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TRANSFORM YOUR LIFE

Romans 12:1 – 2 (ESV)

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MESSAGE NOTES

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We Are Transformed by:

- **Daring to live outward**

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... in order to make known the riches of His glory for vessels of mercy, which He has prepared beforehand for glory ... – Romans 9:23 (ESV)

- **Daring to be a living sacrifice**

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- **Daring to take God at His Word**

Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect. – Romans 12:2 (ESV)

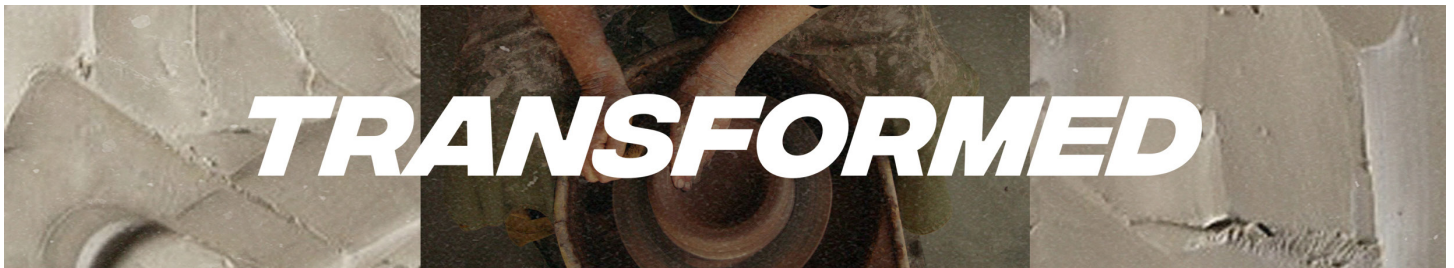
Do not let any part of your body become an instrument of evil to serve sin. Instead, give yourselves completely to God, for you were dead, but now you have new life ... – Romans 6:13 (NLT)

He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you." – Genesis 22:2 (ESV)

Abraham said, "God will provide for Himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they went both of them together. – Genesis 22:8 (ESV)

By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was in the act of offering up his only son, of whom it was said, "Through Isaac shall your offspring be named." He considered that God was able even to raise him from the dead... – Hebrews 11:17 – 19 (ESV)

He was handed over to die because of our sins, and He was raised to life to make us right with God. – Romans 4:25 (NLT)



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Discussion Starter : Romans 12 is a turning point in the book of Romans. Share a turning point in your life journey and explain why it was significant.
- Read Romans 9:23. As a "*vessel of mercy*," what good works might God be placing before you to serve Him?
- Read Romans 12:2. Why is the truth of this verse so transformational as we follow Jesus? What is the difference between being "*conformed*" to the world and "*transformed*" by the renewal of our mind?
- Read Romans 12:1 – 2 and share your biggest takeaway from these verses.
- What does it mean to be a "*living sacrifice*," and what are some challenges of following Christ in this way?
- Read Romans 6:13. How is God inviting you to surrender something completely to Him as you trust His Word?
- Genesis 22:8 and Hebrews 11:17-19. What is God inviting you to offer up as you live as a living sacrifice for Him in this season? What step of faith do you need to take as you wait for God to provide?
- If you had been in Abraham's place when he was called to offer Isaac on the altar, how do you think you would have responded, and why? Why do you think Abraham was able to lead Isaac up the mountain of God?
- Read Romans 4:25. How does this verse reveal the power of the resurrection and our life in Christ?
- Pray for the over 400 women attending our MORE Women's Conference. Ask God's Spirit to move powerfully, bringing transformation, hope, healing, and salvation.