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Rom 12:1-2 - Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship. 2 Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

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| FORMED | - Knitted together perfectly for all the days ordained for me |
| CONFORMED | - To the pattern of Christ not the pattern of the world |
| DEFORMED | - All have fallen short and are deformed by sin |
| TRANSFORMED | - By renewing our minds to know God's will |

Questions

1. In light of the global self image confusion, how does the Bible's revelation of our formation transform and ground our self image? Do you live as if this is true?
2. As the pattern of this world fights for our attention how can we be conformed to the pattern of Christ? How does the pattern of Christ affect our spending patterns, our worship patterns, our marriage patterns, our relationship patterns?
3. What does renewing your mind mean? How does this help us know God's will?

I urge you, therefore my dear brothers in light of; in view of God's mercy, offer your bodies as a living sacrifice. This is a spiritual, logical, act of worship. Do not conform any longer to the patterns of this world, the spending patterns, the worship patterns, the marriage patterns, the relational patterns, the self-image patterns, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind that you might test and approve what God's will is, his good, his pleasing, and his perfect will.

