

Romans 12:1-6

Spiritual Discipline in Worship



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Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship. 2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.

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• Paul had highlighted the freedom from the bondage of sin believers enjoy earlier in this letter (6:11–14) and encourages them to do the "*reasonable*" (Gk. *logikos*) thing, which is total surrender of self to God.

• "renewing" (Gk. anakainosis) occurs "through the ministry of the indwelling Holy Spirit... who when definitely, and intelligently, and habitually yielded to puts sin out of the believer's life and produces His own fruit."

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For through the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think more highly of himself than he ought to think; but to think so as to have sound judgment, as God has allotted to each a measure of faith.

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everything a person has is a gift from God (James 1:17)

• ...'Let him who boasts, boast in the Lord' (1 Cor. 1:31).

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• For just as we have many members in one body and all the members do not have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. Since we have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, each of us is to exercise them accordingly: if prophecy, according to the proportion of his faith;

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 Paul uses this as an analogy of how the church, the body of Christ, is meant to operate.

• So it is with believers working together in service for their King. Paul reminded believers that we do not serve for ourselves, but rather "whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through Him to God the Father" (Col. 3:17).



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