Understanding the 4 Stages of Metamorphosis of a Follower of Jesus Christ

Many think they become a new creature at the moment they accept Christ and are baptized – Born Again!

However, in Romans 12:2, Paul specifically uses the Greek word metamorphóō (G3339) in describing how one must RENEW their MIND so they can prove what is that GOOD, and ACCEPTABLE, and PERFECT, WILL of GOD! JESUS himself called us His LEARNERS (Disciples)!

(Rom 12:2) (KJV) And be NOT CONFORMED to this world: but be ye TRANSFORMED (G3339, metamorphóō – 'METAMORPHOSIS /"TO THINK DIFFERENTLY - *REPENT*") by the RENEWING of your MIND (in GOD'S WORD), that ye MAY PROVE what *is* that GOOD, and ACCEPTABLE, and PERFECT, WILL of GOD.

The 4 Stages in the Lifecycle of a Butterfly		The 4 Stages in the Lifecycle of a Learner & Follower of JESUS CHRIST!	
4. Adult (Butterfly)	The adult butterfly EMERGES from the chrysalis with **SOFT**, FOLDED WINGS. After PUMPING FLUID into its WINGS and letting them DRY, the butterfly FLIES, FEEDS on NECTAR, MATES, and LAYS EGGS to **BEGIN** the CYCLE **AGAIN**. *(from Google AI)*	**4. New Creature (Maturity)**	One MUST **RENEW** the **Thoughts** of their Imagination *(THINK DIFFERENTLY)* to **experience** a METAMORPHOSIS. (***Rom 12:2***, And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed (Metamorphosis) by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.
3. Pupa (Chrysalis)	When the caterpillar is FULLY GROWN, it forms a PROTECTIVE CASING known as a chrysalis. Inside this **stage**, the caterpillar BREAKS DOWN its BODY and TRANSFORMS, REARRANGING itself into a NEW FORM. *(from Google AI)*	**3. Learner (Knowledge, Understand)**	One MUST be FILLED **with** GOD'S WORD before He can teach Knowledge and Understanding! ***(Isa 28:9*** *Whom shall He TEACH knowledge? and whom shall He MAKE to understand doctrine? them that are WEANED from the milk, and DRAWN from the breasts.)* ***(2 Tim. 2:15; St. John 5:39; Acts 17:11)***
2. Larva (Caterpillar)	Upon HATCHING, the caterpillar's PRIMARY JOB is to EAT CONSTANTLY and GROW RAPIDLY. They SHED their SKIN, or "MOLT," MULTIPLE TIMES during this **stage**. *(from Google AI)*	**2. Newborn Babe (Read & Grow)**	Newborn Babe's in JESUS CHRIST MUST READ GOD'S WORD to GROW FULLY! ***(1 Pe 2:2*** *As newborn babes, DESIRE the* ***SINCERE*** *MILK of the WORD, that ye* ***MAY*** *GROW thereby:)* ***(Heb. 5:12-14; 1 Cor. 3:1-3) (1 Thess 5:27; Col. 4:16; Rev. 1:3)*** ***(THE FORGOTTEN STAGE!! NOT TALKED ABOUT!!)***
1. Egg (Ovum)	The female butterfly LAYS **tiny** EGGS, **typically** on leaves or stems of **SPECIFIC** host plants. These EGGS are usually round or oval and take a **few days to** hatch. *(from Google AI)*	**1. Born Again, Follower**	JESUS **commands** that one MUST be Born Again, of the **WATER (WORD)** and the SPIRIT! (***Joh 3:3*** *JESUS answered and said unto him,* ***Verily, verily****, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the KINGDOM of GOD.) (The seed of the WORD brings Birth –* ***St. James 1:21-25****)*

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