



**Life Group Discussion Guide**  
**“Renewal in the New Year” – Romans 12:1-2**  
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Main thought:

Understanding why and how you can say yes to the renewing work of Christ in the new year.

Notes

- Understand what God has **done** for us (v.1a)
  - He’s been **overwhelmingly** merciful to us!
- Understand what God wants **from** us (v. 1b)
  - He wants **you!**
- Understand what God wants **for** us (v. 2a)
  - He wants to **transform** us!
- Understand how God wants to accomplish His transforming work **in** us. (v. 2a)
  - He wants to **renew** our mind!
- Understand how the renewal of our mind **transforms** us (v. 2b)
  - We become less **resistant** to God’s **rule** in our life!

Ice-Breaker

- Share a highlight from Christmas and something you’re looking forward to this new year.

Digging In

Read Romans 12.1-2, and discuss the following questions.

- What stands out to you in these verses?
- Share a way you’ve seen and experienced God’s mercy in your life as you look back either this past year or over the course of your life.
- What truth from Romans 12:1-2 did you most need to hear? Why?
- Share someone or something God has used to renew your mind? What difference did this make in your life?
- What is something you can practically do this new year to partner with God in the renewing of your mind?

Application

- Which truths from this passage will you apply this week?

Praying as a group

- How can we be praying for each other this week?