



## WORSHIPFUL LIVING by the Mercies of God in Christ

Lesson 1 • Romans 12:1-2

**Doxology: Delight in Giving God the Glory He Deserves...**

► In **Word**. Romans 11:33-36

► In **Song**. Romans 11:33-36

► In **Life**. Romans 12—16

**YES, BUT HOW?**

**“Therefore, by the Mercies of God...”**

*Looks all the way back to Romans 1—11*

**“...Live to Glorify God’s Mercy in Christ!”**

*Looks all the way forward to Romans 12—15*

*Begins with Romans 12 where Paul shows us how to do this in a very practical way.*

### Worshipful Living Made Simple (But Not Easy!) ~ Romans 12:1-2

**FIRST:** \_\_\_\_\_ by the mercies of God in Christ.

**The Choice to Make in Life:** *Will I be a worshipper who totally surrenders myself to God? Yes? No? Maybe?*

**By the Mercies of God...**

1. Surrender yourself \_\_\_\_\_.  
*“as a living sacrifice”*

► OT **Whole Burnt Offering** was a \_\_\_\_\_ of the sacrifice to God. *Leviticus 1:3-17; 8:8-13*

► NT **Living Sacrifice** is a total dedication of yourself to God for His \_\_\_\_\_.

2. Surrender yourself \_\_\_\_\_.  
*“to present your bodies”*

► Our bodies are the only way we can do the will of God on earth. *Hebrews 10:5-7*

► Our bodies should be **WMRs** = Weapons of Mass \_\_\_\_\_! *Romans 6:12-14, 19*

3. Surrender yourself \_\_\_\_\_.  
*“I appeal to you, brothers, by the mercies of God”*

**What Is Your Most Valuable Possession?** \_\_\_\_\_!

Can we truly worship God without first giving Him our most valuable possession(s)? *2Corinthians 5:14-15; Romans 6:13*

**TRUE WORSHIP** starts with giving God your heart and flows out of a life surrendered to Him!

4. Surrender yourself \_\_\_\_\_.  
*“holy and acceptable (pleasing) to God”*

- OT sacrifices were to be without any defect, because they were being \_\_\_\_\_ for God.
- In Christ, we have been **positionally** set part for God's pleasure; therefore, we should **purposefully** live like what we \_\_\_\_\_ are in Christ! *Romans 6:1-14*

5. Surrender yourself \_\_\_\_\_.

*"which is your spiritual (reasonable) worship"*

- Flows from a \_\_\_\_\_ choice in light of who God is, what He's done for us, and who we are in Christ.
- Leads to a \_\_\_\_\_ of service from God, through God, and for God.

*For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be glory forever. Amen. Romans 11:36*

*So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God. 1Corinthians 10:31*

*And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him. Col. 3:17*

## SECOND: \_\_\_\_\_ by the mercies of God in Christ.

### Total Surrender Results in Daily Choices that...

- Lead to radical \_\_\_\_\_ between the world and us.  
*"Do not be conformed to this world"*
- Lead to radical \_\_\_\_\_ from the inside out.  
*"but be transformed"*

## THIRD: \_\_\_\_\_ by the mercies of God in Christ.

### 1. Spiritual transformation requires \_\_\_\_\_ our minds.

*"but be transformed by the renewal your mind"*

- Be Word **FED** (Col 3:9; Eph 4:20–23) and Spirit **LED** (1Cor 2:14; Titus 3:5)

### 2. Spiritual transformation results in \_\_\_\_\_ God's will.

*"that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect."*

### Prove by Experience that Worshipful Living Is...

- **Good** for us because it brings \_\_\_\_\_ to God!
- **Acceptable** to us because it brings \_\_\_\_\_ to God!
- **Perfect** for us because it makes us \_\_\_\_\_ (mature) in God's eyes!

*Worshipful living will always lead you to God's best and the eternal reward of living in the **G.A.P.** of God's will!*

## The TIME for Worshipful Living Is NOW!

*"I appeal to you therefore, brothers...to present your bodies..."*

- ☐ Totally surrender yourself **INTENTIONALLY** – Make a once-and-for all dedication of yourself to God this morning and make it public!
- ☐ Totally surrender yourself **CONTINUALLY**– Recommit to living a life of daily surrender.
- ☐ Totally surrender yourself **JOYFULLY** – The choice is yours to make from a heart of transformed by the mercies of God in Christ Jesus!

*"He is no fool to who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot loose." ~Jim Elliott, Martyred Missionary*