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# SERMON SERIES "We're On a Mission from God"

## "MAKE DISCIPLES! PART 2" Romans 12:1-2

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#### I. God's mercies makes devoted disciples. (vv. 1)

I appeal to you therefore, brothers"
"by/on account of the mercies of God"
"to present your bodies as a living sacrifice"
"your spiritual worship"

Psalms 25 → 1 Corinthians 6:20 → 2 Corinthians 5:14-15
"holy and acceptable to God"

**Commitment:** devote ourselves to God's service daily. What does this look like?

Psalms 25:1 Lamentations 3:22-23 Romans 6:12-13 1 Corinthians 6:20 2 Corinthians 5:14-15 1 Thessalonians 2:4

"The Christian life is to be a daily giving over of our lives and our bodies in obedience to God, motivated by the view of God's mercy that we have as we stand at the foot of the cross and see His Son dying there for us." -Tim Keller

"It is in our bodies that sin, and sinful tendencies, addictions, and habits have exercised their spiritually destructive influence on us." -Sinclair Ferguson

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#### II. Disciples reject the pattern of this evil age. (vv. 2a)

"Do not be conformed to this world"

Romans. 1:18ff Colossians 2:8, 18-23

"All of us are immersed in a highly effective discipleship program offered by our culture Monday through Saturday." -Stephen McAlpine

### III. Disciples renew their minds to pattern of God's will. (vv. 2b)

"be transformed"
"the renewal of your mind"
"by testing, you may discern what is the will of God"
"what is good, acceptable and perfect"

Psalms 1:1-2; 77:12-13; 119:9-11 2 Corinthians 3:18 Ephesians 5:18-21 Colossians 3:16-17 Hebrews 5:11-14

"The Christian life- our growth in Christ- is nothing other than the lifelong deconstruction of what we naturally think and assume and the reconstruction of truth through the Bible."

-Dane Ortlund

"Growing in holiness and sanctification requires that we put down deep roots into the soil of gospel." -Sinclair Ferguson