crawled into the "cocoon" of grace and like millions before me was born again into a true child of the living God.

QUESTIONS:

1. What does it mean to be a "brand new creature"?
2. What do you have to do to go through spiritual metamorphosis?
3. Describe the butterfly that Jesus has made you today?

LIFELINE:

Try to always forgive the "caterpillar" each family member has left behind and look for the "butterfly" in everyone around you.

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