

ROMANS

The righteous shall live by faith.
"For an evangelist of the gospel, it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes. In the law and prior to the Greek." For in the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith."

God's Wrath on Unrighteousness



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Swimming Upstream

Romans 12:1-2

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1. Offer to God _____ . (v. 1)

How to Offer:

- i. _____ to God and be _____
- ii. _____ every part of my _____

2. Ask God to change _____

through _____ and
_____. (v. 2)

Ways to Renew My Mind:

- i. Schedule daily _____ with God
- ii. Guard my _____
- iii. Ask the Holy Spirit to change _____
- iv. Systematically _____ Scripture
- v. Memorize _____
- vi. _____ the Word
- vii. Gather with _____ who are also pursuing truth

This Week's Challenge:

Statement: God, I _____
every part of my life to you.

Prayer: Show me _____

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Discussion Questions

1. Read Romans 12:1-2 together. What do you think Paul means when he calls us to present our bodies as a "living sacrifice"? How is this different from the Old Testament sacrifices?
2. 12:1 says this is our "spiritual worship." How does this definition of worship challenge or expand the way you normally think about worship?
3. Paul contrasts being "conformed to this world" with being "transformed by the renewing of your mind." In what areas of life do you feel the strongest pull to conform to the world?
4. What does "the renewing of your mind" look like in everyday practice? Can you share a time when God changed the way you thought about something through His Word?
5. 12:2 promises that by renewing our minds, we can "discern what is the will of God." Why do you think renewing our minds is key to knowing God's will?
6. What is one concrete step you can take this week to resist conformity to the world and invite God to renew your mind? How can this group help you follow through?