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# **A Faithful Commitment**

### Romans 12

Scott Merriner – August 14, 2022 Small Group Discussion Questions

#### **Getting Started**

Take some time to catch up and connect as a group. Pray before discussion. Expect God to move through your time together!

#### **Pacing Your Group**

Move quickly through "observation" leaving enough time for "reflection", "discussion", and "surrender."

#### **Scripture Reading**

Re-read the scripture passages as needed when you discuss the questions.

Observation: What does this scripture passage say? Take some time to look up and read: Romans 10

1. What big ideas does Paul work to communicate in these verses about: worship, the body of Christ (the church), gifts and talents, love?

Reflection and Discussion: What are some first thoughts flowing from the scriptures? Talk together about how the scriptures connect to everyday life

- 2. Christians are called to "not conform any longer to the pattern of this world," with its behaviors, values, and customs. What specific areas of your mind and life stand out as transformed and different to the "pattern of the world"? Where has your mind been renewed?
- God gives us gifts and talents so we can build up his church. To use them effectively, we must:
  - Realize that all gifts and abilities come from God
  - Understand that not everyone has the same gift
  - Know who we are and what we do best
  - Dedicate our gifts to God's service and not to our personal success
  - Be willing to utilize our gifts and talents wholeheartedly, not holding back anything from God's service

Describe someone you know whose gifts you believe are effectively deployed to build up the church.

Do you feel effectively deployed to build up the church?

If yes, share about the pathway to your engagement.

If no, what is holding you back?

- 4. Scott challenged us to think through three areas where Romans 12 calls us to be "all-in":
  - "All-in" for God's glory (v1-2)
  - "All-in" for our spiritual family (v3-13)
  - "All-in" for the spiritually lost (v14-21)

What "all-in" step is the gospel compelling you to take?

## Surrender: Responding to God's voice.

5. What is one thing God is saying to you through this study and discussion?

\*\* Take some time to pray for one another in response to what has been discussed today \*\*