

Donna's Devotional
"Image Makeover"

For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren.

Romans 8:29

In our culture today there is great emphasis on outward appearance. We look at Hollywood and feel that we need to erase every wrinkle, change our hair color, and rearrange facial structure and body type. Often we become dissatisfied with our image. Many turn to plastic surgery and still are not satisfied with the result.

Often we invest hours and a large sum of money on our physical images, yet we give little thought to our spiritual image. The phrase "no pain, no gain" applies to diet and exercise, perhaps we should apply it to our spiritual diet and exercise. It may cost us something in time or money here on earth to produce eternal reward. How much time do we invest in prayer and Bible study? How much time and effort do we put into building relationships to open doors to witness? What are we doing to further the outreach of our local church?

God commands us to be conformed to the image of Jesus. How can we be conformed to His image if we do not know what He is like? We need to focus on the scripture and spend time with Him.

Let's invest our time building an image pleasing to God by increasing the attention we give prayer, Bible reading, and witnessing.