

Sermon-Based Discussion Guide

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BIBLE PASSAGES - Romans 3:21-24, Romans 12:1-2

Romans 3:21 But now apart from the law the righteousness of God has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. **22** This righteousness is given through faith in [h] Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference between Jew and Gentile, **23** for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, **24** and all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.

Romans 12:1-2 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. **2** 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.

Other Passages: Romans 1:1, Romans 6:12-14, Romans 8:5-9,

Connect:

Get to know each other. Connect, warm up to each other, and take time to fellowship.

Care:

Carry each other's burdens. Share life's challenges and practice Soul Care. Pray together.

Challenge:

1. What does it mean to you to live sacrificially? How are you doing that in your own life right now? If we are called to sacrifice for others, what is the evidence that you are truly offering yourself to others for God?
2. Who can you think of in the Bible who lived sacrificially (beside Jesus)? What did they do and how did they live in that way? What lessons can you take from that example to apply to your own life?

3. What would your version of this verse say? *"Offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing except"*
4. Are our values being molded by the world or God's word and His standard? What has reign in our life? Where is evidence of the fruit of the spirit?
5. How can you as a group practice renewing your mind? Could you implement memorizing Bible verses? Could you implement a monthly service project? Could you implement a media fast? Think of ways you can foster renewing your mind—and put it into practice and discipleship to Jesus this next month!

Clarify:

Does anyone need clarity on something? Are there any big God questions you are wrestling with?

Celebrate:

Celebrate life's successes and God's provision. Worship God's presence. Time to brag about God.

KEY TAKEAWAYS