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Series: Gospel of Hope
Title: Hope that Transforms
Romans 12:1-2

12 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 — Hope that _____.
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“No further would I read; nor needed I: for instantly at the end of this sentence, by a light as it were of serenity infused into my heart, all the darkness of doubt vanished away. ... How sweet did it at once become to me, to want the sweetnesses of those toys! And what I feared to be parted from, was now a joy to part with. For You did cast them forth from me, You true and highest sweetness. You cast them forth, and for them entered in Yourself, sweeter than all pleasure ... Now my soul was free from the biting cares of canvassing and getting, and weltering in filth, and scratching off the itch of lust. And my infant tongue spoke freely to You, my brightness, and my riches, and my health, the Lord my God.”

“You awake us to delight in Your praise; for You made us for Yourself, and our heart is restless, until it rests in You.”

The Transformed Christian Life:

1. A _____ to God.
 2. A _____ to God.
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 - Three Characteristics of your life as a sacrifice to God:
 - _____.
 - _____.
 - _____.
 2. A _____ to God.
 - This is your _____ response in worship.
 - A reordering of our lives to God after the effects of sin:
 - _____ instead of _____.
 - Our bodies _____ to God instead of the _____.
 - Worshiping the _____ instead of serving the _____.
 - A _____ mind instead of a _____ mind.
 - _____ God's will instead of _____ God's decrees.
 3. A _____ to God.
 - Discern God's will as:
 - _____
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