

— Romans 12.1-2 —
About Our Church 2
Worship 1

Rom 12:1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. 2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

* Why is worship important? Why is it relevant?

– Vs 1

– Vs 2

* Where is the main reservoir of God's instructions for worship found? How does Paul point us there in our text?

– "Living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God"

– "Reasonable service"

* Other examples of OT worship language and imagery:

– *1Pet 2.5 you also, as living stones, are being built up [into] a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.*

– *Eph 2.19 Now, therefore, you are ... members of the household of God, 20 having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ ... being the chief cornerstone, 21 in whom the whole building, joined together, grows into a holy temple ...*

– *Phil 2.17 Yes, and if I am being poured out as a drink offering on the sacrifice and service of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with you all. (See also 2Tim 4.6.)*

* The reason why the apostles point us to OT worship to learn about NT worship is because ...

* Where did Adam first learn to serve God?

* The Garden of Eden was also a ...

* What archetypal patterns do we see in the Garden?

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* Put all this together and you get the picture of ...

* How did man's sin affect all this?

* When God calls fallen man to approach him in worship, it must be ...

– Cain and Abel

– Altar stones

– The tabernacle

– The 2nd Commandment

* What role did graven images play in the ancient world?

* Fallen man's fundamental idolatry is ...

* When God began calling man back to true worship of the one true God, it was a ...

* All of our worship—everything we render to God—is a ...

We can only serve and honor God because he has first ...

Our fundamental response is ...