

Totally Surrendered to Christ

Romans 12:1-8

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1. Our Relationship to God

- **By the mercies of God –**
 - We are brought into relationship by grace through faith in Christ alone (Romans 3 - 5)
 - We grow in our relationship by grace and yielding to the Spirit of God (Romans 6 – 8)
- **Present your bodies a living sacrifice**
 - Totally surrendered (without reservation)
 - Not according to the world's directives
 - Transformed by God's work from the inside out
 - The renewing of your mind
 - According to God's will
- **A sacrifice of service**
 - Acceptable to God
 - Reasonable
 - Divine service which is worship

2. Evaluating Myself

- Not to think too highly of oneself (esteem oneself too much, arrogant)
- Think with sound evaluation of yourself, according to faith in God's enabling

3. Our Relationship to Each Other in the Church

We are one body in Christ

Individually members one of another

We belong to each other

We minister to each other

We need each other

So are we committed to each other?

4. Our Ministry to Each Other through Spiritual Gifts

Prophecy – preaching (edification, exhortation, and comfort)

Service – caring for needs in tangible ways

Teaches – instructs from the Word of God (2 Tim. 3:16)

Exhorts or encouragement

Gives – generously

Leads – (presides, leadership responsibility) eager and earnest

Show mercy – (compassionate) being kind to others gladly