

United in the Gospel: Living Sacrifices
Romans 12
8-16-20

I. Be a Living Sacrifice

Galatians 2:20 – "I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me."

Matthew 16:24 – "Then Jesus told his disciples, 'If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.'"

II. Be Transformed

Romans 12:2 – "Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect."

Matthew 17:2 – "And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light."

III. Be Who You Are

Ephesians 1:4-5 – "...even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will."

Hebrews 10:25 – "...not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near."

Faith Sheet

Monthly Transformation Verse: Romans 10:9 – “If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.”

Weekly Transformation Verse: Romans 12:2 – “Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.”

Weekly Reading Plan: Romans 12; Psalm 46; 2 Corinthians 2

Going Deeper This Week

1. Read Romans 12. What do you appreciate about God? What stands out to you from this chapter?
2. When have you recently sacrificed something important to you for a higher cause? What mental and emotional hurdles did you have to get over to make that sacrifice?
3. In what ways do we as Christians tend to allow this sin-dominated world to shape our values, thoughts, and actions? What can be done about it? (Matthew 6:33, Psalm 105:4, 2 Corinthians 10:5, Hebrews 10:23-15 and 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)
4. How do you measure up to Paul’s commands about how to treat people who mistreat you?
5. Pray Romans 12:1-2 for each other.