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Romans 12:1-2 tells us, ***“I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. <sup>2</sup> And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.”***

We are to place our lives spiritually on the altar of God and present ourselves to God. We do this as an act of love, and we do it while we are still alive. It is a living sacrifice, not a sacrifice that involves physical death or self-inflicted flagellation [beating or cutting ourselves or causing physical harm to ourselves to get God to love us].

Transformation comes as we spend time in the Word of God. Through the reading of the word, faith is developed. We also learn what is right and what is wrong [sin]. Our old sin nature comes under the control of our spirit as we study the word of God. Our renewed born-again spirit controls us rather than our old sin nature. Through this process, we have crucified the flesh.

Is your mind being transformed? Just like a caterpillar in a cocoon becomes a butterfly, change must take place. The word of God acts like a washing machine. As we read the Bible, we begin to see ourselves the way God sees us. The word brings conviction [not condemnation] of those areas in our lives that have been controlled by sin. As we repent of our sin, and ask God to forgive us, then our mind is washed of the filth and dirt that we put into it. It becomes transformed.

Your life will never change without the mind being changed or as God says, transformed. Allow God's word into your life, and you will see change [transformation] will take place!