

“Transformation by the Mercies of God”

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Sermon text: Romans 12:1, 2

1. A Merciful Motivation

Romans 12:1a

I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God,

Romans 1:18-32

Romans 5:6-10

Mark 16:7

2. A Nonconformist Imperative

Romans 12:1b-2:

I appeal to you.....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.

1 John 2:15–17

Genesis 13:8–13

Genesis 18:17–21

Genesis 19:23–29

2 Peter 2:8

Romans 1:25, 28

Worldlings prize their gems of beauty,
cling to gilded toys of dust,
boast of wealth and fame and pleasure;
only Jesus will I trust.

“All for Jesus!” vs. 3, Mary D. James 1889, (Public Domain), Trinity Psalter Hymnal #502, 2018

Set to hymn tune WYCLIFF, John Stainer, *The Crucifixion*, 1887

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