

“Transformation Sunday”

Romans 12:1-2 (NIV)

A Living Sacrifice

1“Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. 2Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.”

“Finding God’s Direction with the Transformed Mind”

Two Kinds of People:

1. I can’t _____.
2. How can I _____?

Our mindset determines our outcome in life.

Transformation: a thorough or dramatic change in form or appearance

Renewal: an instance of resuming an activity or state after an interruption

Conformity: behavior in accordance with socially accepted conventions or standards (“fitting in” and “following the crowd”)

Lies we often believe vs. the Truth of God’s Word:

Lie: I am unworthy and unacceptable.

Truth: I am accepted and worthy.

Romans 15:7 (NIV)

7“Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God.”

Psalms 139:1-6 (NLT)

1“O Lord, you have examined my heart and know everything about me. 2You know when I sit down or stand up. You know my thoughts even when I’m far away. 3You see me when I travel and when I rest at home. You know everything I do. 4You know what I am going to say even before I say it, Lord. 5You go before me and follow me. You place your hand of blessing on my head. 6Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too great for me to understand!”

Lie: I am alone.

Truth: I am never alone.

Deuteronomy 31:6 (NLT)

6“So be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid and do not panic before them. For the Lord your God will personally go ahead of you. He will neither fail you nor abandon you.”

Romans 8:37-39 (NIV)

37“No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. 38For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, 39neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

Lie: I am not good enough for God.

Truth: I am made perfect in Christ.

Colossians 2:12-14 (NLT)

12“For you were buried with Christ when you were baptized. And with him you were raised to new life because you trusted the mighty power of God, who raised Christ from the dead. 13You were dead because of your sins and because your sinful nature was not yet cut away. Then God made you alive with Christ, for he forgave all our sins. 14He canceled the record of the charges against us and took it away by nailing it to the cross.”

Lie: There is nothing special about me.

Truth: I am created in the image of God.

Genesis 1:27 (NIV)

27“So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.”

Lie: I don't have what I need.

Truth: I lack nothing.

Philippians 4:19 (ESV)

19“And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.”

Lie: I am afraid.

Truth: I have nothing to fear.

2 Timothy 1:7 (NLT)

7“For God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, but of power, love, and self-discipline.”

Sacrifice: an act of giving up something valued for the sake of something else regarded as more important or worthy

Mercy: compassion or forgiveness shown toward someone whom it is within one's power to punish or harm

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