What A Christian Can't Do! I Peter 2:1-3

I. Where change begins.

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 Change starts in dealing with sin and sin requires repentance.

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A <u>cultivated</u> <u>desire</u> for the Word of God.

"The claims the Bible makes as to its benefits are mind blowing. The fly in the ointment is, you cannot gain the benefits if you are not getting into the Bible. Get into the Bible and you will be amazed at how the Bible gets into you!"

- H. Hendricks

What a Christian Can't Do! III. Why change is possible.

Romans 2:4 -

Or do you think lightly of the riches of His kindness and tolerance and patience, not knowing that the kindness of God leads you to repentance?

Ephesians 2:7-8a -

- of that in the ages to come He might show the surpassing riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.
- 8 For by grace you have been saved through faith;

Titus 3:4-5a -

- ⁴ But when the kindness of God our Savior and *His* love for mankind appeared,
- He saved us, not on the basis of deeds which we have done in righteousness, but according to His mercy,

III. Why change is possible.

 Grace for <u>conversion</u> is the same grace for continued <u>transformation</u> of <u>life</u>.