Choices

by Mike Tucker *

And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit. 2 Corinthians 3:18

According to an Associated Press report, a young boy panted and pawed for attention after he was rescued from a dirt-floored pen at his grandparents' home where he was kept along with sixty dogs.

He howled. He reared back on his haunches, tilted his head and looked up, said the boy's Department of Human Services foster parent. "He acted like a little dog," she testified at a child neglect trail.

The grandparents said the boy's behavior was natural for a four-year-old and he was imitating cartoon characters he saw on television.

The foster parents said the boy continued to behave strangely after he was brought to their home, including fetching toys with his mouth. He ran wildly through the house, crashing into walls, and most of the time he ran on all fours. If he wanted attention, he would run up to them and paw at their bodies, rub his head on them, and whimper.

This unbelievable account demonstrates the importance of a child's experiences. The environment in which we dwell will have a significant influence on the behaviors we exhibit.

Choose carefully who, where, and what experience you want your life exposed to. The four-year-old had no choice. You do.

With Love, Mike

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