

Scriptures for further study

Philippians 2:5-9 | 1 Corinthians 2:16

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Romans 12:2b "... that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect." (ESV)

"The gospel of Jesus Christ is the door to eternal life, but what difference does it make once we're inside God's kingdom? Jerry Bridges says the gospel is the very lifeblood of our walk with God. It is the key to our salvation, for sure, but it is also the power for our daily progress in holiness."

- 1. What has impacted your life the most during our emphasis on Romans 12:1-2?
- 2. Was there something discovered that's new for you, reaffirming, confusing or challenging?
- 3. All living faith in Jesus comes with surrender and sacrifice. What needs to be given up and sacrificed because He loved you and gave Himself for you?
- 4. The ability to test is the ability to discern or understand in any situation what is, in God's view: good (right before God) acceptable (fitting in the eyes of God) and perfect (completing the desires of God). John MacArthur shares six things that are God's Will for our lives: As time allows, choose two of the six and discuss as a Life Group.
  - For you to be saved 1 Tim 2:3-4, 2 Pet 3:9
  - For you to be Spirit-filled Eph 5:17-18, Col 3:16, Gal 5:22-23
  - For you to be sanctified (separated from sin) 1 Thess. 4:3-7, 2 Cor 6:17, John 17:17
  - For you to be submissive James 4:7, Eph 5:21, Heb 13:17, 1 Pet 2:13-15, Rom 13 (Submit to God, One Another, Church Leadership, Government)
  - For you to be suffering (share in Christ's sufferings) 1 Pet 3:17, Phil 1:29, 2 Tim 3:12
  - For you to be saying thanks to the Lord 1 Thess. 5:18
- 5. Close your Life Group by praying for the will of God to be evident in your life, the lives of your ALG and the life of our church.