

**“Be Transformed”
Romans 12:1-2**

It is our relationship with God that determines the success or the failures of all of other relationships.

Romans 12:1-2 NLT

Paul is calling us into a dedicated service of our Lord. To be, “committed” in serving Him. To be, “a living sacrifice” to Him. But this only happens when we are transformed. A Transformed living of a “new life.”

- 1. We need to give Him our body v. 1**
- 2. We need to give Him our mind v. 2^a**
- 3. We need to give Him our will v. 2^b**
- 4. We need to give Him our heart (David’s key characteristics)**

1. We need to give Him our body v. 1

Romans 12:1

(NLT) I plead with you to give your bodies to God because of all he has done for you. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice—the kind he will find acceptable. This is truly the way to worship him.

Present here means would you “once and for all” give, surrender your bodies to God.

Will you once and for all be committed?
Present your body for God’s glory?
To be used for His purposes?
Will you present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice?

Will you once and for all renounce sin and be set apart for His exclusive use?

2. We need to give Him our mind v. 2^a

Romans 12:2^a

Transformed ~ is the word Metamorphosis

It’s when God controls our thoughts that we are Transformed.

2 Corinthians 3:18

New Living Translation (NLT)

¹⁸ So all of us who have had that veil removed can see and reflect the glory of the Lord. And the Lord—who is the Spirit—makes us more and more like him as we are changed into his glorious image.

3. We need to give Him our will v. 2^b

Romans 12:2^b

Romans 7:18

Romans 7:15-25

~ “When a heart is not established, not rooted in God’s Word, that person goes against God’s perfect will for their lives.”

4. We need to give Him our heart

Acts 13:22

One of David’s key characteristics of his life was the fact that he gave God his heart, although he sinned his heart remained pointed toward God.

A. We need to have absolute faith in God.

1 Samuel 17

1 Samuel 17:37

He had that unwavering faith that God would deliver him from the hand of this Philistine as he had done so from the lion and the bear.

1 Samuel 17:45-47

B. We need to love God’s Word

Psalm 119:47-48 I shall delight in Your commandments,
Which I love.

⁴⁸ And I shall lift up my hands to Your commandments,
Which I love;
And I will meditate on Your statutes.

We can see how this would help us to think about the Lord through the day.

Psalm 119:2-3 How blessed are those who observe His testimonies,
Who seek Him with all *their* heart.

³ They also do no unrighteousness;
They walk in His ways.

C. We need to be thankful

Psalm 26:6-7

David never forgot to be thankful, to thank the Lord for his blessings.

Psalm 100:4 Enter His gates with thanksgiving
And His courts with praise.
Give thanks to Him, bless His name.

D. We need to be truly repentant

2 Samuel 11:2-5

2 Samuel 12:13

True repentance is more than being sorry. It is more than being remorseful or demonstrating regret.

Psalm 51:1-2

Be gracious to me, O God, according to Your loving kindness;
According to the greatness of Your compassion blot out my transgressions.

² Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity
And cleanse me from my sin.

Application:

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