

## SEQUOIA NOTES

### Today's Sequoia @10:10 Message...

#### All In with My Worship

With Ryan Dawson, Lead Pastor  
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#### What does it look like to be All In with our worship?

Romans 12:1-2 (NLT) “And so, dear brothers and sisters, I plead with you to give your bodies to God because of all he has done for you. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice—the kind he will find acceptable. This is truly the way to worship him. 2 Don’t copy the behaviour and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God’s will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.”

Romans 12:1 (ESV) “...I appeal to you therefore, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice...”

- To “**present our bodies**” to God is to make a **decisive dedication** of our whole selves.

- The only **reasonable response to grace** is to give our **whole selves to God**.

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- A new orientation in our **thinking** will lead to a new orientation in our **behaviour**.

Romans 12:1-2 Amplified Bible (AMP) Therefore I urge you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies [dedicating all of yourselves, set apart] as a living sacrifice, holy and well-pleasing to God, which is your rational (logical, intelligent) act of worship. 2 And do not be conformed to this world [any longer with its superficial values and customs], but be transformed and progressively changed [as you mature spiritually] by the renewing of your mind [focusing on godly values and ethical attitudes], so that you may prove [for yourselves] what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect [in His plan and purpose for you].

Philippians 2:5-11

<sup>5</sup> You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had.

<sup>6</sup> Though he was God,  
he did not think of equality with God  
as something to cling to.

<sup>7</sup> Instead, he gave up his divine privileges;  
he took the humble position of a slave  
and was born as a human being.

When he appeared in human form,

<sup>8</sup> he humbled himself in obedience to God  
and died a criminal’s death on a cross.

<sup>9</sup> Therefore, God elevated him to the place of highest honour  
and gave him the name above all other names,

<sup>10</sup> that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,  
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

<sup>11</sup> and every tongue declare that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.

**Big Idea: In response to grace, make an informed choice to offer your whole life to God.**

*“The Gospel costs nothing. You can't earn it or buy it. It can only be received as a free gift compliments of God's grace. It doesn't cost anything, but it demands everything. It demands that we go “all in, a term that simply means placing all that you have into God's hands. Pushing it all in. And that's where we get stuck—spiritual no man's land. We're afraid that if we go all in that we might miss out on what this life has to offer. It's not true. The only thing you'll miss out on is everything God has to offer. And the good news is this: if you don't hold out on God, God won't hold out on you. No one has ever sacrificed anything for God. If you always get back more than you gave up, have you sacrificed anything at all? The eternal reward always outweighs the temporal sacrifice. At the end of the day, our greatest regret will be whatever we didn't give back to God. What we didn't push back across the table to Him. Eternity will reveal that holding out is losing out.” Mark Batterson - All In*

**What step is God asking you to take today to be All In with your worship?**

*The Translation of the Bible Scriptures used in today's 10:10 service are from the New Living Translation (NLT), English Standard Version (ESV) and the Amplified Bible (AMP).*



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- In what ways have we been living like family recently? How will we live out our family identity in the coming week?
- How have we lived as servants to one another or to our world this past week? What needs or opportunities to serve is God asking us to lean into?
- How have we lived on mission where we live, work, play, or went this past week? Who do we know that needs to hear the good news of Jesus?

2) How did the message resonate with you? What questions or comments did it raise for you?

3) Describe a time when you went “all in” with something or someone? What was that experience like for you? What fears did you have to overcome to be “all in”? What benefits came from taking this step of faith?

4) Read Romans 12:1-2. What strikes you about the image that Paul uses to describe our spiritual and rational response to the grace of God?

5) What does it look like to be a “living and holy sacrifice”, where you live, work, play, and go? Describe some specific implications for each area. What changes is God asking you to make to grow in this way?

6) Reflect on Romans 12:2 in the NLT and the AMP. In what ways are we prone to “conform to the patterns of this world”? What is required to “renew our minds” and “change the way we think”? What action steps do you need to take in this regard?

7) Read Philippians 2:5-11. How does the Gospel truth found in this passage help us be “All in with our worship”? How does this inform our faith and provide the reasonable and rational grounds to give our whole selves to Jesus Christ?

8) Read and reflect on the quote from Mark Batterson. What step is God asking you to take today to be “All In” with your worship?



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