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MEN'S OUTING

January 30, 2021

On January 30 the men will be gathering for paintball, food, and a fire pit! Mark your calendars, more information to come!



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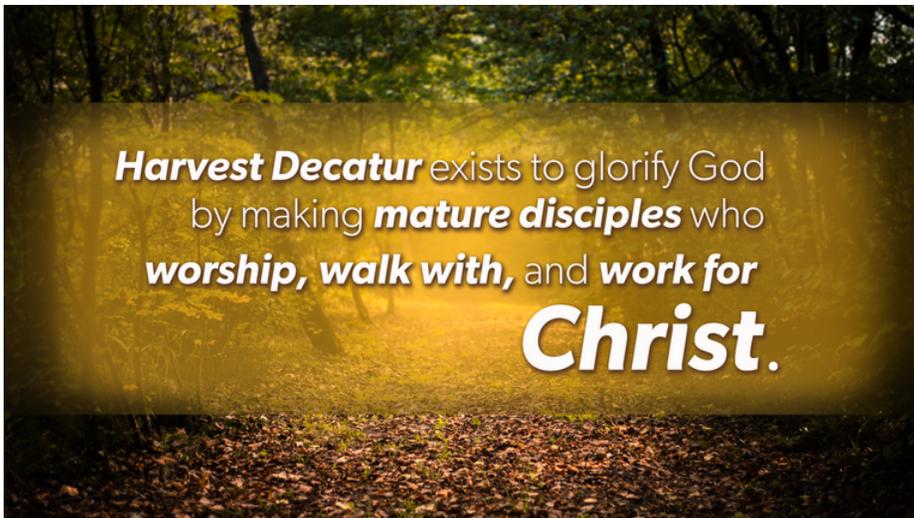
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DARE TO BE DIFFERENT

Romans 12:2

Pastor Tony will be starting a new sermon series starting January 10!



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We are glad you're here!



WHOLLY TRANSFORMED

ROMANS 9-16

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January 3, 2021

sermon notes

January 3, 2020 | Pastor Tony Caffey, Harvest Decatur
Wholly Transformed | "Living Sacrifice" | Romans 12:1-2

What does a "living sacrifice" look like?

1. _____ – a constant state of surrender
(Rom 12:1)

_____ *by mercy*

_____ *with holiness*

_____ *on God's glory*

2. _____ – a constant state of renewal
(Rom 12:2)

_____ *from the world*

_____ *by the truth*

_____ *to God's will*

Questions for further application of God's Word:

GO DEEPER

Paul urges us to offer our bodies as "living sacrifices." Paul tells us to do this "by" or "because of" the mercies of God? What mercies of God has Paul written about in Romans 1-11? What mercies has God shown you in your life? How might God's mercy motivate us to offer our bodies as living sacrifices?

What does it mean to be a "living sacrifice"? What image does that conjure up in your mind? What's the difference between a living sacrifice and a dead sacrifice? Why would God use this OT image of sacrifice to speak about a Christian's act of worship? How is this an act of worship?

GET PERSONAL

What does "conforming" to the world look like? Why does Paul tell us "do not be conformed to the world"? Does this mean that we need to remove ourselves completely from the people of the world? Why or why not?

What does transformation (Greek: *metamorphōō*) for a Christian look like? How are our minds renewed? How do you renew your mind on a weekly basis? What about a daily basis? What roles do 1) The Scriptures, 2) The Holy Spirit, and 3) The Christian community play in God's work of transformation in your life?

PUT IT INTO PRACTICE

Perhaps you've made a decision to receive God's mercy. But have you ever made a decision to surrender your life to him? Have you ever verbalized the essence of Romans 12:1 in a prayer to the LORD? If not, do that now. What benefit might come from doing this on a regular (daily?) basis?

ADVANCED QUESTIONS FOR DEEPER STUDY

Read the following article by Courtney Doctor at the TGC website:

<https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/article/gods-will-life-obvious-think/>

How do you discern God's will for your life? What does Romans 12:2 teach us on this subject? What's the distinction between God's hidden will and his revealed will? Read the following article at the Ligonier website to help you answer that question: <https://www.ligonier.org/learn/devotionals/will-god/>