



Title: Growing to Be Like Jesus

Main Scriptures: Romans 12:1-2,
1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

We grow to be like Jesus when we ...

Give our body as a living sacrifice.

(Rom 12:1, Is 53:2-3, Gal 2:20)

Shake off the world by shaping our mind.

(Rom 12:2, Mat 23:27, Col 3:2)

Allow God to work.

(1 Thes 5:23-24, Heb 12:9-10, Ps 119:67, Job 23:10, Phil 1:6)

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Small Group Sermon Study | Romans 12:1-2, 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

Prayer: *Father, we thank you for who You are. May we be renewed and transformed through the study of Your word. Holy Spirit, lead us as we read, discern, and discuss this passage together. In Jesus' name, amen.*

Icebreaker: What is your best (or worst) renovation story?

Read the key passages of Scripture (Romans 12:1-2, 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24) from the message and review the sermon notes, then answer the following questions:

1. What did you like or appreciate about this message? What really hit home for you?
2. How does our small group exemplify the concept of “living sacrifice?” What practical things can we do to grow in this?
3. In what ways are you shaping your mind these days? In what ways are we helping one another to do that?
4. We grow to be like Jesus when we allow God to work; what evidence of God at work do you see in your own life? In the lives of others in our group?
5. After hearing this message and discussing these questions, do you think we, as a group, are growing to be like Jesus? Why or why not?

Personal Reflection and Prayer

Silently re-read the key Scripture(s) from the message, asking the Holy Spirit to speak to you.

1. What emotions do these passages stir up in you?
2. What do you need to surrender to Jesus? How will you respond to what God is showing you?
3. What verse, phrase, word, or challenge do you need to take with you this week? How will you act on what you've heard?

Prayer: *Close in prayer together, praying for yourself and for one another, according to whatever God has shown or spoken to you today.*