

Greater Things Week 3 - Greater Purpose

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. Romans 12:1-2

What are the “mercies of God” that Paul uses as the basis for his appeal?

Why is it so important that our actions flow from God’s mercies rather than our own attempts at self-righteousness?

What does it mean to present your bodies as a living sacrifice? Explain Paul’s metaphor. Is it a one time event or an ongoing way of life?

How does verse one change your perception of worship?

Paul commands them: “Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind.” Why does your mind need to be renewed in order to know and follow God’s will?

How does a Christian go about having their mind renewed? (2 Timothy 3:16-17, John 15)

Based on other Scriptures, what do we already know is God’s will for Christians? Give a few examples.

Read Ephesians 2:10. What does this verse tell us about everyone who follows Christ?

If someone were to ask you “How can I know the will of God”, what kind of guidance would you give them?

How does Romans 12:1-2 relate to evangelism and outreach in the life of a Christ-follower?