

Worshipful Service

Romans 12:1-2

The Source of Worshipful Service

- A response to God's initiating grace

The Offering of Worshipful Service

- Our whole selves. An outward expression of an inner work of grace

The Fulfillment of Worshipful Service

- We weren't created to live autonomously
- Rescued & released to a new life of joyful service

The Character of Worshipful Service

- A renewed mind that leads to transformation
- Needing both Christ-exalting truth & truth-embracing humility

The Aim of Worshipful Service

- Life for God's redeemed people is a responsive offering of grateful obedience.
- Minds no longer captive to the world system
- Expressed in the shared life of the Body of Christ
- Carried into every context and relationship

For Life Group Discussion

Romans 12:1-2

1. What is the first thing you think of when you hear the word "service"? What about "worship"? What are the challenges we face when putting those two words together?
2. Read Romans 12:1. What does Paul mean when he writes, "the mercies of God," and why is he appealing to them?
 - If you are already familiar with Romans 1 - 11, how many aspects of the mercies of God can you name?
 - What does it mean that God is the initiator and we are the responder? How does that impact your view of salvation?
3. Read Deut 10:12. What parallels do you see with Rom 12:1? How does the idea that we were not created to live autonomously clash with our modern culture? How does it impact you?
4. Read Rom 12:1-2. How are our minds transformed? What "means" has God provided? And what practical difference does it make?
5. Read Rom 12:1-21. How does this passage describe the whole-life application of these truths in Worshipful service?
 - Thinking differently and honoring God with our minds (12:1-2)
 - Honoring God by serving His people (12:3-8)
 - Honoring God in every context and relationship (12:9-21)