

## Is It Possible To Change?

Perhaps you have heard someone say before that either they, or someone they know of or about, is just too bad to turn into what God what have a person truly be – a person obedient to the gospel - a Christian. But nothing could be further from the truth. Thanks be to God that He gave man the ability to be free moral agents. He gave man the ability to make choices, the ability to make decisions on the direction his life would take. And with all certainty, it is possible for one to leave a sinful life behind and pursue righteousness and godliness. Note the words of the apostle Paul, “Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortionist will inherit the kingdom of God. And such were some of you...” (1 Corinthians 6:9-11). The sins Paul lists are horrific. Yet, some of the Christians at Corinth used to be involved in such. So what changed them? They obeyed the gospel. Paul continues, “But you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord...” (vs. 11). The gospel is God’s power unto salvation (Romans 1:16).

May we at the Cleveland church of Christ assist you in becoming “washed , sanctified, and justified in the name of the Lord” by obeying the gospel of Christ and having your sins washed away in baptism (Acts 2:38 & 22:16, Mark 16:16, Matthew 28:18-20)? Join us for worship. Visitors Welcome.