



ROMANS 12:1-2

I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. **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.

COLOSSIANS 3:2

Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth.

A **lie** believed as **truth** will affect your **life** as if it were **true**.

If you **think** the way you've always thought, then you will **do** the things you've always done.

Being transformed is **not** switching from a to-do list of what **you** want to a to-do list of what **God** wants.

The problem with our minds is not just that we are **finite**. The problem with our minds is that our minds are **fallen**.

We are born worshipping **ourselves**, not **God**.

Be **careful** of what goes into your mind, because what goes **in** will always come out.

Offer **you** and your **resources** to God and to others before **yourself**.





- If you could be anyone in the world who would you transform into?
- Have you been trying to change your own behaviors rather than being changed by God from the inside-out?
- Read Romans 12:1. What is the difference between mercy and grace. Use a dictionary if needed. Why is God's mercy, instead of grace, the proper motivation for us to present ourselves as a living sacrifice to him?
- What does it look like for you to be a living sacrifice in your every day life?
- Read Romans 12:2. Does the process of transforming the mind take place in an instant or over time? Explain what that has looked like in your own personal life.
- Read Colossians 3:2. Why is it so hard to shift our focus from the things of this world, to the things of God?

Remember, as you encounter people this week, share the Gospel and invite them to Vision.