

TALK IT OVER

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Review this week's message.

Key Scripture: [Romans 12:1-2](#), [Colossians 3:16-17](#)

Start talking. Get the conversation rolling.

- What's your "ideal" temperature setting at home, and who in your family is constantly trying to change it?
- Preferences make the world interesting. If everyone had to like the exact same food, what one dish would you vote for the world to agree on?

Start sharing. Be open with your group.

- What stood out to you the most from this week's message?
- Jesus said the Father seeks worshipers in "*spirit and in truth*" ([John 4:24](#)). If God is looking for posture, not pitch, what is the *posture* of your heart typically like during a Sunday worship service? Is it focused, distracted, expectant, or something else?
- Pastor Josh said, "*If worship is about my preference, then it's no longer about His presence.*" Where have you noticed this tension in your own life—where your feelings or preferences about the style of worship get in the way of responding to God's presence?
- "*Singing without surrender is just karaoke.*" That's a challenging statement. What is the difference between singing with a surrendered heart versus just singing the words?
- "*Worship starts with surrender — not sound.*" What is one area of your life—a relationship, a financial decision, a future plan—that you are currently struggling to keep "on the altar" as a living sacrifice?

Start praying. Be bold and pray with power.

- Pray the second part of Romans 12:2 over yourself daily: "*Let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think.*" Pray specifically for one habit, thought pattern, or reaction in your life to be transformed to look more like Jesus.

Start doing. Commit to a step and live it out this week.

- Choose one routine task or challenging interaction this week (e.g., driving, chores, a tough conversation). Consciously perform it "as a representative of the Lord Jesus," shifting your focus from how you feel to a posture of surrendered obedience.