

How Do We Change?

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The process of personal change is sometimes referred to as the process of
There is anyou. You have a body that is shaped intentionally or unintentionally by:
 Food choices Process of aging Exercise Sleep Stress
There is an you. You have a spirit, a mind, a character and that is being shaped all the time by:
What you watchWhat you read
 People you interact with Habitual thinking patterns
Where there is a vision, there will be an intention, and people will find a way, and the means to fulfill it.
Matthew 13:44-46 NIV The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls. When he found one of great value, he went away and sold everything he had and bought it.

An Apprentice is simply someone who has decided to their lives around being and learning from another person so that they can become of doing what that person does, or to become what that person is.
An Apprentice of Jesus says: "I am learning from Jesus to liveas He would live my life if He were I."
We want to learn: 'How do I arrange my days to be continually receiving contentment, joy and grace from God?'
1 Corinthians 9:24-27 NIV Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize. Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last, but we do it to get a crown that will last forever. Therefore I do not run like someone running aimlessly; I do not fight like a boxer beating the air. No, I strike a blow to my body and make it my slave so that after I have preached to others, I myself will not be disqualified for the prize.
We what we can do by trying, but what we can do by training.
To train means: "I arrange my life around those activities that enable me to do what I cannot now do by direct effort."
Intentional become an invaluable part of trainin our inner life to reflect the life of Jesus.

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