



## The Best of Romans – Week 5 “Living Sacrifices”

**Start with a few questions to get everyone talking. Choose questions that will work well with your group or family.**

1. Read Zephaniah 3:17 and Psalm 84:11. What does this verse say about our relationship with God the Creator and Sustainer of life everlasting?
2. Paul finishes up his main theological exposition in chapters 9-11. That is to say that God’s mercies have been fully expressed in Christ. What does it mean to you to present your body as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God?
3. Romans 12: 4–8 speaks of the many parts of the body of Christ. In fact, the Bible knows nothing of *Lone Ranger Christianity*. Who are the few other believers where you find support, love, encouragement, accountability, prayer, and friendship?

Read Romans 12:9-10. In your groups discuss what it might mean in Christian circles if we all practiced Paul’s words. How might it change the world?

**To introduce some different perspectives into the conversation, consider reading one of these verses together.**

Zephaniah 3:17, Psalm 84:11, Romans 12

**End each week with a challenge to take action. Lead your group to help each person identify their next steps.**

1. God’s dream is that “Christians” would actually live like Christians.

See if you can fill out the following by reading Romans 12:

Romans 12 – The executive summary of an authentic Christ-follower.

- a. Your relationship with \_\_\_\_\_ -- Surrendered to God (v. 1)
- b. Your relationship with the \_\_\_\_\_ -- Separate from the world (v. 2)
- c. Your relationship with \_\_\_\_\_ -- Sober in self-assessment (v. 3-8)
- d. Your relationship with \_\_\_\_\_ -- Serving in love with other believers (v. 9-13)
- e. Your relationship to \_\_\_\_\_ -- Supernaturally responding to evil with good. Especially with non-believers (v. 14-21).

Prayer: Pray that God’s Spirit would continue to work in you so that you can exemplify what it is to be a Romans 12 Christian. Ask God to remove the obstacles that keep you from being an “All-In” Christian.