

Remodeling

I have tried my hand at remodeling on occasion. It is not an easy task! Usually, if not always, it requires tearing out old things that are unwanted, problematic or contrary to the new installations.

We tore out carpet in our house last year. It was worn out, nasty and actually would have been a health issue for our family had we left it in. We replaced it with new carpet and in some areas with wood flooring. I believe I said thanks to everyone who helped, but just in case someone was missed, we really did and do appreciate all that each person did to help us get into the house last year.

We have even done several things since then that have made the house a better place to live. It looks nice. It is comfortable. It also has a better aroma to it.

Can you see the connection to God's word and remodeling our lives? It is certain that when we begin our relationship with God, there are things that are simply detrimental to our health spiritually and even mentally and physically. These things need to be removed and replaced with other things that will help us grow up.

Our bodies belong to the Spirit of God when we become Christians. He lives in us. We are His house, if you will. No doubt, reconstruction will occur. In fact, today's sermon text says it very well!

1 Peter 2:1-3 *Therefore, rid yourselves of all malice and all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander of every kind. Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation, now that you have tasted that the Lord is good.*

Some important questions need to be considered at this point: How much remodeling will be done? What will God take out of my life? What new things will go in? Simply put, it all depends on how much damage each of us has incurred before He gets to work on us. It also depends our answer to THIS question: "Am I willing to allow God to remodel my life so that He can reside in me?"

Love to all, Andy