

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Romans 12:1 Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship. 2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect. 3 For through the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think more highly of himself than he ought to think; but to think so as to have sound judgment, as God has allotted to each a measure of faith.

I pray that, together with one another, we are living and holy worshipers of Jesus Christ. I pray that we are not conformed to this world but transformed to live out God's will for us. I pray that we not think more highly of ourselves than we ought to think.

I am thankful to Jesus Christ for Pastor Jonathan, Pastor Jamie and Jesse leading our drive-in worship service yesterday. I was able to engage with you all from out of town. Romans 8 is such a rich text! I pray that we LOVE Jesus Christ and LIVE OUT our calling according to HIS purpose. WE KNOW that everything works together for good... HE (FORE)KNEW... (this pandemic would come and wants to use it for His glory).

We want to have "good worship services." And more than that, we want all our members offering God "daily service of worship." As we prepare to gather-in-person and look at 1 Corinthians 12:21-26 this Sunday, May 31st, I hope to share Romans 12 bit by bit in the emails each day this week. Both chapters give great insight into how the Word prescribes for the "body of Christ" to function. Please consider giving some time yourself to these two chapters.

Dependent on the Mercies of God,  
Pastor Stan

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