Sermon Notes

Worship Matters: All of Life a Living Sacrifice

Romans 12:1-2

I. Introduction

II. We are made righteous in Christ because we are enjoying God’s mercies (Rom 12:1a)
   A. Our enjoyment is a result of what God has done for us (Rom 1-11, 11:30,31)
   B. Our enjoyment is out of God’s mercies (Rom 12:1a)

III. We present ourselves as a living sacrifice because we are enjoying God’s mercies (Rom 12:1b)
   A. Our response is one of worship and service (Phil 2:17; 2 Tim 4:6)
   B. Our response is all of life and total (Rom 6:12-13; 1 Thes 4:1-12; Deu 6:1-13, 10:12–11:1)
   C. Our response is spiritual, reasonable and voluntary (Deu. 4:32–40; 6:20–25)

IV. We can be transformed because we are enjoying God’s mercies (Rom 12:2)
   A. Our transformation is by renewing of the mind (Col.3: 1-5)
   B. Our transformation is about living out who we are (2 Peter 1:4)

V. Conclusion
   1 Our whole life as worship is motivated by knowledge of God’s mercies and by the experience of his grace. Holiness is not burdensome but a privilege arising from a grateful response to a gracious God.
   2 Blessed with God’s mercies in Christ, we present our transformed lives as living sacrifices by the power of the Holy Spirit, doing the good, acceptable and perfect will of our Father.
   3 The truth of who we are in Christ is the motive and the controlling power in the way we live.