DEVOTION

Theme: How can we live full on for God?

Rom.12:1-2

1. **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.

- Going through the book of Romans, up to chapter 11 Paul explained the deep truth of God's mercy, grace and sovereignty. Now he turns from what we believe to how we live.

"THEREFORE"

- **Opening up with therefore is an indicator of continuity**
- **Therefore those not stand alone, it's a response to everything God has already done for us**

Today's main question is: How can we live full on for God?

I. Offering our selves as a living sacrifice

II. Being renewed in our minds

III. Living a transformed life.

1- THE CALL TO BE A LIVING SACRIFICE

Back ground: In Jewish and Roman traditions - Animals offered once at the altar and they are gone forever.

Living sacrifice – Daily on-going surrender/ daily devotion.

2- RENEW YOUR MIND

Do not conform to the world-

Two choices set before us; *conform* or *be transformed*

Conform; Automatically adopt the world's values and standards.

Transformed; change of mind by the word of God influenced by the Holly Spirit.

3- TRANSFORMED LIVING

Transcending from what we believe to who we are

Living by the truth of the word of God.

CONCLUSION

Full-on devotion = Daily surrender, as a living sacrifice

Full-on devotion =renewed mind – rejecting worldly patterns

True devotion involves sacrificing our will, choosing to do God's wil