

HOW TO LIVE THE CHRISTIAN LIFE

ROMANS 12:1, 2

How did you see God working in your life this week? (Romans 1:11, 12)

BACKGROUND: Read the background for this section of Romans in the Life Application Study Bible between Chapters 11 and 12. Additional background: “Mercy is a kindness or help given to people who are in a very bad or desperate situation.” Merriam Webster.

BE A LIVING SACRIFICE. In everything, live as Jesus lived. When you are controlled by the Holy Spirit and living under the power of grace, you are a “living sacrifice”; and the Scriptures call this worship. (**Romans 12:1, fn 12:1, I Peter 2:4, 5, I John 2:6, fn 2:6, Ephesians 4:1, 2, fn 4:1, 2**) *How could your day’s activities be worship?*

BE TRANSFORMED. If you are living conforming to the pattern of this world, people are unable to see Christ in you. To be transformed is to allow the Holy Spirit to use the Scriptures to transform your mind and pattern your life after Christ so that others can see His life in you. (**Romans 12:2, fn 12:1, 2, fn 12:2, I John 2:15-17, fn 2:15, 16, Romans 8:5-7, fn 8:5, 6, Ephesians 4:21-24, fn 4:22-24, II Corinthians 3:12-18, fn 3:18**) *Why is your quiet time and time with your small group vital for your transformation?*

BE ASSURED. As you live your life as a living sacrifice and continue to renew your mind, you will be able to discern God’s will for your life. (**Romans 12:2, Luke 24:44,45, fn 24:45, John 1:47-51, fn 1:51, I John 5:13-15, 20, Colossians 1:9-14, fn 1:9-14, Colossians 3:10, fn 3:10**) *How can you find out God’s will, and why is this important?*

Check up—Are you praying with your spouse and your family? Group—Pray for personal requests and bond together by fellowshiping together.

