

Reflection Questions: Romans 12:1-2

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These reflection questions are designed to help you apply the message from the Scriptures by helping you think through application to your personal life, your church life, and your city's life. You can use these by yourself for reflection, or with your family or small group for discussion. To review the message, go to MercyHillBCS.org/resources/messages.

INTRODUCTION

Pray. Take a moment to pray asking God to guide you in reflecting upon the Scripture text.

Read the Scripture text: Romans 12:1-2

1 I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. **2** Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

QUESTIONS

1. Let's think about how this text applies to our lives as individuals.

- What is the logical connection you see in this text between what God has done and what we are called to do?
- When the author calls us to offer our bodies as a living sacrifice, how does that resonate with you? What is he getting at? What do you think that might look like?
- How does this text clarify what God wants to do in my life? What do you think it would look like for you to intentionally live out this text in your life? Let's brainstorm this together.

2. Let's think about how this text applies to us as a community of Jesus' followers.

- What comes to your mind when you imagine a group of Jesus' followers being transformed by the renewing of our minds?
- What kind of community is this text calling us to become for the sake of the world? What is the cost if we are not transformed by this text? In other words, what is lost if we ignore the message?

3. Let's think about how this text applies to our city.

- What kind of new life / future in Christ is this text calling our city to experience?
- How would Bryan/College Station look radically different if everybody did what Jesus describes in this passage?