

# Graves into Gardens

STORIES OF TRANSFORMATION



Bible study for the week starting March 15, 2026

## SHARE

Take a look at the Mercy of God found in Romans Road...read the verses...reflect on the truths...

- All have **SINNED** (Romans 3:23)
- Payment for sin is **DEATH** (Romans 6:23)
- Christ **PAID** the cost (Romans 5:8)
- We get His **GIFT** (Romans 6:23)
- We open this gift through **FAITH** (Romans 10:9)
- This gift is for **ALL** (Romans 10:13)

Does knowing you're loved change your confidence, purpose,

## READ/STUDY/DISCUSS

1. Read **Romans 12:1-2**. How is your life a "living sacrifice?" What are the practical applications of a life that is fully surrendered and transformed?
  - a. What is the pattern of the world are you conforming to? In the past? In the present?  
Transformation comes in light of what first? (God's mercy)
2. Read **Romans 12:3-8**. Everyone's transformation is different.
  - a. Have you ever asked for change...but were unwilling to make the change? Be that a doctor told you to \_\_\_\_\_ or a counselor encouraged you to \_\_\_\_\_.
  - b. How do you make sure that your transformation doesn't make you filled with pride?
3. Read **Romans 12:9-21**. No one's transformation is complete on this side of eternity. Of this list... What mark of a Christian come more or less naturally to you?
  - a. How about treating enemies and your view of vengeance?
  - b. Is there a part of your life that you have left off of the "altar?" You want change everywhere...but you are scared to give \_\_\_\_\_ to the Lord?
4. Read **John 8:12; 23-32** How do you abide in His word...and His truth?

## PRAY

Pray for Change us from the inside out: For love to reign and transformed hearts and lives.



## Loved and Changed

Romans 12:1-21

March 15, 2026 – Pastor Ben Schrank

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“For the love of Christ COMPELS us...” 2 Cor 5:14

We don't change in order to be loved...we are LOVED and that changes us.

“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.” Romans 12:1

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“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.” Romans 12:2

- 1) The source of transformation is JESUS.
- 2) Not everyone's transformation is the SAME.
- 3) No one's transformation is COMPLETE...yet.

Grace is opposed to EARNING, it is not opposed to effort. – Dallas Willard

“If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will SET YOU FREE.” John 8:31-32

For Wednesday Read Ezekiel 37:1-14