

Study Guide

Romans Course

Session 8: Devotion How can we live full on lives for God?

Read Romans 12 1-2

How different does your life look now compared with your 'old' life? If it does not look different, what are the things that are holding you back?

2. Why do you think Paul urges us not to conform to the pattern of the world, but instead, be transformed by the renewing of your mind? Why is the mind so important?

Read Romans 12 11-21

3. Discuss the practical ways in which we are called to live differently as Christians. Why?

4. a) We often say that a Christian way of life is 'counter cultural'. Do you find this statement encouraging or discouraging?

b) Is it more helpful to say that as Christians, 'being a child of God is normal'?

Read Romans 12 4-8

5. In light of this passage, how important is it to be part of the church? Is it even an option to be a lone Christian?

6. As Christians we all will have different gifts according to what God has given us. Each person and their gift forms an important part of Christ's body (the church). Have you thought about what your gift or gifts are and how you should be using them? Is there anything holding you back?

7. Do you see God given gifts in others? If so, have you encouraged them to explore using that gift?

Personal Reflection

Think about what it might look like for you to offer your body as a living sacrifice.

Invite the Holy Spirit to renew your mind and commit to seek truth through his inspiration and word (the Bible).

Think about everyday life and how you can become better agents and witnesses for God in a broken world.

What are your gifts and are you using them to bless the church?