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Main Scripture - ROMANS 12:1-2

V1. Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship.

V2. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

Additional Scripture

John 17:14

Galatians 1:4

Romans 12:10-17

Defining the World

"The norms, values, systems of thinking and living that are broadly embraced but are hostile and opposed to God's will, and influenced by the forces of darkness."

Walter Brueggemann Quote

"The conforming happens subtly, not frontally. We join the dominant ideology with innocence and without noticing. In the congregation are those who do not notice their conformity and thus are incapable of imagining any alternative. We may notice how 'the others' have conformed; we are not so skillful in noticing how we ourselves have joined the version of ideology most compatible with our social location and interests."

We are transformed in Community

God often works in our lives by working through His people.

Discussion Questions

1. What stuck out to you about the message?
2. How can we take our formation in the Kingdom of God seriously?
3. How can we avoid the temptation to treat Christianity like a solo sport?