

Reflection paper

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After reflecting on Facet 4, I find that my confidence was affected by several things that were mentioned by Boa. I began to understand what it really means that our old life has been exchanged for the life of Christ. As Boa stated, “It moves from works to a grace and from legalism to liberty.”

Exchange life spirituality concentrates on the reality of a new identity through the in Christ relationship that can transform us as we grasp it in our experience. Identification with Christ in his crucifixion and resurrection means that our old life has been exchange for the life of Christ. Unless we remember to remember to return and build upon the basic biblical doctrines, our spiritual progress will be stifled.

The insights and benefits of exchange life spirituality are sometimes obscured by theology. This approach, have been known to slip in to the errors of perfection and passivity. However, sheep can go astray, children can rebel, and a wife can be unfaithful. The problem that led to evil is rebellion and rejection of God’s love and goodness.

The Lord is gracious and merciful. God’s character is fundamental to everything else. We cannot hope to understand the spiritual life unless we lay hold of and cling to the truth of God’s character. God’s love is manifested in the fact that he is a giver. It is always to our advantage to conform to his will. But love always involves a choice.

God’s love and good purpose was distorted by human rebellion. Boa goes on to say fallen people sin because they are sinful by nature. It is not that they are sinners because they commit certain sins. I thought that was very interesting. Security means fulfillment.

God has set eternity in our very hearts, and he alone can fill the void and emptiness that we may have. For us as believers, life should be all about the One who has already fully met our

needs. God the Father desires to create a community of spiritual beings whom he can reveal himself.

