

Three Ts To Eternity Luke 16:19-26

Three scriptural terms seen in these verses: - **Colossians 1:13; Romans 12:2; Luke 16:22**
Let us consider these 3 themes of which the Holy Spirit has written.

Transferred - Colossians 1:13-14

methistemi (*meth-is'-tay-mee*) to transfer, i.e. carry away, depose or (figuratively) exchange, seduce:--put out, remove, translate, turn away. **strong's**

to bear, remove, or change from one place, state, form, or appearance to another **m-w.com**

In ancient times, when one kingdom captured another, it often would transfer the conquered people back to their land.

Everything belonged to victors - They carried captives away, transferring them to their kingdom. Delivered from power of Satan, (freed from darkness by obedience), we are described as being "transferred" into God's kingdom.

War in our mind. Devil's artillery of lusts & pride verses love, grace, & goodness of God as expressed in power of God, gospel. - **2Corinthians 4:3-4; 10:4-6; Romans 1:16**

An honest heart obeys Spirit given truth, his allegiance is changed from devil & transferred into kingdom of light and love. - **Luke 8:15; 1Peter 1:22**

Even one's citizenship is permanently moved from the old kingdom of Satan to God's wonderful kingdom of light. - **Ephesians 2:19-22**

Subtracted from the lost & added to the redeemed, thru baptism. - **Acts 2:38,47**

Having been transferred to the kingdom of Christ requires that we form our self to the requirements of that kingdom

Transformed - Romans 12:1-2

metamorphoo (*met-am-or-fo'-o*) to transform (literally or figuratively, "metamorphose"):--change, transfigure, transform. **strong's**

to change in composition or structure; to change the outward form or appearance of; to change in character or condition **m-w.com**

When one is translated into the kingdom of God, there should come a transformation of one's character and conduct. - **Ephesians 4:17-24**

Some translated yet not fully transformed - **Luke 8:13-14; 1Corinthians 3:1-3**

Being conformed & transformed into image of God's Son daily struggle

It is filled with frustration, but unto those who are exercised thereby, it yields the peaceable fruit of righteousness.

In a sense, one could say that transferring is easier than transformation.

Birth is easier than proper development of faculties & functions.

Apart from transformation, however, there can be no salvation. - **Hebrews 12:14**

Christians fervently, and rightly so, stress the process of transfer while often times lightly touch the quest for transformation.

As a new born baby dies if he does not grow and develop, so the babe in Christ will die if he does not go on unto perfection - **Matthew 5:48**

One must transform his conduct in harmony with guidelines of truth for all will be transported.

Transported - Luke 16:22-23

apohero (*ap-of-er'-o*) to bear off (literally or relatively):--bring, carry (away). **strong's**
to transfer or convey from one place to another **m-w.com**

It is a fact that you may not be translated into the kingdom of God's Son, or you may not be transformed in heart and life, but we will be transported when we die! - **Matthew 13:41-42; 47-50**

All in the graves shall hear the voice of the Son of God and all shall come forth. - **Hebrews 9:27**

You may turn a deaf ear to the call to be transferred. You may reject the appeal to be

transformed, but all will be given eternal transportation. - **1Thessalonians 4:16; 2Corinthians 5:10**

We shall be transported to meet him in the clouds or cast away from the glory of his power forever!

Transported To Where?

The destination of our transportation makes our present transference and transformation so vitally important.

Imagine being carried by the angels to meet the Lord in comfort or to be cast away unto tribulation and anguish, indignation, and wrath!

These awesome reflections should cause each one of us to contemplate the current state of our souls. - **Hebrews 10:31**

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